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Sept. 2, 1961

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

*W. Leon Shousen*

Dear Mr Hoover,

We, in Southern California have had the experience of attending and watching the Christian Anti-Communist School held in Los Angeles this last week. One of the outstanding speakers, we thought, was a Mr Leon Shousen whom, we were given to understand, was at one time a part of the F. B. I.

Since that time I have talked to certain persons who have said that Mr Shousen served in a very minor capacity in the F. B. I. and was asked to leave it. That he was also in some unsavory doings in Utah in connection with the governor.

I've written you, hoping that you could clear up these allegations. In order to answer these persons I would certainly appreciate the straight information from the best source.

Thanking you for your time and request, I remain

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Sincerely yours,

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/s/ Mrs Don Craggs SEP 14 1961  
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September 12, 1961

Mrs. Don E. Craggs  
801 East Donny Brook  
La Habra, California

Dear Mrs. Craggs:

Your letter dated September 2, 1961, has been received.

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen was a clerical employee of the FBI from October 24, 1935, until June 17, 1940, when he was assigned as Special Agent of this Bureau. He voluntarily submitted his resignation on October 5, 1951.

I am unable to answer your specific inquiries because this Bureau is not fully acquainted with his activities since leaving the FBI. In this connection, also, I would like to point out that we are an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, do not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication.

I am enclosing some material you may care to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Mrs. D. E. Craggs

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: July 29, 1961

FROM : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

SUBJECT: TEXTBOOK ON COMMUNISM

According to the newspaper, the San Antonio "Light," of July 24, 1961, W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI Agent, intends to write a textbook on communism for use in the schools of this country.

As we know, Skousen, when he was in the FBI, did not concentrate in the field of communism. However, he has been giving lectures on the subject around the country, and during the past year has affiliated himself with the extreme right-wing group under the leadership of Frederick Schwartz of Texas.

The above, to me, is another example of why a sound, scholarly textbook on communism by the Director is urgently and badly needed.

RECOMMENDATION:

For your information.

- 1 - Mr. A. H. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
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Sept. 9, 1961  
Rt. 2, Box 602  
Tyler, Texas

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, F.B.I.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

*W. Cleo Skousen*

Knowing that you are a very busy person, I hesitate about writing this letter, but I feel that I must have information from someone on whom I can rely. You, I feel, are the only one that can tell me what I would like to know.

I am 32 years old, a housewife and the mother of two sons. I truly want to be a patriotic American and inform myself as a good citizen should. Feeling as I do, I am finding it harder every day to know what to believe and what not to believe. We have an organization in our city called the "Freedom Forum", and at first I was sold on it; these people were going to tell me what communism is and how I can combat it. But now I wonder if their purpose is only politics, they seem to keep talking about how rife our government is with communists, that the U.N. is just a kind of communist front, and a lot of other things that I simply do not understand.

Enclosed you will find a clipping from our morning newspaper, that will give an idea of what I am talking about. Mr. Skousen made his speech here in Tyler last night. Another former F.B.I. agent, Mr. Earl White, is president of the Freedom Forum. Mr. White is a member of my church, Presbyterian U.S., and is, I am sure, a sincere person. He has been teaching my Sunday School class, so I have heard his views on many things, and some of them are quite good. But, he is against the National Council of Churches

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# America Clean-Up Urged By Speaker

By LANE STEPHENSON

Morning Telegraph Staff Writer  
What this country needs is to clean house in the State Department, reorganize the United Nations or else get out of it, break diplomatic relations with criminal Russia and slap the whole Communist block with a 100 per cent trade embargo.

This is what former FBI Agent W. Cleon Skousen of Salt Lake City told more than 1,000 applaud-

See picture on Page 8, Section 1

ing Tylerites and East Texans Friday night during the first public lecture sponsored by the permanent Tyler Freedom Forum.

Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist," traced most of this country's modern-time blunders straight to an elite, professional, left-wing segment of the U. S. State Department. He mentioned the ousted Alger Hiss as a prime example of this group which still has a strong voice in the formulation of national policy.

He called for a thorough investigation of the whole department.

The former Salt Lake City police chief was equally critical of the U. N. and, in particular, Dag Hammarskjold, its secretary-general. Hammarskjold, he said, is a Marxist socialist competing with Nikita Khrushchev for world domination.

Skousen cited the Congo situation to back up this contention.

This, he emphasized, was a Communist operation in the beginning and still is, but now under the disguise of the U. N.

Coming in for particular attack was the charter of the world organization, especially the portion which give veto power to the five members of the security council. Russia, he pointed out, used this authority effectively to avoid censor in the Hungarian revolution and investigation in the shooting down last year of an American reconnaissance bomber.

He noted that he and several other critics of the U.N. are now working on a revised charter and hope to have it completed in the near future.

Advocating taking the offensive in the cold war, Skousen said the U. S. should start looking upon Communists as international criminals and start doing a few things to them, rather than wait. (See AMERICA, Pg. 8, Sec. 1)

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1961

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ing to see what they are going to do to us.

To the delight of the audience, he at one time remarked, "It's been a terrible shock to the President to realize he's dealing with a criminal (Khrushchev)."

The only thing Khrushchev understands is action and tough language, Skousen contended, and every time this country has used it, Russia has backed down.

His suggestions in regards to doing something include breaking diplomatic relations and forcing our allies to join us in throwing up a complete trade embargo against the sagging economies of all the Communist countries.

Turning to the Berlin crisis, Skousen flatly stated, "There's absolutely nothing to negotiate. Berlin requires no settlement; it's already been settled by treaty."

Berlin, he continued, is nothing more than a crisis Russia creates at will to take the attention off its activities in other areas of the world.

Skousen said these other areas include Laos, India, Cuba, Africa and Southeast Asia.

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**TYLER FREEDOM FORUM**—(From left) Marshall Adkins of Troup and Ray Osborn of Arp are shown being greeted Friday night to the first official function of the permanent Tyler Freedom Forum by Jennings Vaughn, one of its directors, and the Rev. Bill Moore, pas-

tor of Southern Oaks Baptist Church and a member of the Freedom Forum's executive committee. W. Cleon Skousen of Salt Lake City, author and former FBI agent, addressed the public meeting. (See story Page 1, Section 1.)  
(Morning Telegraph Staff Photo)

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September 14, 1961

Mrs. James L. Hough  
Route 2, Box 602  
Tyler, Texas

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*W. C. Hoover*

Dear Mrs. Hough:

Your letter of September 9, with enclosures, has been received, and it was certainly thoughtful of you to write. I deeply appreciate your very kind remarks concerning my administration of the FBI, and my associates and I sincerely hope that our future endeavors will merit your continued approval.

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While I would like to be of service, the FBI is an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope you will not infer in this connection either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the subjects of your inquiry.

It is always good to hear from citizens who demonstrate an awareness of the evils of communism and who display a desire to combat this threat to our freedoms. Enclosed is some material you may wish to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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**Enclosures**

**What You Can Do To Fight Communism  
Communist Illusion and Democratic Reality  
Director's 4-17-61 Statement re Internal Security  
Expose of Soviet Espionage  
Series from "Christianity Today"**

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information concerning correspondent. W. Cleon Skousen, former SA, EOD 10-24-35 as clerical employee, 6-17-40 as SA, voluntarily resigned 10-5-51. Alfred Earl White, a former SA, EOD 11-6-39, resigned 1-19-51, due to transfer to Kansas City. Correspondent enclosed clippings from 9-9-61 issue of "Tyler Morning Telegraph" dealing with a speech Skousen made to Tyler Freedom Forum.

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**Birch Brass**

**JAMES A. WECHSLER**

The John Birch Society and its fellow travelers are many long miles away from power. Their raucous know-nothingism may complicate the cruelly difficult problems confronting the President, but I have no desire to see any abridgement of their right to speak their folly.

There is, however, valid ground for concern over mounting evidence of a spiritual and tactical liaison between this right-wing cabal and the United States Army.

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Recently I described here the circulation at Camp Kilmer of a sample indoctrination lecture that combined the views of the Birch Society and the late Sen. McCarthy. Now there has come to hand a memorandum headed "Headquarters, San Antonio Subsector Command Advisor Group, VIII U. S. Army Corps, Fort Sam Houston, Texas" and signed by "Ira L. Beard, Lt. Col., Commanding." It was addressed to USAR personnel and called on all good men to participate in a "regional strategy seminar" sponsored by the San Antonio Junior Chamber of Commerce.

It pledged that "retirement point credit will be awarded Army reserve personnel who attend the seminar" and asked that "all recipients of this letter give the seminar wide publicity."

The "seminar" to which Col. Beard summoned his legions has been held. Both public and private reports make it clear that the event was a dreary right-wing revival meeting, bringing the kind of message that Birch Society leader Robert Welch would deliver to the armed forces if he were commander-in-chief.

Among those listed on the inspirational program were Ret. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, a gallant general who has become one of the immortals in Birch Society lore because of his proclaimed hostility to the United Nations and other national endeavors, and Sen. J. Strom Thurmond, the Mississippi segregationist who has led the crusade for Birchte General Walker.

Others on hand to inspire civilian and soldier alike were W. Cleon Skousen, an ex-FBI man who has been graduated to the lecture circuit, Donald L. Jackson, a former member of the House Un-American Activities Committee whose constituents had the wisdom to retire him and Dr. Gerhart Niemeyer, a Notre Dame professor.

According to a published report in the San Antonio Express and News, it was ex-G-man Skousen who topped everyone. He charged that "World War II was Communist-inspired in a plan under which Germany and the rest of Europe and the U. S. would knock each other off." Adolf Hitler was apparently a victim, or a bystander. Skousen further suggested that Harry Hopkins was the leader of a plot to substitute Russia for England as the second great political power. (At least Hopkins was not alleged to be downgrading America.)

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- New York Mirror \_\_\_\_\_
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Ex-Congressman Jackson, the same newspaper said, denounced Dr. J. B. Hunter, executive secretary of the Arkansas Council of Churches, "for calling the FBI a secret police network which infringes on men's rights" and assailed "the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, Nashville, for a prayer he called blasphemous and deserving to be republished in the Communist paper."

General Wedemeyer's remarks were apparently delivered too late to be included in the paper's report but a liberal Texan who was present at the meeting reports that the General voiced impatience with the Episcopal Church for its tolerance toward the Freedom Riders. The General's present world outlook was perhaps best indicated in April, 1960, when he urged the nomination of a J. Edgar Hoover-Harry Byrd ticket.

There were nearly 3,000 people present at the opening session. I have no way of knowing how many of them were military personnel responding to Col. Beard's call. A few would be too many.

In the memorandum calling for all-out attendance at this rally of the radical rightists, Col. Beard said "this seminar will be an abbreviated version of the Defense Strategy Seminar which is conducted annually at the National War College for officers of the Reserve Components." If that were true, this would be a bigger story than I have so far suggested; I trust his enthusiasm as a promotion man inspired him to embroider the facts.

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In any case both the San Antonio story and the Camp Kilmer exhibit published here last week warrant the concern of the country. There is no reason to believe these are isolated episodes; the affinity of military men for right-wing political adventures is a recurrent phenomenon in many places.

I do not mean to frighten anyone by suggesting that these events indicate the flowering of a military conspiracy. But neither should such primitive manifestations be absent-mindedly ignored until they achieve more serious dimensions.

No national hysteria is required. What is needed is clear, continuous affirmation of the proposition that Army officers have no business inflicting on their troops any form of political dogma—right, left or center. Any process of Army education should be the function of civilians working directly under the Commander-in-Chief.

The San Antonio Junior Chamber of Commerce has the right to run any kind of show it pleases. But let us ponder the storm that would have been unleashed if Col. Beard had circulated a memo urging Army personnel to attend a "seminar" on the House Un-American Committee being conducted by the San Antonio chapter of the Civil Liberties Union with Roger Baldwin as keynote speaker.

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2110 Fifth Avenue  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska  
September 27, 1961

The FBI  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

*W. Cleon Skousen*

Was the Mr. Skousen who says he is the author of The Naked Communist ever a member of the FBI? I understand he claims to be.

Under the guise of such experience he has been lecturing in Nebraska under the auspices of the Farm Bureau. By the time he finishes his speech, one feels that compared to Harry Hopkins, who betrayed his country at every opportunity, ably assisted by Acheson & Higs, that the error of Benedict Arnold was but a trifling one.

To speak as if all this was known to the FBI but hushed by a previous administrations casts, I feel, an unmerited slur upon our Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Yours truly,

/s/

~~Esther Hamm~~  
(Mrs. K. C. Hamm)

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Washington, D.C.

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Yours truly  
Esther Hamm

(Mrs. K.C. Hamm)

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October 3, 1961

Mrs. K. C. Hamm  
2110 Fifth Avenue  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
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Dear Mrs. Hamm:

I have received your letter of September 27 and appreciate your interest in writing.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI in the capacity of clerk on October 24, 1935, in which position he remained until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Mr. Skousen's opinions are strictly his own and do not represent the FBI in any manner.

Enclosed is some material on the general subject of communism you may wish to read.

Sincerely yours

J. Edgar Hoover

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 10-12-61

FROM : *McA Jones*

SUBJECT: WILLARD CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FBI  
AND CURRENTLY LECTURER

*Ed Davidson*  
*J. Cavanaugh*

In accordance with Mr. Tolson's inquiry, a check of Skousen's personnel file has been made in an effort to determine what contact he may have had with the subject of communism in connection with his assignments while working for the FBI.

Skousen entered on duty 10-24-35 in a clerical position and as an Agent on 6-17-40. He resigned while assigned to the Los Angeles Office on 10-5-51, at which time he was in grade GS-13. When he first came to the Bureau as a clerical employee in 1935, he was a messenger. On 8-1-37, he became a night supervisor in the Communications Section and on 2-16-39 he became chief of the Communications Section, his work for the most part being connected with the Teletype Unit. He entered Agents' Training School on 6-17-40. There is no definite indication in his personnel file that he had any contact with the subject of communism other than the fact that in his first office, which was Omaha, an efficiency report indicated that he handled all types of cases except bank robbery and antitrust. He was assigned to the Omaha Office from August, 1940, to December, 1940, when he was transferred to the Kansas City Office. On 4-4-41, he reported to the Chief Clerk's Office here at the Bureau and was transferred to the Records and Communications Division on 6-25-41. On 6-5-45 he was transferred to the Los Angeles Office. Efficiency reports indicate that he was primarily concerned with criminal, selective service and applicant work in his field office assignments. During the period he was in the Los Angeles Office, in addition to some criminal work, he was primarily assigned to police training schools and spoke on the subjects of juvenile delinquency, police administration and public relations. Files indicate that he was a notable speaker and was used extensively on speeches beginning in his first office of assignment as an Agent. In the early 1940s Skousen spoke several times on the subjects of sabotage, national defense and subversive groups; however, due to the fact that this was the period leading up to and beginning World War II, the subversive groups to which he had referred were undoubtedly German or Axis Powers.

During his tenure at the Seat of Government as an Agent, he was a supervisor in the Chief Clerk's Office in the Communications Section and later was

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Re: Willard Cleon Skousen

assigned to what is now known as the Crime Research Section. A review of articles and statements on which Agents of the Crime Research Section conducted research at that time has been checked and there is nothing to indicate that he did any research on the subject of communism; however, he did research for several articles on sabotage.

After leaving the Bureau, Skousen became an administrative assistant to the President of Brigham Young University. In connection with his leaving the University to become chief of police at Salt Lake City, Utah, an item in the 6-9-56 issue of "The Desert News Telegram" revealed that he had written a number of books and articles on a variety of subjects. The article indicated that the latest book which would be coming off the press is "The Cry of Communism."

A brief check of abstracts under Skousen's name revealed that between 1941 and 1946 he handled a limited number of investigations or wrote reports or memoranda on internal security and espionage classifications, and from 1947 until he resigned there were no abstracts under his name for either the internal security or espionage classifications. Inasmuch as there was no mention in his personnel file of his having anything to do with communist matters the fact that abstracts indicate he did some internal security and espionage work back in the early 1940s is undoubtedly insignificant, but rather every indication is that he was primarily associated with criminal work.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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ADDENDUM (ELC:tmf 10-16-61)

In March, 1960, Skousen was dismissed from his position as Chief of the Salt Lake City Police Department by Mayor J. Bracken Lee amidst a public controversy between the two. In connection with Lee's political campaign for Mayor in November, 1959, many statements were made on television, radio, and in the press that should Lee be elected, Skousen would be removed from his position. Our Salt Lake City Office, during the controversy which raged following Skousen's dismissal, advised that Skousen had been dismissed because he refused to allow strip-tease shows and gambling to take place in Salt Lake City. Mayor Lee was vicious in his attack against Skousen in the newspapers, and, in fact, called and spoke to you during the controversy in an obvious effort to obtain ammunition which he could use against Skousen. He seemed rather disappointed when you advised that Skousen had left the Bureau in 1951 on his own accord.

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# Ex-FBI Man Cites Ways to Defeat World Conspiracy of Communists

Complete collapse of the communist system in the world could be brought about if the West were united, W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI agent, told the audience of Project Alert in the Woodruff hotel in an absorbing speech that lasted more than an hour, just before the Saturday noon break.

Skousen, in disclosing "the weakest factor in communism, its real Achilles heel," asserted that half of Russia's manpower is tied up in the task of producing food. "The truth is," he said, "as an economic system, communism just doesn't work. If the West would unite and agree on a complete trade embargo against the Sino-Soviet bloc, the whole organization would collapse in a matter of months."

The audience applauded vigorously at this point, as well as at several other times during Skousen's presentation. Although he was speaking in a dead serious vein, he also drew laughs from his audience as he satirized the illogical statements made by communist leaders.

"After we showed them in 1955 that we were willing to fight for Matsu and Quemoy," he said, "they suddenly became all friendly and peaceful. They said to the United States, send some of your people over here, we have things to show them. And we'll send people over to your country, there are some things we want to see."

Skousen characterized the invitation to Russian Premier Nikita Khrushchev to come to the U. S. as a "diplomatic blunder," and said people in Washington were convinced—as actually happened—that President Eisenhower would not be permitted to visit Russia. "When you're dealing with the Soviets," he said, "always get yours first."

agent, author of "The Naked Communist," declared that Harry Hopkins, chief aide to President Roosevelt, made the grievous error during World War II of thinking that "we could make friends with the Russians." He said the reds never acknowledged the billions of lend-lease aid given to them by the U. S. to help stave off Hitler's armies. Hopkins died a few months after the war, deeply disillusioned, Skousen added.

"We need not criticize unduly those who have made mistakes in the past, if we just try not to make the same mistakes," he said. "But there are men in high places today who are talking about the same mistaken actions that have proven so tragically wrong in the past."

World War II was actually precipitated by Stalin, in a planned move to set the capitalist nations at each other's throats, and when they were exhausted, to move in and take over, Skousen said. "But Stalin made one mistake. He didn't anticipate Adolph, Hitler's double cross."

Noting that every move by the State department since the end of World War II has been directed toward building up Russian strength at the expense of other nations, Skousen cited the failure to send military aid to Chiang Kai-shek and the failure to drive the Korean conflict to a conclusion as typical blunders. "There is something," he said, "seriously wrong in our State department, and we as American citizens should demand a full-scale investigation." This statement drew a spontaneous ovation from the audience.

Most people do not understand why we lost China, or why we have lost other Far Eastern areas.

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charter, with its veto provision for a single member of the Executive Council, was "stacked" in favor of Soviet Russia. He declared America and the West should demand a redraft of the U. N. charter in a way to further what were declared as the U. N. aims, "to further the cause of peace and promote individual freedom."

He also advocated breaking off diplomatic relations with Russia and telling the Soviets envoys "to go home and take your spies with you." Here again he drew applause. He was given a standing ovation as he concluded.

## Audience Stirred by Red Threat

Jolietans are deeply concerned about the threat of communism in the free world and are anxious to learn more of its dangers.

More than 300 persons displayed this feeling with standing ovations for six prominent anti-communist figures appearing Saturday on the Project Alert program sponsored by the Herald-News at the Woodruff Hotel.

Emotions of shock were expressed when the speakers pointed out how near the free world is to falling under the shadow of communism and how the communist movement is being financed by American dollars, realized through the sale of narcotics illegally imported from red China and sold on a wide scale in this country.

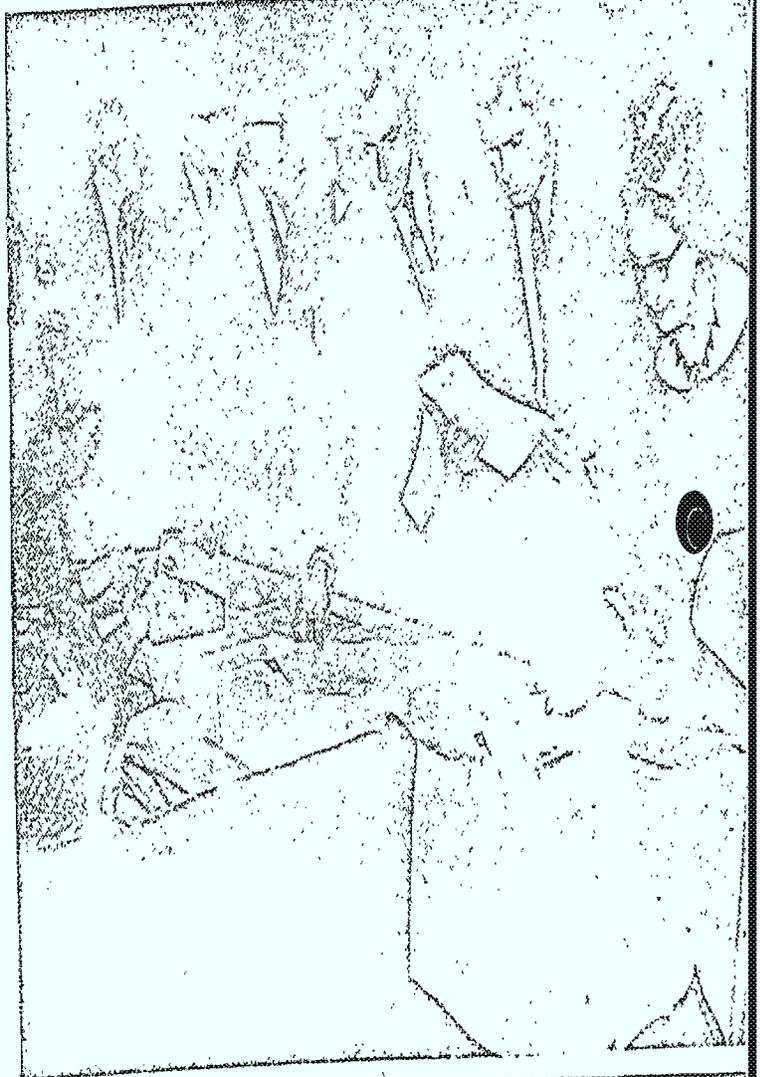
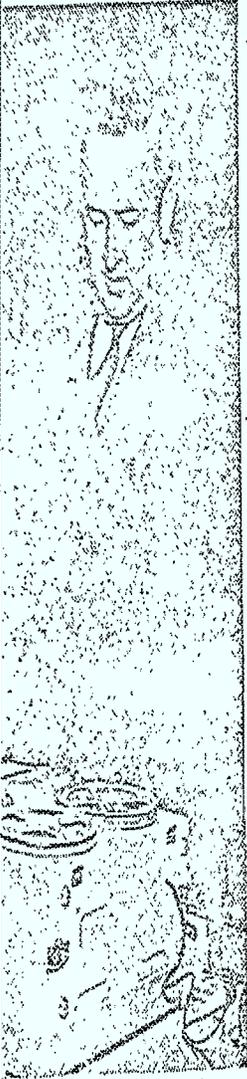
Each speaker was greeted outside the meeting room by throngs of persons seeking to express gratitude to the noted faculty for its frank discussions of the dangers we face from communist encirclement and the suggestions offered for heading off the dangers.

Certainly the White Paper issued by Dean Acheson in 1949 doesn't tell the story. If you want to know what happened in China, read Gen. Wedemeyer's report, not 'A Nation of Sheep,' Skousen asserted.

The speaker referred repeatedly to the "world planners" in State department and declared they apparently were unable to understand the true nature of the communist movement. "Finally," he said, "John Foster Dulles began to recognize the red threat and decided that there was no point in trying to co-exist; what we had to do was co-resist."

