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Serial	Date	Description (Type of communication, to, from)	No. of Pages		Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited)
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71	12/28/50	B.A. report to HQ	4	—	referred to other Gov. Agency
72	1/8/51	HQ Letter to NY	1	—	Bu-file 101-2115
73	1/15/51	W.F.O. report to HQ	15	—	referred to other Gov. Agency
74	2/12/51	D.N. report to HQ	3	3	"
75	2/27/51	HQ Letter to ASST. A.G.	1	—	Bu-file 65-58236
Not Recorded	2/14/51	N.Y. Teletype to HQ	2	—	Bu-file 65-58236
Not Recorded	2/15/51	WFO TT to HQ, NY, PH	1	—	Bu-file 65-58236
Not Recorded	2/16/51	WFO TT to HQ, PH, NY	1	—	Bu-file 65-58236
Not Recorded	2/17/51	W.F.O. Letter to HQ	1	—	Bu-file 65-58236
Not Recorded	2/20/51	HQ Teletype to N.Y.	1	—	Bu-file 65-58236
76	3/3/51	N.Y. Teletype to HQ CH	1	1	
77	3/3/51	N.Y. Teletype to HQ WFO	1	1	
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79	4/11/51	HQ Letter to N.Y.	1	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
79	3/24/51	AAG let to HQ	1	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
80	5/11/51	N.Y. report to HQ	22	-	65-58236 NY 65-15348-1716 291/2.31.78
80	5/11/51	N.Y. Letter to HQ	3	0	Referred to other Gov. Agency
81	5/25/51	HQ Letter to ASST. A.G.	1	1	
82	8/18/51	W.F.O. report to HQ	9	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
82	8/18/51	Copy of W.F.O. report #292 to HQ	9	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
83	7/11/51	HQ Letter to N.Y.	1	1	
84	7/23/51	W.F.O. report to HQ	6	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
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85	8/3/51	BA report to HQ	7	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
86	7/31/51	HQ Letter to ASST. A.G.	1	1	

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87	8/15/51	N.Y. report to HQ	28	-	Referred to other Gov. Agency
88	8/19/51	N.Y. Teletype to HQ #292	1	1	
89	8/15/51	HQ. Letter to ASST, A.G.	1	1	
90	8/23/51	HQ. Letter ASST, A.G.	1	1	
91	9/6/51	W.F.O. report to HQ	5	5	
91	9/17/51	HQ. Letter to ASST, A.G.	1	1	
92	10/23/51	N.Y. Teletype to HQ #292	1	1	
93	10/25/51	NK report to HQ	5	5	
93	11/23/51	HQ. Letter to ASST, A.G.	1	1	
Not Recorded	10/30/51	HQ. Letter to AL	2	-	Bu-file 65-58236
94	10/26/51	N.Y. report to HQ	31	31	
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95	1/7/51	ASST. A.G. Letter to HQ	1	—	referred to other Gov. Agency
96	12/11/51	HQ Letter to ASST. A.G.	1	1	
97	1/4/52	N.Y. report to HQ	9	9	
97	1/4/52	N.Y. Letter to HQ	1	1	
98	1/23/52	N.Y. Letter to HQ VERIFICATION #292	1	1	
99	4/4/52	N.Y. Letter to HQ	2	—	see NY file 65-14873
100	5/15/52	N.Y. Letter to HQ	1	1	
101	5/5/52	N.Y. Teletype to HQ #292	1	1	
Not Recorded	7/1/52	HQ Letter to N.Y.	1	1	
102	7/3/52	Internal memo	1	1	
103	6/20/52	N.Y. report to HQ	94	—	referred to other Gov. Agency

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 65-688

REPORT MADE AT DENVER, COLORADO	DATE WHEN MADE 2-2-51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-31-51	REPORT MADE BY JOSEPH C. LEARNED skv
TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Confidential Informant reported ANNE PESS was a member of the CP in Denver, Colorado, for a short period in 1943. Informants report no information regarding her husband, LOUIS PESS.

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DETAILS

*No dissemination
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The records of the Denver General Hospital, Denver, Colorado, as provided by Miss MIRIAM SMITH reflected ANNE R. PESS, Laboratory Technician was employed from November 18, 1942, to August 16, 1943.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The confidential informants listed in the report of SA JOSEPH C. LEARNED dated February 2, 1951, at Denver, Colorado, entitled "WILLIAM DANZIGER; ESPIONAGE - R" are as follows:

Confidential Informant T-1

Anonymous

Confidential Informant T-2

[REDACTED]

Confidential Informant T-3

[REDACTED]

Confidential Informant T-4

[REDACTED]

REFERENCE:

Report of SA FRANCIS J. DUANE dated January 15, 1951
at Washington, D. C.

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WILLIAM DANZIGER, ESP R. CHICAGO REQUESTED TO OBTAIN AT MERCHANDISE MART, BUREAU OF PUBLIC DEBT, TREASURY DEPT, UNCERTIFIED LIST OF US SAVINGS BONDS TRANSACTIONS ON THE PART OF WILLIAM AND SYLVIA DANZIGER FOR THE PERIOD MAY ONE, FORTY FIVE TO PRESENT DATE. WILLIAM DANZIGER DURING PERTINENT PERIOD, WAS EMPLOYED BY THE BUREAU OF ORD-NANCE, NAVY DEPT, WASHINGTON, DC. MAY FORTY FIVE UNTIL SEPT, FORTY NINE AND BY ACADEMY ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS CO, FOUR EIGHT FOUR NINE BROADWAY, NYC, APRIL FIFTY UNTIL PRESENT TIME. DANZIGERS RESIDED AT FOUR THREE FOUR TWO HALLEY TERRACE, SE, WASHINGTON, DC MAY, FORTY FIVE UNTIL JUNE, FORTY SIX, ONE NINE NAUGHT NINE, NINETEEN STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC, AND FIVE FIVE NAUGHT ONE, SEVENTH ST, NW, WASHINGTON DC, JUNE, FORTY SIX TO MAY, FIFTY, ONE TWO FOUR FEATHERBED LANE, NYC, MAY FIFTY TO PRESENT. DANZIGER MAY BE USED AS GOVERN-MENT WITNESS IN JULIUS ROSENBERG ESPIONAGE TRIAL DUE TO COMMENCE MARCH

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WILLIAM DANIZGER, ESP R. WFO REQUESTED TO INQUIRE AT GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF ALL EXPENSE ACCOUNTS SUBMITTED BY DANZIGER WHILE HE WAS EMPLOYED BY THE BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, NAVY DEPT.

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WILLIAM DANZIGER, ESP R. SUBJ WAS QUESTIONED DURING A PRE TRIAL INTERVIEW BY USA SAYPOL, AUSAS ROY COHN, MYLES J. LANE, JAMES KILSHEIMER, AND NY AGENTS IN THE PRESENCE OF SUBJECT-S ATTORNEY MORRIS EHR-
LICH. DANZIGER REPEATED IN SUBSTANCE THE STATEMENTS PREVIOUSLY GIVEN TO BUREAU AGENTS AND TO AUSA LANE AND IN HIS GRAND JURY TESTIMONY. HE ADDED THAT DURING THE TIME HE WAS IN WASHINGTON HE ATTENDED VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THE FAECT AND THE UFW. HE FURTHER ADDED THAT IN MAY NINETEEN FIFTY HE TOLD MORTON SOBELL THAT HE HAD SOME MACHINE WORK THAT HAD TO BE DONE IN CONNECTION WITH HIS BUSINESS. SOBELL TOLD HIM ABOUT ROSENBERG AND THE PITT MACHINE PRODUCTS. DANZIGER STATED HE WENT TO THE PITT MACHINE PRODUCTS AND ROSENBERG WAS NOT THERE BUT HE WAS ADVISED HE COULD BE REACHED AT A STAMPING MACHINE CO. HE STATED HE WENT TO THIS COMPANY AND MET ROSENBERG THERE WHO WAS TRANS-
ACTING SOME BUSINESS WITH THE PITT MACHINE PRODUCTS. DANZIGER COULD NOT RECALL THE NAME OR ADDRESS OF THE STAMPING MACHINE CO. DANZIGER STATED THAT HE TALKED ABOUT GIVING ROSENBERG SOME WORK BUT THAT IN
THE END HE GAVE HIS WORK TO THE STAMPING MACHINE COMPANY THAT

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WAS ALSO DOING WORK FOR ROSENBERG. HE STATED THAT IN THE EARLY PART OF JULY FIFTY HE WAS DOWNTOWN NY NEAR BROOME STREET ABOUT THREE O-CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF MORRIS ALSCHER, BROTHER OF MAX ELITCHER. HE STATED THAT SINCE THE FUNERAL PARLOR WAS ONLY A SHORT DISTANCE FROM THE PITT MACHINE PRODUCTS, HE STOPPED IN AT THIS PLACE AND SAW JULIUS ROSENBERG. HE STATED THAT HE ONLY STAYED A SHORT TIME WITH ROSENBERG AND TOLD ROSENBERG THAT THE ACADEMY ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS CO. HAD SOME SUBCONTRACTING WORK AND WONDERED IF ROSENBERG WAS IN A POSITION TO ACCEPT THE SAME. DANZIGER STATED ROSENBERG TOLD HIM HE WOULD BE UNABLE TO HANDLE ANY ADDITIONAL WORK AS HIS SHOP WAS COMPLETELY TIED UP. HE STATED THAT AFTER HE DISCUSSED HIS BUSINESS WITH ROSENBERG HE LEFT THE PITT MACHINE PRODUCTS AND WENT TO THE FUNERAL OF MORRIS ALSCHER. HE STATED HE HAS NOT SEEN JULIUS ROSENBERG SINCE THAT DATE. HE WAS VIGOROUSLY QUESTIONED BY THE AGENTS AS TO WHY HE HAD NOT TOLD THIS INFO TO THE AGENTS PRIOR TO THIS TIME. HE STATED THAT WHEN HE WAS QUESTIONED PREVIOUSLY THAT HE DID NOT RECALL THESE INCIDENTS BUT IT WAS THEN POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT HE HAD BEEN SPECIFICALLY QUESTIONED CONCERNING ANY OF HIS CONTACTS WITH

