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TO : SAC

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FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: DR. W. CLEON SKOUSEN
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On 10/25/60, [redacted]

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Attached is article that appeared in "The Bakersfield Californian"

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U.N. Should Bar Russ, Group Told

Unseating of Russia as a member of the United Nations was advocated by Dr. W. Cleon Skousen, former chief of police of Salt Lake City, and author of "The Naked Communist," when he addressed 600 listeners at a Free Enterprise Rally Saturday at Hotel El Tejon.

Dr. Skousen said this demand should have been made by the U.S. ambassador at the United Nations because Russia has failed to respond to any of the friendly aims of the United States to preserve world peace and vetoed the move to have a U.N. investigation of the shooting down of a U.S. plane over international waters.

Dr. Skousen spoke more than two hours. He sketched the history of the Russian revolution, the overthrow of the early Russian Republic, the seizure of power by Lenin; the ambitions of Stalin, the Hitler-Stalin military axis, and the subsequent successful grab of the Communists for their world-wide sphere of influence and power over subject nations.

Hits Traitors

He assailed the United States State Department decisions under Dean Acheson, attributed the loss of atomic bomb secrets to home-grown traitors and reviewed the Greenberg case of treason as another method of Soviet infiltration.

He charged that Alger Hiss wrote the charter of the United Nations leaving the General Assembly without powers except those of debate. The Security Council was nullified by the "veto" which Hiss maneuvered to

benefit the Russians.

He called for a rewriting of the U.N. Charter and declared that the Russian vote had made impossible the investigation of the recent shooting down of the United States plane as an act of war against the United States.

He praised the policies of John Foster Dulles and defended the "brink of war" statement as explanatory of the need to show military strength in the face of Soviet aggression.

Reds Map Future

Dr. Skousen declared that the years until 1973 are already mapped by the Soviet Union for more world conquest to include the now-neutral countries of Asia

such as India, the infiltration of Thailand and others; the capture of the middle eastern countries; the conquest of the newly-emerged African countries, and then the infiltration of Mexico, which he said has already begun, along with Central America, and South American countries.

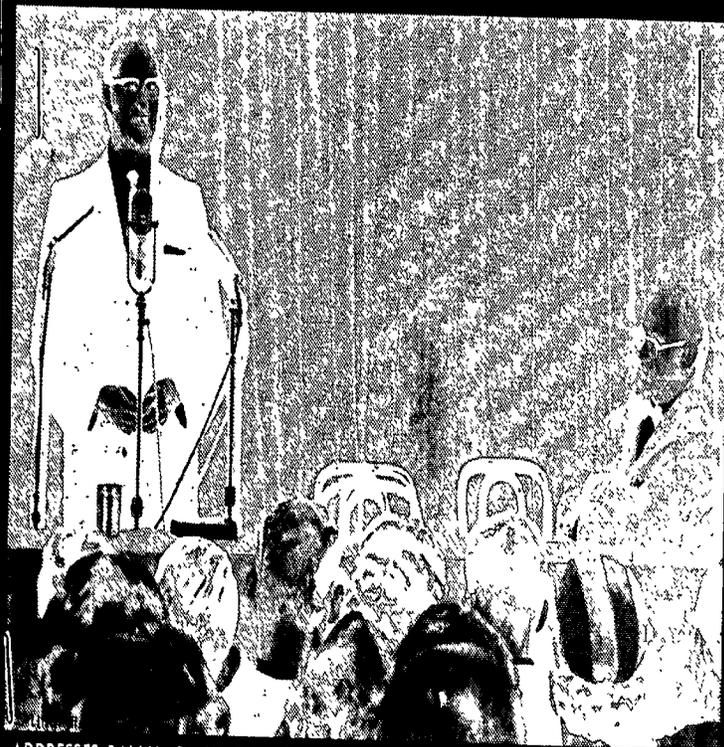
He concluded his address with the urging of alertness of American citizens against the inroads of socialism and Marxism and urged that both military and

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ADDRESSES RALLY—Dr. W. Cleon Skousen, for 15 years with the FBI and author of *The Naked Communist*, spoke on Communism as world conquest before 600 listeners in Hotel El Tejon Saturday at a Free Enterprise Rally, sponsored by a group of citizens including W. U. Camp Sr. (at the speaker's left), who presided at the afternoon session.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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DR. W. CLEON SKOUSEN
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
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Author Raps U.S. Policies In Dealings With Reds

THE BULLETIN
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ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA
EDITOR..Howard Landon
LOS ANGELES FIELD DIV.