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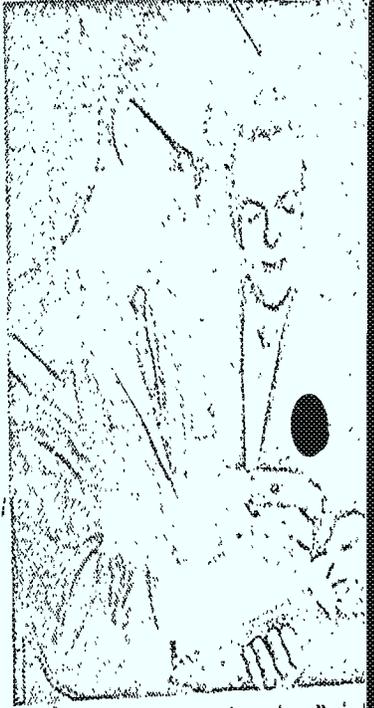
# Project Alert' Draws Capacity Audience



Scenes at Saturday's patriotic seminar, Project Alert, sponsored by The Herald-News. At left, John Forbin of the Caterpillar Security office prepares to tape program as Edward Peterson, Paul A. Terry, Dr. George S. Benson and H. M. Kleeckner look on; above, Cleon Skousen autographs copies of his book for Stan Gray (center) and John Satterlee; at right, last minute ticket buyers, filled ballroom to capacity. Ticket seller is Miss Karen Kramer. (Herald-News photos)

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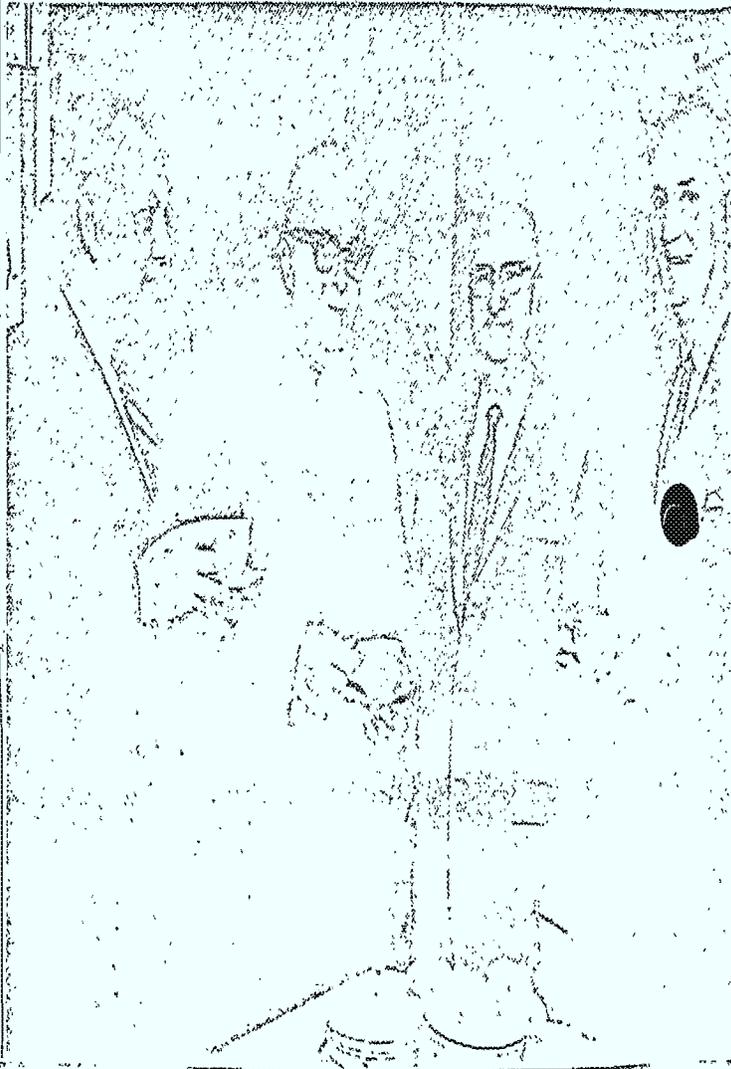
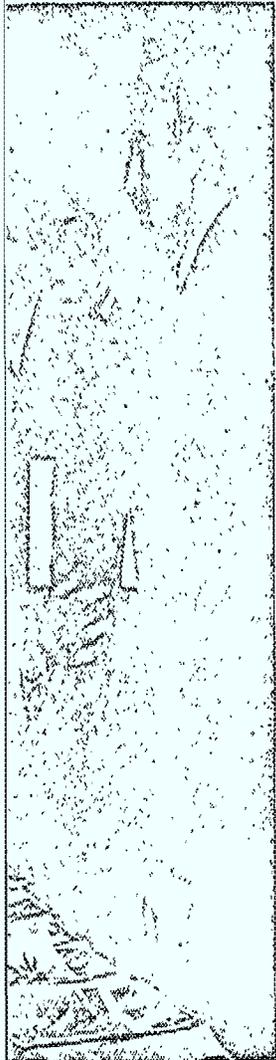
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Scenes at Saturday's patriotic seminar, Project Alert, by The Herald-News. At left, John Forbin of the Security office prepares to tape program as Stan Gray (center) and John Satterlee; at right, ticket buyers filled ballroom to capacity. Top photo by Kaen Kramer. (Herald-News photos)

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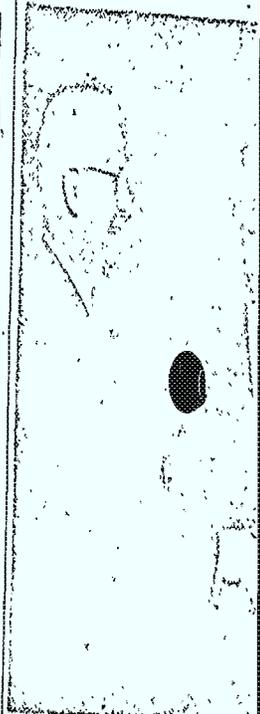
# Saturday During Recess in Project Alert Program



Scenes Saturday at the Woodruff hotel as Joliet area citizens heard an inspiring program of talks. At left Edward Peterson talks to a group looking at his picture display on narcotics; above, Dr. George S. Benson (left) with Mayor James P. Hennessy and Frank Masters Jr., Will county state's attorney; at right, William F. Blackburn, the Rev. Francis X. Clougherty, W. Cleon Skousen and Robert Herschbach take a "coffee break." (Herald-News photos)

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Norman L. Shepard  
 4768 33rd Street,  
 San Diego, 16, California  
 October 17, 1961.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,  
 Federal Bureau Of Investigation,  
 Washington, D. C.

*Research Matters*

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As an American Citizen I am interested in your opinion of the Anti-Communist meetings held last night in Los Angeles?

I have literature you were kind enough to send me at my own request regarding Communism, and I also have purchased your latest book relative to Communism. I feel you are qualified to speak on this subject since you have dealt with it many times. I have noticed that you have not endorsed this organization, and therefore I am somewhat skeptic of it.

Dr. Fred C Schwarz who is President of this organization is a native of Australia. Previous to being a Doctor he was a teacher. He has written two books on Communism which he is trying to sell. The first thing I think of naturally is "Why would a Doctor come here from Australia to lecture on Communism, and ask for contributions"? It would seem to me that Australia would be just as susceptible to the menace of Communism as the United States would be, and being a native of Australia it would seem to me that he would want to assist his own Country. For example Senator Joseph Mc Carthy was a fighter against Communism, but his fight was here in his own Country, he didn't leave the United States to fight Communism in some other Country.

Then I notice another member is former F. B. I. agent W. Cleon Skousen who has also wrote a book. Then of course they had Senator Thomas Dodd of Conn, speak as well as Rep. Walter Judd of Minnesota. Then of course it was filled with Movie Stars which are always a great attraction to the public. The interesting thing I noted about all of the Speakers, was the fact that they agreed that the cold war could not go on forever, but they failed to offer any solution after that was ended. Mr. W Cleon Skousen former agent of yo ur department condemned our State Department and its Officials and so did Rep. Judd who is Chairman of our Foreign Relations Committee. Last was Dr. Schwarz who said he was taking the Anti-Communism schools to Washington. I noted the emotions of the people and how carried away they became. What will be the affect of all this on our Presidents efforts to settle the Berlin Crisis without was 9602-315

Whereas I have always been and still am now a bitter opponent, of mis-judgement where are public Officials are concerned.

I recall only to vividly that when I was a young man and was singing on the radio in the early 1930's, which was the depression years, how amazed I was at the many people talking of over-throwing our government. Then as now I felt I was very fortunate to have been an American with the high principles, and basic freedoms, that we have due to our way of life.

Hope to hear from you in the near future regarding the above subject, and wish you and your department the very best of continued success.

Sincerely Yours,

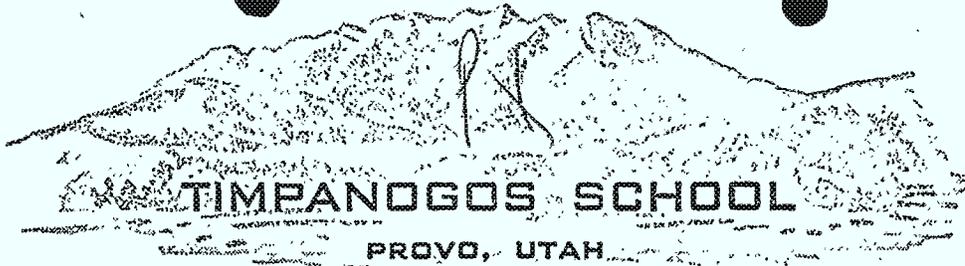
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J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
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Dear Sir,

The undersigned is chairman of a group here in Provo who have organized for the purpose of informing the people in this area of the menace of communism. We are all either M.A.'s or PhD's and all in the field of education. Through our lecture groups we are able to reach many people in this area. We feel deeply the urge to arise and assert ourselves in strength against this communist illusion and criminal conspiracy against our beloved country.

We realize that your own Department has the foremost type of authentic information on the movement of conspiracy from its inception to present day orientations and strategy. We would like to request as much literature as you are able to supply for us or at least a sample of such literature as you have available. Also, if you would provide for us a list of all communist front organizations as reported by the Department of Justice we would be most grateful to you. We want to be on safe grounds by orientating ourselves most thoroughly with all Department of Justice publications. We have considerable activity in other areas of Utah orientated to bring the people to an realistic awareness of the propoganda goals of the Communist party in the persons of General Maxwell Mich and one of Your former agents and our pride, Mr. Cleon Skousen.

We will be most appreciative to you for your assistance.

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November 6, 1961

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On November 1 Mr. Cleon Skousen spoke to a large gathering in Green Bay under the auspices of Project Alert. Since that time several individuals and organizations have questioned both his integrity and his qualifications to speak on the subject of communism.

I realize of course that the Federal Bureau of Investigation does not endorse or condemn anyone. However because of your association with this man it would be greatly appreciated if you would give me your personal opinion of him. This is IMPORTANT.

Looking forward to your reply, I am **REC-145**

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Very sincerely yours,

*Mark W. Stewart*

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Mr. Mark W. Stewart  
Garot-Christman Agency  
115 South Jefferson Street  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Your letter of November 6, 1961, with enclosures, has been received.

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen was a clerical employee of the FBI from October 24, 1935, until June 17, 1940, when he was assigned as a Special Agent of this Bureau. His services with our organization were terminated on October 5, 1951, when he voluntarily submitted his resignation. I am unable to answer your specific inquiry since this Bureau is not fully aware of all of his activities since leaving the FBI. In this connection, also, I would like to point out that we are an investigative agency of the Federal Government and do not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication.

Enclosed is some material on the subject of communism which may be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover  
John Edgar Hoover  
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Mr. Mark W. Stewart

NOTE CONTINUED. . . . . two leaflets pertaining to a "Project Alert" program in Green Bay, Wisconsin. "Operation Alert" is the name given to the activities of various groups of leading, civic individuals in numerous cities throughout the United States who are holding study groups on communism. Each one is separate and independent of the other and it has no organizational affiliations. "Operation Alert" originated in Pensacola, Florida, by a reserve Naval Officer who attended a "Cold War" seminar in which Assistant Director Sullivan participated. Other cities have followed his example and have also called their study group "Project Alert." We have had cordial correspondence with members of various groups and have afforded them Bureau material. Each is, however, considered on its own merit.

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Herbert Philbrick - Former counterspy for the FBI. He served as an undercover agent in the Communist Party for nine years. Mr. Philbrick is well known throughout the country as the result of his book and television portrayal of his activities under the title of "I Led Three Lives."

W. Cleon Skousen - Skousen entered the FBI in 1935 and served in various parts of the U.S. for a period of 16 years. During World War II he served as an administrative supervisor under J. Edgar Hoover in Washington, D.C. Mr. Skousen is best known for his book, "The Naked Communist", which became a best seller. This book received the national patriotic award of the All American Conference in Washington in 1959. Mr. Skousen was recently appointed the Field Director for the American Security Council. The most outstanding speaker to graduate from the FBI, he averages 350 speeches a year.

Wm. P. Strube, Jr. - President, Mid American Life Insurance Co., Houston, Texas; Vice-President, National Association of Life Insurance Companies; Secretary, Christian Anti-Communism Crusade; Secretary, Christian Programs, Inc. W. P. Strube is one of the world's foremost experts on communist subversion, infiltration, tactics, crimes, and methods of combatting them. We are extremely fortunate to have Mr. Strube as he is booked one year in advance.

Paul Harvey - Nationally known news commentator, Mr. Harvey is noted for his deeply patriotic spirit, and his promotion of Americanism. A hard hitting speaker.

Fulton Lewis, III - Son of famed Mutual Newscaster, Fulton Lewis, Jr. and former investigator for the House Un-American Activities Committee. During the past year, Mr. Lewis has appeared on 250 college campuses where he debated on the subject of the HUAC. Mr. Lewis is an authority on the House Committee and is well qualified to tell us the facts about its operation. Mr. Lewis is a young, enthusiastic, well informed speaker.

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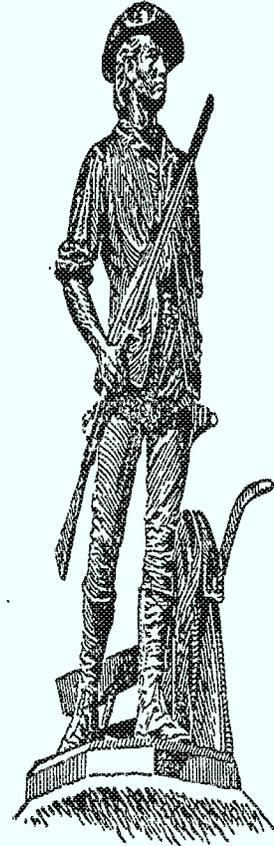
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triumph of evil is that good  
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Remarks

James L. Everson, Chairman  
Brown County Democratic Party

Colburn G. Cherney, Chairman  
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HERBERT PHILBRICK

"I Led Three Lives"

Wed. NOVEMBER 1, 1961

Brown County Arena 8:00 P.M.

CLEON SKOUSEN

"Communism and Education"

FULTON LEWIS III

"An Inside Look at the House

Committee on Un-American Activities"

SATURDAY SEMINAR

DECEMBER 2, 1961

Brown County Arena 9:00 A.M.

W. P. STRUBE, JR.

"Communist Blueprint for World Conquest"

10:00 A.M.

"Is Co-existence a Communist Conspiracy?"

Coffee Break 10:30 A.M.

Saturday Seminar

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W. P. STRUBE, JR.

10:45 A.M.

"Where Do We Stand in the Cold War"

11:45 A.M.

"Structure of the American Way of Life"

Adjourn for Lunch 12:00

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Saturday Afternoon 1:30 P.M.

PAUL HARVEY

"Revival of Americanism"

3:00 P.M.

W. P. STRUBE, JR.

"Communist Brainwashing Techniques"

Saturday Evening

DECEMBER 2, 1961

WBAY Auditorium 8:00 P.M.

W.P. STRUBE JR.

"The Language of Communism"

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"A Program of Action"

There will be a question and answer period after each program. All questions must be written.

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October 27, 1961

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Some things are troubling me about our country's fight against Communism.

I have always felt that you and your department were adequate to protect us from subversion, and was happy to read your statement against "Vigilante" action last spring.

I do not know your private political preference - if you chose to vote Communist, however unlikely, that would be your affair, and yours alone. However, political opinion is definitely having more & more to do with anti-Communism in this country, as is a previously - existing area of ill feeling between liberal & fundamentalist religious groups.

These feelings are being intensified by speakers such as Cleon Skousen who lists himself as an Ex-FBI agent, thus assuming for himself the cloak of your department for respectability. In his particular case, there is the matter of being also Ex-Chief of Police of Salt Lake City.

Mr. Hoover, this is a matter of life & death, this capitalist-communist struggle. I know that you know it, but I am mortally afraid that some of these men get so self-hypnotized by the power they have attained over some segments of public opinion, they are no longer acting as responsible citizens.

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In the case of Mr. Skousen, there is a troublesome matter of his being the Ex-police chief, as I said. People live here who were in Utah at the time, and there have been statements that Mr. Skousen was fired by Mayor Bracken Lee for some financial skull-duggery which was hushed up as much as possible.

This with the fact he claims to be an Ex-FBI man bring one to wonder whether he is a proper person to lead large groups in a fight against anything, especially when he is advocating withdrawal from the U. N., crippling the State Dept., etc.

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I know there are many valid reasons why a man would leave the FBI - possible health or the fact that he has become too well known to be useful in investigative work. I would feel much better if I know his leaving the FBI was for a respectable reason; otherwise, I feel you might well publicly remove this protective cloak, as he is using it while exciting "Vigilante" action.

/s/ Very sincerely  
Beth T. Hennings

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November 8, 1961

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Mrs. Bill Hennings  
4099 Van Giesen  
West Richland, Washington

Dear Mrs. Hennings:

I have received your letter postmarked November 3 and want to thank you for your interest in writing. I appreciate your kind remarks concerning my administration of the FBI.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Mr. Skousen's opinions are strictly his own and do not represent this Bureau in any manner.

It is always reassuring to hear from citizens who demonstrate an awareness of the evils of communism and who desire to combat this threat to our freedoms. In view of your concern, enclosed is some material on the general subject of communism I thought you might like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Nov. 1, 1961

*Joan Bonebrake*

Dear Mr. Hoover,

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Miss Joan Bonebrake  
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Dear Miss Bonebrake:

Your letter of November 1, 1961, has been received. I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing and for your generous comments.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

I am enclosing some material on the general topic of communism you may like to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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# Project Alert Anti-Communism School Opens at Shrine Monday

BY DONALD L. NEFF  
 The second major anti-Communist school here in less than four months opens Monday in the Shrine with Project Alert's week-long program of films, movie stars and speakers.  
 Purpose of the school is "to expose the perils of communism and show the individual how he can combat it," according to Sam M. Cavnar, 36-year-old co-executive director of Project Alert.  
 Cavnar said Project Alert was formed here by a group of local business, professional and retired military men shortly after the Southern California School of Anti-Communism was held in the Sports Arena Aug. 28-Sept. 1. Dr. Fred C. Schwarz, pres-

ident of the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade, headed the school.  
 "Public enthusiasm shown for Dr. Schwarz's school and a need to help the individual see how he can personally contribute to the fight against communism were major factors in starting our Project Alert," said Cavnar.  
 The program starts with registration at 8:30 a.m. Monday, followed with the first speech by W. Cleon Skousen, author and former

FBI agent and police chief of Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 Skousen, faculty director of the school in charge of approving all material presented, will open the school with a discussion of Communist philosophy.  
 He and Adm. Chester Ward, USN, ret., are the only two scheduled speakers who also appeared at the earlier school.  
 Other speakers for the day include Comdr. Paul Perry, USN, ret., former Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, and Dr. Robert Morris, president of the University of Dallas (Tex.).  
 Speakers during the remainder of the five-day program include Police Chief  
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# New Anti-Red School Will Open Monday

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Parker, movie executive, Y. Frank Freeman and Lloyd Wright, local attorney and former president of the American Bar Association.

## To Be on TV

Daily sessions will be from 9 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. through Thursday in the 6,500-seat Shrine.

The session from 7:30 to 9:45 p.m. will be televised nightly by KTLA Channel 5.

Young American's Day will be held on the final day Friday in the 15,700-seat Sports Arena from 9 a.m. through 7 p.m. John Wayne and other movie stars and sports figures will appear on the program.

The school will be climaxed with a Program For Winning banquet Friday at 7 p.m. in the Shrine.

Cost for the complete program (exclusive of the banquet) is \$10, with single day tickets sold as available at \$2.50.

There will be no charge on Young Americans' Day, Cavnar said.

Many of the men instrumental in establishing the first anti-Communist school here are helping in the present school, said Cavnar.

## Volunteer Group

Project Alert is a volunteer organization operating without dues paying members.

Some of its board members and founders include Attorney Wright, Steve Foble, past president of the American Legion; James Gibson, senior vice president of Leach Corp.; Henry Salvatori, board chairman of Western Geophysical Co. who recently donated \$325,000 to USC for a research institute on communist strategy and propaganda; Dr. William L. Brashears, a dentist, and Comdr. Terry.

The group operates with only two hired workers, both secretaries. Everybody else taking part in the organization donates his time, Cavnar said.

## Wilshire Suite

Cavnar, Dr. Brashears and movie-TV producer Robert Raisbeck are among those who have taken leaves-of-absence from their jobs to spend fulltime in a suite of offices in a new building at 2404 Wilshire Blvd.

The offices were donated to Project Alert rent-free by the Riverside Cement Co., Cavnar said.

He explained Project Alert worked with individuals from Santa Barbara to San Diego in helping to book such speakers here as Sen. J. Strom Thurmond (D-S.C.) and Adm. Ward.

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## Local Groups

It is through these individuals—who belong to various local groups in their own community—that Cavnar says Project Alert has received its support.

He estimated between 15,000 to 20,000 Southland residents were actively interested in Project Alert.

"This was set up primarily to get this school held," said Cavnar, a developer. "After this is over, I have to get back to work and earn a living."

## Cavnar Echoed

Both Dr. Brashears, who is board chairman, and Raisbeck echoed Cavnar.

"We don't know what will happen to the organization after the school," said Dr. Brashears. "We'll have to see how it works our first."

He said, however, most of the board members on the project will be on the board of a new corporation being formed under the name "Southern California Freedom Forum."

How active the corporation will be and what it will do depends on the success of the school, he said.

## Three Sponsors

The forum is listed as one of the three sponsors of the school.

The other two are the Citizens Freedom Center, a recently formed local anti-Communist citizen's group, and the Motion Picture Alliance for the Preservation of American Ideals.

The motion picture alliance was established in 1944 by a group of Hollywood actors, producers and executives as an anti-Communist group. Actor John Wayne is a past president of it.

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## A Judgment on Skousen

W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI agent, Salt Lake City police chief and, more recently, author, has become one of the darlings of the far right.

Mr. Skousen has attracted a great deal of attention nationally, both with his book, *The Naked Communist*, and in public appearances. In one of his more recent appearances, Mr. Skousen was on the same platform with C. D. Jackson, publisher of *Life Magazine* at a giant anti-Communist rally in Hollywood.

This week another Henry Luce publication, the newsmagazine *Time*, offers this description of Mr. Skousen:

"W. Cleon Skousen, a balding, bespectacled onetime FBI man who hit the anti-Communist circuit in earnest in 1960, after being fired from his job as Salt Lake City's police chief ("He operated the police department like a Gestapo," says Salt Lake City's conservative Mayor J. Bracken Lee)."

So far as we know, that's about the first time anyone has described J. Bracken Lee as anything as far left as "conservative." *Who's Who* reports that he was a director of the National Committee to repeal the 16th Amendment (income tax). J. Bracken Lee, certainly, is not vulnerable to the charge of being "out to get" the Radicals of the Right.

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Dec 22, 1961

Dear Mr Hoover,

I have read and passed around to my friends an article published in the Feb 1961 issue of "Law and Order " entitled "Mental Health". I believed this to be true ( the article) and I am interested in fighting this sort of thing.

The other day a doctor friend of mine stated that this was not true. Now I am confused. Therefore I want to know, Is Leon Skousen a legitimate American? Did California pass all the laws recommended by the World Federation for Mental Health? Do you have any comments to add that may help me in my fight against Communism?

I want to thank you for all that you are doing for our country. It is good to know that there are still some true statesmen in our government. I read a speech that you made on Dec 7, 1961 titled " Faith To Be Free". This speech received no publicity and this was most surprising to us. We therefore made copies of it and have circulated them to our friends and neighbors. If more people would think and act as you indicate, we would have a better nation and there would be no threat from Communism.

Very Truly Yours  
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## Law Enforcement Looks at "Mental Health"

By

W. Cleon Skousen  
Editorial Director  
LAW AND ORDER(\*)

A few years ago police administrators were somewhat startled by the statement of Dr. G. B. Chisholm (who was soon to become president of the World Federation for Mental Health) when he said: "... psychiatry must now decide what is to be the future of the human race. No one else can. Any this is the prime responsibility of psychiatry." (The Reestablishment of Peacetime Society, "Psychiatry, February, 1946, p. 11)

Not only did Dr. Chisholm become the president of the World Federation for Mental Health, but he also became the Director-General of its parent institution, the World Health Organization. From the high plateaus of these two powerful vantage points, Dr. Chisholm and his associates began a whirlwind campaign to solve the world's problems by promoting the techniques of a system known as "mental health."

To be sure, the mental health enthusiasts promised sensational improvements in the structure of society if their programs were adopted. These promised improvements range all the way from Dr. Chisholm's declaration that it would eliminate war down to the general promise that it would tend to solve the problems of crime, delinquency and insanity. Certainly, no thoughtful citizen is opposed to any of these fine objectives. In fact, this is probably the reason mental health has received the all-out support of presidents, governors, business leaders and civic groups.

What then can be said for the present strenuous drive for "mental health" clinics, "mental health" classes, "mental health" literature, and "mental health" laws?

### What is the Mental Health Program?

This program is built on the theory that war, crime, depravity and insanity are all the direct result of psychiatric disorders. Psychiatric disorders are defined as:

Mental diseases  
Mental defects  
Behavioral disorders  
Emotional disorders

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(\*) This article is appearing in the February 1961 issue of Law and Order which is the most widely distributed professional police magazine in the U. S. The author also serves as the Field Director of the American Security Council in Chicago.

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It is further presumed that if these psychiatric disorders can be eliminated then war, crime and insanity should tend to disappear.

How do the psychiatrists propose to eliminate these psychiatric disorders? They have submitted two basic statutes as the legal foundation for their program:

1-A law which provides for the involuntary hospitalization of persons suspected of such disorders. This is called "The Draft Act Governing the Hospitalization of the Mentally Ill."