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ROSENBERG AND THAT HE HAD CONTINUOUSLY DENIED EVER HAVING SEEN ROSENBERG SINCE HIS COLLEGE DAYS. HE STATED THAT SINCE HIS MEMORY HAD NOW BEEN REFRESHED HE ALSO RECALLED THAT HE EITHER SAW OR HEARD THAT JULIUS ROSENBERG WAS IN WASH, DC SOME TIME DURING THE PERIOD NINETEEN THIRTYNINE TO NINETEEN FORTYONE. MORRIS EHRLICH WAS PRESENT DURING THIS ENTIRE INTERVIEW AND ASKED IF THE USA WOULD WANT DANZIGER PRESENT AGAIN FOR CROSS EXAM PURPOSES BEFORE THE TRIAL. HE WAS ADVISED BY THE USA THAT BEFORE HE WOULD BE GIVEN A TRIAL CROSS EXAM IT WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR DANZIGER TO DECIDE TO COME BACK AND TELL THE AGENTS OF THE FBI THE ENTIRE AND TRUTHFUL STORY AS HE KNEW IT. AS THEY LEFT MR EHRLICH STATED HE WOULD CONFER WITH DANZIGER AND WOULD CALL THE BUREAU AGENTS FOR A FURTHER INTERVIEW IF DANZIGER GAVE HIM ADDITIONAL INFO CONCERNING HIS ACTIVITIES IN THIS MATTER.

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CC - hvu R. L. ...
Mr. Sampson

Assistant Attorney General James H. McInerney

May 25, 1951

Director, FBI

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WILLIAM DANZIGER

ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to your memorandum dated March 21, 1951, requesting that you be supplied with copies of those documents executed by Danziger in connection with his Federal employment in which he denied or omitted to state membership in the Communist Party or any other subversive group.

Transmitted herewith is one copy of the report of Special Agent Charles P. Silverthorn dated May 11, 1951, at New York City, together with enclosures consisting of 11 documents executed by Danziger during his employment by the Navy Department. You will note that the documents are described with particularity on page 18 of Special Agent Silverthorn's report.

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WILLIAM D'NRIGER

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Reurlet May 11, 1951.

You are authorized to furnish a copy of the report of Special Agent Charles P. Silverthorn dated at New York May 11, 1951, to the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, for his information as to the possible prosecution of Danziger on the charge of perjury.

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Date: August 2, 1951
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The Pentagon
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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: WILLIAM DANZIGER
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

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DATE *2-1-78* BY *AFISA*

There is being transmitted herewith a copy of the report of Special Agent Francis J. Duane dated at Washington, D. C., July 23, 1951, in the above-captioned matter.

You will note that this report sets forth the results of an interview that was had with one Louis Pess, who is presently employed by the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Department of the Navy, Navy Annex, Arlington, Virginia. This interview was for the purpose of obtaining from him information concerning Danziger, with whom Pess is known to have been associated in Washington, D. C.

As you have been previously advised, William Danziger was a fellow classmate at CCNY of Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, recently convicted Soviet espionage agents, and is known to have continued his association, particularly with Sobell, up to the time of Sobell's flight to Mexico on June 23, 1950. It might be further pointed out that one Max Elitcher, another classmate of Danziger's, has identified Danziger, Pauline Goldman and a number of others as having been members of a secret CP cell operating in the Navy Department in the middle 1940's.

A full field loyalty investigation is being conducted concerning Pess by this Bureau.

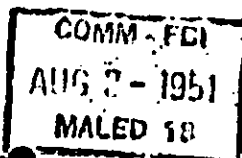
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July 31, 1951

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WILLIAM DANZIGER
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There is being transmitted herewith for your information a copy of the report of Special Agent Francis J. Duane dated at Washington, D. C., July 23, 1951, in the above-captioned matter.

In view of the connection of Louis Fess with the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Annex, Arlington, Virginia, a copy of this report will be disseminated to ONI after a check has been made of Bufile 121-29530 pertaining to this individual.

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August 15, 1951

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WILLIAM DANZIGER
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There is attached hereto one copy of the report of
Special Agent John O. Montgomery, dated August 9, 1951, at
Baltimore, Maryland, in the above case.

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FILE NO. **65-5553**

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D.C.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/8/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/23, 27/51	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS J. DUANE FJD:lbh
TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT of 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SOLOMON and MOLLIE BURG acquainted with subject; neither possessed positive data that subject was a Communist or engaged in espionage. On 6/5/51 subject received refund of \$6 from D.C. Government after failing examination for Master Electrician during 1949.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

SOLOMON and MOLLIE BURG
2421 Good Hope Road, S.E.

Mrs. MADELINE HILLMAN, 3404 Taney Road, Baltimore, Maryland and who formerly lived in Washington, D.C. during the early 1940s, has advised that SOL and MOLLIE BURG were acquainted with DANZIGER and his wife, SYLVIA.

SOLOMON BURG, Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, advised Special Agent ROBERT L. SMELTZER and the writer that he had attended the City College of New York from 1932 until February of 1937, studying Engineering. After 1937 BURG advised that he worked at numerous odd jobs, and finally he secured employment at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey in September, 1938. He continued to work at Ft. Monmouth until November, 1938 when he accepted a position as an Engineer in the Bureau

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of Ordnance at the Navy Department, Washington, D.C. BURG stated that while employed at the Bureau of Ordnance he became acquainted with MAX ELITCHER and subject DANZIGER during the latter part of 1938. BURG said that he never became very friendly with either of these individuals but did see them occasionally at the Bureau where they were all employed. Shortly after arriving in Washington BURG said that he drove to New York with DANZIGER on a few occasions. BURG explained that at this time he was courting his wife and that DANZIGER often made frequent trips to New York for personal reasons.

Throughout his association with DANZIGER, which BURG stated was confined almost exclusively to their association at the Bureau of Ordnance, he had no reason to believe that DANZIGER or ELITCHER were Communists or were engaged in any questionable activity.

Mrs. MOLLIE BURG advised the reporting agent and Special Agent SMELTZER that she had met WILLIAM and SYLVIA DANZIGER through her husband, and that she first met SYLVIA sometime in 1941 when she and her husband visited with the DANZIGERS at their apartment which is located in the vicinity of 25th and K Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. Mrs. BURG said that she could recall meeting SYLVIA DANZIGER on only one or two occasions at the DANZIGER apartment. She explained that she took a dislike to Mrs. DANZIGER and consequently never pursued the acquaintance of Mrs. DANZIGER. MOLLIE BURG advised SYLVIA DANZIGER had impressed her as being a Communist or a Communist sympathizer due to her general manner and conversation. To substantiate this Mrs. BURG cited that on one occasion SYLVIA DANZIGER had told her that she had objected to the fact that there were two types of entrances to her apartment house, one of which was reserved for the colored people and trades people and the other for the tenants.

Mrs. BURG had no pertinent data concerning subject DANZIGER.

OFFICE OF DISBURSING OFFICER,
GOVERNMENT OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

Confidential informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that on June 5, 1951 subject received correspondence at his home, 124 Featherbed Lane, New York City, from the Disbursing Officer, Government of District of Columbia.

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JOHN KROHR, Disbursing Officer, Government of the District of Columbia, 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., advised that check Number 1065799 in the amount of \$6.00 and dated May 31, 1951 was directed by his office to DANZIGER. KROHR explained that this check was actually a refund to DANZIGER who had paid a fee of \$10.00 to the District of Columbia on March 28, 1949 when he was examined for a Master Electrician's license. According to KROHR, DANZIGER failed this examination and \$4.00 was deducted from the fee as a service charge, and the balance of \$6.00 was forwarded to DANZIGER.

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T-1 Mail cover maintained on subject's residence,
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TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT of 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SOLOMON and MOLLIE BURG acquainted with subject; neither possessed positive data that subject was a Communist or engaged in espionage. On 6/5/51 subject received refund of \$6 from D.C. Government after failing examination for Master Electrician during 1949.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

SOLOMON and MOLLIE BURG
2421 Good Hope Road, S.E.

Mrs. MADELINE HILLMAN, 3404 Taney Road, Baltimore, Maryland and who formerly lived in Washington, D.C. during the early 1940s, has advised that SOL and MOLLIE BURG were acquainted with DANZIGER and his wife, SYLVIA.

SOLOMON BURG, Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, advised Special Agent ROBERT L. SMELTZER and the writer that he had attended the City College of New York from 1932 until February of 1937, studying Engineering. After 1937 BURG advised that he worked at numerous odd jobs, and finally he secured employment at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey in September, 1938. He continued to work at Ft. Monmouth until November, 1938 when he accepted a position as an Engineer in the Bureau

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There is attached herewith for your information one copy of the report of Special Agent Francis J. Duane, dated September 6, 1951, at Washington, D. C. in the above-entitled matter.

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TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Newark CI T-1 has advised Subject received correspondence from Schaeffer Co., Inc., 89 Halsey St., Newark, N. J., on 5/31/51. No record of correspondence can be located in files of Schaeffer Co., Inc. Communication with Subject may have been personal correspondence of JULES SWERDLIN of New York City, present manager of Schaeffer Co., Inc. Available background information concerning SWERDLIN and Schaeffer Co., Inc. set out.

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Newark Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the Subject received mail in care of his place of business, the Academy Electrical Products Co., 4849 Broadway, New York City, from the Schaeffer Co., 89 Halsey St., Newark, N. J., on 5/31/51.