The United States is heading for a crisis similar to Pearl Harbor that could have been avoided, W. Cleon Skonsen, author of the Naked Communist, told the Lions Club Friday.

Skonsen, an officer of the National Security Council and former FBI agent, said the United States should have been more firm in dealing with the Communists. He cited instances of blundering by the "left-wing" portion of the State Department in dealing with Cuba, and Trujillo.

He said the "left wing" segment of the State Department was present in administrations of both parties. He said they have erred in not supporting Trujillo and Batista.

Skonsen said Castro was a known "hard core" Communist who had been involved in the murder of three political enemies before he finished law school. He also charged that Castro was involved in the murder of Gaitan in Bogota, Columbia, and was one of the ringleaders in the subsequent riots.

The former FBI agent also said Raoul Castro was a sex deviate. Skonsen said this information was known, but the United States still failed to support Batista in Cuba. He said the embargo placed on arms which Batista wanted to use to defend his country against the Castro-led Communists was a serious mistake.

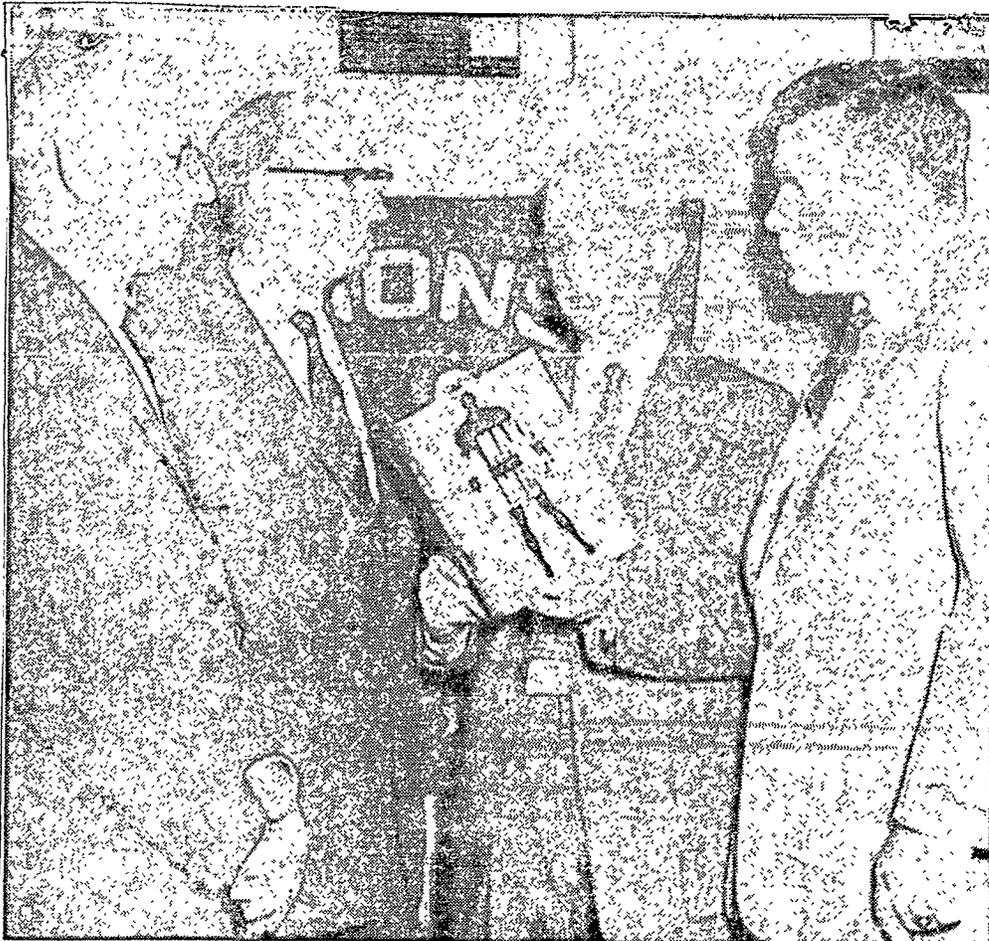
He said Batista pleaded with the United States, and that two

U. S. Ambassadors were either fired, or nearly replaced, because they told the State Department that the United States was supporting the wrong cause.