2. The establishment of a network of psychiatric clinics which are to be the centers for the treatment, prevention, care and education of the public with relation to mental health problems. This is described in "The Organization and Function of the Community Psychiatric Clinic."

Because of the pressure behind the mental health program, the involuntary hospitalization law has already been adopted by most of the states. Now there is an intensive drive to appropriate large sums of money to set up a network of psychiatric clinics throughout the country. These are supposed to be voluntary "out-patient" clinics, but the previous law makes it possible for a person to be "involuntarily" committed to a state hospital if two psychiatrists certify that he has a "disorder" and will not submit to voluntary treatment.

#### Constitutional Questions

Lawyers and judges have pointed out the serious threat to civil rights in the present mental health laws. Judge Joseph L. Call of Los Angeles said: "This proposed legislation cannot stand analysis with constitutional government, constitutional principles and the fundamentals upon which this government was founded."

In the first place, these laws have broken down the traditional American legal distinction between insanity on the one hand and behavioral and emotional problems on the other. In the past the law has not permitted a person to be committed simply because someone thought he had peculiar ideas or did strange things unless it involved a crime, trespass, or a threat to the safety of himself or others. Furthermore, in the past, if a person were to be charged with mental disability which did require a commitment, he was first entitled to a public hearing in which he could call his own witnesses, cross examine his accusers and enjoy all of the other safeguards provided by the "due process" clause of the Constitution. The mental health law providing for involuntary hospitalization wipes out many of these traditional safeguards:

1. It provides for involuntary hospitalization merely upon the certification of two psychiatrists or examiners that the person is believed by them to be mentally ill and unamenable to voluntary treatment (Draft Act, Section 6 (a) ).
2. It does away with the public hearing (Draft Act, Section 9 (f) ).
3. It postpones the private hearing until after the patient will have undergone from 2 to 5 days of treatment (Draft Act, Section 17 (a) ).
4. When the private hearing is held "all persons not necessary for the conduct of the proceedings shall be excluded." (Draft Act, Section 9 (f) ).

5. "The proposed patient shall not be required to be present. . ." (Draft Act, Section 9 (f) ).

6. "The hearings shall be conducted in. . . an informal manner. . . The court. . . shall not be bound by the rules of evidence." (Draft Act, Section 9 (f) ).

The rights of the individual are further impaired under this procedure as the result of a recent judicial decision which states that if the two psychiatrists who certify a patient to a mental hospital happen to do it in error or in bad faith, they cannot be held liable in a civil suit for damages:

"The rule in this jurisdiction is that a defamatory statement made by witnesses in the due course of a judicial proceeding. . . is absolutely privileged, and cannot be made the basis of an action for libel or slander; even though the testimony is given with express malice and knowledge of its falsity." (Baily v. McGill, 100 S. E. (2) 860, N. C. 1957).

All of this is particularly amazing to police officials who custodial powers are being continually restricted by the highest courts. Even preliminary interviews by the police and the confessions thereby obtained are made illegal if they cause a delay in the presentation before a magistrate. What would happen if law enforcement officials asked for the privilege of holding a prisoner for several days without a hearing providing two officers certified that in their opinion the prisoner had criminal proclivities?

#### What Services Would the Mental Health Clinics Provide?

Having considered the serious legal problems inherent in the "involuntary hospitalization" mental health law, let us now turn to the mental health program itself. What service would the mental health clinics provide?

The law suggests 5 areas of activity:

1. Mental health education.
2. Early diagnosis and prevention of mental diseases.
3. Early diagnosis and prevention of behavioral disorders.
4. Early diagnosis and prevention of emotional disorders.
5. Coordination of all counseling services in schools, county hospitals, welfare and social agencies by the State Director of mental health.

This, of course, is purely a statement of aims. It still does not disclose the actual program by which the proponents of mental health intend to achieve these aims. To learn this we turn to the mental health psychiatrists with several questions:

What program do you have in mind for the prevention of mental diseases, behavioral disorders and emotional disorders?

What program do you have for the prevention of adult crime?

What program do you have for the prevention of Juvenile delinquency?

What, specifically, would you do for a delinquent boy or girl who is mentally disturbed?

Obviously the mental health law contemplates that all of these problems will be worked out by processing mentally disturbed persons through the mental health clinics. Unfortunately, the psychiatric profession has already experimented with these voluntary out-patient clinics and found them unable to reach any substantial number of those who need help. In the Yearbook of Neurology, Psychiatry and Neuro-Surgery, 1959-1960 Series, pp. 380-387, we read:

"Fate of psychiatric clinic outpatients assigned to psychotherapy was studied by David Resenthal and Jerome D. Frank... About 1 in 3 patients referred for psychotherapy failed to accept it when it became available, though he had previously agreed to try it... 3 out of every 4 patients who began psychotherapy terminated without discussing this stop with their therapists. About half of all patients had 5 hours or less of therapy, and 6 of 10 were discharged unimproved."

This discouraging report automatically raises another question: What would happen if all of these people were more or less required to take treatments such as would be the case in a detention facility for juveniles or an adult prison?

Once again the psychiatric profession has conducted its own study and come up with a commendably frank and honest statement which is set forth in the Yearbook of Neurology, Psychiatry and Neuro-Surgery, 1958-1959 Series, p. 369:

"As of 1957, there is no factual knowledge available to support the statement that there is any treatment procedure in psychiatry which promises a better outlook for a particular illness than does nature left to her own devices. To say otherwise is to express a hope unfounded by facts. The exceptions are those organic diseases of the brain for which a more or less specific therapy exists."

This confirms the statement of Dr. Karl A. Menninger, a psychiatrist who told the 63rd convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police: "We psychiatrists do not know how to treat such individuals [the criminal offender] in a curative way." (The Police Yearbook, 1958, p. 160)

Studies in England, Canada and the United States reveal that psychiatry is still in its theoretical and experimental stage. It has not yet made a breakthrough. In the British report, Dr. H. J. Eysenck summarized his studies: "They fail to prove that psychotherapy, Freudian or otherwise, facilitates the recovery of neurotic patients. They show that roughly two thirds of a group of neurotic patients will recover or improve to a marked degree within about two years..."

In Canada, Dr. Dalbir Bindra, President of the Canadian Psychological Association summed up his report: "All that can be said now is simply that so far there exists no proof of the value of the psychodynamic approach. . . Thus I believe that this approach has turned out to be a wrong "lead" and that any further research along this line would be a waste of time." (Ibid. p. 251).

### California's Experience With Mental Health

These frank and forthright statements help explain the failure of the mental health program in California to produce the spectacular results which were promised. California is now spending \$116, 808, 792 per year (1959-1960) on its Mental Hygiene Program, and has passed all of the laws recommended by the World Federation for Mental Health. Not only has its program proven to be a back-breaking financial burden, but it has failed to improve the mental health of the citizenry. Available statistics indicate it has proven neither "preventative" nor "curative." Here are statements from the Legislative Auditor in Sacramento. First he discussed the cost:

"The Department of Mental Hygiene, which is increasing in size by leaps and bounds, already receives the largest expenditure from the general fund over all other state agencies." (Analysis of the Budget, 1954-55, p. 311)

Recently he discussed the results:

"Readmissions of former hospital patients continue to increase each year. This is a problem the department has not been able to solve and it indicates that the department is releasing more patients each year who are not as completely recovered as in former years. . . The increase in readmissions from 27.3 percent of first admissions in 1952-53 to 46.5 percent in 1959-60 indicates the rapidly increasing importance of this factor." (Analysis of the Budget, 1958-59, p. 502).

In California the mental health administrators have continued to ask for vast sums of money but have refused to conduct an evaluation study to justify such expenditures. This same report therefore states:

"We would question whether the agency really believes in the effectiveness of its program in view of the lack of aggressiveness which has been evident in developing an evaluation program." (Ibid., P. 503)

### Psychiatry as a Science

Because psychiatry is still in its theoretical and experimental stage it has not yet established any pattern of uniformity in either theory or practice. This can only come as psychiatry develops into a true science. Meanwhile, there are many dedicated, well educated psychiatrists with extensive medical experience who are striving to make a breakthrough. These deserve every encouragement. Unfortunately, there is also a large number of practicing psychiatrists of the analytical school who tend to discredit the profession by insisting that they already have the answers. This attitude is reflected in Dr. Chisholm's amazingly confident statement: " psychiatry must now decide

what is to be the immediate future of the human race. No one else can. And this is the prime responsibility of psychiatry."

Time has exposed Dr. Chisholm's statement as presumptive. Psychiatry deserves every encouragement but a profession which is still suffering the birth pains of its own genesis is scarcely in a position to take over the "future of the human race." In fact, it is felt that Dr. Chisholm and the majority of those who are Freudian oriented would be embarrassed and probably discredited if the majority of the people really understood what this school of psychiatry believes and practices. Here are just a few of Dr. Chisholm's ideas which are typical of the analytical school:

"What basic psychological distortion can be found in every civilization (which produces a sense of 'inferiority, guilt and fear')... The only psychological force capable of producing these perversions is morality, the concept of right and wrong... For many generations we have bowed our necks to the yoke of the conviction of sin. We have swallowed all manner of poisonous certainties fed us by our parents, our Sunday and day school teachers, our politicians, our priests, our newspapers and others with a vested interest in controlling us... Freedom from moralities means freedom to observe, to think and behave sensibly, to the advantage of the person and of the group, free from outmoded types of loyalties and from the magic fears of our ancestors. If the race is to be freed from its crippling burden of good and evil it must be psychiatrists who take the original responsibility." (The Reestablishment of Peacetime Society" by G. B. Chisholm, published in Psychiatry, February, 1946).

In this same speech Dr. Chisholm made another comment which carries an ominous tone in view of the "involuntary hospitalization" procedures which he later projected into his mental health program:

"There is some thing to be said for taking charge of our own destiny, for gently putting aside the mistaken old ways of our elders if that is possible. If it cannot be done gently, it may have to be done roughly or even violently..." (Ibid. p. 18)

In 1959 and 1960 his associates were still pushing the same theme as the basis for better mental health. Dr. Heinz Hartman declared: "Acting according to self interest is, then, considered more 'healthy', more 'rational'-- in a general way more 'legitimate' --than acting according to moral principles.

It is presented as the result of having conquered successfully the archaic taboo of earlier days." (Freud Anniversary Lecture Series for 1960, "p. 76)

At the 67th annual convention of the American Psychological Association Dr. Ellis likewise declared: "I contend that giving someone a sense of sin... is the worst possible way to help him. I tell my patients... never, under any circumstances, to blame or punish anyone, especially themselves, for anything; then it will virtually be impossible for them to every become seriously upset." (Newsweek, Sept. 14, 1959, p. 108)

Persons supporting the program for mental health clinics should be aware

that many psychiatrists--particularly of the analytical school---use "freedom from morality" as their basic therapy for removing the sense of "inferiority, guilt and fear" in a patient.

Professionally, law enforcement has not been able to accept this approach to crime and delinquency because it seems to violate both reason and experience. "Freedom from morality" turns out to produce criminal cancer cells in the body tissue of society. It develops individuals, no matter how sophisticated or well educated, who are a law unto themselves and who become detached from the cultural complex of an orderly society.

In 1959, this precise point was made by Dr. O. Hobart Mower, former president of the American Psychological Association:

"For half a century now we psychologists have very largely followed the Freudian doctrine that... the patient has been, in effect, too good; that he has within him impulses, especially those of lust and hostility, which he has been unnecessarily inhibiting and health, we tell him, lies in expressing these impulses... By abolishing sin, the psychologists have also abolished moral restraint, as a result personality disorders are more pervasive and baffling today." (Newsweek, September 14, 1959, p. 108)

If mental health clinics are to be staffed by a certain percentage of psychiatric therapists who are going to use this type of rationalization on their patients then law enforcement has to agree with Dr. Mower. The problems of personality disorder will not be diminished but seriously accelerated.

#### Is There A Better Way?

The amazing avalanche of support for mental health is not so much a tribute to the mental health idea as it is the fact that in this generation there is a growing realization that we just simply are not solving our problems of crime, delinquency and social malfunctioning. If the latest observations in California are any criteria then mental health is not the answer either. One cannot help but ask, "Isn't there some better way?"

First of all, it is going to be necessary to distinguish more clearly between organically defective people who are incapable of living in society and those who are normal people who have turned against society. Even mechanistic psychiatry is finding that they are not the same.

Insofar as genuine psychiatric disorders are concerned, it would seem obvious that psychiatry will first have to make a breakthrough with the chronic and acute cases in the mental hospitals before they can hope to chart a proper course for clinical prevention in the field. And persons believed to be in need of commitment should certainly be protected from possible abuse by returning to standard judicial procedure rather than

use the involuntary hospitalization law which is presently on the books of many states as a result of the mental health drive.

In the area of behavioral problems--particularly among juveniles--law enforcement officials believe there are a multitude of things which should be done in preference to the creation of some new and expensive "treatment" agency. This was vividly demonstrated in the recent world-wide survey of juvenile crime by the United Nations. Dr. Manuel Lopez-Rey, UN Director of Social Defense, reported the highest juvenile crime rates are in the wealthy nations which have tried to substitute social agencies for neglected homes. In the poorer nations where they cannot afford such luxuries, the governments are under the necessity of holding parents almost exclusively responsible for raising good citizens. The study showed that poor countries with strong families have far better success in holding down juvenile crime than strong, rich nations with weak home fronts. It is not a problem of "psychiatric disorders" but a problem of social weakness on the home front.

Thirty-five years ago America tried to patch up the erosion in the homes of its citizens by adopting various substitute programs. First we were going to solve juvenile crime through an intensive drive for parks, playgrounds, and recreation centers. These facilities were a most pleasant improvement, but juvenile crime kept climbing. Then we set up an elaborate system of juvenile courts. That was really supposed to do the job, but crime rates continued upward. Then we set up community coordinating councils. No doubt these made a wholesome contribution too, but they did not stop the trend. Now we are asked to set up psychiatric clinics as the sure-fire way to get rid of these behavioral and emotional disorders. Authorities in the field tell us we are still trying to lift a ten ton problem with a two pound tool.

For years law enforcement, along with sociologists, jurists and criminologists have been pleading with America to handle these behavioral and emotional problems at their point of origin--on our badly weakened home front. Parents can raise good citizens if society insists upon it.

This is what the United Nations survey proved.

It also proved that juvenile behavioral problems are not generally "psychiatric disorders" but the reflection of poor training, lack of security and love, lack of discipline, lack of inspired leadership, lack of preparation to meet the needs of life, all of which can usually be traced to a weak home. No amount of expensive psychiatric clinics is ever going to solve these basic needs. They could not even be depended upon to detect such problems since their primary function is to provide referral centers. Someone else would still have to do the initial detecting.

### Conclusion

Accepting then the fact that the psychiatric profession is sincerely desirous of making a scientific contribution to human welfare, it is still necessary to point out that the present program of mental health is dangerous and diversionary. This is not said in a spirit of unkindness but as a simple statement of fact. It is considered dangerous because it poses a serious threat to American civil rights, particularly if the program falls into the wrong hands. At the same time, many of its advocates also use a therapy which eats into the vitals of the moral structure on which our civilization is built. These advocates, sincere though they may be, would weaken our homes even further, would weaken if not destroy our moral code, and would weaken the legal structure which depends upon it.

Mental health is diversionary because it pretends to solve many of our pressing problems with a program which is already being discredited in areas where it is being tried. It is also diversionary to the psychiatric profession since it would institutionalize a system of theoretical psychiatry which is already turning out to be as disappointing as the long since discredited device of personality analysis called psychoanalysis.

The "future of the race" is not just the job of the psychiatrists as Dr. Chisholm has suggested, but the sincere, dedicated, professional psychiatrist definitely has a place on the team. Our American team had a big job to do, particularly in building citizens who do not need frequent servicing by some psychiatrist, a mental hospital or a prison. We need to start putting stronger moral fiber back into our culture. We need a deeper spirituality. We need to get our citizens to stand on their own two feet, with a sense of responsibility and personal independence. Our society needs a new posture of self discipline and character. This would be real mental health.

So there is a job for parents to do which is not being done adequately, a job for the schools, the churches, the police and the courts which can be done far better. And there is a job for the psychiatrist to do--especially in the field of genuine mental disorders where a breakthrough yet remains to be made. In pursuing that task the psychiatrist will find the police backing all the way.

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'Old Communist Tactic'

## Skousen Hints Reds Involved in Blasts

A member of Project Alert's School of Anti-Communism charged today that the recent bombings of two ministers' homes is "un-American" and "outside the bounds of the philosophy and ideals of the American people."

W. Cleon Skousen, faculty director of Project Alert, whose organization has raised \$5000 for apprehension of the bombers, added that it's "an old tactic of the Communist party to perform such an act and then blame it on people they are trying to discredit."

Dr. William Brashears, member of the project's board of directors said at a press conference today his group is "appalled" at the bombings.

"We want to aid as citizens," he said, "to bring about the apprehension of whoever did this."

Dr. Brashears waved a \$5000 check and explained that the money was raised by Project Alert's 12 board members.

He said the money would be deposited in a bank today. Skousen, in referring to the bombings, said he and his organization deplore all activities "of this kind," and added that this even includes the recent bombing of the Los Angeles Communist headquarters.

"All of us," he said, "should be quick to detect, apprehend and prosecute

people who do things like this." And he added: "We are as concerned as anyone about extremism."

### LAUDS SCHWARTZ

Skousen said, although he is not connected in any way with Dr. Fred Schwartz and his Anti-Communist school, he is a great admirer of Schwartz.

"He is an extremely dedicated person," he said, "and a fine friend of the American people. He is doing a great service to this country."

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Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

Date 2-5-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

RE: *W. Cleon Skousen*

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Memo Sullivan to Belmont  
Re: FRED W. TURNER  
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

While the Bureau cannot, of course, comment to the Florida Department of Education on the value of Skousen's book, it is felt that Turner can be told: (1) that Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent; (2) that Skousen voluntarily resigned from the latter position on October 5, 1951; (3) that Skousen's statements or writings are strictly his own and do not represent the FBI in any manner; and (4) that the Director, in keeping with Bureau policy is unable to endorse any book or publication not prepared by the Bureau. It is noted that during the past year or so, Skousen has affiliated himself with the extreme right-wing "professional anticommunists" such as Fred C. Schwarz, who are promoting their own anticommunism for obvious financial purposes.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent to Turner.

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- 1 - Yellow file copy
- ① - Yellow (Personnel file - former SA W. Cleon Skousen)
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Morrell
- 1 - R. W. Smith
- 1 - J. M. Sizoo

January 17, 1962

Mr. Fred W. Turner  
Assistant Division Director  
General Education  
State of Florida  
Department of Education  
Tallahassee, Florida

Dear Mr. Turner:

Your inquiry to Assistant Director William C. Sullivan regarding Mr. W. Cleon Skousen and his book, "The Naked Communist," has been brought to my attention.

For your information, Mr. Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned from the latter position on October 5, 1951. Any statements or writings by Mr. Skousen are strictly his own, of course, and do not represent the FBI in any manner.

In regard to his book, I am unable as a matter of policy to endorse any book or publication not prepared by this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

2 - Jacksonville (for information)

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NOTE: No identifiable derogatory information in Bufiles re Turner. See Sullivan to Belmont memo dated 1/16/62 captioned, "Fred W. Turner, State of Florida Department of Education, Request for Information on Bureau Service of Former SA W. Cleon Skousen, Central Research Matter."  
JMS:maj/bbb.

Mr. A. H. Belmont

January 16, 1962

W. C. Sullivan

FRED W. TURNER  
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON BUREAU SERVICE  
OF FORMER SA W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
CENTRAL RESEARCH MATTER

Turner is currently preparing material for teaching the required courses in communism in Florida public schools beginning in the Fall of 1962. He has inquired of me as to the Bureau career of former SA W. Cleon Skousen and his book on communism entitled "The Naked Communist." Turner indicated attempts were being made to introduce Skousen's book into the Florida schools, but Turner would prefer a textbook by the Director if and when available. Bureau relations with Turner are cordial and Bufiles contain no identifiable derogatory information regarding Turner.

Reference is made to my memo to Mr. Belmont re Turner dated 1/6/62 which reviewed his tentative draft entitled "Americanism Versus Communism" to be used in teaching the public schools courses on communism. This memo suggested that the Bureau's best interests would be served by assisting Turner without becoming identified in any way with his efforts to prepare material for the communist courses. At his request the draft was returned to him, this being handled by the Jacksonville Office. He was to be told on a confidential basis that his material was comprehensive and objective.

Enclosure

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1 - Mr. Belmont	1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Mohr	1 - Mr. R. W. Smith
1 - Mr. DeLoach	1 - J. M. Sizoo
1 - Mr. Morrell	1 - Skousen Personnel file

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December 29, 1961

Mr. George O. Thurman  
7441 Calle Arturo  
Tucson, Arizona

Dear Mr. Thurman:

Your letter of December 22, 1961, with enclosure **RECEIVED** has been received. I am most appreciative of your generous comments concerning my administration of this Bureau, and I also want to express my thanks for the interest you indicated in my Criss Award acceptance remarks. It was good of you to make copies of my address available to your acquaintances.

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In response to your request, W. Cleon Skousen was a clerical employee of the FBI from October 24, 1935, until June 17, 1940, when he was assigned as a Special Agent of this Bureau. His services with our organization were terminated on October 5, 1951, when he voluntarily submitted his resignation. I regret that I am unable to answer your specific inquiry since this Bureau is not fully acquainted with all of his activities since leaving the FBI. In this connection, I would like to point out that we are an investigative agency of the Federal Government and do not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication. Inasmuch as the other matter you mentioned does not pertain to the official investigative responsibilities of this Bureau, it would be improper for me to comment concerning it.

It is always encouraging to hear from those who desire to take active measures in opposing the menace of communism, and I am pleased to enclose some material regarding this subject which may be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

ENCLOSURES AND NOTE NEXT PAGE

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Mr. George O. Thurman

**Enclosures**

4-17-61 Internal Security Statement  
4-61 LEB Introduction  
The Communist Party, USA (9-61)  
What You Can Do To Fight Communism  
The Communist Party Line

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information concerning correspondent. He enclosed an article by Skousen which was critical of mental health programs. It is noted that Skousen's services were satisfactory while he was employed by the Bureau. Recently, he has been engaged in various anticommunist programs throughout the country.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: January 12, 1962

FROM : N. P. CALLAHAN

SUBJECT: THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

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The Congressional Record for Thursday, January 11, 1962, has been reviewed and the following items contained therein have been noted for your attention.

*Leon Skouzen*

### HOUSE

Pages 49-54. There is set forth on these pages the text of the President's state of the Union message. President Kennedy, in commenting on past accomplishments, stated "and secured new weapons to combat organized crime, racketeering, and youth delinquency, assisted by the coordinated and hard-hitting efforts of our investigative services: The FBI, Internal Revenue, the Bureau of Narcotics, and many others."

Adjournment: Until Monday, January 15, 1962, at 12 noon.

### SENATE

The proceedings of the Senate have been reviewed and there is nothing contained therein believed to be of particular interest to the Bureau.

Adjournment: Until Monday, January 15, 1962, at 12 noon.

### APPENDIX

Pages A55-A57 and A77-A79. Congressmen Hoffman, (R) Illinois, and Dorn, (D) South Carolina, submitted an article which appeared in the January issue of Reader's Digest written by Frank L. Kluckhohn and entitled "Is the State Department Failing Us in the Cold War?" In commenting on the article Mr. Hoffman stated "It might serve us well to look into certain

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Memorandum to the Director  
Re: The Congressional Record

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branches of our own executive departments." Mr. Dorn pointed out that "The overwhelming majority of the American people are asking these same questions about the State Department's role in our foreign policy. These questions can best be resolved by a thorough investigation by the people's representatives, our Congress, of our whole foreign policy—past, present, and future." The article makes reference to the Communist takeover of Cuba. The article states "Robert C. Hill, then our Ambassador to Mexico, knew that Moscow agents were already shuttling back and forth between the Soviet embassies of Mexico City and Havana. He tried to warn Washington - - -. - - - But his reports—as well as those of the CIA, FBI and the Pentagon—failed to break through the bureaucracy and reach the decisionmakers. Department analysts downgraded the Red threat and took a go-easy view." The article goes on to cite Hill's efforts pointing out that he briefed Dr. Milton Eisenhower who was on a goodwill visit to Mexico in August 1959, and present at the briefing "were Dr. Eisenhower, Hill, and Raymond Leddy—our Embassy's secretary for political affairs in Mexico City, graduate of the FBI and a seasoned Cuban and intelligence expert. Also present was the State Department officer in charge of Caribbean-Mexican affairs. From the start, this latter official opposed the briefing." The article sets out other instances regarding information furnished to the State Department regarding the Communist menace in Cuba. It states "When the subject arose in conversation one day between J. Edgar Hoover and the then Secretary of State, Christian Herter, the latter said he had never seen any such material. The next day Hoover received a phone call from Herter. 'I have now read some of those reports,' said Herter. 'I did not realize that the situation was so serious.'" (Mr. Raymond Leddy was employed with the Bureau from April 18, 1938, to November 28, 1943, as an Agent. His services were satisfactory).

Pages A71-A73. Congressman McDonough, (R) California, submitted a review of the book "The World of Communism" by Dr. Rodger Swearingen. The review appeared in the Los Angeles Times on December 10, 1961. Mr. McDonough stated "This new book should be required reading for all students of history in the United States and for all citizens of the United States interested in a more thorough knowledge of what communism is and how to recognize its insidious influence and combat and defeat its avowed plans and purposes which are bent upon overthrowing the Government of the United States by force and violence if necessary." The review makes reference to Mr. Hoover's book "Masters of Deceit" and "The Naked Communist" written by Cleon Skousen.