Mrs. LEOLA BATHGATE, Treasurer, Schaeffer Co., Inc., 89 Halsey St., Newark, N. J., searched all of the correspondence files and charge and cash accounts of the company for the year 1951 and was unable to locate any information pertaining to WILLIAM DANZIGER or the Academy Electrical Products Co. She advised that the present manager of Schaeffer Co., Inc., is JULES SWERDLIN who maintains a locked cabinet of correspondence handled by him which is generally in the nature of personal correspondence.

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parent company, American Photograph Corp., 370 Seventh Ave., New York City, through an executive employment agency in New York City. According to Mrs. BATHGATE, he had previously been employed by the Camera Specialty Co. on 29th St. in New York City which is owned by "DOC" WIRGIN and imports German cameras. He is a native of New York City, having been raised in the Bronx, and attended New York University. Mrs. BATHGATE stated that he had also served in the U. S. Army.

The files of Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., 744 Broad St., Newark, N. J., contained a report dated 2/21/51 concerning Schaeffer Co., Inc. The stock of this company was purchased in December 1948 by the American Photograph Corp., 370 Seventh Ave., New York City, which operates as a parent company. The present officers of Schaeffer Co., Inc., are set out as follows:

Miss LOUISE ~~KIELY~~—President

She is in her late 30's, single, and was previously employed for several years by Whelan Studios, Inc., New York City, and is Assistant Secretary of the American Photograph Corp.

JOHANNA (Mrs. I.) ~~LEVORSEN~~—Secretary

She is married, was born in 1917 in the United States, and was previously employed by Whelan Studios, Inc., New York City. She has no stock interest.

Mrs. LEOLA ~~BATHGATE~~—Treasurer

She was born in the United States in 1905, is married, and has been associated with the Schaeffer Co. under its various ownerships since 1930. Her husband is employed elsewhere and neither have any stock interest in the company.

JULES ~~SWERDLIN~~—Vice President and General Manager

He was born in the United States in 1915, is married, and was previously employed by the parent company until late 1950 when he was elected to his present position. He has only a qualifying stock interest.

The business volume is considered substantial and the company has a net worth in low six figures with principal accounts being inventories which move at a slow rate. Trade payments are retired in an irregular manner.

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A supplemental report of 8/28/51 reflected that A. O. GRANLUND, Accountant for Schaeffer Co., Inc., as well as the parent company, advised that a profit and loss statement would not be submitted.

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Will, if deemed advisable, conduct background investigation concerning JULES SWERDLIN, Manager, Schaeffer Co., Inc., 89 Halsey St., Newark, N. J., available information concerning whom is set out in this report, to determine if he can be discreetly contacted concerning his relationship with the Subject.

Informant

T-1 is a mail cover maintained on the residence and employment of the Subject by the New York Office as set out in referenced report.

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TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

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BENJAMIN and RUTH GREENGLASS, brother and wife of DAVID GREENGLASS, self-confessed Soviet espionage agent, could not verify subject's visits with JULIUS ROSENBERG at Pitt Machine Products Co. Two former employees of Pitt Machine Products Co. also failed to identify subject's photograph. USA, SDNY, MYLES J. LANE declined to take any action at the present time regarding possible prosecution of DANZIGER for perjury, but desired that the matter be held in abeyance until such time as a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL appeal is made known. LANE pointed out DANZIGER was used as a government witness against ROSENBERG and SOBELL, and he did not wish to institute any action on DANZIGER which might affect the appeal in these cases. USA also declined to subpoena LOUIS and ANN PESS before the Federal Grand Jury, SDNY, at the present time.

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DETAILS:

INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT'S VISITS WITH JULIUS ROSENBERG

As has been previously reported, WILLIAM DANZIGER, during a pretrial interview prior to his testifying in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL espionage trial in the Southern District of New York, furnished information regarding his visits with JULIUS ROSENBERG. This interview was conducted by SAS JOHN A. HARRINGTON and WILLIAM F. NORTON, JR., and the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, in the presence of DANZIGER'S attorney, MORRIS EHRLICH, on March 2, 1951.

DANZIGER, during this interview, furnished the additional information that in May 1950 he told MORTON SOBELL that he had some machine work that had to be done in connection with his business, the Academy Electrical Products Corporation. SOBELL told DANZIGER that ROSENBERG, through the Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc. did subcontracting work. DANZIGER stated he went to the Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc. to contact ROSENBERG regarding this subcontracting work. However, ROSENBERG was not there. DANZIGER was advised at the Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc. that ROSENBERG could be reached at a stamping machine company.

DANZIGER stated he went to this company and met ROSENBERG there. DANZIGER was very vague and evasive regarding the stamping machine company, and he could not recall the name or address of this company. DANZIGER stated he talked to ROSENBERG about giving ROSENBERG some work, but eventually the subcontracting work was given elsewhere and not to ROSENBERG.

Concerning JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL, mentioned above, it is to be noted that ROSENBERG and SOBELL were both convicted in the Southern District of New York in March 1951 of a conspiracy to commit espionage. ROSENBERG was subsequently sentenced to death and SOBELL was sentenced to thirty years.

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DANZIGER also related that in the early part of July 1950, he was in Manhattan near Broome Street at about three o'clock in the afternoon to attend the funeral of MORRIS ALSCHER, the brother of MAX ELITCHER. DANZIGER advised that since the funeral parlor was only a short distance from the Pitt Machine Products Company, he stopped in to see JULIUS ROSENBERG. DANZIGER stated he only stayed a short time with ROSENBERG, and they again discussed the subcontracting work that had to be done for the Academy Electrical Products Corporation. DANZIGER wondered if ROSENBERG was in a position to accept the same. ROSENBERG informed DANZIGER that he would be unable to handle any additional work, as his shop was completely tied up. DANZIGER advised that after he discussed his business with ROSENBERG, he left the Pitt Machine Products Company and went to the funeral of MORRIS ALSCHER. DANZIGER indicated he had not seen JULIUS ROSENBERG since that date.

DANZIGER was closely questioned as to why he had not told this information to the Agents prior to this time. DANZIGER stated that when he was questioned previously, he did not recall these incidents.

It is to be noted that DANZIGER, when initially interviewed on August 28, 1950 by Bureau Agents, and on each interview by Bureau Agents thereafter, was specifically questioned regarding his knowledge of or his contacts with JULIUS ROSENBERG. In each instance DANZIGER emphatically claimed that he could not recall seeing JULIUS ROSENBERG since they were graduated from the College of the City of New York in 1938.

Concerning DANZIGER'S statement that he attended the funeral of MORRIS ALSCHER, brother of MAX ELITCHER, it should be noted that MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, when interviewed by SA VINCENT J. CAHILL, both stated they did not see the DANZIGERS at the funeral of ALSCHER.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FURNISHED CONCERNING MEETINGS BETWEEN JULIUS ROSENBERG AND DANZIGER

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, but who has furnished information concerning JULIUS ROSENBERG in the past, advised that ROSENBERG mentioned that WILLIAM DANZIGER came to ROSENBERG'S shop, the Pitt Machine Products

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Company, Inc. on two different occasions. The Informant was unable to furnish the dates or the approximate time of these visits. However, the Informant stated that on the first visit DANZIGER told ROSENBERG that he had quit his job with the government because the FBI was investigating him.

In an effort to fix the approximate time of the above visit with ROSENBERG, it should be noted that DANZIGER was separated from the Navy Department as a security risk in September of 1949.

Confidential Informant T-1 further advised that on the second visit DANZIGER made to ROSENBERG'S Pitt Machine Products Company, DANZIGER informed ROSENBERG that SOBELL wanted word in Mexico as to where to go and what to do. ROSENBERG intimated that DANZIGER had complete knowledge of what was going on, because ROSENBERG stated to DANZIGER that there was nothing he could do for MORTON SOBELL at that time and at that distance. ROSENBERG also told DANZIGER at this time that it was dangerous for DANZIGER to come to his shop, and that he should not call there again. ROSENBERG described DANZIGER as a "right guy" and there was nothing to worry about concerning him.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED IN AN EFFORT TO VERIFY SUBJECT'S VISITS WITH JULIUS ROSENBERG

As has also previously been reported, DAVID GREENGLASS, self-confessed Soviet espionage agent, was again interviewed by SA JOHN A. HARRINGTON regarding DANZIGER. GREENGLASS, after examining a photograph of DANZIGER closely, stated he could not identify DANZIGER'S photograph, and he could furnish no information regarding any visits DANZIGER might have had with JULIUS ROSENBERG. He also stated he could not recall that ROSENBERG ever mentioned the name of DANZIGER in his presence. GREENGLASS could not suggest the name of any stamping machine company with whom ROSENBERG may have been doing business.

It should be noted that DAVID GREENGLASS was associated with JULIUS ROSENBERG in the Pitt Machine Products

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Company, Inc. as a partner from the inception of the company in the fall of 1947 until approximately the fall of 1949.

BERNARD and RUTH GREENGLASS, brother and wife of DAVID GREENGLASS, were interviewed by SA JOHN A. HARRINGTON and the reporting Agent at the home of RUTH GREENGLASS, 265 Rivington Street, New York City. BERNARD GREENGLASS was associated with JULIUS ROSENBERG in the Pitt Machine Products Company from the fall of 1947 until approximately October of 1949.

Facial photographs of DANZIGER and full length surveillance photographs of DANZIGER were exhibited to both BERNARD and RUTH GREENGLASS, with negative results. Neither could verify DANZIGER'S visits with JULIUS ROSENBERG at the Pitt Machine Products Company. Both BERNARD and RUTH GREENGLASS stated they had never heard JULIUS ROSENBERG mention the name WILLIAM DANZIGER.

Two former employees of the Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc. were contacted in an effort to verify the subject's visits with JULIUS ROSENBERG at Pitt Machine Products Company, and results of these interviews are set forth below.