Skonsen said the United States can be more firm in handling the Russians. He said the U. S. should not have backed down to the Russians after the U-2 incident. Skonsen said the United States should have told the Russians, that the U-2 flights would continue as long as they continued in their imperialistic and militaristic policies. He said the United States should demand that free elections be held in Russia and withdraw diplomatic relations if they fail to do so.

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TELLS OF COMMUNISTS — W. Cleon Skonsen (second, left) speaker at the Lions Club meeting on Friday and author of the book "The Naked Communist" discusses the nemesis of

Communism with Lions Stan Matejka, Presto Turner, city attorney, and Eldon Hauck, president of the Lions Club.

(Bulletin Photo)

'Commie' School Slates Ex-FBI Prober, Author

W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI Investigator and author of an award-winning book, "The Naked Communist," is slated to address participants in the 5-day Orange County School of Anti-Communism to be held in the Disneyland Hotel beginning March 6 at 9:30 a.m., according to the

local Citizens' Committee Chairman, William Brashears, DDS, Fullerton.

Entering the FBI service in 1935, he served the United States in that capacity for 16 years, traveling throughout the country in the course of duty.

J. Edgar Hoover appointed Skousen to assist him in an administrative supervisory capacity during World War II, a position requiring permanent residence in Washington, D.C., for the term of that assignment.

In 1951 Skousen became the director of public services at the Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, and served on the faculty for five years. He followed that with a four-year stint as chief of police in Salt Lake City, assigned with the task of reorganizing the department.

He is the editorial director of "Law and Order," a police magazine widely circulated throughout the United States.

Well-known for his work in the field of youth problems, he served as chairman of the UN Committee for the International Juvenile Officers' Association, and as a member of the Board of Directors of that organization. His book, "So You Want To Be A Boy" will be published by Doubleday in 1961.

Of the 350 speeches he presents each year, many are at high schools, universities and to various state and national conventions.



EX-FBI AGENT W. CLEON SKOUSEN
... speaker in county anti-Communism school

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J. Bracken Lee
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Dear [REDACTED]

A copy of your EDUCATIONAL NEWS SERVICE, dated March 31, 1960, has come to my attention. An article published therein, on the inside cover page, entitled "Well Known Anti-Communist Chief of Police Fired by J. Bracken Lee," is the subject of my letter.

I would appreciate your giving me the answers to two questions. First, Why would your organization print such a one-sided article? The second question, Why did you not get the other side of this story before publishing this article?

I am under the impression that the article was written by former Police Chief W. Cleon Skousen because the expressions and comments appear to be the same as those used by Mr. Skousen on T.V., radio and the newspapers immediately following his discharge. I have requested replies to these questions because I know some of your officers and directors and have considered them to be fair minded and honest individuals. In view of this, I have prepared copies of this letter which will be mailed to all your directors and several others who have written me following the publication of this article.

I consider the statements made in your publication to be false and will endeavor to point out to you why I feel they are most damaging to me. The article itself points out the big reason why this man was discharged. 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. On three

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occasions, before the Salt Lake City Commission and in the presence of a number of newspaper reporters, this man made statements that were completely untrue, and, in each instance I so informed him and had the City Auditor verify the records to prove that the man was not telling the truth.

Another reason for his discharge was the fact that he operated the Salt Lake City Police Department in exactly the same manner as the Communists in Russia operate their government. This I could not tolerate inspite of the fact that he, himself, professes to be an Anti-Communist.

Again referring to your article, the statement is made that I had little sympathy for Skousen's out-of-state lectures on Communism. This statement is not true for the very simple reason that I granted him permission, as the Mayor of Salt Lake City, to make these trips (some of which were made before groups of people in other states who were strong supporters of my philosophy of government.) Up until the time that I was convinced that he was an untruthful individual, I favored his making as many talks as possible. Of course, until I realized that the man was more interested in himself than he was his Country, I fully supported what he was trying to do.