Memorandum to the Director  
Re: The Congressional Record

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The article points out Skousen served for 16 years with the FBI. (Mr. Skousen was employed with the Bureau from October 24, 1935, to October 5, 1951, as an Agent).

Pages A74-A75. Congressman Smith, (R) California, pointed out that the January 1, 1962, issue of U. S. News & World Report contained an interview with Mr. J. Edgar Hoover concerning the rising crime wave and who is to blame for it. Mr. Smith submitted this item for inclusion in the Record pointing out "I feel sure my colleagues will want to be apprised of this if they have not already had an opportunity to read it."

Pages A81-A82. Congressman Curtis, (R) <sup>US</sup>Missouri, submitted an article from the Los Angeles Times written by Robert T. Hartmann entitled "ADA Liberalism Is Plan of Action - More Meaningful Alinement of Party's Major Current Goal." Mr. Curtis pointed out that Mr. Hartmann "quotes Presidential Aid Arthur Schlesinger, ADA vice chairman and leading advocate of the group's positions, to help clarify the role and the viewpoint of the Americans for Democratic Action." The article states "While this reporter's inquiries have failed to turn up any known Communists associated with ADA, the record of ADA on anti-anticommunism is not quite so creditable. This tends to blur the verdict of less careful observers. Chiefly responsible for this are two perennial ADA stalwarts, Vice Chairman Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., a Washington lawyer, and <sup>member</sup> Editor James Wechsler, of the New York Post who, as Washington correspondent for his paper, helped set up ADA in 1947. Both are militant anti-anti-Communists." The article goes on to state "So far in 1961 Rauh has urged President Kennedy to eliminate FBI security checks of Federal appointees - - -."

Pages A94-A95. Senator Randolph, (D) West Virginia, extended his remarks concerning the presentation of the Mutual of Omaha Criss Award to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover. Mr. Randolph stated "The award for 1961 was given to Mr. Hoover for his selfless devotion and contributions to the safety and security of the American people over a period of more than four decades. - - - Indeed, the reputation of the FBI has become such an accepted fact in American life that few of us give conscious reflection to the marvel of achievement which is almost solely attributable to the character and dedication of one man." Mr. Randolph included Mr. Hoover's remarks upon receiving this award.

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421 Woodlawn Avenue  
Clearwater, Florida  
December 3, 1961

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Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Evans	
Mr. Malone	
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The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. President:

I am writing to commend you for your recent statement while on the West Coast pertaining to the danger of the extremist groups in this country. They certainly are sowing seeds of suspicion.

*W. CLEON SKOUSEN*

Last week Dr. Fred Schwarz held his "Christian Anti-Communism School" in St. Petersburg for the area including Tampa and Clearwater. It had tremendous television coverage with all of the time donated by the station. Fortunately the attendance was small -- yet many persons whom I consider fairly well informed were "taken in" by the speeches which they heard on television.

Enclosed is a copy of a story written by a reporter for the CLEARWATER SUN who is respected for her objectivity. I attended the session covered in this story and was incensed by the statements made by Mr. Skousen.

If the information is available to the public, you please tell me why Mr. Skousen left the FBI.

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Sincerely yours,

*Margaret S. Boudreau*

Mrs. James C. Boudreau

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Mrs. James C. Boudreau  
421 Woodlawn Avenue  
Clearwater, Florida

Dear Mrs. Boudreau:

*Margaret S.*

Your letter to the President, with enclosure, was referred to this Bureau on January 30, 1962 in connection with your question concerning Mr. W. Cleon Skousen.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. I hope this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent cannot be identified in Bufiles. The newspaper clipping she enclosed concerns Skousen's appearance at an anticommunist school in St. Petersburg, Florida.

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422-A NORTH COAST BOULEVARD  
LAGUNA BEACH, CALIFORNIA

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February 27, 1962

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
F. B. I.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen stresses the point that he served as an "Administrator supervisor under J. Edgar Hoover in Washington, D.C."

I would appreciate knowing how long Mr. Skousen worked in your department and in what capacity.

Sincerely,

*[Handwritten signature: Norman Nixon]*  
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March 5, 1962

Dr. Norman Nixon  
422-A North Coast Boulevard  
Laguna Beach, California

Dear Dr. Nixon:

Your letter of February 27, 1962, has been received.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI in the capacity of clerk on October 24, 1935, in which position he remained until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

Enclosed is some material on the general subject of communism I hope will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: Our only prior correspondence with correspondent was in February, 1958, when he requested information comparing crime and population rates.

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Rt. 1, Box 235  
East Prairie, Mo.  
March 12, 1962

Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

A man by the name of William Edward Opie of an organization known as "The Torchbearers of America" is in our area giving lectures and holding meetings dealing with the Communist theme but apparently much concerned with the racial issue. *MO*

The names listed as being members of the advisory committee of this group include Mrs. Holly Holmes, Hawthorne, Calif., Walter Knott of Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, Calif. and Mr. Cleon Skausen, author of "The Naked Communist" advertised as an FBI Agent from Salt Lake City, Utah. *MO*

There seems to be a great deal of interest in these meetings, which are also being presented to the High School students in Assembly and many of us are interested to know just what sort of an organization this is. If you have any information on the subject we would be very grateful if you would clear the matter up for us. *W*

Yours truly,

*Katherine M. Millham*  
Katherine M. Millham  
(Mrs. W.J. Millham)

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March 19, 1962

Katherine M. Millham

Mrs. W. J. Millham  
Route One, Box 235  
East Prairie, Missouri

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Dear Mrs. Millham:

Your letter of March 12th has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, the FBI is an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. Please do not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the group about which you asked.

For your information, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen is not currently employed by this Bureau. He entered on duty with the FBI in the capacity of clerk on October 24, 1935, in which position he remained until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Since Mr. Skousen is no longer connected with this Bureau and the opinions expressed in his speeches and articles are his own, I am unable to comment regarding him.

Enclosed is some literature I hope will be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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The Courage of Free Men---2-22-62 Speech  
Shall It Be Law or Tyranny?  
Let's Fight Communism Sanely!  
The Communist Party Line  
The Faith To Be Free---12-7-61 Speech

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondent.  
Torchbearers of America has never been investigated by the Bureau  
and Bufiles contain nothing of a derogatory nature concerning it.  
The organization is alleged to be anticommunist in nature and seeks  
to promote peace. The information concerning former Special Agent  
W. Cleon Skousen is being furnished correspondent since she indicates  
he has been advertised as an FBI Agent from Salt Lake City, Utah, and  
she does not show that she is aware that he is a former Agent of this  
Bureau.



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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, WFO (157-NEW)

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Detective BERT HALL, Special Investigations Squad, MPD, was contacted immediately after the adjournment of captioned organization at approximately 4:10 p. m., 3/30/62.

Detective HALL furnished the complete text of the address made by BERL I. BERNHARD, Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. The complete address of Mr. BERNHARD is being forwarded to the Bureau as an enclosure.

Detective HALL stated the only reference that Mr. BERNHARD made concerning the FBI was as follows:

"It is necessary to be sensible of the dangers faced by the police officer. According to the FBI 49 police employees were killed in the line of duty in 1959. In 1960 48 lost their lives. In the same year, some 9,600 assaults on policemen were reported to the FBI." Mr. BERNHARD also commented "The ultimate factor of course is the individual policeman. The policeman who is trained in crime detection has less motivation for brutality

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than one who is not." FBI Director J. EDGAR HOOVER underscored this point in the law enforcement bulletin of March, 1962, when he stated that "It is a sad commentary on modern day law enforcement for any officer to be guilty of a violation of civil rights. In addition to the basic immoral aspects and the attendant public scorn, such incidents are all the more regrettable because they are so unnecessary."

Detective HALL stated that Mr. BERNHARD did not deviate from his address and practically followed his press release speech word for word.

Detective HALL pointed out that MORRIS ABRAM, Vice President, American Jewish Committee, former General Counsel, U.S. Peace Corps, in his speech referred to one "Mr. SCHOWSER (ph) who has set himself up as an expert in the field of subversiveness." Mr. ABRAM said Mr. SCHOWSER was a former FBI Agent and later a Chief of Police in a western city. Mr. ABRAM said that inquiry was made of the FBI regarding the expertness of Mr. SCHOWSER in the field of subversiveness and the FBI answered that Mr. SCHOWSER was used in criminal assignments and not subversive assignments. For the Bureau's attention it is believed Mr. ABRAM was referring to former FBI Agent CLEON SKOUSEN.

Detective HALL pointed out that RICHARDSON DILWORTH, Mayor of Philadelphia 1956-1962, was the most dynamic speaker of the day and received the most applause for his address. Detective HALL stated that Mr. DILWORTH spoke about the Philadelphia Complaint Review Board and said it was an overwhelming success in Philadelphia. Mr. DILWORTH pointed out the Philadelphia Police Department in their interviews with applicants for the Police Department stressed the ability and the judgment in dealing with the different races. Mr. DILWORTH also stated that Federal law enforcement agencies employ men of higher caliber and receive higher wages and they are not subject to brutality charges.

Detective HALL stated the address by GERALD A. BERLIN of Massachusetts was concerned with "1. Police Departments holding suspects without arraignment. 2. The right to counsel. 3. Searches and seizures." Detective HALL stated that Mr. BERLIN made no comment regarding the FBI in his address.

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Detective HALL commented that Congresswoman EDITH GREEN discussed the "Extremists." She referred to the John Birch Society and the minutemen, pointing out that these groups are so anticommunist that they are radical. Congresswoman GREEN made no comment regarding the FBI Detective HALL stated.

Detective HALL stated that ALAN F. WESTIN, Columbia University, made no reference to the FBI in his address.

WFO contemplates no additional investigation in this matter UACB.

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W. Cleon Skousen was employed as a messenger 10/24/35 and became an Agent 6/17/40. He voluntarily resigned 10/5/51. He was Chief of Police at Salt Lake City from 6/56 until 3/60.

We have no information that anyone has been advised that Skousen was used only on criminal work and not subversive assignments.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: April 11, 1962

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo *JAS*

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN

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Former Inspector Lee Pennington who is now associated with the American Security Council (ASC) called Monday in connection with another matter and advised that Skousen had been dropped by ASC. He had previously represented them in connection with certain speaking commitments; but Pennington said ASC people thought he had "gone off the deep end," and his services had been discontinued.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is for information. *V.*

JAS:lml *lml*

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April 12, 1962

Director, FBI

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The Bureau has reviewed the information set forth in relet and wishes to note that the interview was well handled by SA [redacted]

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NOTE:

The interview was conducted by SA [redacted] with Dr. Stewart L. Grow, a professor at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, to determine background of pamphlet by another Brigham Young University professor, Richard D. Poll, which criticized former SA W. Cleon Skousen's book, "The Naked Communist." The interview was searching and thorough and the letter prepared by SA [redacted] covering the interview presented the requested information in excellent detail. Poll's pamphlet entitled "This Trumpet Gives An Uncertain Sound" criticizes Skousen's book for its poor quality of scholarship. [redacted] is an established source of the Salt Lake Office. Poll reportedly is anticommunist and Poll's issue with Skousen is over lack of completely scholarly approach in Skousen's book.

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No identifiable derogatory information in Bureau files re Grow and Poll.

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April 19, 1962

The attached book, "So You Want to Raise a Boy?" by W. Cleon Skousen, was mailed to the Director by The Ensign Publishing Company, P. O. Box 2316, Salt Lake City 10, Utah.

It has been inscribed as follows:

"April 6, 1962

"To My Friend and Former "Boss"  
John Edgar Hoover

"Here is another book I was motivated in writing as a result of my experience and training in the FBI.

"I am only one of the millions of people to whom you will always be a source of great affection and warm admiration

"Sincerely

"W. Cleon Skousen"

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Mr. W. Cleon Skousen  
2197 Berkeley Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I have received the copy of your book entitled "So You Want To Raise A Boy?" It was thoughtful of you to inscribe this book to me, and I appreciate your kind comments.

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Sincerely yours,  
L. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Skousen entered on duty on 10-24-35, as a Messenger, was appointed an Agent on 6-17-40, and resigned 10-5-51, services satisfactory. Recently he has been most active in extreme right-wing organizations and any contacts with him have been most circumspect.

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TO : Mr. Malone

DATE: April 30, 1962

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HLE*

SUBJECT: LAW DAY, U. S. A., PROGRAM  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA  
5/1/62

*Wright*

*Washington, D.C.*

This afternoon, I received a call from Rear Admiral William C. Mott, Judge Advocate General of the Navy. He said he had been previously in touch with Mr. Sullivan on a Law Day, U. S. A. seminar which is scheduled for St. Paul, 5/1/62, and that as a result of information which came to Mott's attention, Mott had declined an invitation to speak at this seminar because former Special Agent Cleon Skousen was scheduled to be on the program. Mott knows that Skousen has been working with the Schwartz crowd.

Mott seemed quite concerned because he said he had just learned, today, that after he, Mott, had declined, the St. Paul Committee on Arrangements had invited the Attorney General and although the Attorney General had declined, he did designate Ramsey Clark, Assistant Attorney General of the Lands Division, to speak as the representative of the Attorney General.

Mott said that the Minnesota State Bar Association and the American Bar Association have withdrawn from the St. Paul program. Mott stated that ABA President John Satterfield pulled out apparently after learning that some of the people who were going to be on that seminar were questionable. According to Mott, the seminar is now being sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce and some other civic groups. Mott said that he has since learned that Skousen has cancelled out but Mott feels that, knowing the tactics of the Schwartz crowd as he does, it wouldn't be surprising if Skousen or some of that group end up participating in the program.

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Mott stated that some of the other panelists on the program will be George X Murphy of Hollywood, who will be master of ceremonies; John K. Jessup, Chief Editorial Writer for Life Magazine; Robert E. Hansen, Commander in Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; Admiral Felix Stump of the Freedom Foundation; Nicholas Nyardi of Bradley University; Dr. Gerhart Niemeyer of the University of Notre Dame; and Dr. Noah N. Langdale, Jr., President of Georgia State College of Business Administration and a member of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Educational Exchange.

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CC TO MR. TOLSON

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Memo to Mr. Malone  
Re: Law Day, U.S.A., Program

Mott said the program will be a daytime session of panelists and then a night time spectacular which he understands Hollywood will have a good bit to do with.

Mott's concern was why the Attorney General would not make some preliminary check on the program and the speakers before designating a representative. I told Mott that I could not speak for the Attorney General. Mott said that he had been in touch with Ramsey Clark and told Clark why he had cancelled out but this didn't seem to make much difference to Clark because Clark told Mott that since the Attorney General had designated him to handle the matter he was going to handle it.

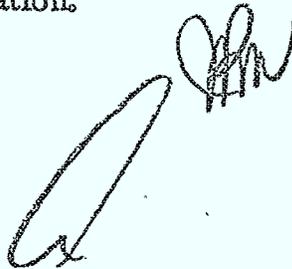
Mott wondered whether we knew anything about these speakers who are going to be on the panel. I told him I was not in a position to say one way or the other about them. As a matter of fact, after Mott's call, I did run a check of our files and we do have information on Hansen, Niemeyer, Jessup and Langdale, none of which would seem to constitute any reason for not participating in the panel. Of course, George Murphy and his activities in this field are sufficiently known that I did not check the indices on him. Mott said that he has had previous information indicating that Nyardi is all right.

Later this afternoon, Mr. Sullivan advised that he had returned Mott's call which was along the same line except that Mott wanted Sullivan to call Ramsey Clark which Sullivan, of course, declined to do.

ACTION:

Information.

*SMC*

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May 23, 1962

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Reverend Harry H. Feistner  
Route 1  
Oregon, Illinois

Dear Mr. Feistner:

Your letter of May 17, 1962, with enclosure, has been received.

Mr. W. Cleo Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Mr. Skousen is no longer associated with the FBI and his opinions are strictly his own and do not represent this Bureau in any way. I cannot, therefore, make any comment regarding the contents of his book.

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Enclosed is some literature I thought would be of interest to you. Some of it contains suggestions all of us can use in fighting communism. Maybe you will also want to read my book, "Masters of Deceit," which was written with the hope it would furnish Americans with an insight into the true nature of communist activities. This book should be available at your local library or bookstores. The self-addressed, stamped envelope you so thoughtfully forwarded is being returned.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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- Deadly Duel
- Shall It Be Law or Tyranny
- Do You Really Understand Communism
- The Communist Menace

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# See and Hear W. CLEON SKOUSEN

Formerly with the FBI and an acknowledged authority on communist tactics who has made fighting communism his profession.



*Smith*

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

JACKSON DAILY NEWS  
Jackson, Miss.

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Editor:  
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Submitting Office: New Orleans

in an unprecedented 3-hour telecast on what we can expect from the communists

## "HOLLYWOOD'S ANSWER TO COMMUNISM"

Tuesday, May 29—7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

WLBT • Channel 3

*W.C. Jones*

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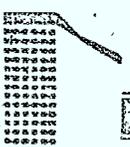
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First National realizes that liberty demands responsibility. For this reason, we are privileged to present this absorbing telecast that must be seen by every freedom loving American who wants to inform himself about the threat of communism. Other speakers appearing with Mr. Skousen are: Rep. Walter H. Judd, Sen. Thomas J. Dodd and Dr. Fred C. Schwarz. Don't miss this vitally important program!

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# Despite Moscow, We're Catching On, Forum Conferees Told at Harding

By GENE FOREMAN  
Of the Gazette Staff

## Benson Keynotes

Searcy, April 17.—The 136 conferees at the 23rd Freedom Forum at Harding College here were told today that the anti-Communist movement was catching on at the grass-roots level despite an order from Moscow to discredit it.

Benson, who in addition to his Harding College duties is president of the National Education Program, which sponsors the Freedom Forum, made the keynote speech this morning.

George S. Benson, president of Harding, warned in the opening address that "anybody fighting communism can expect smears. Out of a conference of Communists at Moscow in 1960, he said, came a command to "get the anti-Communist."

He said Communist documents proved that Premier Khrushchev of Russia did not mean it when he spoke of coexistence with the West. "He talks about peace, coexistence and disarmament to create confusion in the West," Benson said. "His purpose is to catch the capitalist countries off guard. He really means, 'We do not have enough striking power now, but when we do, we'll knock your block off.'"

He said that since then there had been a campaign to label anti-Communists as "ultras."

Benson said that anyone interested in anti-communism could

But, Benson added, "freedom and liberty—and all this country stands for—are worth fighting for. And by fighting, I don't mean a hot war. The cold war is the way we can win."

Three others who appeared on the program spoke of organizing on the grass-roots level against the Communists.

Edward Hunter of Washington, an author and former war correspondent, described grass-roots organizing as "this healthy reaction of the American people." He said people were asking, "What can I do about it [the Communist threat]."

W. Cleon Skousen, a former FBI agent, said 99.4 per cent of the American people were opposed to communism, and he listed some of the ways these people could exert grass-roots pressure against the Communists.

Lt. Col. William E. Mayer, an Army psychiatrist, said, "There is in fact and in deed a grass-roots movement unprecedented in our national history."

It is, he said, one of the healthiest phenomena that has been seen in America.

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expect efforts at intimidation. He said this order was given out at the Communist conference at Moscow in 1960 and later appeared in a book by Gus Hall, executive secretary of the Communist Party of the United States.

### Self-styled Expert

Hunter, who described himself as an expert on brain-washing as practiced by the Communists, said the American public was being "softened up" today the same way that American prisoners of war were softened up in the prison camps of North Korea.

He added, "The only difference is that the POWs had no alternative—they were forced. This softening up of the American public is being done voluntarily."

He said he had had more than 40 years experience as a newsman and felt qualified to discuss the role of the press. "It's in a very dangerous drift that will destroy its usefulness to the country if the people of the press don't wake up and see which way they're going," he said.

Speaking of organizing on the grass-roots level against communism, Hunter said there must be "thousands and thousands of small and large anti-Communist groups throughout the country."

Fifty of these, including 35 of the largest ones, banded together at a meeting held at Washington last month at the instigation of Rev. Billy James Hargis of Tulsa, who is the leader of the Christian Crusade. The Crusade as one of the largest so-called anti-Communist movements in this country.

### Elected in Absence

Hunter said that while he was absent from the meeting—looking for an overcoat he had misplaced—the organizing committee elected him chairman of the federation. Its name is the Anti-Communist Liaison, he said, and it will try to keep the "anti-anti-Communist groups from killing off the anti-Communist groups one by one."

Skousen suggested five ways the West could win over the Communists. His suggestions were:

1. An insistence from the grass-roots level that there be a thorough investigation of the State Department.
2. Complete outlawing of the Communist Party in the United States.
3. Rewriting the United Nations charter to make it "an international co-operative agency" instead of "a one world government."

4. A trade embargo on all the Communist nations.

5. Political isolation of Russia by exposing her broken promises and severing diplomatic relations with her and all her satellites.

### 'Fatal Illness'

Colonel Mayer, who examined many of the American prisoners of war after they were released in Korea in 1953, discussed the failure of many prisoners to withstand Communist brain-washing.

He said he found symptoms of moral weakness that, if allowed to go unchecked, could become "a fatal or certainly incapacitating illness."

The colonel said, "The reason they were defeated was that they didn't understand the meaning of love in a Christian sense—one that is more give than take. They didn't understand the need for organization. They felt that unless they were assigned specific duties, they had none."

Colonel Mayer said he interviewed 1,000 soldiers in the Pacific in 1960 and found that there had been no significant change in these attitudes. He found a "moral relativism" that condoned lying and cheating under certain circumstances.

### Bales on Churches

Another speaker today was Dr. James D. Bales, a Harding professor, who spoke on "Communism in the Churches." He said the overwhelming majority of Christian leaders were not sympathetic to communism but that the Communists had infiltrated the churches to some degree.

Dr. Bales said that although they were not working consciously for the Communist Party, many clergymen helped the Communists attain their goals.

He gave as examples the signing of petitions to free Communist spies from prison and the supporting of a campaign for unilateral disarmament.

"Be their motives pure as driven snow," Dr. Bales said, "if they blunder us into slavery it is slavery nonetheless."

### Film Shown

The conferees also saw a 30-minute film, "Communism in Action—Part I." They also had been scheduled to see "Part II" of the film, but Howard W. Bennett, vice president of the National Education Program, said more work had to be done on it before it could be released. "There are good, better and best films," he said, "and we at NEP will release only the best."



—Staff Photo by Gene Prescott

## Rickenbacker Arrives for Arkansas Speeches

Eddie V. Rickenbacker (second from left) Board chairman of Eastern Airlines, arrived last night at Adams Field for two speaking engagements today in Arkansas and posed with (from left) Brig. Gen. William P. Campbell, vice president of the National Education Program; City Director G. W. Blankenship, assistant mayor, and Dr. Sylvester Petro, professor of labor law at New York University. Rickenbacker will speak at 9 a. m. today at the Freedom Forum at Harding College at Searcy (where Petro also is to be a speaker) and at a public luncheon sponsored by the Pulaski County posts of the American Legion at noon at Hotel Lafayette.

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June 5, 1962

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The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
 Director  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Department of Justice  
 Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I have received a letter from a constituent requesting information regarding Mr. Cleon Skousen. A self-explanatory portion of the letter is as follows:

"It is rumored that his parting with the F.B.I. was not self initiated. Is there anything in the records available for public consumption? If so, I would appreciate any information available on the gentleman in question."

I should appreciate your assistance in replying to this constituent.

Sincerely yours,

*Henry M. Jackson*  
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Honorable Henry M. Jackson  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I have received your letter of June 5th and want to thank you for your interest in writing as you did.

In response to your constituent's inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Mr. Skousen's opinions and comments are strictly his own and do not represent this Bureau in any manner.

I hope the above information will be of assistance to your constituent.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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By CHARLES M. HILLS



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## FORE-WARNED

Mississippians who took advantage of First National Bank's three-hour television show on the evils of Communism Tuesday night are wiser today. Ardent as this writer has been in attacks on subversion or anything that smells of the Commie, we must now admit that we were pitifully unformed.

Above all, we did not recognize the full extent to which the communist plot has penetrated our government in high places.

Suspicious of the United Nations from the very outset, as an American who would not have our powers of government surrendered to any force outside our own borders, we admit that we have never fully understood the machinations of the U.N.

It would be impossible for this writer to recite the parade of revelations of Tuesday night, and, besides we hope you heard too.

Announcement was made that 50-million Americans have seen the show featuring four of the nation's top anti-Communists. That many people, if they make themselves heard with letters or other communications to the Congress, ought to influence a halt to state department cooperation with things foreign to American ideals.

## DAY A SUCCESS

Anti-Communist Day in Jackson was an apparent success. Our flag-bedecked streets indicated that the businessman awakened to the occasion.

The information handed out by Congressman Judd, Sen. Dodd, Dr. A. Schwartz, and ex-FBI Agent Skousen, is not hearsay, but actual observation and experience.

Five steps to Communism and the ultimate achievement of force rule by the Comies is frightening, and, it could happen here.

ple. We hope everyone saw and we urge everyone to "write your Congressman and insist on action to block further inroads on our way of life. . .

You have been forewarned don't take the warning lightly. The FBI agent advised cleaning out the State Department.

Dr. Schwartz advised Freedom Crusades for the youth, the students who are the greatest pawns of Communism. "Give them a challenge for Freedom instead of Communism," he said.