CHARLES BOZSIK, 3015 Colden Avenue, Bronx, New York, was interviewed at his present place of employment, the Maramac Screw Machine Products, Inc. 2395 Pacific Street. BOZSIK advised that he was formerly the foreman of Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc., and that he held this position for approximately one year, from September 1949 until September 1950. BOZSIK advised that in his capacity as foreman he dealt with the public more than with any other employee at Pitt Machine Products Company. He closely examined the facial photograph of DANZIGER and also the full length surveillance photographs of DANZIGER, and he stated he could not recall ever having seen this individual. He also failed to recognize the subject's name.

BOZSIK stated that as far as he could recall, there was only one other person at the Pitt Machine Products during

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the period May through July, 1950, and this individual was named "DANNY", last name not recalled. He did not know whether DANNY was still employed by the owners who purchased the Pitt Machine Products Company, Inc. after ROSENBERG was arrested in July of 1950. He stated the only reason he left the employ of the new owners of the Pitt Machine Products Company was because he could receive more money at his present position.

DANIEL VALENTINE LAURIZIO, 2516 East 14th Street, Brooklyn, New York, was interviewed at the Richie Machine Products Company, 370 East Houston Street, New York City. LAURIZIO advised that Richie Machine Products Company is the new name of the Pitt Machine Products Company, and that he has been employed by the new owners ever since ROSENBERG was arrested. He closely examined the facial and full length photographs of the subject which were exhibited to him, but he failed to identify the subject from those photographs. He advised that as best he could recall, he had never seen this individual around the Pitt Machine Products Company. He also failed to recognize the subject's name.

INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE NAVY DEPARTMENT CELL, COMMUNIST PARTY, IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

As has been previously reported, MAX ELITCHER, a former employee of the Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, Washington, D.C., admitted that he was a member of a Navy Department cell of the Communist Party in Washington, D.C. from 1942 until the spring of 1948. MAX ELITCHER stated that subject WILLIAM DANZIGER joined the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party shortly after DANZIGER'S return to Washington, D.C. from the West Coast in 1945. The interview of ELITCHER was conducted by SA VINCENT J. CAHILL.

It should be noted that DANZIGER was employed by the Navy Department at Long Beach, California, from approximately 1943 until May 1945, when he received a transfer back to the Bureau of Ordnance, Washington, D.C.

ELITCHER estimated that DANZIGER started taking active part in the affairs of the Navy Department cell of the

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Communist Party approximately six months after DANZIGER'S return from the West Coast in May 1945. DANZIGER was admitted to the Communist Party cell upon ELITCHER'S recommendation and after approval had been secured from Communist Party Headquarters. He stated that WILLIAM DANZIGER was an active member of this cell as of September 1943, when ELITCHER moved to New York City.

It should also be noted that HELENE ELITCHER, wife of MAX ELITCHER, also identified WILLIAM DANZIGER as a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party.

On August 23, 1950 WILLIAM DANZIGER was interviewed by SA JAMES T. O'BRIEN and the reporting Agent at the New York Office. In the course of this interview and all subsequent interviews by Bureau Agents, DANZIGER categorically denied that he is now or ever has been a member of the Communist Party.

In addition to naming WILLIAM DANZIGER as a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party in Washington, D.C., MAX ELITCHER also identified nine other individuals as members of this particular cell.

Information concerning membership in the Communist Party cell which was furnished by MAX ELITCHER, as well as results of the interviews of eight of the nine individuals, is being set forth below:

1. ABRAHAM SUROVELL

ELITCHER stated that SUROVELL'S membership in the Navy Department cell began in 1942 or 1943, and said that SUROVELL was still an active member of that cell at the time ELITCHER departed for New York City in September 1943. He noted that SUROVELL'S party membership had been interrupted by Navy Military Service about 1944 or 1945.

On August 23, 1950 ABRAHAM J. SUROVELL, 1102 46th Street, S.E., Washington, D.C., was interviewed at the Washington Field Office by SAS ROBERT L. SHELIZER and LEWIS E.

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GLENN. Mr. SUROVELL, at that time, was a member of the firm of Sagster, Surovell Associates, Inc., offices at 1129 Vermont Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D.C.

SUROVELL said he graduated from Brooklyn College in June 1940, then went to Washington, D.C., where he took a national defense training course in drafting at McKinley Tech High School. In July 1941 he obtained a position as a mechanical draftsman with the United States Office of Education, where he remained employed until February 1942. He then secured a position with the United States Naval Hydrographic Office as a cartographic draftsman.

In November 1942 he enlisted in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged from the Navy in February 1946. During the time he served in the Navy as an enlisted man he remained at the Hydrographic Office as a draftsman. He said that in the summer of 1947 he was laid off due to a reduction in force, but was subsequently called back to work. He resigned from his position on June 30, 1947, and became associated with his present employment.

SUROVELL advised that he was a member of the same union as ELITCHER, and that much of their association together was in connection with union activities.

On the same date SUROVELL advised the Agents that he had known MAX ELITCHER since August 1943, and knew his wife, HELENE, prior to that time, having met her in 1940 or 1941. He stated that he was not at that time, and had never been a member of the Communist Party, and added that his wife was not and had never been a member of the Communist Party. SUROVELL also added that to his knowledge MAX ELITCHER was not a member of the Party. He stated that none of his friends or acquaintances were members of the Party, to the best of his knowledge. He also remarked that he had never attended a meeting of the Communist Party.

SUROVELL stated that sometime between 1942 and 1946 he became a member of the Washington Bookshop, which was located on 17th Street, between I and K Streets. He said he joined the Bookshop because of the discounts to be obtained

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by being a member. However, he could not recall ever having made any purchases at the Bookshop. He said he wrote to the Bookshop and requested that his name be removed from its membership list, since he had read in the newspaper that the Washington Bookshop was a Communist organization.

SUROVELL also recalled attending a meeting of the American Youth Congress sometime in 1940 or 1941. This meeting was held at the YMCA on 17th and K Streets in the northwest section of Washington. He said he did not attend as a delegate or as an official, but merely at the invitation of someone whose name he could not recall. He added that he was never a member of the American Peace Mobilization or any other organization of this kind so far as he could remember.

It is noted that the above information was incorporated into the form of a statement, and Mr. SUROVELL advised that this statement was correct to the best of his knowledge, and that he did not desire to sign the statement until he had an opportunity to consult an attorney. He said that his attorney had advised him not to sign anything.

On September 21, 1950 SUROVELL was interviewed by SAs DONALD WALTER and LEWIS E. GLENN, of the Washington Field Office, and identified photographs of WILLIAM DANZIGER as a person he had associated with in connection with union activities in the Navy Department.

As noted from the above information, SUROVELL has not been a government employee since approximately June 30, 1947.

2. ESTHER SUROVELL

MAX ELITCHER advised that ESTHER SUROVELL had been a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party, but was not active in that cell at the time ELITCHER moved to New York in September, 1948. It is noted that ELITCHER was unable to furnish any specific periods of time during which ESTHER SUROVELL was active with this group.

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Under date of October 5, 1950 the Washington Field Office advised that ESTHER SUROVELL had been interviewed by Agents of that office, but stated she felt there was nothing she could add to what her husband had said. She referred the interviewing Agents to her husband, and stated that she did not desire to be interviewed.

ABE SUROVELL was thereafter contacted by the Agents, at which time he stated that he had discussed the entire matter with his attorney, Mr. WEISBRODT, who advised him that there was no apparent need for further interview of the SUROVELLS.

It is noted that ABE SUROVELL repeatedly said that he desired to cooperate with the FBI, but felt that he had no information which would be of assistance. He again refused to discuss his own Communist Party membership.

3. MARY GRIER

MAX ELITCHER stated that MARY GRIER had been a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party for approximately two years, but had terminated her association with this cell sometime in 1947, approximately a year before ELITCHER moved to New York. He could not recall why GRIER'S relationship with the cell was terminated, but said he was under the impression that she was either fired from her job, or else left her job voluntarily as a result of a Loyalty investigation.

On September 19, 1950 Miss MARY CATHERINE GRIER, 2123 I Street, N.W., Apartment 309, was interviewed at the Washington Field Office by SAS DONALD WALTER and LEWIS E. GLENN. Miss GRIER stated that she was at that time an employee of the Arctic Institute of North America, which she described as a Canadian-American Research organization, with its main office located in Montreal, Canada. She said that this is a private research organization, but that it is engaged in some research work for the United States Government. She said she is presently working on a project which is being done under a contract with the Office of Navy Research.

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GRIER was born on February 5, 1907 at Deep River, Iowa. In 1920 she moved to Seattle, Washington, where she lived and worked until coming to Washington, D.C. in 1943. She attended the University of Washington from 1923 until 1930, receiving a BS degree in 1929 and a BS in Library Science in 1930. She was employed in the library at the University of Washington until November 1942, and was thereafter employed by the Loeing Aircraft Company in Seattle from November, 1942 until January, 1943. After arriving in Washington, D.C., she was employed by the Air Force for a period of five months, beginning in February, 1943. She said that the unit in which she was employed was then transferred to the Oceanographic Unit, Navy Hydrographic Office, where she remained employed until June, 1947.

Miss GRIER stated she was an active member of the United Public Workers of America and its predecessor organization, the United Federal Workers of America. She stated that she was acquainted with the following individuals:

ABE and ESTHER SUROVELL
MAX and HELENE ELITCHER
WILLIAM and SYLVIA DANZIGER
PAULING GOLDMAN
MARK HARRIS
SAM MESHER
JEANETTE KAPLAN
IRA KLAFTER

She stated that her association with these individuals was a result of her activities in the above mentioned unions.