Your article further states, and I quote, "Lee has shown no interest in Skousen's great book, THE NAKED COMMUNIST." This is another false statement because I not only recommended this book to many of my friends, but I was also responsible for convincing many of these people that they should buy quantities of these books for free distribution.

Your article also states that my charge that Mr. Skousen had been using City Police secretarial assistance in the writing of this book was without foundation. The records will show to the satisfaction of anyone that he did use City Policemen and secretaries both to compile, typewrite and assemble his notes on this book. While I certainly do not object to the writing of a book in opposition to Communism, I do not think it is right that City funds and personnel be used to write a book which resulted in personal gain to that writer.

It is true that Mr. Skousen appeared on a three station T.V. interview and charged that I wanted the Police to "open up" the City and that I resented arrests for "fringe gambling and strip-tease parties" in private clubs. This statement by Mr. Skousen is just as false as many other statements that he has made in the past, and, I can assure you that his statement is without foundation and had nothing to do with the man's discharge.

Your article goes on to say that Skousen is recognized in law enforcement circles as one of the most able men and best informed officers in the United States. This is a claim that Mr. Skousen has been making for some time, but, to my knowledge, I do not know of any law enforcement agencies in the United States who would agree with Mr. Skousen's opinion of himself. Just who is

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there in the United States who recognizes his ability in that capacity? I doubt very much if any city in the United States would employ Mr. Skousen after reviewing his record in Salt Lake City. Certainly, the facts do not bear out the claims which he makes.

The article also states that he was Administrative Assistant to J. Edgar Hoover. This statement is not true and certainly can be verified by contacting Mr. Hoover himself.

Your article concludes by saying, "Lee will no doubt have many questions to answer, posed by conservatives." Let me say, very frankly, that I am willing to let my record in public life speak for itself, and, I will not waste five minutes answering any questions to anyone for my actions in public office. I have served for over twenty years in an executive capacity in government. I have served for over twenty years in an executive capacity in government. I have been the Mayor of two cities and served for eight years as the Governor of this State. When it comes to law enforcement, fighting Communism, lowering taxes, opposition to the growth of big government, the eliminating of waste, and the support of Constitutional Government--I take my hat off to no man. I might also add that while I am proud of this record, the one act of which I am most proud is the one in which I publically discharged W. Cleon Skousen as the Chief of Police of Salt Lake City. He was not only a wasteful, extravagant public servant as shown by the record, but misspent and misused public funds that were entrusted to him.

While he talks a good line, he does not live up to what he preaches. Time, I am sure, will prove that I rendered a service not only to the people of Salt Lake City, but perhaps all of the Nation in exposing this man for what he is.

Let me repeat, in closing, that I have great respect for those on your Board of Directors whom I know personally to be fine honorable citizens, but I sincerely believe that your magazine and those who have been misled by this article have been badly fooled by a first-class "Phoney" in the person of W. Cleon Skousen.

Sincerely,

J. BRACKEN LEE

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (66-1700) *lele* ATTN: CRIME RECORDS

RE: W. CLEON SKOUSEN
Former SA
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[redacted] SKOUSEN at this time is associated with [redacted]
of the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, P. O. Box
890, Long Beach 1, California, (Bufile 100-7111).

Enclosed herewith is one copy of a newspaper article
dated 2/15/61 clipped from "The Register", Santa Ana, Calif.,
[redacted] which described SKOUSEN as one of
two special administration assistants under FBI Chief J.
EDGAR HOOVER, who lectured FBI Agents on the tactics of Communist
agents during WW II.

The above is furnished for the Bureau's information.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

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FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: W. CLEON SKOUSEN
FORMER FBI AGENT
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[redacted] Downey, California, telephoned 5/11/61, at 5:00 P.M., to advise that W. CLEON SKOUSEN, ex-COP, Salt Lake City, was creating quite a furor with his speeches throughout the U.S., particularly in S. California.

About two weeks ago, SKOUSEN gave a talk before the Rotary Convention in San Diego, California, and was described as a dynamic speaker against Communism. [redacted] has known SKOUSEN for many years and has always been favorably impressed with him until SKOUSEN has recently recommended that the Rotary Clubs THROUGHOUT U.S. pass following two resolutions which [redacted] quoted substantially from memory:

- 1) "Remove all Communist nations and satellites from United Nations membership, including Russia".
- 2) "Place an embargo against Russia and all Communist countries".