Congressman Judd dwelt on the insatiability of the Communist bear and Sen. Judd described the utter disregard of Communism for fair play.

Our compliments to those who brought the televised expose on Communism to our peo-

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TO : *Sa Mr* Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 8-6-62

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT  
SPECIAL TOUR

Captioned individual, his wife and four of his children visited Bureau Headquarters on August 6, 1962, and were conducted on a ~~special~~ tour by SA David W. Bowers of the Crime Research Section. Tour had been arranged by Mr. Sullivan's office.

Mr. Skousen has just returned from an extended tour of Europe and commented that he had collected enough material for another book. He mentioned his affiliation with "Law And Order," an independent law enforcement magazine, of which he is editorial director. He stated he had agreed to accept this position at the insistence of William C. Copp, publisher, who has a strong desire to enhance the law enforcement profession. He stated his main interest is to reorient the magazine away from the influence of "eggheads" who seem bent on getting all law enforcement training out of the hands of professionals and into colleges. Mr. Skousen pointed out that he writes an editorial column for each issue and said he would be pleased to assist the Bureau in furthering its worthy programs.

Mr. Skousen asked that his regards and best wishes be extended to the Director and commented on several occasions about the splendid work being performed by the Director and the FBI. He was most appreciative of the courtesies extended him and his family during their visit.

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For information.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Rigby  
Chairman  
Arizona Association for Mental  
Health Facts Committee  
Sedona, Arizona

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Dear Mrs. Rigby:

Your letter dated June 4, 1962, has been received.

In response to your inquiry, I wish to advise that there is no position in the FBI entitled "Administrative Assistant to the Director"; however, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with this Bureau as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. I trust this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

NOTE: Correspondent cannot be identified in Bufiles nor can the Arizona Chapter of this organization be so identified. "Arizona Frontiers" is published at Phoenix, Arizona, by Edward Schwartz, who is also the editor. It is a scandal sheet of liberal character and only began publication in the recent past. The December, 1961, issue contained statements critical of the Director and the FBI, claiming that they are "sacred cows" and almost no one has the courage to criticize them.

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# W. Cleon Skousen, Former FBI Man, Writer Talks Here Tonight on Communist Menace

W. Cleon Skousen, noted ex-FBI special agent and writer, will give a "bare-fisted" talk on the subject of communism here Monday night, and will tell his views of what should be done to contain and defeat the menace.

In a talk Sunday night with Sid Groff, chairman of the Town Meeting Group sponsoring Skousen, the former G-man and author recalled by telephone from Utah previous

trips to Butte as an FBI man and said he welcomed the opportunity to put the cards on the table with regards to communism.

Skousen, who will fly here from Utah Monday morning, will address people from Butte and surrounding communities at a free lecture at Butte High School auditorium at 8 o'clock. Contributions from nearly a dozen organizations have made his appearance possible, Groff said.

"We are indebted to the American Legion posts of Butte and Anaconda, the Elks Lodge, Daughters of the American Revolution, Butte Kiwanis, Exchange and Rotary clubs and the York and Scottish rites of the Butte Masonic order,"

Groff said. Himself a student of combatting communism, Groff said Skousen is an "entertaining speaker and an experienced fighter of subversion."

Skousen served a time as chief of police of Salt Lake City. He is a former Mormon missionary, has been a college teacher and is a field director of the American Security Council.

But his chief claim to fame is as author of "The Naked Communist," a documented study of communism and its fallacies. Copies of the book will be sold by members of the American Legion Monday night.

The Utah resident, a native of Alberta, Canada, also will appear before students from Boys and Girls Central high schools at 1 p.m.

9-The Montana Standard  
Butte, Montana

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# Author Skousen In County Speech

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W. Cleon Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist" and former FBI investigator, is scheduled to address Orange County at 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, in the Santa Ana High School

auditorium, 520 W. Walnut. The public is invited.

Skousen's recent trip to Europe will be the subject of his talk, according to Tom Lucas, director of the Orange County Freedom Forum sponsoring the address.

Born in Alberta, Canada, Skousen acquired his education in Canada, California, Mexico and Washington, D.C. He attended San Bernardino College and obtained his law degree at the George Washington University in Washington, D.C., Lucas reports.

Skousen is now field director of the American Security Council in Chicago. He was also appointed editorial director for "Law and Order," a widely distributed police magazine.

Skousen's book, "The Naked Communist," is used as a text in many high schools and colleges. He has written several other books and gives approximately 300 speeches yearly to high schools, universities and various state and national conventions, Lucas adds.

Tickets may be purchased at \$1.25 each at the following locations: Freedom Forum Book Store, 816 N. Harbor, Fullerton; C & M Drug, 1306 S. Main, Santa Ana; Lemon Heights Drug, 13022 Newport, Tustin; Conservative Society of America, 1970 Newport Blvd., Costa Mesa, Conservative Coordinating Council, 926 S. Euclid, Anaheim; Turner Drug, 2542 W. Coast Hwy., Newport Beach.

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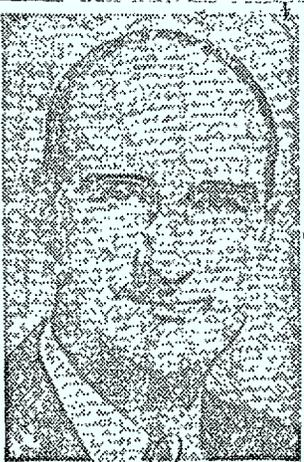
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W. CLEON SKOUSEN

### Ex-FBI man to speak on communism

A former FBI man turned author will pinpoint the objectives of communism and tell how the free world can combat them in a speech at Tutwiler Hotel Monday night.

W. Cleon Skousen, who wrote the bestseller, "The Naked Communist," will speak at 8 p.m. under the auspices of the Freedom Education Foundation, whose chairman is Dr. James R. Garber.

He said the Freedom Education Foundation is "a non-political and non-profit organization aimed at public education, and understanding of the conflict between freedom and communism."

Skousen served in FBI positions for 16 years. He also was chief of police of Salt Lake City.

An attorney, he also served as director of public services at Brigham Young University, field director of the American Security Council in Chicago and editorial director of "Law and Order," widely read police publication.

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# Skousen Ties Red Gains To 'Soft Team' Advice

Anti-communist lecturer W. Cleon Skousen Tuesday night traced capitulation to Russian aims to the "soft team" in U.S. Foreign policy-making and asked for a thorough investigation of the U.S. Department of State to stop it.

Skousen's talk in the Hotel Heidelberg's Olympic Room was the first in a series launched by Jackson civic clubs for "education against Communism." Future speakers in the crusade will include Sen. Thomas Dodd, D-Conn., ex-Rep. Walter Judd, R-Minn., Rep. Bruce Alger, R-Tex., ex-Rep. Martin Dies of Texas and author John Noble.

Skousen described foreign policy formation since 1917 as a saw-saw battle between the "firm team" and the "soft team" in Washington to a small but enthusiastic crowd and listeners of 39 radio stations over Mississippi. It was televised in Jackson.

Skousen is a former FBI agent (1935-1951) and has been a police chief, college professor, lawyer, Mormon missionary, editor, and author.

Many of his books were on sale Tuesday night. His best known work is "The Naked Communist."

After introduction by state Sen. John McLaurin of Brandon, Skousen said many persons stayed at home because they were more interested in "Have Gun, Will Travel," than Khrushchev's threat.

Harry Hopkins' lend-lease dealings with Stalin, the loss of China to the Communists, Truman's dealings with MacArthur and the U.S. attitude toward the Hungarian Freedom Fighters came under Skousen's fire.

He praised the late John Foster

Dulles' policy in 1955 in the Formosa Straits, sending in nuclear-armed naval forces. This action backed down Red China in its effort to take Formosa and so mollified the Soviet Union it sought a Geneva conference, he said.

America's Cuban policy, from pre-Castro days to the present, were blasted by Skousen.

He attacked the widely-publicized but unpublished Walt W. Rostow memorandum, and said that Rostow and Arthur Schlesinger Jr., advisers to President Kennedy, wanted the U.S. to socialize and move toward a world-wide socialist unity with communism.

President Kennedy apparently is still listening to the "soft team", Skousen said, as the U.S. has relented on Cuba, hinting Soviet missiles are still hidden on the island.

The next speaker in the series will be Stanton Evans, editor of the Indianapolis Star on Jan. 22. Evans is the son of Dr. Medford Evans of Jackson, a Citizens Councils writer and lecturer. Evans' appearance will be sponsored by the Jackson Junior Chamber of Commerce.

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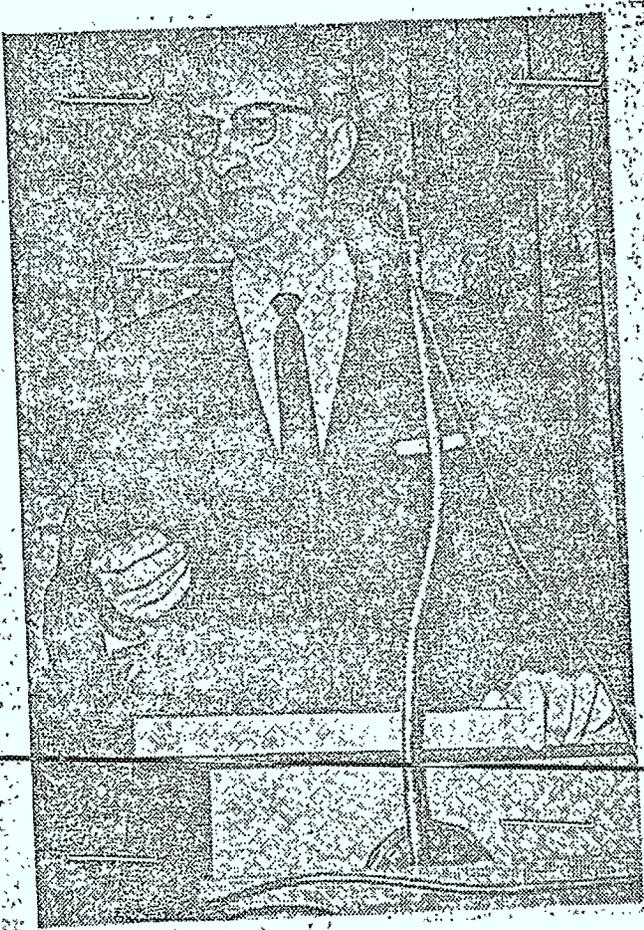
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# Skousen Blasts Policy On Cuba

W. Cleon Skousen, author and anti-Communist lecturer, charged last night the United States has softened its Cuban policies, and hinted Soviet missiles are hidden on the pre-Red island less than 100 miles from Florida.

The former agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, blasted America's policy on Cuba from its pre-Castro days to now.

Skousen, one in a series of lecturers who will appear in Jackson, told his Heidelberg Hotel audience that Presidential advisers Walt W. Rostow and Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., favor socialism.

He said this country's foreign policy since 1917 has been a "saw battle" between a "soft team" and a "firm team" in Washington.

Skousen, who has also been a police chief, college professor, attorney, Mormon missionary and editor, called for a complete investigation of the U. S. Department of State.

Also attacked were Harry Hop-

kins' lend-lease deals with Joseph Stalin, the loss of China to the Communists, former President Harry Truman's attitude towards Gen. Douglas MacArthur and the U. S. position towards the Hungarian Freedom Fighters.

The speaker was introduced by State Sen. John McLaurin of Brandon.

Stanton Evans, editor of the Indianapolis Star and the son of Dr. Medford Evans of Jackson, is the next speaker in the series. He will talk here Jan. 22.

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# Former Agent Warns Reds May Just Balance for Step

**BUNKIE** — A former FBI agent Wednesday warned "the Communists may be taking a little step backward while preparing to take a big step forward."

Speaking to an Americanism seminar of students and educators here, W. Cleon Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist," said history shows this technique as part of the communist philosophy.

"That's what they've always done," he declared, "and that's what they may be doing today."

"In the present dispute we promised to neutralize ourselves and this hemisphere permanently in regard to liberating Cuba in return for the dismantling of communist missile bases in Cuba," he continued. "This is the Bay of Pigs all over again."

### 1,500 Hear

Some 1,500 parish school superintendents, principals, teachers, other supervisory school personnel and selected high school students heard Skousen speak here. Similar seminars were held last year at the state colleges, but a recent legislative act calls for seminars in each parish.

Skousen is scheduled to speak to the Knife and Fork Club in Baton Rouge Thursday at a 7:15 p.m. dinner at Mike and Tony's Steak House. A reception is planned at 6:30.

In the seminar here, he said "not a single country has been taken over because people wanted communism. All were taken at the point of a gun."

Cautioning educators "not to abandon American principles," he said these "stand as a bulwark between free America and the socialistic state."

Group discussions in the afternoon session included panelists, Miss Patricia Jackson, a consultant on Americanism vs. commu-

nism; Mack Avants, A. Larriviere, A. E. Robinson, J. B. Robertson, assistant superintendents of the State Department of Education, and Jack R. Gamble, executive assistant of the department. Supt. Shelby Jackson was chairman.

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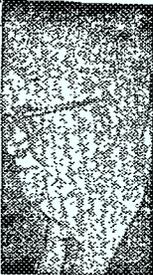
# Ted Toon Says He's A 'Commie-Chaser'<sup>325</sup>

By PHIL PETERS

Ted Toon from Washington D. C. is in town.

He's a self-styled "Commie-chaser" and he has a couple of Americanism sessions set up Friday at Tingley Coliseum.

Mr. Toon is 62 years old. He said he's been fighting the Reds for 20 years.



Mr. Toon

About last April he and two other men, Robert Morris, ex-president of Dallas (Tex.) University, and former FBI Agent W. Cleon Skousen, decided to set up a series of Freedom Days. They plan one Freedom Day per state per year.

They attracted 12,000 persons in Spokane, Wash.

Conservative Candidates

In fact, said Mr. Toon, "after we left it was the first

time in the history of eastern Washington (State) every elective office there had a conservative candidate."

But, he said, his Ted Toon and Associates, Inc., is not politically affiliated. "This is a non-partisan effort," he said, and claimed friends on both sides of the fence.

He said there were five professionals on his staff and that no one except the master of ceremonies and one other worker gets paid for his work.

He said proceeds — tickets to the meetings are \$1.50 each — stay in the community with the sponsoring organization, usually a veterans' group.

Two \$500 scholarships will be given away at Friday's gatherings here.

And he said the people who attend will find out about freedom

They may also find out Mr. Toon is dead set against the Trade Expansion Act. "I consider this the most dangerous socialistic type of legislation," he said.

He wants people to regain

state and constitutional rights. If they don't, he said, "we had better teach our children to deal in Russian rubles."

He supports Gen. Edwin Walker. "I feel that Gen. Walker is one of our greatest military leaders. He is not and never will be a politician."

Made No Mistake

Mr. Toon said the general did not make a mistake in going to Mississippi. "I'd of gone myself. He went to give moral support to a great governor who was fighting for state rights and the Constitution. He pleaded with the students not to riot," Toon asked.

"We're going to have a Freedom Day in Jackson, Miss. And Governor Barnett has promised me a dollar for every seat that is not filled," he stated.

Mr. Toon is a World War I veteran He said he believes in the brotherhood of man. But he doesn't consider atheists or communists men.

He wants Gov. Edwin L. Mechem to proclaim Oct. 19 as New Mexico's Freedom Day.

He said, "We are in a war — not a cold war, and we should hang our heads if we are derelict in our duty."

He said our duty was to provide our children with the

"liberties and freedoms and the right to worship we have too long taken for granted."

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : W. C. Sullivan

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: January 2, 1963

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You will recall that we recently received information from former Special Agent in Charge, Norman H. McCabe concerning Skousen and a course on communism being sponsored by the American Security Council. The course is to consist of a series of sixty-five half-hour television programs featuring Skousen, along with lectures by number of so-called outstanding authorities on communism and related matters.

I was contacted by Rear Admiral William C. Mott, Judge Advocate General of the U. S. Navy, concerning the proposed course and Skousen's part in it. Mott stated that he recently had talked with Admiral Chester Ward, the retired former Judge Advocate General, who told him that he, Ward, had been contacted by Skousen to see if he would be a participating member in the program. Ward told Mott that Skousen impressed him as an "unprincipled racketeer in anticommunism" who is "money mad" and who is doing anything and everything to exploit the subject. Ward told Mott that he intended to have absolutely nothing to do with Skousen in this or any other of his money-making ventures in this field since he feels that Skousen is totally unqualified and is interested solely in furthering his own personal ends.

As you know, we frequently receive inquiries from the public regarding Skousen's qualifications to speak with authority on the subject of communism. In view of his obvious efforts to capitalize on his former Bureau association, I feel that it would be well for us to take positive measures to clarify the Bureau's position in regard to Skousen whenever we receive public inquiries concerning him. I feel,

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for example, that in addition to stating that his views are his own, that we should also add in correspondence concerning him that he was not regarded as any authority on communism while employed with the FBI. That is certainly a true statement and it might serve in some measure to prevent Skousen from using the FBI's name for his own personal gain.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1). That the above statement be incorporated in replies to future correspondence from the public inquiring about Skousen and his status while with the FBI.

(2). That this memorandum be referred to the Crime Records Division for its information and appropriate action in regard to future correspondence concerning Skousen.

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beyond bare facts of FBI service -  
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446 So. Swall Drive  
 Beverly Hills, California  
 January 12, 1963

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am a Senior in high school and am enrolled in an American Government class. My teacher has recently made the statement that Cleon Skousen was fired from the F.B.I. I had previously held a belief about Cleon Skousen contrary to that of my teacher's. Since she believes only what she sees in print, could you please send me some kind of proof that Mr. Skousen wasn't fired. I don't think my teacher could argue with this kind of proof. Mr. Skousen has done some fine work and I'd like to see his name cleared in the minds of one hundred fifty seniors. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,  
*Kathleen McWaid*  
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January 25, 1963

Miss Kathleen McWaid  
446 South Swall Drive  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Miss McWaid:

Your letter of January 12th has been received and I appreciate your interest in writing.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
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# Anti-Communist Author to Talk Here Next Week

W. Cleon Skousen, a 16-year veteran of the FBI and the author of a top-selling book, "The Naked Communist," will appear in Baton Rouge on Wednesday, Feb. 20 and Thursday, Feb. 21 for a series of talks on Communism.

The schedule for Skousen is being coordinated by the Americanism Committee of the Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce, headed by Jack Worthy.



W. CLEON SKOUSEN

10 a.m. on the "Freedom University of the Air" over WBRZ. He is faculty director for the program, which gives a basic understanding of the social, political and economic problems confronting the United States today.

He is field director of the American Security Council, a private organization combating subversion and developing a better understanding of the Communist threat.

He was educated in Canada, the United States and Mexico, and spent two years in England. He holds a law degree from George Washington University, and was admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

Following a 16-year tenure with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Skousen served for five years as a faculty member of Brigham Young University in Utah.

He then accepted a request to organize the Salt Lake City Police Department and was police chief for four years.

Skousen speaks to thousands of persons each year and has made numerous appearances on radio and television. He has spoken in clubs, churches and universities all over the nation.

His newest book "So You Want to Raise a Boy?" is published by Doubleday. He resides with his wife and eight children in Salt Lake City.

"The Americanism Committee is happy to have an opportunity to aid in the presentation of Mr. Skousen before the citizens of Baton Rouge," Worthy said. "We hope that his message reaches most of the people of this area, both through his televised talk and his two public talks, which will be open to the public."

"He has a message of importance for all of us who are concerned about the very real dangers facing America today, both from within and without," Worthy said. "He has had years of experience as an FBI agent, attorney and police chief, and is one of the most informed men on the threat of Communism in America today."

Worthy said that Skousen will address a joint meeting of the Baton Rouge Rotary Club and the Capital City Kiwanis Club Feb. 20. The meeting will be held at noon in the Capitol House, and slated to be televised live by WBRZ.

That night, at 8 p.m., Skousen will speak at the LSU Law Auditorium in a free public meeting sponsored by the Students for Conservative Government, a chapter of Young Americans for Freedom. Tommy Pugh is president of the students group at LSU.

On Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m., Skousen will speak at the Legion Hall of Nicholson Post No. 88 on Florida St. at a free public meeting sponsored by the Citizenship Development Committee, headed by Quentin Mall.

An appearance by Skousen at local schools is pending, Worthy said. Skousen is seen in Baton Rouge each Sunday morning at

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SEN. FRANK E. MOSS, D-UTAH, MEANWHILE ANGRILY DENOUNCED AS "VICIOUS" AND "POISONOUS" A PAMPHLET ATTACKING PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S HANDLING OF THE CUBAN PROBLEM.

MOSS, IN A SENATE SPEECH, BRANDED THE PAMPHLET "LYING HYPOCRISY" AND SUGGESTED IT HAD BEEN ISSUED IN SALT LAKE CITY BY "A FRONT" FOR THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

MOSS IDENTIFIED THE PAMPHLET AS "HAS CUBA BEEN ABANDONED TO COMMUNISM?" BY W. CLEON SKOUSEN. HE SAID THE PAMPHLET HAD BEEN SENT TO HIM BY THE CITIZEN'S INFORMATION COMMITTEE OF SALT LAKE CITY.

THE PUBLICATION, MOSS SAID, USED SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV'S WORDS TO "PROVE" A CLAIM THAT PRESIDENT KENNEDY HAD "BETRAYED AND LIED TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

THE UTAH DEMOCRAT SAID THE PAMPHLET ACCUSED KENNEDY OF PERSONALLY GUARANTEEING THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO LIBERATE CUBA AND THAT HE WOULD NOT ALLOW ANY OTHER WESTERN HEMISPHERE COUNTRY TO DO SO.

"BOTH OF THESE STATEMENTS, AS WE ALL KNOW, ARE COMPLETELY, UNEQUIVOCALLY, YES, OUTRAGEOUSLY FALSE," MOSS SAID. "BUT WHAT IS REALLY GALLING ABOUT THIS POISONOUS LITTLE PAMPHLET IS THAT IT GOES ON AND CITES AS PROOF FOR THESE STATEMENTS, A LETTER FROM SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV..."

"THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WERE ASKED TO BELIEVE IN THE PREMIER OF THE SOVIET UNION, NOT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES," HE SAID.

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# Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 3/20/63

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 4267-4268. Senator Moss, (D) Utah, spoke concerning a booklet entitled "Has Cuba Been Abandoned to Communism?" Mr. Moss stated "The author is W. Clean Shousen, and the booklet was sent to me by compliments of the Citizens' Information Committee of Salt Lake City, which I suspect is a front for the John Birch Society. What disturbs me about this little booklet is that it goes far beyond the usual distortions contained in this type of material. Playing upon the real concern of every loyal American citizen over the serious stakes involved in the Cuban problem, this booklet strikes at the very roots of our form of representative democracy. It implies that the President of the United States has betrayed and lied to the American people, and irony of ironies, it uses the words of a Communist to prove its point." Mr. Moss goes on to point out that the purpose of the booklet "is to undermine the confidence of the American people in their own form of democratic, freely elected, representative government. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, in his book 'Masters of Deceit,' written to warn Americans of the dangers of communism says on page 312: 'Too often I have seen cases where loyal and patriotic but misguided Americans have thought that they were fighting communism by slapping the label of Red or Communist on anybody who happened to be different from them or to have ideas with which they did not agree. . . . I would like to believe that Mr. Shousen and the perpetrators of this pamphlet are merely 'loyal and patriotic but misguided Americans.' But their deceit is so calculated, their methods are so purposeful, and their objectives are so obvious that I find it difficult to forgive this booklet as merely 'misguided.'" (W. Clean Shousen was employed by the Bureau as a Messenger on October 24, 1956, and was appointed an Agent on June 17, 1949. He resigned on October 5, 1951. His services were satisfactory.)

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 6-29-65

FROM : M. Jones

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER BUREAU AGENT  
SPEECH, JULY 9, 1965,  
TWIN BRIDGES MARRIOTT MOTOR HOTEL  
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Attached are two leaflets that were recently distributed together in shopping centers in suburban Virginia. One leaflet is a reprint from the John Birch Society bulletin and the second leaflet indicates that W. Cleon Skousen will speak on "Law and Order" on Friday, July 9th at 8 p. m. at the Twin Bridges Marriott Motor Hotel in Arlington, Virginia.

Skousen is a former Special Agent of the Bureau and his activities are well known to the Bureau. In recent years he has been aligned closely with the extreme right wing and has been very active in speaking on communism.

Skousen's speech, which is scheduled for July 9th, will be held in the same hotel that The American Legion, Department of the District of Columbia will be holding its Annual Convention. July 9th will be the second session of The American Legion Convention; however, Skousen's speech is scheduled for the Commonwealth Room which is located on the floor beneath the auditorium in which the Legion Convention will be in session.

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For information.

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*L.H. Hunsinger*

# Ex-FBI Aide To Talk Here

W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI official and author, will speak "The Naked Communist" at 8:30 P.M. June 25 at the Arbutus Firemen's Hall.

Born in Canada, Mr. Skousen received a law degree from George Washington University in 1935. He entered the FBI in 1935 and left in 1951 to teach at Brigham Young University. In 1956, he reorganized the Salt Lake City Police Department, and later became chief of police.

He has been a field director of the American Security Council and editorial director of "Law and Order," the most widely distributed police magazine in the United States.

He is the author of "The Naked Communist," and "So You Want To Raise A Boy?", a book dealing with youth problems.