She stated that she was not and never had been a member of the Communist Party. She said she could not recall ever having attended any meetings or gatherings she knew to be Communist Party affiliated. She said that while she worked and resided in Seattle, Washington, she undoubtedly attended forums and similar types of meetings at which Communists probably spoke, but said she could not recall any specific instances of her attendance at such meetings and could not recall any associations on her part which would

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indicate that she had ever been a member of the Communist Party. She admitted membership in the Washington Bookshop Association, the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, and said that she had contributed to the Joint Anti-Fascist Committee and had subscribed to the publication "Soviet Russia Today". In addition to her statement that she was not and never had been a member of the Communist Party, she stated that she knew of no Communist Party activities on the part of any of the above mentioned individuals with whom she associated in the course of her union activities.

It is noted from the above that MARY GRIER has not been employed by the government since approximately June, 1947.

4. PAULINE GOLDMAN

MAX ELITCHER has stated that PAULINE GOLDMAN was a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party from about 1945 or 1946, up until the time that he discontinued his activities in the cell and moved to New York.

On August 29, 1950 Miss PAULINE GOLDMAN, an employee of the Navy Department, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, was interviewed at the Washington Field Office by SA ROBERT L. SMELTZER and LEWIS F. GLENN. Miss GOLDMAN, at that time, was residing at 2812 Quarry Road, Northwest, Washington, D.C. She stated that she was born on April 5, 1917 in Argentina, and came to the United States when she was four years of age, and lived in New York City and Long Island until coming to Washington, D.C. in the latter part of February, 1942. She secured a position in the Navy Department, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, in February, 1942 and is still employed in the same Bureau.

She stated that she met MAX and HELENE ELITCHER about a year or so after coming to Washington, and said she associated with them occasionally in connection with union activities only. She stated that as far as she knew, MAX and HELENE ELITCHER were never members of the Communist Party, and she stated that she is not and never had been a member

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of any organization which had been described as a Communist front organization. GOLDMAN, while not mentioning the name of the union with which she was affiliated, was undoubtedly referring to the United Federal Workers of America, CIO, with which the ELITCHERS were affiliated.

5. JEANETTE KAPLAN

MAX ELITCHER has stated that JEANETTE KAPLAN was a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party for at least a period of one year. She stated, however, that she was not active in this cell at the time he discontinued his activities and moved to New York City. He was of the opinion that her relationship with the cell terminated when she left the Navy Department.

On September 7, 1950 the Baltimore Office advised that JEANETTE KAPLAN was residing in Baltimore at that time, but had been married, and that her marriage name was PINO. Baltimore also stated that to all intents and purposes JEANETTE KAPLAN PINO was not employed by the government at that time.

On the date of September 27, 1950 the Bureau stated that in view of other activities in which JEANETTE KAPLAN PINO was then engaged within the Baltimore area, it was not deemed advisable to interview her at that time. Accordingly, KAPLAN has not been interviewed to date concerning the allegations made by MAX ELITCHER of her membership in the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party.

6. IRA KLAFTER

MAX ELITCHER has stated that one IRA KLAFTER had been a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party for approximately one year, and was still active in that cell at the time ELITCHER left for New York at the end of September, 1948. ELITCHER was of the opinion that KLAFTER was employed either in the office of the Secretary of the Navy, or in some branch of the Navy Department dealing with industrial relations.

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On September 18, 1950 IRA KLAFTER, also known as ISMAR KLAFTER, of 1203 Trenton Place, S.E., Washington, D.C., was interviewed at the Washington Field Office by SAS C. EDWARD NICHOLSON, JR. and LEWIS E. GLENN.

KLAFTER was born on June 16, 1913 in New York City, attended the College of the City of New York from 1929 until 1931, and thereafter attended the University of Indiana from 1933 until 1935, when he graduated with an AB Degree. In the summer of 1941 he came to Washington, D.C., and in September of that year became employed in the Research Division of the WPA. In December 1941 he was inducted into the United States Army, and was honorably discharged on August 17, 1945. He spent three years in the Asiatic Theatre of Operation. In October 1945 he secured employment in the Office of Industrial Relations of the Navy Department, where he remained employed until November 1948. He said he had miscellaneous jobs since leaving the Navy Department, and that at the present time he is engaged in free lance and editorial work. He is married and his wife's name is FRANCES.

Under the date of August 9, 1950 the Bureau furnished the Washington Field Office with a photostatic copy of an abstract prepared from a registration statement filed by KLAFTER with the Foreign Agents Registration Section of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. This statement, dated June 28, 1950, reflected that KLAFTER was engaged in free lance research and editorial work for the Rumanian Legation. It further reflected that he did translation work, typing and editing for the "Romanian News", a weekly publication published in Washington, D.C. The statement also reflected that KLAFTER has been a member of the Progressive Party of the District of Columbia since 1948, and was a member of the United Public Workers of America, CIO, from 1945 until 1948.

In the course of this interview KLAFTER declined to answer any questions concerning membership in the Communist Party on the part of himself or his wife, FRANCES-LEE KLAFTER. KLAFTER acknowledged that he knew MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, and stated that he and his wife had been acquainted with the

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ELITCHERS through their mutual interest in the United Public Workers of America, a Government employees union.

KLAFTER was questioned concerning all of the individuals named by the ELITCHERS as having been members of the same Communist Party cell, and he stated that he knew all of them and that his association with them was the result of mutual interest in the United Federal Workers of America and the United Public Workers of America. He stated that the only meetings he had attended, at which these individuals were present, were union meetings. He said he knew of no Communist Party affiliations or activities on the part of any of these people.

7. MARK HARRIS

MAX ELITCHER has stated that MARK HARRIS was a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party and he became a member approximately six months after he had secured a position at the Naval Gun Factory, Washington, D.C. ELITCHER stated that HARRIS was still an active member of the cell in September 1943, when ELITCHER moved to New York.

MARK HARRIS was interviewed on September 11, 1950 at the Washington Field Office by SAs DONALD WALTER and LARRY E. GLENN. At that time he was residing at 4613 Hillside Road, S.E., Washington, D.C., and was employed in the District Public Works Office, Potomac River Naval Command, Navy Department. His place of employment was the Naval Gun Factory. HARRIS stated that he was born on March 1, 1919 in Detroit, Michigan, and that his family moved to Brooklyn, New York when he was about four years of age, and remained in Brooklyn until he reached the age of ten, and thereafter resided in Stamford, Connecticut for a period of three or four years, after which his family moved to the Bronx, New York, where he resided until 1942. HARRIS stated that he then resided in Belmar, New Jersey, where he was employed by the Army Signal Corps from May 5, 1942 until September 1943. In September 1943 he went to Washington, D.C. and secured employment with the Bureau of Ships, Mine Sweeping Section, Navy Department. In December 1943 he was transferred to the Naval Gun Factory, where he is presently employed in the District Public Works Office of the Potomac River Naval Command.

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HARRIS stated that he has never been a member of the Communist Party and has never attended any Communist Party meetings or participated in any party activities. He acknowledged that he knew MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, inasmuch as he associated with them in connection with the activities of the United Federal Workers of America, and the United Public Workers of America, government employee unions. HARRIS was also questioned about the individuals named by MAX ELITCHER as members of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party. He acknowledged knowing all of them, but stated that his association with these individuals arose as a result of his participation in the activities of the United Federal Workers of America. He stated that he had no information concerning Communist Party membership on the part of any of these individuals.

HARRIS acknowledged that he and his wife had been members of the Washington Bookshop for approximately one year, having joined this organization shortly after they arrived in Washington. He said they had never attended any lectures presented by the Bookshop and that their sole reason for joining was to receive discounts on purchases made at the Bookshop. He said he and his wife have not been members of the Bookshop for several years.

8. Mrs. EVELYN HARRIS

It is noted that MAX ELITCHER did not name Mrs. EVELYN HARRIS, the wife of MARK HARRIS, as having been a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party. However, Mrs. HARRIS was interviewed by Agents of the Washington Field Office on October 6, 1950, and furnished substantially the same information as her husband.

She denied that she had ever been a member of the Communist Party, and stated that her husband, MARK, had never been a member of the party, to the best of her knowledge. She stated that she knew MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, and admitted knowing various individuals named by ELITCHER as members of the Communist Party cell in the Navy Department. Mrs. HARRIS, however, stated that she was acquainted with these people only

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through union activities, and said that she knew of no Communist Party activities on the part of any of them. She advised that she was formerly a member of the same United Public Workers Auxiliary as HELEN GUREWITZ, the President, wife of CASEY GUREWITZ, but said she did not know that the GUREWITZS were associated with the Communist Party until it was publicized recently in connection with the arrest of MORTON SOBELL. Mrs. HARRIS advised that these auxiliary meetings were usually attended by from five to ten women and that she can recall attending no meetings or parties other than those connected with union affairs.

9. SAMUEL MESHER

According to ELITCHER, MESHER was a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party for at least a couple of years, but was not active in the cell as of September 1948, when ELITCHER moved to New York. He said that MESHER had disassociated himself from the cell about one year prior to ELITCHER'S departure. He could not recall any specific reason for MESHER'S termination, but said that he was under the impression that MESHER was either going to school while employed there, and did not have time for Communist Party activities, or else he merely became indifferent to party activities and eventually stopped attending meetings.

In February 1951 SAMUEL MESHER, residing at 17 Hancock Court, Quincy, Massachusetts, was interviewed by SAs THOMAS SULLIVAN and BRENTON S. GORDON at his home and in the presence of his wife. MESHER at that time was employed as a machinist by the Underwood Machinery Corporation, 110 Mount Vernon Street, South Boston, Massachusetts.

In response to a specific question, MESHER initially denied that he was then or ever had been in the past a member of the Communist Party in Washington, D.C., or at any other place. Upon reflection, however, and at a later point in the interview, MESHER requested that the above answer to this question be "withdrawn". MESHER then stated that he wished the record to read that he had refused to admit and that he had refused to deny present or past membership in the Communist Party.