As a member of a Committee of four in Downey Rotary to recommend whether above two resolutions should be passed by Downey Rotary, [redacted] has been quite perturbed. He believes SKOUSEN may be moving too fast; hence, he wanted the writer's opinion. I tactfully advised that I was unable to advise in this matter and [redacted] very agreeably replied that he of course understood the position of the FBI being an investigative agency and not one to pass on speakers.

[redacted] concluded that he was going to try to have [redacted] of the Costa Mesa PD attend SKOUSEN's next speech Friday, 5/12/61, at Orange College, Costa Mesa. He wanted to get [redacted] reaction to SKOUSEN's proposals.

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[redacted] concluded that SKOUSEN was scheduled to speak on Communism on 5/12/61 at Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, California.

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AUTHOR—W. C. Skousen, ex-FBI agent, will speak at anti-Red rally.
Times photo

U.S. Plays Into Hands of Reds, Author Says

U.S. foreign policy has played into the hands of the Communists, ex-FBI agent W. Cleon Skousen said at his Brentwood home Tuesday as he prepared to speak tonight to an anti-Communist rally. He denied the use of a Navy band.

"We forced colonies into independent states before they were ready for self-government," said Skousen, of 334 S Bundy Dr., author of "The Naked Communist." Skousen will be the principal speaker at the rally at 8 p.m. today in Santa Monica Civic Auditorium sponsored by the Coast Cities Freedom Program.

Band Ruled Out

Refusal by the Department of Defense to let the 11th Naval District Band play for the rally aroused a furor last week. Navy officials had said the Defense Department has ordered the armed forces disassociated from "Communism on the Map," a film which will be shown at the rally.

Skousen said that rather than attempting to negotiate with the Communists, we should use trade embargoes, break off diplomatic relations and prosecute Communist agents.

Haig Toroian, rally spokesman, said tape-recorded music by a Navy band will be played tonight. He said no answer had been received to his last-ditch appeal to President Kennedy to allow the band to appear.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-0)

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FROM : SUPERVISOR [redacted]

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SUBJECT: CLEON SKOUSEN
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At 3:40 p.m., 10/17/61, an individual who identified himself as Lieutenant [redacted] Los Angeles Police Department, called and stated he would like answers to the following questions:

- (1) How long was SKOUSEN with the FBI?
- (2) How long ago did he leave?
- (3) Is he affiliated with a governmental agency?

[redacted] was informed that records of former Bureau employees are maintained in Washington, D. C., and as such are not available in the field; that SKOUSEN is not affiliated with the FBI at the present time, and it was suggested to him that possibly the information he desires could be available at the public library.

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Insurance Target of Reds, Says Writer

Insurance is one of the key targets of both socialism and communism, W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI agent and anti-Communist writer, told the California Association of Insurance Agents here Tuesday.

The assault, he informed a CAIA convention luncheon in the Biltmore Bowl, is currently being carried on at state levels, and is making progress.

It is being accepted, he said, because it is being advocated in the guise of social progress to keep people from becoming "wards of society."

He cited the workmen's compensation laws as example.

Skousen warned that state control of insurance inevita-

bly causes it to "become degenerate, sluggish and extremely costly."

Skousen charged that Communist influence has infiltrated top levels of American government, and he concluded by calling for a thorough investigation of the U.S. State Department, and a complete reorganization of the United Nations to make it serve the cause of free men, or else that we withdraw from it.

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**Former FBI
Man to Address,
Anti-Red Rally**

W. Cleon Skousen, former FBI agent and author of "The Naked Communist," will speak Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the first rally of the Lay Catholic Anti-Communism Committee at Notre Dame High School Stadium, Riverside Dr. and Woodman Ave., Van Nuys.

The invocation will be given by Msgr. Harry C. Meade. George Murphy will be master of ceremonies and the program will feature the Notre Dame High School Band and the Blue Knights.

The committee consists of Catholic men and women who believe "an informed America is one of the best weapons of defense against Communism."

*(D) W. Cleon Skousen
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Anti-Red Rally In San Fernando Valley Sunday

First rally of the Lay-Catholic Anti-Communism Committee will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Notre Dame High School, Riverside Drive and Woodman Ave., San Fernando Valley.