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SKOUSEN HIMSELF CALLED A "HITLER"

# Speaker Says Scranton,

# McNamara, Rusk Are 'Soft'

## on Communism

Republican William Scranton is a member of the "team" which is "soft" on Communism, George Romney is "soft" internationally and "firm" domestically and President Lyndon Johnson "has the temperament to go whichever way the wind blows," W. Cleon Skousen told an audience of 200 in Hamilton's Grange Hall Monday night.

The former FBI agent and former Salt Lake City police chief's appearance, sponsored by the conservative Ravalli County Speakers Bureau, was marked by one display of verbal fireworks when a member of the audience read a letter by former Utah Governor Bracken Lee branding Skousen an "incipient Hitler."

Skousen, in defining his

cade without help from the free world.

He said that the Communist government in Russia has become vulnerable in recent months "due to a serious technical and economic breakdown behind the Iron Curtain."

"Russia has suffered five successive crop failures which have forced her to plead for food from the West. Some of this was due to unfavorable weather, but the basic reason for her food crisis is the inefficiency of the collectivized farms and the breakdown of Communist industry," Skousen said.

The speaker charged these failures have led the Russians to seek large-scale purchases from the West, along with 15- and 20-year loans and that the loans have been granted and the orders filled.

"Team" concept, said, in his opinion, the "soft team" wants to move our country toward a common socialist dictatorship with Russia along Marxist lines while the "firm team" urges a strong line against communism, believing that communism is vulnerable and not permanent.

Secretary of Defense McNamara and Dean Rusk are on the "soft team," the speaker said, and Eisenhower, Nixon and the late John Foster Dulles played on both teams at one time or another.

Skousen attributed the fall of China and Cuba along with other cold war setbacks to the influence of the "soft team," adding that Red governments in both China and Russia would have collapsed in the last de-

He called for a reappraisal of U.S. foreign policy, demand for free elections in the satellite nations, dismantling the Berlin Wall and other concessions at the price of future aid.

Skousen's talk was punctuated by applause from an almost unanimously favorable audience which showed its temper when G. M. Brandborg of Hamilton asked Skousen to comment on a letter reportedly written by former Utah Governor J. Bracken Lee when Lee was mayor of Salt Lake City.

"The man (Skousen) is an incipient Hitler. I am a devoted anti-communist and I agree with the ends Mr. Skousen says to achieve, but both his motives and his means are open to question," Brandborg read.

He ran the police department in Salt Lake City in exactly the

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1-Daily Ravalli  
Republican  
Hamilton, Montana

PERS. REC. UNIT

Date: 12/15/64  
Edition: Daily  
Author: GEORGE DANKER  
Editor: PUBLISHER  
Title: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER FBI AGENT  
Character:  
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Classification:  
Submitting Office: Butte

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same manner as the Communists in Russia operate their government. He was wasteful of public funds and abused his powers to such an extent that I was forced to publicly discharge him from his position.

"He is a master of half-truths and would not hesitate to convey an outright lie if he felt it would further his personal ambitions," Lee's letter reportedly continued, concluding, "I have served for over 20 years in an executive capacity in government . . . the one act of which I am most proud is the one in which I publicly discharged W. Cicon Skousen as the chief of police of Salt Lake City."

Skousen acknowledged that the letter had actually been written by Lee and mailed to 15 persons, but said Lee had since moderated his opinion.

Skousen charged that at the

time of his dismissal, Lee was under the influence of illegal interests which wanted to turn Salt Lake into an open town and this was the reason behind his dismissal as chief.

A member of the audience rose to say she had recently moved from Salt Lake City and that Skousen was highly regarded by the people of that town.

Skousen also criticized Brandborg for calling Walter Knott, owner of Knott's Berry Farm in Los Angeles, a "Bircher," saying that he should be prepared to prove it because that was a "slandorous allegation."

"The Birch people have a story all their own," Skousen said. "Mr. Knott has his and I have mine."

Later in the question period, he devoted several minutes to a defense of the Birch Society,

saying that its members were effectively fighting communism, that they are "good people" and that the press attacks on the society are the result of orders from Moscow and were triggered by publication on Feb.

1961, of an attack on the Society by "Peoples World," west coast communist newspaper.

Prior to his talk, Skousen was a dinner guest at the Sleeping Child ranch of F. X. Ranuzzi, California insurance man and proprietor of Poor Richard's Book Store in Los Angeles.

His talk included praise for Ranuzzi's efforts in making literature available through the "nationally known" store.

He was introduced by Harvey Pounds, Rev. Earl Matson of the Bitter Root Bible Church gave the invocation and Bill Denton led the salute to the flag.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 10-8-64

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY  
ARTICLE BY FORMER AGENT  
W. CLEON SKOUSEN

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BACKGROUND:

We have received the September, 1964, issue of "American Opinion," the monthly publication by Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society. Inside the back cover is printed an article by W. Cleon Skousen entitled "J. Edgar Hoover." The Director's picture is carried on the front cover. Skousen's article is entirely highly favorable about the Director. It is in essence a thumbnail sketch of Mr. Hoover's 40-year career as Director of the FBI. It ends with reference to the President's order exempting the Director from the compulsory retirement rule at age 70.

The Director's picture which is carried on the front cover appears to be a painting, probably based on a photograph, and bears what appears to be the name of its artist, Daniel Michael Canavan.

INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES:

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The activities of Skousen are well known to the Bureau. He Entered on Duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October, 5, 1951. In recent years he has been aligned closely with the extreme right-wing such as the John Birch Society and has been characterized as an "unprincipled racketeer in anticommunism" who is "money mad" and who is doing everything and anything to exploit the subject of anticommunism.

Bureau files reveal Skousen has always been a strong supporter of the Bureau and the Director; however, he has not hesitated to trade on his former association with the Bureau in order to achieve stature as a writer and lecturer on anticommunism. In view of this, it is not felt we should acknowledge his favorable comments about Mr. Hoover.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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COPY SENT TO MR. TOLSON

M. A. Jones to DeLoach memo  
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Bufiles reflect that in 1951 the Bureau conducted a Departmental applicant investigation on a Daniel Michael Canavan of New York City. This investigation revealed that Canavan had been discharged from the Army in 1946 because of "schizophrenic reaction, paranoid type." A later name check form on Canavan reflected that he was self-employed as a commercial artist.

OBSERVATION:

Though there is no indication that we gave permission to Welch to use the Director's picture on the cover of his magazine, it is felt nothing would be gained by protesting to him.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

*W. J. Jones*  
*W*  
*J. M. Canavan*

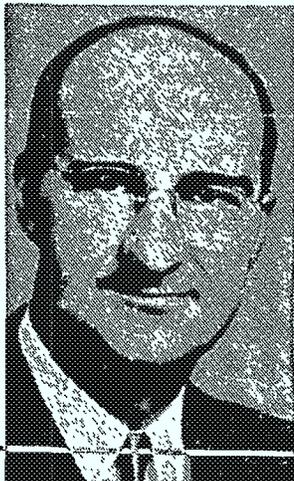
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6 Thurs., April 30, 1964 CLARKSTON, WASH, HERALD



**HEAR  
W. CLEON  
SKOUSEN**

(Author of THE  
NAKED COMMUN-  
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(And Former FBI  
Agent)  
"Retreat Means De-  
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LEARN: The Com-  
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American Economy,  
Freedom and Morals.  
Communism's current  
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A Concise and frank  
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CLARKSTON, WASH.

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Edition:  
Author: *R. Skousen*  
Editor:  
Title: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
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**Skousen To Talk  
On Communism**

W. Cleon Skousen, author of the best-seller book "The Naked Communist" and former FBI official and police chief will speak at the Lewiston High School Auditorium Monday at 7:30 p. m. on the threat and program of current Communism, as it applies to us.

He will tell "why the contradictions between Communism and Religion are irreconcilable and what the churches must do about their mortal enemy."

Speaking on "Retreat Means Defeat", Skousen will give unpublished side-lights and behind-the-scenes information accumulated by a professional investigator.

Entering the FBI in 1935, Skousen served as a special agent and later at FBI headquarters as an administrator. He became a member of Brigham Young University faculty in 1951 and in 1956-60 served as Chief of Police and reorganized the Salt Lake City Police Department.

A director of the American Security Council, he is also editorial director of Law and Order, a national police magazine, and author of a recent book, "So You Want To Raise a Boy?"

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1 CLARKSTON HERALD  
CLARKSTON, WASH.

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March 27, 1964

**Mr. Pelayo Riera**  
1411 Tucker Road  
Macon, Georgia 31204

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FBI

Dear Mr. Riera:

I have received your letter of March 21st.

In response to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned that position on October 5, 1951. It has been my policy over the years not to comment on any material not prepared by me or this Bureau. For this reason, I am not able to respond in the manner you requested. The opinions expressed by Mr. Skousen are strictly his own and do not represent this Bureau in any way.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

NOTE: Bufiles contain no derogatory information concerning correspondent. W. Cleon Skousen and his book are well known to the Bureau.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
The Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

As a Cuban citizen living in the United States I have had occasion to give talks to civic clubs and church groups describing the many devious means used by Castro to destroy the principles of freedom and substitute the ruthless "Dictatorship of the Proletariat".

On one occasion I had cause to refer to the book "The Naked Communist" by W. Cleon Skousen and was told that an FBI lecturer by the name of Sullivan had stated that the author of this book constituted a 'source of embarrassment to the FBI'.

Such a statement, if true, would tend to undermine the credibility of the author in his charges against Communism.

I hope it will be possible for you to give me your opinion of "The Naked Communist" and of its author's reliability.

Sincerely yours,

*Pelayo Riera*  
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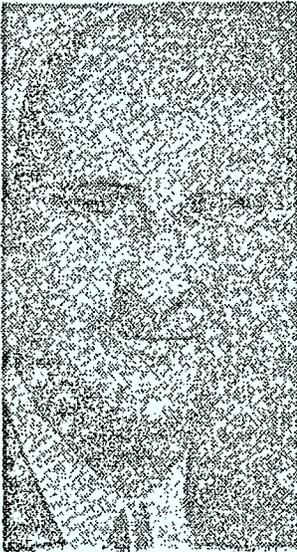
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**W. Cleon Skousen**

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“Communism and the Ten Commandments”

**Rocky Mount Senior High School**

**8:00 P.M., Feb. 20, 1964  
admission: \$1.00**

Mr. Skousen, nationally known lecturer, former FBI official, and author of **THE NAKED COMMUNIST** was projected into prominence by his appearance on the nationally televised program “Hollywood’s Answer to Communism”.

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Date: 2-17-64 BD  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor:  
Title: **W. CLEON SKOUSEN**

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**Former Agent of FBI  
to Talk on Communism**

W. Cleon Skousen, a former Federal Bureau of Investigation agent, will speak on combating communism during a "citizens' hearing" sponsored by the Greater Chicago council of We, The People! at 8 p. m. Thursday in the Sheraton-Chicago hotel, 505 N. Michigan av. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for students.

W. Cleon Skousen

July 5  
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# Ex-FBI Agent Will Talk Here

A former FBI agent and author of the book "The Naked Communist" will speak before two local audiences Thursday.

He is W. Cleon Skousen, former chief of the Salt Lake City Police Department.

Skousen will speak to the Eastmont High School student body in the afternoon, and at a meeting open to the public at Wenatchee High School at 8 p.m. The sessions are sponsored by the Wenatchee Speakers Bureau.

In recent months Skousen has addressed audiences of 15,000 at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Elmer Jacks, president.

In recent months Skousen has addressed audiences of 15,000 in the Hollywood Bowl, 5,000 in Downey, California, 7,500 at the Los Angeles Sports Arena, 4,500 in San Antonio, 1,500 in Chicago, 1,400 in Dallas, 1,100 in New Orleans, 2,200 in Phoenix, and 10,500 at Anaheim, California. His talk at the Hollywood Bowl



W. CLEON SKOUSEN

was carried on a TV network of 37 stations to an audience of approximately 9 million viewers.

Skousen entered the FBI in 1935 while attending law school and was subsequently appointed a Special Agent. He served in various parts of the United States and during World War II was appointed to a supervisory administrative position at the FBI headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Skousen left the FBI in 1951 to become the Director of Public Services and a member of

the faculty at Brigham Young University.

In 1956 he was given a leave of absence from the University to reorganize the Salt Lake City Police Department. He served as Chief of Police until 1960.

His newest book, "So You Want to Raise a Boy?" deals with another field in which Skousen has specialized, namely, youth problems. The publisher of this book is Doubleday and Company which predicts that it will be another best seller.

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Page 3, The Wenatchee Daily World, Wenatchee, Wash.

Date: Sept. 27, 1963

Edition:

Author:

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Title: **W. CLEON SKOUSEN, former FBI Agent**

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SALT LAKE CITY

UTAH

Date: 4-1-63

Edition: Afternoon

Author:

Editor:

Title: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
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Character: (NATIONALITIES  
or INTELLIGENCE)

Classification:

Submitting Office: Salt Lake City  
Utah.

# Skousen Defends Cuba Booklet

W. Cleon Skousen Monday defended his pamphlet—"Has Cuba Been Abandoned to Communism?" — which was denounced in the U.S. Senate by Sen. Frank E. Moss (D-Utah), recently.

"Sen. Moss became indignant when I raised the issue of President Kennedy's 'no invasion' pledge last October," Mr. Skousen said. "I think the American people are entitled to challenge a President who

negotiates with Khrushchev on a basis which appears to violate both the spirit and the letter of the Monroe Doctrine and the Rio Pact."

Mr. Skousen said in his travels about the country he finds that the American people are disturbed that the President would make such a commitment and they are also "disturbed by the increasing evidence that the executive

branch of our government is following policies which seek peace and unity through persistent piecemeal surrender."

He said he had listed 15 incidents of "unnecessary concessions to Communism" which have occurred in the past two years.

"I feel these are serious errors of strategy as well as a violation of our moral and legal responsibilities. Under the Constitution, Sen. Moss has the responsibility of setting up checks and balances against such errors and not blindly following the President as a 'yes man,'" Mr. Skousen said.

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Mr. W. Cleon Skousen  
2197 Berkeley Street  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I have given your book, "The Third Thousand Years," to Mr. Hoover and he asked me to thank you for your thoughtfulness. He also wants you to know that he appreciates the kind inscription.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy  
Secretary

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NOTE: Skousen is a former Special Agent who EOD 6-17-40 and resigned 10-5-51. This Bureau has observed a policy of being circumspect in dealing with Skousen in view of his attempts to capitalize on his association with the FBI in his anticommunist endeavors. Accordingly, it is felt the above letter over Miss Gandy's signature is warranted.

He called at Director's Reception Room on 7-9-65 in hopes of seeing Director and presenting his book. He left book with Miss Gandy and asked his best regards be given to Director and was eloquent in his praise of Director and work he is doing.

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- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
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TO : Mr. Callahan

FROM : C. R. Davidson *CRD*

SUBJECT: FRANK M. SMALLWOOD, JR.  
Former Special Agent  
EOD 5-7-51  
Resigned 5-8-53; Reinstated 6-21-54  
Resigned 9-22-61 (Illness of Mother)  
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS' LIST

DATE: 11-10-65

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*m. A. Jones*

The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend removal of captioned former Special Agent Frank M. Smallwood, Jr., from the Bureau's Special Correspondents' List.

Enclosed news item from the "Cocoa Tribune", forwarded by the Tampa Office indicates former Special Agent Smallwood is co-chairman of a "conservative" lecture series which includes one speaker who is listed as an official of the John Birch Society scheduled to begin in Cocoa during November. Sponsoring organization is listed as the Central Florida American Opinion Speakers Bureau. Listed as one of the speakers is former Special Agent Cleon Skousen (W. Cleon Skousen is a former Special Agent who served 6-17-40 to 10-5-51 and whose services were satisfactory. The Bureau has observed policy of being circumspect in dealing with Skousen in view of his attempts to capitalize on his association with the FBI in his anti-Communist endeavors).

Smallwood's file contains communication from SAC Tampa of 12-22-64 advising that in connection with Smallwood's candidacy for sheriff of Brevard County, Florida, an informant described Smallwood as a "recruiter" for the John Birch Society. In our last response to a service record inquiry on Smallwood we did not include a statement regarding his character and services, although we had previously included such statements. His services were rated Excellent on a transfer performance report of 8-11-61. His letter of resignation stated he was resigning due to the illness and personal situation of his mother, which required him to be with her at her home in Eau Gallie, Florida, at which time he was assigned to the New York Office.

RECOMMENDATION:

That in view of repeated indications that Smallwood is closely identified with the John Birch Society it is recommended his name be removed from the Bureau's Special Correspondents' List.

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# Brevard Talk Readied By Bircher 'Official'

A "conservative" lecture series which includes one speaker who is listed as an official of the John Birch Society is scheduled to begin in Cocoa next month.

One series ticket provided to The Cocoa Tribune lists pioneer Cocoa Beach developer Gas Edwards as chairman of the event.

Contacted by telephone, Edwards said he was twice asked to accept the position and twice refused. He said he did not choose to be connected with the series.

The same ticket lists Frank Smallwood Jr., Satellite Beach, unsuccessful 1964 Democratic candidate for Brevard County sheriff as co-chairman.

Contacted by telephone, Smallwood said he is co-chairman of the series and Edwards is chairman.

Smallwood, a former FBI agent, said Maurice Wilson is secretary-treasurer of the organization.

The ticket to the lectures lists a "donation" of \$15 for two persons.

Sponsoring organization is listed as the Central Florida American Opinion Speakers Bureau. The brochure lists the address of this organization at Post Office Box 129, Eau Gallie.

Among the speakers scheduled for the series of six lectures is Ed Griffin, "one of a limited number of public speakers authorized to speak for the John Birch Society and . . . a staff major coordinator of the society." His topic is to be the John Birch Society's views of the United Nations.

Other speakers listed are: Jose Norman, to speak Nov. 7 about Cuba and the Dominican Republic.

Willis E. Stone, to speak Dec. 7, who delivers, according to the brochure, "a lusty, action-packed narrative of the forces which made America great and of our eternal struggle to secure our great traditions of human liberty."

Tom Anderson, to speak Jan. 11, 1966, listed as a publisher and columnist, due to deliver "straight talk."

Griffin, due to speak Feb. 8, 1966.

Cleon Skousen, March 8, 1966, former FBI agent and author of "The Naked Communist", who will "reveal unpublished sidelights and behind the scenes information concerning the Communist conspiracy."

Dr. Hans Reimholz, April 5, 1966, former member of the German Luftwaffe, who, according to the brochure, is "searching for a new humanity."

All lectures are scheduled for 8 p.m. at the Cocoa Armory. The brochure calls the series the "American Opinion Lecture Series." Its origins are not discussed.

"American Opinion" is a publishing affiliate of the John Birch Society, which last summer issued a "scoreboard" claiming that the United States is 60-80 per cent Communist dominated.

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FRANK SMALLWOOD  
Co-Chairman of group

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1 The Cocoa Tribune  
Cocoa, Florida

Date: 10/28/65

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Author: *[Handwritten]*

Editor: John W. Pounds

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# Ex-FBI official will lecture here

A former FBI official will lead off a series of lectures for the Lighthouse Lecture Association at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1951 to become the director of public services and a faculty member of Brigham Young University.

W. Cleon Skousen will speak on "Law and Order: Civil Disobedience" at Howard College's gymnasium. In 1956, he took a leave of absence from the university to reorganize the Salt Lake City Police Department, serving as chief of police until 1960. A national magazine, at the end of his assignment, said he had "run a model police force."

The author of "The Naked Communist" and "So You Want to Raise a Boy," Skousen is a former FBI executive with 16 years' service in the bureau.

A critic of Communist appeasement policies of Western nations, he has publicly called for an investigation of the U. S. State Department and lectures frequently in anti-Communist seminars.

Mrs. Georges Bridges, president of the association, said these speakers will lecture after Skousen:

DR. MAX RAFFERTY, California superintendent of education; Reed Benson, son of former Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson; Dr. Fern Stukenbroeker, an FBI official who has investigated the Communist Party and Soviet espionage; Dr. William E. Fort Jr., executive director of the Americanism Educational League, and Dr. S. G. Menocal, president of Cuba Power Co. prior to the Castro revolution.

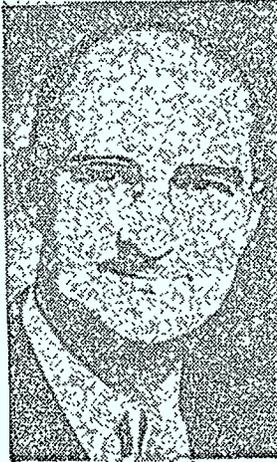
Skousen entered the FBI in 1935 and was appointed to a supervisory administrative position in Washington during World War II. He left the FBI in

1951 to become the director of public services and a faculty member of Brigham Young University.

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In 1960, he became editorial director of "Law and Order," the most widely distributed police magazine in the United States. He still holds this position.

Series and individual tickets may be obtained at Bromberg's downtown, Bromberg's in Mountain Brook and Atrial Drug of Crestline.



W. CLEON SKOUSEN

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THE BIRMINGHAM POST-HERALD

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

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Editor: JOHN W. BLOOMER

Title: W. CLEON SKOUSEN

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- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

# Riots in L.A. Red-Inspired -Ex-FBI Agent

The Los Angeles riots were Communist-inspired, "and it is intended that it shall happen in Houston and in every major U.S. city," says a former FBI agent.



"This came out as a Communist order in 1960, and the order was distributed on Communist literature," said S. Cleo Skousen of Washington, editor of Law and Order, a peace officers magazine.

He addressed more than 400 persons Monday night at a Rice Hotel meeting of the Houston-Harris County Committee to Support Your Local Police.

### Public Support Vital

Public support is vital if police are to preserve law and order, said Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist."

He rapped civilian police review boards and said they were Communist-inspired to "neutralize the police force."

Such boards to investigate charges of police brutality can make it impossible for police to do their job, he said.

"Houston has a system whereby a person can lodge a complaint and have it investigated by professionals," he said.

### Property Dealt With

"Your police chief, Herman Short told me today any officer found guilty of misconduct would be properly dealt with," Skousen quoted Short as adding.

"But we're not throwing any of our officers to the wolves just to satisfy the clamor of

people trying to hurt good men who are trying to do a good job for the people of Houston!"  
Skousen praised the Houston Police Department and said it has nationwide respect.

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Author: Editor: W. P. STEVEN

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Miss Gandy	_____

Dear Mr Hoover.

I am writing as President of the  
 Mackes County Farm Bureau. We have  
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is on having Cleon Spenser as  
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as a speaker to our High School  
students? I'm concerned whether  
the Farm Bureau or ~~the~~ <sup>our</sup> High School  
Supt. is off base. Please advise  
Thank you

Yours Truly  
R. Hugh Benjamin  
County Prof  
Fitchfield, Minn

TRUE COPY

Litchfield Minn  
May 15 1966

Dear Mr. Hoover.

I am writing as President of the Meeker County Farm Bureau. We have been on a program of Citizenship for our youth. We had a chance to get Cleon Skousen former F. B. I. agent as a speaker on the evils of communism. We have a High School Supt. who is against anything like this. He claims information that he has been connected with subversive activities. In Minn. we also have a citizenship seminar promoted by Farm Bureau and he discourages students from going.

Now what I would like to know is what your opinion is on having Cleon Skousen as staff at a Citizenship seminar or as a speaker to our High School students? I'm concerned wheather the Farm Bureau or our High School Supt. is off base. Please advise Thank You

Yours truly

H. Hugh Benjamin  
Route #2  
Litchfield, Minn



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May 20, 1966

*[Handwritten signature]*

Mr. H. Hugh Benjamin  
Route 2  
Litchfield, Minnesota 55355

Dear Mr. Benjamin:

I received your letter of May 15th.

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. Mr. Skousen's activities, opinions and comments are strictly his own and do not represent this Bureau in any manner. Further, it is contrary to my long-standing policy to furnish the advice you are seeking.

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I am enclosing some material which contains suggestions all of us can use in the fight against communism. You may also want to read my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism." They were written to help readers gain an insight into the true nature of communist activities, both in this country and abroad. ~~They may be available at your school or local library.~~

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (2)  
What Young People Should Know About Communism  
Young People Can Help Defeat Communism

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SAC, Salt Lake City

1 - Mr. H.P. Callahan  
1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. E.W. Smith  
1 - Mr. R.S. Garner  
October 24, 1956

Director, FBI (62-46509)

1 - Miss Butler

**PURCHASE OF BOOK  
BOOK REVIEW**

You are requested to obtain discreetly one copy of the book Communist Attack on U. S. Police by W. Glenn Skousen, a former Bureau Agent. The book was published in 1956 (price not known) by the Emig Publishing Company whose latest address, according to Bureau Records, was given as 1307 Telestar Lane, Salt Lake City, Utah. The book should be forwarded to the Bureau marked to the attention of the Research-Intelligence Section, Domestic Intelligence Division.

① - 67-69392 (W. Glenn Skousen)  
1 - H. R. Rev (6221 I. B.)

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**NOTE:** Book ordered at request of Assistant Director W. C. Sullivan, Domestic Intelligence Division, for review. After review, the book will be placed in the Bureau Library where it is not now available.

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TO : Miss Gandy

DATE: September 30, 1966

FROM : Mr. Tavel *HT*

SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF FILE EXHIBIT

Bulky Exhibit File Number: 67-69602-266

Willard Cleon Skousen

We are in the process of reviewing all bulky exhibits in order that we may dispose of those which serve no further purpose. Inasmuch as many of the bulky exhibits pertain to inactive cases and are occupying badly needed space, it is requested that the appropriate substantive supervisor review the above listed bulky exhibit and render a decision as to its retention or disposition. A notation as to the decision reached may be placed on this memorandum. The memorandum should be returned to the Personnel Records Unit of the Records Branch, Room 6646, for filing in the case file.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That captioned bulky exhibit be reviewed and a decision rendered as to the retention or disposition of the material.