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MESHER admitted knowing the other individuals identified by MAX ELITCHER as members of the Navy Department Communist Party cell. He stated that he had met with these people in private homes during the period 1943-1945 and knew each one of them. He stated that in meeting with these people he had been acting as an officer of the Navy Local of the United Public Workers of America, CIO. The others, meeting at private homes, including his own, in the evening hours, were also members of the Executive Board of the Navy Local. MESHER stated that these meetings were held approximately every two weeks, and that the discussions concerned working conditions. He specifically pointed out that there never was any political discussion at such meetings for fear that those present might be construed as having violated the Hatch Act.

MESHER advised that he had been denied access to classified information by the United States Navy Department and had thus been unable to continue his employment at the Hingham, Massachusetts Navy Shipyard, or at the Raytheon Company in Waltham. He said he had retained an attorney, whom he did not identify, and that this attorney was preparing an appeal before an Armed Forces Security Hearing Board at Washington, D.C.

MESHER related that his denial of clearance was apparently predicated upon his membership in the Washington Bookshop, an organization which he said had been defined as subversive by the Attorney General of the United States. He stated that he had been a member of the Bookshop, but had not engaged in any activity which to his mind was inimical to the best interests of the United States.

With regard to the specific question asked of him earlier in the interview, regarding membership in the Communist Party, MESHER noted that he could not prevail in his appeal for clearance if he had admitted having been a member of the party. On the other hand, he claimed that if he denied membership, which denial he did not insist would be the truth, it was possible that witnesses might appear to contradict him, with the result that he could be indicted for perjury.

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SYLVIA DANZIGER, wife of subject.

MAX ELITCHER, after conferring with his wife, HELENE, advised that SYLVIA DANZIGER'S name had been submitted to him for entrance into the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party shortly after the DANZIGERS returned to Washington in 1945 from the West Coast. He stated that the other members of the cell then voted as to whether or not to admit SYLVIA DANZIGER to the cell, and after a confirmative vote, her name was submitted to the Chairman. ELITCHER stated that some delay ensued before approval was received to admit SYLVIA DANZIGER into the Navy Department cell. He did not know the reason for the delay, but believed that the party was unable to decide whether she would become a member of the Navy Department cell or whether she would be placed in some other group, since she was at that time a housewife. In any event, SYLVIA DANZIGER was admitted to the Navy Department cell and remained a member of that cell for a period of time. However, at some date unknown to ELITCHER she was transferred from the Navy Department cell to one of the housewives groups of the Communist Party.

On August 28, 1950 Mrs. SYLVIA DANZIGER was interviewed by Agents of the New York Office, at which time she advised that she was born on January 3, 1919 in New York City, attended Morris High School and graduated in 1936. She entered Hunter College the same year and attended for two and one-half years. She married her husband, WILLIAM, on November 27, 1938 and proceeded immediately thereafter to Washington, D.C. with him. Mrs. DANZIGER advised that she was affiliated with the Women's Auxiliary of the United Public Workers in establishing and running an Interracial Nursery in Washington, D.C. She also advised that she and her husband belonged to the Consumers Union in Washington. She said that in 1942 she finished up at Hunter College and attended meetings here of the American Peace Mobilization and the Young Communist League. These meetings were held at Hunter College.

Mrs. DANZIGER stated while in California she became a member of the Communist Party, using the name SYLVIA TUCKER, and said that she joined the Party more as a means of hurting her husband, since their family relationship at that time was rather strained. She advised that her husband knew nothing of her activity in the Communist Party, and to the present day is not aware that she was at one time a member. She said that she has suffered and is still suffering considerably because she is now aware that her husband lost his job with the Navy Department because of her membership in the Party. It is

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noted that Mrs. DANZIGER, like her husband, has denied ever being a member of the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party in Washington, D.C. or a member of any cell in the Communist Party in Washington.

SECURITY REGULATIONS SET UP FOR NAVY DEPARTMENT CELL, COMMUNIST PARTY

MAX ELITCHER also furnished the information that in approximately 1942 the Communist Party decided to use the United Federal Workers of America as its new mass organization. This Union was to take the place of the American Peace Mobilization organization which became entirely inactive after the invasion of Russia by HITLER in 1941. Prior to this time the party, through the American Peace Mobilization, devoted itself to the task of keeping America out of European wars. After the invasion of Russia in 1941, the party policy underwent a radical change and called for the entrance by America into the war in support of Russia.

Prior to the infiltration of the United Federal Workers of America by the Communist Party, the Union was set up by branches which existed in the various agencies of the government. As a result of this type of organization, the UFWA members who worked in the same government agency necessarily belonged to the UFWA agency branch. The very structure of this type of organization provided a ready-made pattern for the development of particular Communist Party groups within the various government agencies.

According to ELITCHER, the influx of Communist Party members into the UFWA thereby served a twofold purpose in that it immediately increased the Union membership, and also placed within the Union a nucleus of Communist Party members who worked toward controlling the policy and directing the activity of the Union. As a result, members of the Communist Party who were employed in government agencies also became members of the UFWA branch of the agency in which they worked, and by so doing, they came in very close contact and association with other members of the UFWA. Because of this close association and their unity of purpose in sponsoring the activities of the UFWA, it became possible for the Communist Party members within the UFWA to draw other UFWA members into the Communist Party cells.

Meetings of the Union branches of the UFWA were held on the average of once a month, but the members of the branch were necessarily in close contact with each other during the month, in pursuance of their union activities. This in itself

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provided another advantage for the Communist Party cell organization in that the continuous meetings and activities of cell members would not arouse undue suspicion, since they were also active together in the union. ELITCHER ventured the opinion that the union provided an excellent cover for the Communist Party cell meetings. ELITCHER'S knowledge of the Communist Party organization in Washington, D.C., is limited to the secret organization, since at no time was he a member of the open party in Washington.

ELITCHER related that meetings of the cell organization were normally held every two weeks. The meetings were held in the homes of the individual members of the cell and accordingly, the meeting place was different every two weeks. In this manner the possibility of disclosure of the meetings of the cell was greatly reduced due to the infrequency with which meetings would be held at one particular address.

ELITCHER also related that the fact that all of the members of the secret cells of the Communist Party were either government employees, or had a close connection with government employees, made it necessary that a strict set of security regulations be adhered to to prevent disclosures in regard to the existence of the cell systems and the identities of Communist Party members. ELITCHER'S information concerning security regulations was obtained during recent interviews by SA VINCENT J. CAHILL.

The structure of the cell itself in one particular government agency, to a great extent precluded one cell member from knowing of the identities of other cells in the government, since they had no contact with them as party members. Each cell member in a particular government agency necessarily, by his membership, knew the identities of the other members of his particular cell. The members were urged never to divulge that such cells existed in government agencies in Washington. If a member was leaving Washington, D.C., he was instructed not to divulge that such an organization existed, whether he was being transferred to a Communist Party group inside or outside of government employment. ELITCHER stated that there was little or no knowledge of this secret cell party organization by any Communist Party members outside of Washington, D.C.

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Basically, the cell members were instructed never to admit that they were members of the Communist Party or members of any secret cells, or even that secret cells existed. In addition, no membership cards were ever issued to Communist Party members and government employees. This precluded the possibility of disclosure through the loss of the card. BLITCHER stated that to his knowledge, the fact that no membership cards were issued only applied to Communist Party cell membership in government agencies. It was his opinion, however, that some members of the party who had not worked for the government, but who claimed knowledge, intimate contact or association with party members who were government employees, might also not be issued membership cards. He stated that this might apply to Communist Party members who were employed in mass organizations other than union.

Individual cell members were instructed never to mention, in the presence of anyone who was not a member of the cell, that any meeting was taking place at a designated time or place. In addition, at each meeting of the cell, the date and place of the next meeting was set, and sometimes the date and place of the meeting after the next one was set, so that in case anything prevented the next meeting from being held, the members would know when and where a subsequent meeting was to take place. The members were also urged to be very discreet in their conversations over the telephone.

Furthermore, the members of the Navy Department cell were instructed that in the event they were questioned by government investigators during the investigation either of themselves or other members of the cell regarding membership in the Communist Party, they should deny that they were members of the Communist Party and should state that they had no knowledge that the other individual was a member of the Communist Party. It was impressed upon them that this procedure should be strictly followed, since no record existed which could ever be utilized by a government agency to prove membership in the party. They were similarly instructed that all members of the party working for the government were also issued the same instructions, and that each member should feel secure in this knowledge.

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Concerning the above instructions, it should be pointed out again that on August 28, 1950, when WILLIAM DANZIGER was interviewed by Bureau Agents in the New York Office, DANZIGER categorically denied during this interview, and all subsequent interviews by Bureau Agents, that he is now or ever has been a member of the Communist Party. He stated he was acquainted with MAX ELITCHER, ABE SUROVELL, PAULINE GOLDMAN and MARK HARRIS, but claimed that he knew these people through activities in the United Federal Workers of America, CIO. DANZIGER made the comment that he detected a "pattern" in the names of the persons mentioned to him. When requested to elaborate on this statement, he said that all of these persons had been active in the union in Washington, D.C., either with the United Public Workers or the United Federal Workers of America, CIO. He also stated he did not know whether MAX ELITCHER or any of the other individuals mentioned to him are or ever had been Communists, and further advised he had no information on this subject.

PROSECUTIVE OPINION REGARDING THE SUBJECT

It will be recalled that the information concerning DANZIGER'S membership in the Navy Department cell of the Communist Party was brought to the attention of the then Chief Assistant United States Attorney, HYLES J. LANE, during October 1950. Mr. LANE stated he would not seek a perjury indictment against DANZIGER for DANZIGER'S denial of Communist Party membership before the Federal Grand Jury, inasmuch as DANZIGER was to be used as a government witness against MORTON SOBELL and JULIUS ROSENBERG. Mr. LANE stated that after the MORTON SOBELL-JULIUS ROSENBERG, and related cases have been tried, then that would be the time to consider seeking an indictment against DANZIGER for perjury.