Guest speaker will be W. Cleon Skousen, author and former FBI agent. The free meeting has the theme of "The Valley's Answer to Communism," according to George Murphy, Hollywood personality and master of ceremonies.

Los Angeles Herald-Express

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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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Author Skousen In County Speech

W. Glenn 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 800 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, 616 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, 626 S. Euclid, Anaheim; Turner Drug, 6542 W. Coast Hwy., Newport Beach.

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Skousen Talk

Editor, Register:

W. Cleon Skousen, author of the book, "The Naked Communist" and "So You Want to Raise a Boy". He personally delivers his message to over 200,000 persons each year and is rapidly becoming one of the best known public speakers in America today.

Mr. Skousen was born in Raymond, Alberta, Canada attended schools in Canada, Mexico and the U.S. He served as student body president at the San Bernardino College in Calif. then attended George Washington University in Washington D.C. where he received his LLB degree. He also was admitted to practice before the Federal District Court of Appeals. Earlier at the age of 17, Mr.

Skousen interrupted his education to accept an assignment to the British Isles for two years as a missionary for the Mormon Church.

He entered the FBI in 1935 while attending law school and was appointed a Special Agent. During W.W. II he was appointed to a supervisory administrative position at the FBI Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Skousen left the FBI in 1951 to become director of Public Services and a member of the Faculty at Brigham Young University.

Mr. Skousen has served on the leadership level of several professional organizations.

In 1956 he was given a leave of absence from the University to reorganize the Salt Lake City Po-

lice Dept. He served as Chief of Police until 1960.

In the fall of 1960, Mr. Skousen accepted two positions. He became field director for the American Security Council with headquarters in Chicago, and he also became editorial director of Law and Order the most widely distributed police magazine in the U.S.

He has written over 50 full length magazine articles and a number of books. His widely read book, "The Naked Communist" has now hit the best seller list in many areas and was picked for the 1959 patriotic award of the All American Conference in Washington, D.C.

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

Every parent should hear this dedicated Christian who has done an outstanding job for the cause of Peace. He will speak at the 1st Christian Church in Santa Ana Sunday Oct. 14, 7:30. Baby sitting up to 10 years.

Respectfully yours,

Ruth E. [unclear]
265 Pacific St.
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Dear Mr Hoover,

This letter was written to the Editor of our small local weekly paper, Santa Ynez Valley News, several weeks ago.

I am deeply concerned over this article because I have always felt Mr Skousen to be an excellent authority on the Communist threat to our country, and as a member of our local Speakers' group, we were so pleased to have Mr Skousen here.

This writer, [redacted]
[redacted] a private boys' school here in the [redacted]

Certainly this letter will undo some of the good that was done thru Mr Skousens' speech. This area seems to be quite "liberal" in thinking any way, due to the influence of the Santa Barbara News-Press (we are located 30 mi no. of Santa Barbara)

Can you please answer me in such a way that your word on Mr Skousen could be published. This could refer to his character, back ground, anything in favor of him. The reference to U. S. History texts is understandably out of your particular dep't.

Many thanks for any help you can give me.

Return address per envelope:
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The Readers' Corner

Skousen Convincing, Dangerous; Views Need 'Considerable Airing'

Editor, Valley News:

W. Cleon Skousen seems to have become a center of controversy in our Valley. This is good because views such as he expresses require considerable airing. Usually a light breeze will blow their substance away, but, unfortunately, the lint keeps collecting again in a multitude of fuzzy minds.

I did not hear him when he spoke in the Valley on Dec. 5, but did the night before in Santa Barbara and have heard him several times on tapes and T.V. and have also read his book, *The Naked Communist*, and sundry other things he has written. In short, I have done my homework and have reached the conclusion that he is either a charlatan or a "nut," but, in either case, is definitely dangerous, in-so-far as he is able to convince others that what he says is true.

Two years ago one of my students asked to play a tape by Mr. Skousen on U.S. History as it is being taught in the American schools (there was no title on the tape). This tape was played in my living room before a group of students.

Mr. Skousen asserted that our U.S. History is being taught with a Communist slant, that the major text-books in this field are filled with Communist propaganda. Then he described this propaganda.