Verbal permission given by Miss Gandy through telephone Room for destruction.

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To: SAC, Detroit

From: Director, FBI

MR. CHARLES L. LYLE  
CHAIRMAN  
REPUBLICAN 18TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN  
RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)  
BUDED 8/15/66

Enclosed are two copies of a letter dated 8-2-66 from, captioned individual, together with his original enclosures. The significance of the political circular regarding State Senator Huber to his communication is not known. Mr. Lyle is not identifiable in Bufiles.

You should have Mr. Lyle contacted by an experienced Agent at which time his communication to the Bureau should be cordially acknowledged. He should be asked for details regarding receipt of the material he enclosed and whether or not the circular on Senator Huber was received in the envelope he forwarded. Also, Mr. Lyle should be assured that the FBI had nothing to do with the preparation or distribution of the booklet entitled "The Communist Attack on the John Birch Society." *4209 Beach Road*

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In the event Mr. Lyle indicates the circular regarding Senator Huber was enclosed in the envelope when he received it, there is a possibility that this material is being distributed by Senator Huber's campaign headquarters. Accordingly, if appropriate, inquiries should be made to determine if this is in fact being done. The person or persons responsible should be appropriately admonished to refrain from using "FBI" or my name in distributing this material. Suairtel results of action taken to reach the Bureau no later than 8/15/66.

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Enclosures (5) Follow-up made for 8/15/66. NOTE: Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on 10-24-35, in which capacity he served until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned on October 5, 1951. The Ensign Publishing Company has published several of Skousen's books.

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18th Congressional District

Republican Party of Oakland County

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Miss Holmes	✓
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August  
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,  
The Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As Chairman of the Republican 18th Congressional District Organization, I have lately been subjected to a number of unsigned pieces of mail sent to me, and extolling the virtues of the John Birch Society. Most of them are simply chucked into the waste basket, because they obviously come from the fringe elements in the extremist political spectrum, but one received today disturbs me, and I am therefore writing to you.

I received one today that enclosed a printed pamphlet entitled THE COMMUNIST ATTACK ON THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, printed by the Ensign Publishing Co., P. O. Box 2316, Salt Lake City, Utah, and written by a W. Glenn Skousen, apparently a former FBI agent.

I am enclosing the pamphlet. What concerned me was the fact that stapled to the cover was a 3x5 card, and you will note that written on it is the statement "Pamphlet received from J. Edgar Hoover."

In the curious manner these people use, the pamphlet insists the JB Society is not a secret society, and yet the sender does not sign his or her name or in anyway identify themselves as the sender of the material. I am enclosing the envelope in which it was sent, or rather a verifax copy of the envelope, because it was sent by 3rd Class Mail, and contains a written message, which makes it 1st Class Mail, and I am turning this over to the postal authorities to check out.

I would appreciate your comments on this, Mr. Hoover.

*L.O.* XEROX Yours very truly,

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*Charles L. Lyle*  
Charles L. Lyle  
Chairman

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W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
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On 8/10/66, the Texas Farm Bureau held a citizenship seminar at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, at which seminar speeches were made by Dr. CLIFFORD GANUS, President, Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas, and by W. CLEON SKOUSEN, identified as former Bureau Agent, author and lecturer. Newspaper accounts of the seminar indicated GANUS' subject was "Understanding and preserving our heritage" and SKOUSEN spoke on "History, strategy and tactics of the Communist Party." It was reported that approximately 350 high school students from throughout Texas attended this seminar which was to conclude on 8/12/66. The stated purpose of this seminar was to teach students the value of Americanism and to give them an understanding into Communist tactics.

The Dean of Students at Baylor University informed that approximately 100 copies of SKOUSEN's book "The Naked Communist" published by the Ensign Publishing Company of Salt Lake City, Utah, had been ordered by the Texas Farm Bureau for use and distribution in connection with this seminar.

The above is being furnished to the Bureau for its information.

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: October 14, 1966

FROM : J. J. Casper *JJC*

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
FORMER BUREAU AGENT  
"COMMUNIST ATTACK ON U. S. POLICE"

On October 13, 1966, Anthony L. Schmieg, FBI National Academy graduate (64th Session, August 17 - November 4, 1959) in good standing, called Inspector T. J. Jenkins and advised that he is currently working with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and is a part-time lecturer at American University. Schmieg stated that he had received a copy of a book "Communist Attack on U. S. Police" by W. Cleon Skousen, a former Bureau Agent. This book was copyrighted in 1966 and was published by the Ensign Publishing Company. Schmieg inquired of Jenkins as to his knowledge of the book and the authenticity of same.

Skousen entered on duty with the Bureau as a Clerk on October 24, 1935, and as an Agent from 6/17/40 to 10/5/51, when he resigned. Bureau has observed the policy of being circumspect in dealing with Skousen because of his attempts to capitalize on his association with the FBI in his anticommunist endeavors. Skousen has written several pamphlets and books on communism and spoke in several areas of the country on the communist menace.

Jenkins advised Schmieg that the Bureau could not vouch for the authenticity of Skousen's book "Communist Attack on U. S. Police" and that any of his activities, opinions and comments were strictly his own and did not in any way represent the views of the Bureau. He also advised Schmieg that it is contrary to the Director's long-standing policy to furnish any comment or express any opinion upon books of this nature. Schmieg stated that he understood this and could appreciate the Bureau's position.

RECOMMENDATION:

Submitted for information.

1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
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1 - Mr. Callahan  
1 - Mr. Wick

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/9/67

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-0)

ATTENTION: TRAINING DIVISION

Miscellaneous - Non-Subversive

SUBJECT: ~~INTRODUCTION TO POLICE SCIENCE"~~  
AUTHORED BY JOHN L. SULLIVAN  
MISCELLANEOUS -  
INFORMATION CONCERNING ~~MISCELLANEOUS~~

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SA [redacted] on 5/4/67, in contact with Doctor ROBERT GOOSTREE, Professor of Law, Washington College of Law of the American University, learned from Doctor GOOSTREE that he had received a new hardback book publication by Mc Graw-Hill Publishing Company, entitled "Introduction to Police Science". The author was identified as JOHN L. SULLIVAN, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Police Science, Pasedena City College, California. In the first few pages of the book, were recognitions of numerous persons who assisted the author with suggestions and ideas and among them were the following persons:

W. CLEON ~~SKOUSEN~~, former FBI Agent and former Chief of Police, Salt Lake City, Utah;

[redacted] retired FBI Special Agent and Special Agent, Richfield Corporation, Los Angeles, California;

[redacted] retired FBI Special Agent and [redacted] in Los Angeles, California.

The above for information.

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CLARENCE J. BROWN, JR.  
7TH DISTRICT, OHIO  
URBANA, OHIO

COMMITTEES:  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS  
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

June 13, 1967

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

*Subscribed  
Reading  
G. M. [unclear]*

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have been contacted concerning a publication by a former F.B.I. agent, W. Cleon Skousen, entitled The Naked Communist. While I am not familiar with Mr. Skousen's book, I understand he has listed therein forty-seven declared goals of the Communist Party.

I will appreciate any information you may be able to give me concerning Mr. Skousen and his activities since he left the F.B.I.

Thank you for any assistance you may be able to render in this matter.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Clarence J. Brown, Jr., M. C.  
Seventh Ohio District

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June 16, 1967

Honorable Clarence J. Brown, Jr.  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Congressman:

I have received your letter of June 13th asking for information concerning Mr. W. Cleon Skousen.

For your information Mr. Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. His personal ventures as well as his opinions and comments since he left this Bureau are strictly his own, and I am sure you will understand why it is not possible for me to comment on these in any way whatsoever.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: We have enjoyed very cordial relations with Mr. Brown, who met the Director on 1-16-67. Brown has expressed his admiration and support of the Director and the Bureau.

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Mr. Gordon W. Kirby  
Staff Writer  
Deseret News  
Post Office Box 1257  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84110

Dear Mr. Kirby:

In reply to your letter of November 11th, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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- DeLoach
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- Casper
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WILLIAM J. SCHERLE  
7th District, Iowa

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# Congress of the United States

## House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

November 12, 1969

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Edgar:

*J. Cleon Skousen*

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter which I have received from a constituent who is interested in having a former employee of the FBI speak in his community.

Your assistance in providing background information on Mr. Skousen would be very appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Bill Scherle*

Bill Scherle  
William J. Scherle  
Member of Congress  
7th Iowa District

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ENCLOSURE

Rural Route #3  
Glenwood, Iowa  
November 7, 1969

The Honorable William J. Scherle  
United States Representative  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Representative Scherle:

I have read a couple of books written by Mr. W. Cleon Skousen, a former employee of the FBI, and presently editorial director of LAW AND ORDER magazine. Mr. Skousen appears to have very good credentials and I have been giving some consideration to the possibility of asking Mr. Skousen to speak in this area. Mr. Skousen's subject would probably be law and order oriented as this appears to be his main interest.

In view of the ever increasing efforts to destroy the good image of our police, I felt that this program may be a very worthwhile endeavor.

I am hoping that you may know Mr. Skousen or be able to check his qualifications and confirm his worthiness as a speaker.

Very truly yours,

*Robert H. Buffington*

Robert H. Buffington

RHB:svv

P. S. I want to compliment you for exposing the infamous O. E. O.



REC-110

February 5, 1970

94-47468-94

*Mr &*

Mrs. Roscoe C. Lee  
103 South Main Street  
Milton-Freewater, Oregon 97862

Dear Mrs. Lee:

I received the letter of January 30th, with enclosures, from you and your family and want to thank you for your kind sentiments and remarks concerning my work. It was indeed thoughtful of you to forward the material to me and the interest which prompted you to write is appreciated.

*Handwritten signature and initials*

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain prior cordial correspondence with Mrs. Lee. Last outgoing, 10-22-69, in response to her comments concerning the Director's possible retirement. The enclosures are an article written by W. Cleon Skousen, a former Special Agent who is well known to the Bureau, a reprint from the "Daily World," a publication of the Communist Party which is well known to the Bureau, and a speech by Ezra Taft Benson, former Secretary of Agriculture. In his article, Skousen states that some organizations, when they are attacked by the communist press, remain silent and hope the thing will blow over, but a more responsive approach such as that followed by J. Edgar Hoover when the FBI is attacked has proven more effective. There is no other mention of the Director or the FBI in the enclosures.

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Walters \_\_\_\_\_
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- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
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FOR CHRIST — AGAINST COMMUNISM

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."—II Chron. 7:14.

Old Testament—Bible

YOU CAN HELP  
SAVE AMERICA

OUR ONLY  
HOPE IS  
GOD'S  
PEOPLE  
ON THEIR  
KNEES  
PRAYING  
FOR  
AMERICA



"Behold, this is a choice land, and whatsoever nation shall possess it shall be free from bondage, and from captivity, and from all other nations under heaven, if they will but serve the God of the land, who is Jesus Christ, who hath been manifested by the things which we have written."

Either 2:12 Book of Mormon

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. DeLoach ✓
- Mr. Mohr ✓
- Mr. Bishop ✓
- Mr. Casper ✓
- Mr. Callahan ✓
- Mr. Conrad ✓
- Mr. Felt ✓
- Mr. Gale ✓
- Mr. Rosen ✓
- Mr. Sullivan ✓
- Mr. Tavel ✓
- Mr. Sizoo ✓
- Tele. Room ✓
- Miss Holmes ✓
- Miss Gandy ✓

*Skousen, W. Cleon*

Milton-Freewater,  
January 30, 1970

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

If you have not seen the enclosures, we hope and pray they may be enlightening and helpful to you. Mr. W. Cleon Skousen, was at one time an FBI man, also Chief of Police of Salt Lake City.

We are still trying to do our bit to keep this a Nation under God. We have two sons in the Armed Forces, as we may have told you in previous correspondence. It is the desire of our hearts that this Nation may remain free and that every man can worship God, according to the dictates of their own conscience. "A Nation who will not serve God will be ruled by Tyrants."

May God continue to bless you with health and strength. We consider you one of this Nation's greatest men and a devoted Servant of our cherished Republic!

Very Sincerely,  
*Mrs. and Mrs. Roscoe C. Lee & Family*  
Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe C. Lee

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MRS. ROSCOE C. LEE  
103 SOUTH MAIN ST.  
MILTON-FREEWATER, ORE.  
97862

1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
1 - Miss A. M. Butler

SAC, Salt Lake City

1/20/71

Director, FBI (62-48855)

PURCHASE OF BOOK  
BOOK REVIEWS

The book "The Naked Capitalist" by W. Cleon Skousen is available from National Research Group, P. O. Box 156, Pleasant Grove, Utah 84062, for \$2 a copy.

You are authorized to obtain discreetly one copy of above book for use of Bureau. Mark book to attention of the Research Section, Domestic Intelligence Division.

1 - Mr. M. F. Row; 6221 IB  
1 - 67-69602 (W. Cleon Skousen)

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NOTE:

Book requested by Assistant to the Director W. C. Sullivan, for perusal. Book will be placed in Bureau Library. Skousen former Bureau Agent.

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DUPLICATE YELLOW

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-46855)      DATE: 1/21/71  
 ATTENTION: RESEARCH SECTION,  
 DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (80-225)

SUBJECT: *MB* PURCHASE OF BOOK  
 BOOK REVIEWS

ReBulet 1/20/71.

Enclosed is one copy of "The Naked Capitalist," a book review by W. CLEON SKOUSEN. This book was purchased in a Salt Lake City bookstore.

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 1) *1 Encl. filed in*
  - 1 - Salt Lake City *Bureau library.*
  - RPC:FR
  - (3) *1-25-71*
- AMB*

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[Signature]*

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RESEARCH SECTION



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September 1, 1971

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REC-35

94-47468-100

Mr. Charles W. McTaggart  
22126 San Miguel Street  
Woodland Hills, California 91364

Dear Mr. McTaggart:

In reply to your letter of August 27th, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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22126 San Miguel St.,  
Woodland Hills, Cal. 91364  
Aug. 27, 1971

Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

I would like to know if Cleon Skousen, the author  
& presently a College instructor in Utah, I believe, was  
ever a duly appointed, full fledged agent of the Federal  
Bureau of Investigation.

Thanking you for a reply, I remain,

Yours truly,  
Charles W. McTaggart

TRUE COPY

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9-1-71  
McTaggart

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Woodland Hills, Cal 91364

Aug. 27, 1971

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Yours truly,

Charles W. McTaggart

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## Reliable Source?

### TO THE EDITOR:

W. D. Herd cited two books by W. Cleon Skousen as proof that America's national leaders are in cahoots with the Communists. Hence, he indicates, we are in the grip of a gigantic conspiracy.

I question the assumption that Skousen is a reliable source. This man was fired as police chief of Salt Lake City by none other than right wing favorite, Mayor J. Bracken Lee, who labeled Skousen "an incipient Hitler."

Former Utah Gov. Lee further stated of Skousen: "He ran the police department in . . . exactly the same manner as the Communists in Russia operate their government . . . He is a master of half-truths and would not hesitate to convey an outright lie if he felt it would further his personal ambitions."

Lee also characterized Skousen as "wasteful," "extravagant," and "a first class phony," and asserted that "the one act of which I am most proud is the one in which I publicly discharged W. Cleon Skousen as chief of police of Salt Lake City."

Skousen has evidently claimed that he was a top aide and administrative assistant to J. Edgar Hoover. This untruth may be checked by writing Mr. Hoover who seemingly has a low opinion of the former agent.

How can we put much credence in the writings of such a man as W. Cleon Skousen?

John H. George, Edmond

December 13, 1971

REC-133

Mrs. N. L. Hiniker  
1720 North Shartel  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73103

Dear Mrs. Hiniker:

Your letter of December 5th, with enclosure, has been received. With regard to your inquiry, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: We sent Mrs. Hiniker telegram in 1965 regarding her inquiry about one Daniel Rubins. No record John H. George. Above reply coordinated with Administrative Division.

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- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
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- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
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JW

Oct 27, 1972

Dear Sirs,

I am a history major at Brigham Young University. I am doing a historial essay or what you would call a thesis paper. And I would like some information from you concerning a one Cleon Shousen, who used to be an agent for your agency. So I would like the information concerning him that you are able to disclose without affecting your security. Thank You for your efforts.

Ronald S. Mason

Ack  
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November 2, 1972

Mr. Ronald S. Mason  
B1220, Helaman Halls  
Brigham Young University  
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Mr. Mason:

In reply to your letter of October 27th, Mr. W. Cleon Skousen entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. I regret it is not possible, because of the confidential nature of our files, to furnish you any additional data regarding Mr. Skousen.

~~Sincerely yours,~~

L. Patrick Gray III

L. Patrick Gray, III  
Acting Director

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NOTE: Based on available information, correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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- Baker \_\_\_\_\_
- Bates \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Cleveland \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
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- Marshall \_\_\_\_\_
- Murphy, E.S. \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
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Director, FBI [redacted]

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1 - Mr. D. R. Norie

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SI - YSA

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Enclosed herewith is copy of letter received from [redacted] which is self-explanatory.

Contact [redacted] and acknowledge receipt of enclosed letter.

Advise him that Skousen entered on duty with the FBI in a clerical capacity on 10/24/35, and was appointed a Special Agent on 6/17/40, and voluntarily resigned from the latter position on 10/5/51. Also advise that Skousen's personal ventures as well as his opinions and comments, since he left the Bureau, are strictly his own. In addition, he should be advised that the FBI has not investigated the John Birch Society; therefore, the Bureau is unable to furnish information or evaluation he seeks. Robert Welch, head of the John Birch Society, has attempted to link the names of former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and former CIA Director, Allen Dulles with communism.

Enclosure

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NOTE:

[redacted] a PSI of the OC Office, in a letter to the Director advised he had heard that W. Cleon Skousen has an open invitation to be reappointed as an SA of the FBI; that the Director and Welch are close friends and inquired if such groups as the John Birch Society aid the communist cause rather than hinder it.

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Miller, E.S. \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Dalbey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Cleveland \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ponder \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Bates \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Waikart \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Walters \_\_\_\_\_
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CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY  
Edmond, Oklahoma 73034

January 31, 1972

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Dalbey	_____
Mr. Cleveland	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D. C. 20000

Dear Mr. Hoover,

W. Cleon Skousen's followers in this area are predominantly John Birchers, many of whom are racists and antisemites. While some are suspicious of your loyalty, others claim to admire you and act as though you totally agree with their views. One of them contends that you and Robert Welch are close friends. Several state that W. Cleon Skousen has an open invitation to become an FBI special agent again. Therefore my questions are:

1. Does Skousen have such an open invitation?
2. Hasn't Skousen made the claim he was an administrative assistant to you? Isn't this untrue?
3. On balance, don't such groups as the Birch Society aid the Communist cause rather than hinder it?

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature area]

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JOHN L. MCCLELLAN, ARK., CHAIRMAN  
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*JWS*  
 W. Cleon Skousen

JAMES R. CALLOWAY  
 CHIEF COUNSEL AND STAFF DIRECTOR

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

October 7, 1974

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Mr. Clarence M. Kelley  
 Director  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelley:

The enclosed communication is respectfully referred for such consideration as it may warrant, and for a report thereon, in duplicate.

Thanking you in advance for your report, and the return of the enclosure, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Robert C. Byrd*  
 Robert C. Byrd  
 U. S. Senator  
 (D - WEST VIRGINIA)

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 OCT 8 1974

RCB:pjd

Enclosure: Correspondence from Mrs. John E. Lipscomb  
 3505 Dolphin Drive 1974  
 Charleston, W. Va. 25306

*2 ENCLOSURES*

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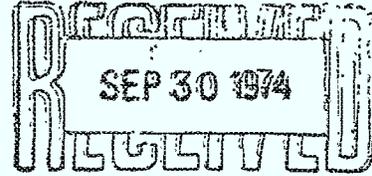
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September 26, 1974

ROBERT C. BYRD, U.S.S.



Senator Robert C. Byrd  
Room 105  
Old Senate Building  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Byrd:

As parents we are very much concerned about recent textbooks being used in Kanawha County. The enclosed article has been passed out to interested citizens. I would like your answer on the validity of this article. If this is true then everyone can clearly see why we don't want the books in our schools. Also if Federal money is used for the purchase of these controversial textbooks, then why can't the Federal government help us. It has been told that you and other congressional leaders can't help because it is a State and County matter. Would you please clarify this for me.

Senator we have always known you to be truthful and forthright and that is reason we're asking for your opinion.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. John E. Lipscomb*

Mrs. John E. Lipscomb  
3505 Dolphin Drive  
Charleston, WV 25306

*original returned  
to Senator Byrd*

ENCLOSURE

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## 45 COMMIE GOALS

Uncovered by W. Cleon Skousen for the FBI while serving as an assistant to J. Edgar Hoover.

1. U.S. acceptance of coexistence as the only alternative to atomic war.
2. U.S. willingness to capitulate in preference to engaging in atomic war.
3. Develop the illusion that total disarmament by the U.S. would be a demonstration of moral strength.
4. Permit free trade between all nations regardless of whether items could be used for war.
5. Extension of long-term loans to Russia and Soviet satellites.
6. Provide U.S. aid to all nations.
7. Grant recognition of Red China with admission to the U.N.
8. Set up E. and W. Germany as separate states.
9. Prolong the conferences to ban atomic tests because the U.S. has agreed to suspend tests as long as negotiations are in progress.
10. Allow all Soviet satellites representation in the U.N.
11. Promote the U.N. as the only hope for mankind. If its charter is rewritten, demand that it be set up as a one-world government with its own independent armed forces.
12. Resist any attempt to outlaw the Communist Party.
13. Do away with all loyalty oaths.
14. Continue giving Russia access to the U.S. Patent Office.
15. Capture one or both of the political parties in the U.S.
16. Use technical decisions of the courts to weaken basic American institutions by claiming their activities violate civil rights.
17. Get control of schools. Use them for socialism and current Communist propaganda. Get control of teachers' associations.
18. Gain control of all student newspapers.
19. Use student riots to foment public protests against programs or org. which are under Communist attack.
20. Infiltrate the press.
21. Gain control of key positions in radio, TV and motion pictures.
22. Continue discrediting American culture by degrading all forms of artistic expression.
23. Control art critics and directors of art museums. "Our plan is to promote ugliness, repulsive, meaningless art."
24. Eliminate all laws governing obscenity by calling them "censorship" and a violation of free speech and free press.
25. Break down cultural standards of morality by promoting pornography in books, magazines, motion pictures, radio and TV.
26. Present homosexuality, degeneracy and promiscuity as "normal, natural, healthy."
27. Infiltrate the churches and replace revealed religion with "social" religion. Discredit the Bible and emphasize the need for intellectual maturity which does not need a "religious crutch."
28. Eliminate prayer or any phase of religious expressions in the schools.
29. Discredit the American Constitution by calling it inadequate, "out of step."
30. Discredit the American founding fathers. Present them as selfish aristocrats who had no concern for the "common man."
31. Belittle all forms of American culture and discourage the teaching of American history.
32. Support all socialist movement to give centralized control over any part of the culture — education, social agencies, welfare programs, mental health clinics, etc.
33. Eliminate all laws or procedures which interfere with the operation of the Communist apparatus.
34. Eliminate the House Committee on Un-American Activities.
35. Discredit and eventually dismantle the FBI.
36. Infiltrate and gain control of more unions.
37. Infiltrate and gain control of big business.
38. Transfer some of the powers of arrest from the police to social agencies. Treat all behavior problems as psychiatric disorders.
39. Dominate the psychiatric profession and use mental health laws as a means of gaining coercive control over those who oppose Communist goals.
40. Discredit the family as an institution. Encourage promiscuity and easy divorce.
41. Emphasize the need to raise children away from the negative influence of parents. Attribute prejudices and mental blocks to suppressive influence of parents.
42. Create the impression that violence and insurrection are legitimate aspects of the American tradition; that students and special-interest groups should rise up and use "united force" to solve problems.
43. Overthrow all colonial governments before native populations are ready for self-government.
44. Internationalize the Panama Canal.
45. Repeal the Connally Reservation so the U.S. cannot prevent the World Court from seizing jurisdiction over domestic problems. Give the World Court jurisdiction over nations and individuals alike.

The above (slightly condensed) appeared in the Congressional Record. Give a copy of this tract to someone who has said, "I don't believe the communists are in everything, as I hear they are." These are only 45 points. They have more.

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ENCLOSURE

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Form. Rec. 10/15/74

October 15, 1974

Honorable Robert C. Byrd  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Byrd:

This is in response to your communication of October 7th, with enclosures, from your constituent, Mrs. John E. Lipscomb of Charleston, West Virginia.

With regard to your constituent's inquiry, Mr. W. Clison Skonson entered on duty with the FBI as a clerk on October 24, 1935, and served in that capacity until June 17, 1940, when he became a Special Agent. He voluntarily resigned the latter position on October 5, 1951. During his employment with the FBI, he did not hold the position of Assistant to J. Edgar Hoover. His personal ventures as well as his opinions and comments since he left this Bureau are strictly his own and it is not possible for me to comment on these in any way whatsoever.