It is to be noted that WILLIAM DANZIGER testified as a government witness during the ROSENBERG-SOBELL espionage trial in March of 1951. DANZIGER, during his testimony, admitted acting as a mail drop for SOBELL while SOBELL was in Mexico City, and also testified that he delivered certain letters for SOBELL to designated persons.

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This case was again discussed with MYLES J. LANE, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, on October 17, 1951, and Mr. LANE stated he did not desire to take any action at the present time as to possible prosecution of DANZIGER for perjury, but desired that the matter be held in abeyance until such time as a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL appeal is made known. LANE pointed out DANZIGER was used as a government witness against ROSENBERG and SOBELL, and he did not wish to institute any action on DANZIGER which might affect the appeals in these cases.

INFORMATION CONCERNING LOUIS AND ANN PESS

As has been previously reported, LOUIS and ANN PESS, 1201 Trenton Place, S.E., Washington, D.C., were interviewed on July 6, 1951 by SAs HOWARD FLETCHER, JR. and FRANCIS J. DUANE, of the Washington Field Office.

ANN PESS stated that she considered WILLIAM DANZIGER and his wife to be friends of hers, and she did not believe she could give any information relating to the DANZIGERS which would be of assistance to the FBI.

LOUIS PESS, an employee of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Annex, Arlington, Virginia, advised that he knew WILLIAM DANZIGER, and had information relating to him, but that a condition was present in his mind which he would have to resolve before furnishing this information to the government. PESS declined to answer specific inquiries pertaining to DANZIGER, or to furnish any other information until he could resolve the condition that existed in his mind. PESS did not explain what this condition was.

LOUIS PESS subsequently advised that the information he had regarding WILLIAM DANZIGER, and also regarding PAULINE GOLDMAN, would not be of interest to the FBI or the Justice Department. PESS was asked if he would furnish the information relating to these individuals which he possessed, and

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allow the Department of Justice to determine if such information was pertinent to national security or national defense. PESS stated he would not make the information he had available to the FBI or the Department of Justice for any purpose.

DISCUSSION OF THE INTERVIEWS OF LOUIS AND ANN PESS WITH THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

Facts regarding the results of the interviews of LOUIS and ANN PESS were discussed with United States Attorney HYLES J. LANE, Southern District of New York, to determine whether these individuals should be subpoenaed for appearance before the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, in order to ascertain if the information they possess is pertinent to this investigation.

Mr. LANE advised that he did not desire to subpoena LOUIS and ANN PESS before the Grand Jury at this particular time, inasmuch as the information they declined to furnish concerned WILLIAM DANZIGER, and Mr. LANE stated he does not desire to take any action regarding DANZIGER at this time until the Circuit Court of Appeals renders a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL espionage trial. Mr. LANE again pointed out that he did not want to take any action against DANZIGER, who was used as a government witness which action might affect the appeal in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL trial.

MISCELLANEOUS

As has been previously reported, Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that the subject wrote the following checks during June 1951:

June 19	Fitch Sanitarium	\$25.00
June 21	Fitch Sanitarium	50.00
June 22	Fitch Sanitarium	50.00
June 27	Fitch Sanitarium	75.00
June 28	Fitch Sanitarium	64.95

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It is to be noted that this bank information is not to be made public except in the usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

In order to ascertain the reason for the above checks, the records of Fitch Sanitarium 123 West 183rd Street, New York City, were checked. These records were made available by Miss B. WILLIAMSON, clerk.

The records reflect that SYLVIA DANZIGER, wife of the subject, was admitted to the Fitch Sanitarium on June 19, 1951 for a hernia operation. She was discharged on June 28th. Her residence was listed as 124 Featherbed Lane, and her doctor as Dr. MAX EISENSTADT. Her husband's name was listed as WILLIAM DANZIGER and his employment as the Academy Electrical Products Corporation.

In addition, Confidential Informant T-2 advised that the subject, between April and July 1951, wrote checks in various amounts to the following persons: Dr. HERMAN J. BURMAN, SADIE KRAFT, WILLIAM GREENTHAWL and Dr. MAX AFENSTADT.

The names of the above persons, along with the name Dr. MAX EISENSTADT, were checked against the indices of the New York Office. However, no identifiable information concerning them was located.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that the subject received correspondence from GEORGE CUTLER, 23 West 45th Street, New York 19, New York, on July 25, 1951, and from MARTIN ROSEN, 170 Broadway, New York 30, New York, on August 1, 1951. A notation on the latter letter indicated it had been redirected from 5501 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

The indices of the New York Office failed to contain any information identifiable with GEORGE CUTLER.

Concerning MARTIN ROSEN, 170 Broadway, New York 30, New York, a anonymous letter was directed to the FBI in Washington, D.C., postmarked New York, Jul. 8, 1951, which

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reported that one ~~HERMAN~~ DAVIS, an attorney employed in the law office of MARTIN ROSEN, 170 Broadway, New York City, was an extremely strong Communist sympathizer. No other information concerning MARTIN ROSEN was noted in this letter.

Confidential Informant T-3 could not furnish the names of any other individuals who may have corresponded with the subject during September and October. The Informant reported that the subject continues to receive mail from various department stores and commercial establishments.

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Informants

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[REDACTED] SAS ARMAND A.
CAMMAROTA and JAMES P. LEE.

T-2

[REDACTED] Corn
Exchange Bank Trust Company, 13 William
Street, New York City, who furnished bank
information on August 2, 1951 to the
reporting Agent.

T-3

Mail cover maintained on the residence and
employment of the subject, WILLIAM DANZIGER.

Miscellaneous

A check of toll calls made from the subject's home
telephone, CY 3-2823, disclosed that calls were made to the
following four New Jersey telephone numbers during the period
August 1, 1950 to September 1, 1951:
August 3, 1950 - Bergen 4-2433;
Approximately 35 calls over the past year to Teaneck, New Jersey
6-2222;
One call to Rutherford, New Jersey, 2-9500;
Four calls to Journal Square 2-0705.

A letter dated October 22, 1951 has been directed
to the Newark Office to identify the subscribers to these
four telephone numbers.

Copies of this report are being forwarded to the
designated offices for information, inasmuch as these offices
have previously conducted investigation in either this case
or other cases arising out of the JULIUS ROSENBERG investi-
gation.

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At New York, New York

Will report the results of the identification of the

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subscribers to the four New Jersey telephone numbers, which calls were made from the subject's home telephone over the past year.

Will again check subject's name with informants familiar with Communist matters in the New York City area, to ascertain any Communist activities the subject may have engaged in during the past year.

Reference

Report of SA CHARLES P. SILVENTHORN, New York, 8/15/51
Report of SA FRANCIS J. DUANE, Washington Field, 9/6/51

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 10/26/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/27; 10/8, 12, 13, 15, 16-18/51	REPORT MADE BY CHARLES P. SILVENTHORN
TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

BERNARD and RUTH GREENGLASS, brother and wife of DAVID GREENGLASS, self-confessed Soviet espionage agent, could not verify subject's visits with JULIUS ROSENBERG at Pitt Machine Products Co. Two former employees of Pitt Machine Products Co. also failed to identify subject's photograph. USA, SDNY, MYLES J. LANE declined to take any action at the present time regarding possible prosecution of DANZIGER for perjury, but desired that the matter be held in abeyance until such time as a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL appeal is made known. LANE pointed out DANZIGER was used as a government witness against ROSENBERG and SOBELL, and he did not wish to institute any action on DANZIGER which might affect the appeal in these cases. USA also declined to subpoena LOUIS and ANN PASS before the Federal Grand Jury, SDNY, at the present time.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1632)

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM DANZIGER
ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

DATE: October 26, 1951

Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN dated October 26, 1951 at New York, in the entitled matter.

It will be recalled that the Bureau, by letter dated May 11, 1951, advised that a memorandum had been received from the Criminal Division of the Justice Department. The memorandum requested that copies of documents executed by DANZIGER in connection with his federal employment, in which he denied or omitted to state membership in the Communist Party, be obtained. The Department pointed out that Section 1001 of Title 18, United States Code, prohibits the making of a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or representation in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States. The requested documents were enclosed with New York report dated May 11, 1951.

Attention is directed to the opinion of USA MYLES J. LANE, SDNY, which opinion is contained in enclosed report. Mr. LANE stated he does not desire to take any action against the subject at this time. LANE pointed out that DANZIGER was used as a government witness in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL espionage trial and he did not wish to take any action against a government witness which might affect the appeal in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL case.

In view of the above opinion, it is contemplated that after coverage of the leads set forth in enclosed report, this case will be placed in a pending inactive status until such time as the Department renders an opinion regarding the documents DANZIGER executed while employed by the federal government, or until the USA, SDNY, decides to take action regarding possible prosecution of DANZIGER for perjury.

Bureau permission is requested to furnish a copy of the enclosed report to the USA, SDNY.

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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL JAMES M. McINERNEY

December 11, 1951

DIRECTOR, FBI

WILLIAM DANZIGER
ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT of 1950

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Reference is made to your letter of November 7, 1951, in the above-captioned matter, your file JMM:CEW: vb 146-41-15-209, pointing out certain information appearing in the report of Special Agent Charles P. Silverthorn, dated October 26, 1951, at New York City.

You are advised that the refusal on the part of Louis Pess, an employee in the Department of the Navy, and an admitted acquaintance of Danziger, to furnish information concerning Danziger to the Bureau has previously been brought to the attention of the Director of Naval Intelligence and Pess has been appropriately investigated pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order 9835.

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TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject continues to be employed by the Academy Electrical Products Corp., NYC, and continues to reside at 124 Featherbed Lane, NYC. Information concerning individuals subject contacted during 1950 and 1951 set forth. Confidential Informants familiar with Communist matters in NYC area contacted regarding subject with negative results.

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DETAILS:

Subject's Current Employment and Residence

A spot check surveillance conducted on December 14 and 21, 1951, revealed that the subject continues to be employed at the Academy Electrical Products Corporation, 3842 Ninth Avenue, New York 34, New York. It should be noted that the former address of the Academy Electrical Products Corporation was 4849 Broadway, New York 34, New York. Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised in July of 1951 that the Academy Electrical Products Corporation had moved from their former address to 3842 Ninth Avenue, New York 34, New York.

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The spot check surveillance also revealed that the subject continues to reside at 124 Featherbed Lane, Apartment 3, New York 52, New York, with his wife, SYLVIA, and his two children.

DANZIGER

Information Concerning Individuals
Subject Contacted During 1950 and 1951

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that the following toll calls were made from the subject's home telephone, CYpress 3-2823, during 1950 and 1951:

Bergen, New Jersey 4-2433

8/3/50

Teaneck, New Jersey 6-2222

9/8, 22, 24;
10/3, 13, 24, 29;
11/1, 3, 10/50

1/17, 22;
2/2, 5, 7, 12, 18;
3/7, 19, 22, 26, 29;
4/4, 11, 26;
5/6, 9, 10, 16, 21, 22;
6/6, 12, 14, 15, 20, 23/51

Rutherford, New Jersey 2-9500

2/7/51

Journal Square, New Jersey 2-0705

11/9/50
2/24, 27/51

The Newark Office on November 19, 1951, advised that Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, identified the subscribers to the above-listed telephone numbers as follows:

Bergen 4-2433 - Subscriber, E. B. HAYES,
159 Virginia Avenue, Jersey City,
New Jersey

Teaneck 6-2222 - Subscriber, A. DANZIGER, 348 West
Park, West Englewood, New Jersey

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Journal Square 2-0705 - Subscriber, Anlu Company,
2860 Hudson Boulevard,
Jersey City, New Jersey

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that Anlu is a company organized to sell gift wear, casual furniture, and interior decorations. The company is owned and operated by a Miss ANNA TOPMAN and LOUIS DANZIGER.

Rutherford 2-9500 - Subscriber, Matheson
Company, Incorporated,
337 Paterson Plank Road,
East Rutherford, New Jersey

Confidential Informant T-4 advised that the Matheson Company, Incorporated, is a company that was organized in 1928 to manufacture and distribute compressed gases and 1,500 various organic compounds. The company is a supplier to several thousand manufacturers and industrial concerns in the United States. The officers of this company are listed as follows:

GEORGE F. ~~FERRIS~~, President and member of the
Board of Directors

DAVID ~~ROSE~~, Vice-President and Treasurer and member
of the Board of Directors

Miss E. A. ~~GUIS~~, Secretary

A. JAMES ~~ECKERT~~, JR., Board of Directors, whose home
is in Utica, New York, and who
is also affiliated with the
Mohawk Valley Investment Corporation,
also in Utica, New York

L. W. ~~FERRIS~~, Board of Directors, whose home is
also in Utica, New York

C. G. ~~HEINRICH~~, Board of Directors, who is also
Treasurer of the Belding Heminway
Corticelli Company of 19 West 40th
Street, New York City

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This company (Matheson Company) employs approximately fifty-six people.

By letter dated November 19, 1951, the Newark Office advised that the indices of their office were checked and no information was located which could be identified with any of the above individuals with the exception of one reference to GEORGE F. FERRIS of the Matheson Company, Incorporated. This reference reflects that FERRIS was in contact with the Newark Office regarding a shipment of Phosgene gas which the company had previously reported to this office as having been stolen. FERRIS advised on August 3, 1943, that this shipment had been received safely on that particular morning and that everything was in good order.

The indices of the New York Office were checked regarding all of the above-listed individuals and the following information was obtained:

Miss PEARL ROBBINS, Apartment 2-C, 699 Beck Street, advised SA BERNARD L. PEDNEAU of the New York Office in 1948 that LOUIS DANZIGER was a brother of subject WILLIAM DANZIGER and that LOUIS was at that time residing somewhere in Jersey City, the exact address not known. It should be noted that one of the toll calls made from the subject's home telephone was to Journal Square 2-0705 and that the subscriber of this phone has been identified as Anlu, 2860 Hudson Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey. One of the owners of this company, as set forth previously, is LOUIS DANZIGER.

Regarding A. DANZIGER who is the subscriber to the telephone number Teaneck 6-2222, it should be noted that the subject's father's name is AVON DANZIGER. It is highly probable that the subject's father is the subscriber to this telephone number.

Regarding the Matheson Company, Incorporated, 337 Paterson Plank Road, East Rutherford, New Jersey, the subscriber to telephone number Rutherford 2-9500, Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that the

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following address was listed in the personal address book of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN: Matheson Company, RU 2-6970, East Rutherford, New Jersey.

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was convicted on November 22, 1950, in the Southern District of New York of conspiring to obstruct justice. He was subsequently sentenced to two years imprisonment and \$10,000 fine.

No other identifiable information could be located in the files of the New York Office concerning any of the other individuals mentioned above.

Information Furnished by Informants

The following Confidential Informants, all of known reliability, who are familiar with Communist matters in the New York City area, were contacted during December, 1951, in an effort to determine if the subject has recently become active in the New York City, with negative results:

T-6, T-7, T-8, T-9, T-10, and T-11.

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INFORMANTS

- T-1 [REDACTED] United States Post Office, New York 1, New York, to the New York Office advising of the change of address of the Academy Electrical Products Corporation.
- T-2 [REDACTED] who furnished a list of toll calls to SE RICHARD D. ROGGE on August 9, 1951.
- T-3 [REDACTED] as set forth in Newark letter to New York dated November 19, 1951.
- T-4 Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., 744 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, as set forth in Newark letter to New York dated November 19, 1951.
- T-5 An anonymous source.
- T-6 [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on December 21, 1951.
- T-7 [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on December 21, 1951.
- T-8 [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOHN W. DOOLEY on December 21, 1951.
- T-9 [REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD H. BLASSER on December 21, 1951.
- T-10 [REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD H. BLASSER on December 21, 1951.
- T-11 [REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD H. BLASSER on December 21, 1951.

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MISCELLANEOUS

The Newark Office by report dated October 25, 1951, advised that no record of correspondence with the subject could be located in the files of the Schaeffer Company, Incorporated, 89 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. The subject on May 31, 1951, had received mail from this company. The Newark Office determined that possibly the communication with the subject may have been personal correspondence of JULES SWERDLIN of New York City, present manager of the Schaeffer Company, Incorporated. The Newark Office set forth a lead for the New York Office to conduct background investigation, if deemed advisable, concerning JULES SWERDLIN to determine if he can be contacted concerning his relationship with the subject. The files of the New York Office contain no information regarding this individual. Inasmuch as the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, does not desire to take any action against the subject of this case at this time, no additional investigation will be conducted concerning SWERDLIN.

Copies of this report are being forwarded to the Newark and Washington Field Offices for information inasmuch as these offices have conducted considerable investigation in this case.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will again discuss the facts of this case with the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, after the Circuit Court of Appeals has rendered a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL appeal.

It is noted that on October 17, 1951, MYLES J. LANE, United States Attorney, Southern District of New York,

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stated he did not desire to take any action at the present time regarding the possible prosecution of the subject for perjury, but desired that the matter be held in abeyance until the Circuit Court of Appeals renders a decision on the ROSENBERG-SOBELL appeal. Mr. LANE pointed out at that time that the subject was used as a Government witness against ROSENBERG and SOBELL and he did not wish to institute any action on DANZIGER which might affect the appeals in these cases.

REFERENCE

Report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, New York, 10/26/51. ^{ALL IN}
Report of SA PAUL R. ALKER, Newark, 10/25/51. ^{ALL IN}
Newark letter to New York, 11/19/51.

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FILE NO. **100-361741** **KLV**

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TITLE WILLIAM DANZIGER			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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DETAILS:

Subject's Current Employment and Residence

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1632)
 FROM : SAC, New York (65-15396)
 SUBJECT: WILLIAM DANZIGER
 ESPIONAGE - R;
 IS ACT OF 1950

DATE: January 4, 1952

Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN dated January 4, 1952, at New York.

It is to be noted that the enclosed report places this case in a pending inactive status until such time as the Department of Justice renders a prosecutive opinion regarding the documents DANZIGER executed while employed by the Federal Government in which he denied membership in the Communist Party, or until the USA, SDNY, decides to take action regarding possible prosecution of DANZIGER for perjury.

The Bureau's attention is invited to SAC Letter 95, Series 1951, dated 9/22/51, which requires that a summary report be prepared on every security index subject. In compliance with this letter, this office contemplates preparing a summary report in the very near future in this case.

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FROM : SAC, New York (65-15396)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM DANZIGER
ESPIONAGE - R
Internal Security Act of 1950

DATE: January 23, 1952

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____

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NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

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MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

Academy Electrical Products Corporation, 3842 Ninth Avenue, New
York, New York

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List) _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____ 124 Featherbed Lane, New York 52, New York, Apt. 3

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (101-1632)

DATE: May 15, 1952

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15396)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM DANZIGER
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Re O-1 form which promised a report by 5/19/52.

The preparation and submission of the summary report in this case by 5/19/52 has been delayed in view of the fact that the agent to whom this case is assigned has been working with SAAG T. J. Donegan preparing information for use before the Federal Grand Jury in case entitled, "ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS."

SAAG Donegan has advised that the last witness in the ADAMS case should appear before the Grand Jury either 5/22/52 or 5/27/52. A summary report will be prepared in this case as soon as possible thereafter and should reach the Bureau no later than 6/6/52.

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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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