The communication you enclosed is being returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

G. M. Kelley  
Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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-FBI

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- Telephone Rm. \_\_\_\_\_
- Director Sec'y \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosures (2)

1 - Pittsburgh - Enclosures (3)  
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NOTE: Bufiles show prior cordial correspondence with Senator Byrd (D-West VA). Mrs. John E. Lipscomb is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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*File*

SAC, Los Angeles

August 28, 1945

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Field Firearms and Scientific Training Record Card of  
Mr. W. Cleon Skousen

There is enclosed the Field Firearms and Scientific Training Record Card of Special Agent W. Cleon Skousen, who is now assigned to your office. He is presently in Grade CAF 12, with salary at the rate of \$5390 per annum.

Enclosure *C*

REGISTERED MAIL

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*John*

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
Special Agent

DATE: August 20, 1945

*Memorandum*

Kindly forward the personnel file of the above-named Special Agent who is presently assigned to this office.

RBH:AB

*Transmit SAC  
file information  
8-21-45  
RBH:AB*

*File  
Agent*

*164*

*W*  
*agt*  
Theof...  
Filed...

Special Agent in Charge  
Los Angeles, California  
John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Mr. W. Cleon Skousen

August 31, 1945

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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

With reference to your memorandum of August 20, 1945, there is enclosed the field personnel file of Mr. Skousen, who is now assigned to your office. Mr. Skousen is presently in Grade GAF 12 with salary at the rate of \$5390 per annum. There is also enclosed a duplicate copy of his property record for your files.

Enclosures

REGISTERED MAIL

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FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE  
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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

W. CLEON SKOUSEN

LOS ANGELES

AUGUST 13, 1945

The following is a special efficiency report on the above-captioned Special Agent.

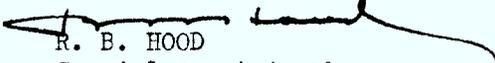
Since arriving in the Los Angeles Field Division this agent has been assigned to Selective Service investigation, and recently was assigned to a special squad investigating black market activities.

During SKOUSEN's tenure in the Los Angeles Field Division he has performed an average volume of work on his own initiative and requires a very minimum amount of supervision.

From my observations of this agent, he is outstandingly enthusiastic and conscientious concerning his work and is exceedingly loyal to the Bureau. He has a very pleasing manner and makes a favorable impression on first meeting.

The stenographers rate SKOUSEN as excellent in his dictation, stating that he has his work well organized and dictates accurately at a good rate of speed.

This agent is rated as excellent in his grade.

  
R. B. HOOD  
Special Agent in Charge

WCD:CM

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July 25, 1945

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
900 Security Building  
Los Angeles 18, California

Dear Mr. Skousen:

In connection with the Uniform Promotion Act, I am indeed pleased to advise you that you have been recommended for promotion from \$6180 per annum to \$5390 per annum in Grade CAF 12, effective July 2, 1945.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
READING ROOM

CC: SAC, Los Angeles  
CC: CCC: Selective Service  
CC: Mr. J. E. Edwards (MOB-6-17-40)  
CC: Miss Eitel

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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*es*

W. CLEON SKOUSEN	Special Agent
ENTERED ON DUTY:	October 26, 1935
SALARY:	\$4,600
OFFICE PREFERENCE:	Los Angeles
EXAMINATION:	91

SAC HOOD:

The above agent has just been assigned to the Los Angeles Office and there has as yet been no opportunity to observe any of his capabilities.

Inspection Report  
Los Angeles Office  
SAC Hood  
June 28, 1945

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DIVISION OF  
PRESS INTELLIGENCE  
O.W.I.  
Tempo V Bldg.

PH. \_\_\_\_\_

SY. J

Sun  
San Bernardino, Calif  
191  
DATE JUN 10 1945

**F.B.I. Agent to  
Speak at Saints  
Church Services**

**Skousen, Back From  
Washington, Guest of  
His Congregation**

W. Cleon Skousen, an F.B.I. agent, who has returned to Southern California after eight years in Washington, D. C., will speak tonight at the Latter Day Saints church, Natl and F streets. The meeting will begin at 7 and is open to the public.

Mr. Skousen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royal P. Skousen of 1395 Waterman avenue, with whom he



W. CLEON SKOUSEN

and his wife, the former Jewel Pitcher, and their three children, are visiting, has been active in church affairs in the capital, serving as president of the Washington Stake mission. They plan to make San Bernardino their home temporarily.

**SERVED CHURCH**

Transferred to the west coast by the federal bureau of investigation, Mr Skousen arrived in time to see his youngest brother, Kenneth, graduate from San Bernardino High school, from which he himself graduated 15 years ago. He is the eldest of eight, all of whom graduated from San Bernardino schools, where for 18 years the Skousen family has been represented.

After completing junior college, he made a two and a half year church mission to England and later received his law degree from George Washington university.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
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Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

*Speech given*

*3-11-45*  
**REC'D**  
**8 JUL 14 1945**

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June 23, 1945

Local Board Number 152  
Selective Service System  
490 Court Street  
San Bernardino, California

RE: W. CEDON SKOUSEN  
Order Number 1596

Gentlemen:

I want to advise you that the needs of this service make it necessary to transfer Special Agent Skousen to Los Angeles, California.

This information is furnished to you in order that your records will correctly reflect the principal place of employment of this registrant.

Sincerely yours,

*67-2-161*

*J. E. Hoover*

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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*WJ*

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
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 ☆ JUN 23 1945 P.M.  
 SAC - Los Angeles INVESTIGATION  
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



**Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice**



IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the widow or designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, who had contributed to this fund prior to July 30, 1945, and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by check ~~money order~~) *Cash* the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00), made payable to the Chief Clerk of said Bureau, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund, which I understand is to be administered in the following manner:

The Director of the Bureau will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director of the Bureau in pertinent matters. The Chief Clerk of said Bureau shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director.

Upon the death of any Special Agent, the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Chief Clerk, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of \$10,000.

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary for F. B. I. Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name ~~Mr~~ Jewel Skousen Address 3509 Marguerite St. Los Angeles Cal.  
Relationship wife Dated 6-28-45

The following person is hereby designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing \$1500-death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in line of duty.

Name Jewel Skousen Address 3509 Marguerite St. Los Angeles Cal.  
Relationship wife Dated 6-28-45

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Very truly yours,  
*8/11/45*  
Melvin Skousen *files*  
Special Agent *W. J. Peck*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 12 1945

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- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. E. A. Tamm .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm .....
- Mr. Nease .....

*Leahy*  
*Clerk*  
*4345*

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DIRECTOR FOUTINE

ELSE. SA W. CLEON SKOUSEN ARRIVED LAFO TERRITORY FOUR PM JUNE  
FIVE. ON ANNUAL LEAVE UNTIL JUNE TWENTY. IN EMERGENCY NOTIFY  
JEWEL PITCHER SKOUSEN, WIFE, ONE THREE NINE FIVE WATERMAN AVENUE  
SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA, ALSO PRESENT ADDRESS OF AGENT.

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18 JUN 28 1945

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SEARCHED.....RECORDED.....  
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JUN 16 1945

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*cc Mr. Glavin*  
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*M. Ladd*  
*Mr. Tolson*

# CLASSIFICATION ADVICE

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Local Board No. 152 91  
 San Bernardino County 071  
 152  
 490 Court Street,  
 San Bernardino, California  
 (Local Board Date Stamp With Code)

5-30-75  
 (Date of mailing of Notice of Classification to Registrant)

You are advised that—

Phillard Glenn Hansen  
 (First name) (Middle name) (Last name)

Order No. 1596 has been classified in Class 2-F

until 12-20-75, 19\_\_\_\_  
 (Insert date for Class II-A and II-B only)

by  Local Board.

Board of Appeal (by vote of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_).

President.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES

June 4, 1945

✓ JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

W. OLSON SKOUSIN, SPECIAL AGENT  
ADMINISTRATIVE FIREARMS TRAINING

In confirmation of the firearms status of the above-named Agent, please be advised that he was afforded specialized firearms training at Quantico, Virginia, and is now authorized to conduct field office firearms training.

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*Handwritten signatures and initials*

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
HLS:kjs

TO : MR. CLEGG *dp*

DATE: May 31, 1945.

FROM : *Q* H. L. SLOAN

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT  
ADMINISTRATIVE FIREARMS TRAINING

This is to advise that the above named Special Agent received Administrative Firearms Training, at Quantico, Virginia, from May 7-12, 1945.

Based on the performance of the work performed by him, his knowledge of Bureau guns, courses, Safety Rules, and ability to handle other Agents, it is recommended that he be authorized to conduct Field Office Firearms Training.

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June 15, 1945

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
900 Security Building  
Los Angeles 13, California

Dear Mr. Skousen:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Quantico, Virginia, on April 27, 1945.

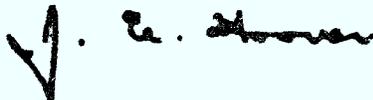
This report reflects the following physical defects:

Defective vision in the right eye 20/40;  
left eye 20/30 - corrected to 20/20 in  
each eye.  
Nasal septal spur

The Board of Examining Physicians of the United States Naval Hospital recommends that you secure inoculations for ~~Smallpox, Typhoid, Tetanus~~. The Bureau suggests that this be done by you after consultation and with the advice of your family physician. The Bureau is desirous of being advised when this has been done.

It reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion, and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

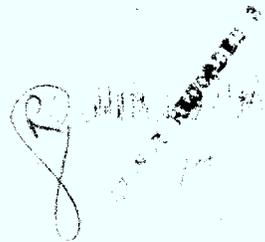
Sincerely yours,



John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

cc: Mr. Clegg  
cc: SAC, Los Angeles



RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NAME W. Cleon Skousen AGE 32 YEARS, 9 MONTHS  
NATIVITY (state of birth) Canada MARRIED, SINGLE, WIDOWED: married NUMBER OF CHILDREN 3  
FAMILY HISTORY none

HISTORY OF ILLNESS OR INJURY none

HEAD AND FACE normal

EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) normal

DISTANT VISION RT. 20/12, corrected to 20/20

LT. 20/15, corrected to 20/20

COLOR PERCEPTION normal

(state edition of Stilling's plates or Lamps used)

DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS none

EARS: HEARING RT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH     /15'

LT. WHISPERED VOICE 15/15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH     /15'

DISEASE OR DEFECTS none

NOSE septal spur

(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

SINUSES normal

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS normal

TEETH AND GUMS (disease or anatomical defect): normal but crooked

MISSING TEETH 6, 11, 19

NONVITAL TEETH n

PERIAPICAL DISEASE n

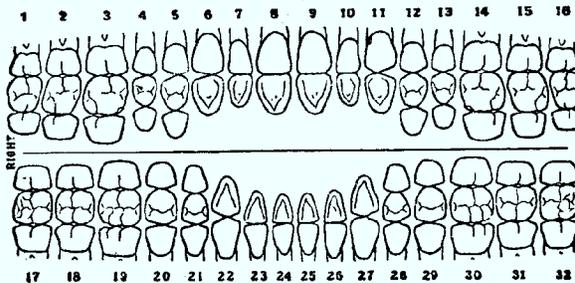
MARKED MALOCCLUSION n

PYORRHEA ALVEOLARIS n

TEETH REPLACED BY BRIDGES n

DENTURES     

REMARKS     



C. P. Hancin

(Signature of Dental Officer)

GENERAL BUILD AND APPEARANCE medium

TEMPERATURE 98 CHEST AT EXPIRATION 39

HEIGHT 69 CHEST AT INSPIRATION 35

WEIGHT 162 CIRCUMFERENCE OF ABDOMEN AT UMBILICUS 34

RECENT GAIN OR LOSS, AMOUNT AND CAUSE none

SKIN, HAIR, AND GLANDS normal

NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) normal

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) no planus

THORAX (size, shape, movement, rib cage, mediastinum) n  
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM, BRONCHI, LUNGS, PLEURA, ETC. n

CARDIO-VASCULAR SYSTEM n  
HEART (note all signs of cardiac involvement) n

PULSE: BEFORE EXERCISE 72 BLOOD PRESSURE: SYSTOLIC 106  
AFTER EXERCISE 108 DIASTOLIC 60  
THREE MINUTES AFTER 78  
CONDITION OF ARTERIES good CHARACTER OF PULSE reg.  
CONDITION OF VEINS good HEMORRHOIDS none

ABDOMEN AND PELVIS (condition of wall, scars, herniae, abnormality of viscera) normal

GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM normal  
URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.028 ALB. n SUGAR n MICROSCOPICAL n  
VENEREAL DISEASE none

NERVOUS SYSTEM normal  
(organic or functional disorders)  
ROMBERG neg. INCOORDINATION (gait, speech) none  
REFLEXES, SUPERFICIAL present DEEP (knee, ankle, elbow) present TREMORS none  
SEROLOGICAL TESTS negative BLOOD TYPE \_\_\_\_\_  
ABNORMAL PSYCHE (neurasthenia, psychasthenia, depression, instability, worries) none

SMALLPOX VACCINATION: DATE OF LAST VACCINATION 1930  
TYPHOID PROPHYLAXIS: NUMBER OF COURSES 1  
DATE OF LAST COURSE 1 30

REMARKS ON ABNORMALITIES NOT OTHERWISE NOTED OR SUFFICIENTLY DESCRIBED ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS none

CAPABLE OF PERFORMING DUTIES INVOLVING full PHYSICAL EXERTION

IS THIS INDIVIDUAL PHYSICALLY FIT TO PARTICIPATE IN RAIDS AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS WHICH MIGHT ENTAIL THE PRACTICAL USE OF FIREARMS yes (yes or no)  
(when no is given state cause) \_\_\_\_\_

FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMARKS (as per boards, when necessary) \_\_\_\_\_

W. M. Lenke  
Lt. Comdr. USN

DATE OF EXAMINATION 4/27/45

W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
Special Agent, CAF 12, \$4600  
EOD - June 17, 1940  
Under transfer to Los Angeles

This report is being submitted in view of Special Agent Skousen's transfer to the Los Angeles Office. There has been no change since the preparation of the annual efficiency report on March 31, 1945. The same things contained therein still apply.

Agent Skousen has had the general supervision over "FBI This Week" and "The Investigator" and has handled a number of very special tours and speaking engagements and has done considerable original writing, all of which were handled in a highly satisfactory manner. He definitely has administrative and executive ability and should be kept in mind for further advancement in the Bureau's work. He has had well-grounded experience in the Field and also at the Seat of Government and is thoroughly familiar with all matters pertaining to the Bureau's operation and Bureau policy. He is entitled to a rating of Excellent.

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May 7, 1945

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RE: W. CLION SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

Mr. L. B. Nichols  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The above-named Agent attended an In-Service training course from April 23, to May 5, 1945.

He attained the following grades:

Notebook	Very Good
Written Examination	98
Technical Equipment Qualifications	Good
Hip Shooting	94
Practical Pistol Course	92
Shotgun	90
.30 Rifle	90
Machine Gun	95

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

cc: W. Clion Skousen  
Division Four

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

EPM:BG

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : H. H. CLEGG ✓

SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: May 24, 1945

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey ✓
- Mr. Glavin ✓
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy ✓
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Carson ✓
- Mr. Hendon ✓
- Mr. Mumford
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

*Hayes*  
*drh*

This is to advise that Special Agent W. Cleon Skousen was afforded training as an Inspector's assistant on May 21 and 22, 1945. Mr. Skousen is believed to be qualified to assist in the course of field office inspections.

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TO : CLYDE A. TOLSON  
 FROM : H. H. CLEGG  
 SUBJECT:

DATE: May 7, 1945

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
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- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

SPECIAL AGENT W. C. SKOUSEN  
 IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE NO. 56  
 FROM 4-23-45 TO 5-5-45  
 EOD - 6-17-40  
 GRADE - CAF--12  
 SALARY - \$4600  
 ASSIGNED TO - DIVISION FOUR

MOOT COURT TRAINING

ABILITY TO TESTIFY:

QUALIFIED X

NOT QUALIFIED \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AFFORDED: Yes

GRADES ATTAINED:

- NOTEBOOK - Very Good
- WRITTEN EXAMINATION - 98
- HIP SHOOTING - 94
- PRACTICAL PISTOL COURSE - 92
- SHOTGUN - 90
- .30 RIFLE - 90
- MACHINE GUN - 95
- GENERAL FIREARMS ABILITY - Very Good

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT QUALIFICATIONS:  
Good

REMARKS: An excellent appearance. Skousen is mature. He testified in a most satisfactory manner on both direct and cross-examination. He was entirely at ease and made an excellent witness.

G. H. Treadwell

INSTRUCTOR

The Firearms Instructor reports that this Agent has a very good knowledge of weapons, is average in demeanor, interested, tries hard, does his share of work, is attentive strict in observance of safety rules, deliberate; and very good in marksmanship, general ability, and knack and skill. He is qualified to go on Raids and Special Details.

REMARKS: Interviewing official - L. A. Hince

Skousen makes an excellent appearance and has a very pleasant, confident personality. He expressed appreciation for being permitted to attend In-Service School and stated that it was a great improvement over schools he had previously attended. Skousen also pointed out that he was very appreciative for the transfer to Los Angeles which was recently given to him.

I think Skousen has undoubted supervisory ability. He has particularly good qualifications as a speaker. I think we should be able to use him in police school assignments at Los Angeles when his physical condition improves.

Status: Excellent

*Noted  
Clegg*

*H. H. Clegg*

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April 19, 1945

Mr. A. C. Barnett  
Membership Secretary  
Young Men's Christian Association  
1736 G Street, Northwest  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Barnett:

It was a real pleasure to receive your thoughtful letter of April 16, 1945, regarding the talk which Special Agent W. Cleon Skousen gave before the staff conference of the Young Men's Christian Association. I was glad that his address was enjoyed by your associates and by you and if at any time in the future we can be of assistance please do not hesitate to communicate with us.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC - Mr. Skousen

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ADDRESS REPLY TO 1736 G ST., N. W., WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

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A CENTURY OF SERVICE

April 16, 1945

DEPARTMENTS

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Mr. Tolson ✓  
Mr. L. A. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
Mr. [unclear]  
1945  
J. Edgar Hoover

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
9th and Pennsylvania Avenues, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. Cleon Skousen, Special Agent of the F.B.I., spoke at the Staff Conference of the Y.M.C.A. this morning, at my request. I express the sentiments of the entire staff in informing you that Mr. Skousen gave an excellent talk regarding crime and the ways that the Y.M.C.A. can assist in the prevention of it. I also wish to extend our appreciation to you for allowing such a competent speaker to appear before our staff.

Cordially,

A. C. Barnett

A. C. BARNETT  
Membership Secretary

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

LBN:HRM

DATE: April 6, 1945

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS  
*W. Cleon Skousen (N)*  
SUBJECT: W. C. SKOUSEN, Special Agent  
Assigned - Crime Records Section  
CAF-2, \$4600  
E.C.D. - 6/17/40 *JR - San Bernardino Cal*

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
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Miss Gandy	

Mr. Skousen entered the Bureau's service as a messenger on December 24, 1935, and as an Agent on June 17, 1940. He was assigned to the field from August 6, 1940, until April 4, 1941, when our Communications Section bogged down and we brought him in to head it up. Later on he was in charge of the Messenger Room, the Mail Room, the Reading Room, and served as personnel assistant in the Records and Communications Division. His services were outstanding. In reducing the number of supervisors his work was absorbed, and he was transferred to the Crime Records Section where he has done an exceptionally good piece of work.

Recently Mr. Skousen has been ill, and he now informs me that he has stomach ulcers, and the doctors have insisted that he ease up a little. Mr. Skousen is extremely conscientious and works under considerable nervous tension when he has things that have to be done. He is one of the best speakers in the Bureau. He is thoroughly loyal and thoroughly enthusiastic and has considerable possibilities for continued development. In discussing his personal situation with him I inquired whether he would prefer being returned to a field assignment until he had completely recovered from his ulcers. He stated that he would but that he would never ask for a transfer as it was his desire to do whatever the Bureau wanted him to do.

His home, prior to coming to Washington, was Los Angeles. As a matter of fact, he owns his own home in Los Angeles. Los Angeles is his office of preference. Since he does need additional field experience I would like to recommend that he be transferred to the Los Angeles Office. He will give a good account of himself wherever he is, and since he has always put the Bureau's interests first I have no hesitancy in recommending that he be assigned to the Los Angeles Office. His summary is attached.

Attachment

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March 3, 1945

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Skousen:

I was most pleased to learn that some very fine comments were received concerning your recent address at a Parent Teachers Association meeting.

You may well take pride in knowing of the favorable impression you made and I want to personally express my appreciation to you for your efforts in this regard and for the excellent fashion in which you are performing your duties.

Sincerely,

CC - Mr. Nichols

- Tolson
- E. A. Tamm
- Clegg
- Coffey
- Glavin
- Ladd
- Nichols
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**REPORT OF  
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ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )  
OFFICIAL: REGULAR (X) SPECIAL ( )  
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of 3-31-45 based on performance during period from 4-1-44 to 3-31-45

W. Cleon Skousen Special Agent, CAF 12, \$4600  
(Name of employee) (Title of position, service, and grade)

U. S. Department of Justice, FBI, Division Four, Crime Records Section  
(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

<p>ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE</p> <p>✓ if adequate - if weak + if outstanding</p>	<p>1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position.     a. Do not rate on elements in <i>italics</i> except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions.     b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in <i>italics</i>.</p>	<p>CHECK ONE:</p> <p>Administrative, supervisory, or planning <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>All others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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| <p>----- (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.</p> <p>----- (2) Mechanical skill.</p> <p><u>+</u> (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.</p> <p>----- (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).</p> <p><u>+</u> (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.</p> <p><u>+</u> (6) Attention to pertinent detail.</p> <p>----- (7) Accuracy of operations.</p> <p><u>+</u> (8) Accuracy of final results.</p> <p><u>+</u> (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.</p> <p><u>+</u> (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.</p> <p><u>+</u> (11) Industry.</p> <p><u>+</u> (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.</p> <p><u>+</u> (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? <u>no</u>) (Yes or no)</p> <p><u>+</u> (14) Ability to organize his work.</p> <p><u>+</u> (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.</p> <p><u>+</u> (16) Cooperativeness.</p> <p><u>+</u> (17) Initiative.</p> <p><u>+</u> (18) Resourcefulness.</p> <p><u>+</u> (19) Dependability.</p> <p><u>+</u> (20) Physical fitness for the work.</p> | <p><u>+</u> (21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.</p> <p>----- (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.</p> <p>----- (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.</p> <p><u>+</u> (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.</p> <p><u>+</u> (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.</p> <p><u>+</u> (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.</p> <p><u>+</u> (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.</p> <p>----- (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.</p> <p>----- (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.</p> <p><u>+</u> (30) Ability to make decisions.</p> <p><u>+</u> (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.</p> |
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- (C) \_\_\_\_\_

STANDARD Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form	Adjective rating	Adjective rating
Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks.....	Excellent	Rating official <u>Excellent</u> <u>S</u>
Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks.....	Very good	
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks.....	Good	Reviewing official _____
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks.....	Fair	
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.....	Unsatisfactory	

Rated by [Signature] Chief, Crime Records 3-31-45  
(Signature of rating official) (Title) (Date)

Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_ Assistant Director \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of reviewing official) (Title) (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee \_\_\_\_\_ Report to employee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Adjective rating)

W. CLEON SKOUSEN  
Special Agent, CAF 12, \$4600  
EOD - June 17, 1940  
Assigned - Crime Records

Special Agent Skousen has been assigned to the Crime Records Section since August 1, 1944, and prior to that time was in charge of the Communications Section. Agent Skousen has an excellent appearance, a winning personality and an abundance of enthusiasm. He has had general supervision over *The Investigator* and *FBI This Week* since his assignment in the Section and has done an outstanding job on each. *The Investigator* has been made considerably more appealing to Bureau employees and *FBI This Week* has been changed so that it is more readable and much more interesting than it was in the past. He has developed two of the girls of the Section to the point where they can handle much of the work on these two publications.

Agent Skousen is one of the best speakers in the Bureau and has given a number of speeches in Washington and vicinity during the past year. Frequently he has been invited for other speeches by those who were present at a particular meeting. He has given quite a number of lectures before Bureau employees and has handled all of these in a uniformly good manner. In addition he has taken quite a number of special visitors through the Bureau on tours and his work in this regard is outstanding.

During the year Special Agent Skousen has done considerable research and original writing. He recently did outstanding work in his memorandum summarizing the growth and development of the Bureau. He has a very good style and his articles have been very well prepared.

Agent Skousen is well versed in the Bureau's work and really has the FBI at heart. He has made a most valuable contribution to the Crime Records Section and I feel he should be kept in mind for possible advancement in the future. Without doubt he could serve creditably at the present time as an Assistant SAC in a small office. He was recently commended by the Director in connection with a speech before a local PTA. His work should be rated as Excellent.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
LBN:HBM

TO : MR. TOLSON  
FROM : L. B. NICHOLS  
SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN, SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: February 15, 1945

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
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Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
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Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

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As you know, Agent Skousen has been used on speaking engagements in numerous instances in the past. He has always made a very favorable impression, and the reaction to his speeches has been above average.

A few weeks ago, at the invitation of Bill Hackett, the secretary to Congressman Crawford, Mr. Skousen addressed a PTA meeting. Several members of the Seventh Day Adventist Colony at Takoma Park attended this meeting.

This morning Hackett told me that there has been universally fine comment among the Seventh Day Adventists, and a group has approached him to see if there would be any possibility of getting Mr. Skousen some time within the next month or so to speak on juvenile delinquency at a meeting of their school teachers, preachers, parents, etc. In fact, they even discussed with Hackett Mr. Skousen's religious background and the possibility of getting him away from the Bureau into the ministry.

I think that this is a very fine compliment which has been extended to the Bureau and one of its representatives.

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Suggest letters of commendation  
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