Among other things being taught, he said, is the idea that the Founding Fathers were aristocrats—rich men—who sat on their verandas sipping mint-juleps, while being waited on hand and foot by slaves. The major text-books, he said, also portray the Founding Fathers as men who wrote the Constitution to serve their own selfish needs.

The speech was long — he seems to be given to two hour addresses—but these will serve as examples.

Mr. Skousen is a very convincing speaker, and he might have swayed even my students. However, I belled the cat, so to speak; I had the half-dozen, most-used U.S. History texts right there in the living room. After each outrageous statement, I turned the tape recorder off and had my students examine what the text-books really said. In every case, what they actually said bore no relation to what Mr. Skousen said they said.

In his speech on Dec. 4 in Santa Barbara (I assume he made the same speech here) he utilized several quotations from works by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., to prove that the present Administration is being subjected to serious, internal Communist influences. His technique was subtle and convincing. Nowhere did he directly assert that Schlesinger is a Communist, instead, he used the quotations to prove that Schlesinger is a "social-democrat" or "Fabian Socialist." Elsewhere, he indicated that these are no different from Communists—~~about~~ as fraudulent a notion as was ever conceived,

even if Schlesinger could be placed in these categories, which he cannot.

Most glaring, however, was Skousen's failure to cite any sources for the quotations he was using to slander a great historian and public figure and to destroy peoples' faith in the loyalty of our Administration.

During the question and answer session after the speech, I asked for the sources of these quotations. I asked for book titles, dates of publication and page numbers. Instead of these, he cited five pages in the 1958 *Congressional Record*. Intelligent people will not need to be told that Skousen thereby indicated that he is probably unfamiliar with Schlesinger's works — nor will they need to be told that the quotations were torn from their context and told much more about the person who would use them in this form than about the man who originally said them.

One final word. At the conclusion of his address — by which time Mr. Skousen had "proved" pretty conclusively that America was sold out to the Communists — the master

of ceremonies leapt to his feet and said; "Wasn't that great!! Wasn't that thrilling!!" And the audience cheered.

America will not be saved, however, by those who are able to cheer after hearing that their country has been sold out.

PAUL D. RAYMOND
Midland School
Los Olivos, California

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Dear [Redacted]

I have received your letter of December 30th, with enclosure, and appreciate the interest prompting you to write.

In response to your request, 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. His personal ventures as well as his opinions and comments since he left the 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.

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

Sincerely yours,

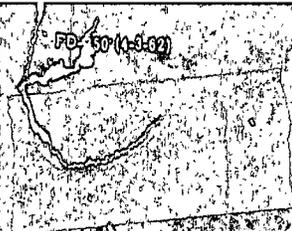
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Skousen To Speak In Country

W. Cleon Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist," is scheduled to reveal the "Facts About South American Communism" during speeches at Newport Harbor High School at 8 p.m. Wednesday and at Anaheim Union High School at 8 p.m. Friday.

Skousen just returned from a six-week tour of South America. He took a hard look at communist penetration and the South American patriot's reactions to current U.S. foreign policy.

Skousen attended San Bernardino College and George Washington College in Washington D.C. where he received his M.B.A. degree. He was admitted to the bar in the District of Columbia.

He entered the FBI in 1953, and was appointed a special agent. In 1958, he served as chief of police of the Salt Lake City Police Dept. and in 1960 he accepted two positions, one as field director for the American Security Council of Chicago and the other as editorial director of "Law And Order," a police magazine.

He has written more than 60 full-length magazine articles and a number of books. His book "The Naked Communist" was picked for the 1959 patriotic award of the All American Conference in Washington, D.C.

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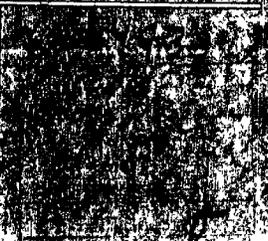
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SUBJECT: WILLARD CLEON SKOUSEN
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The following is a summary of information obtained from a review of all references to the subject in the Los Angeles files under the name and aliases listed above. All references under the above names containing data identical or possibly identical with the subject have been included.

This summary is designated to furnish a synopsis of the information set out in each reference.

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Source furnished the following information regarding the new LES CRANE show on channel 28, called "RAPPING UP THE WEEK." CRANE's guests on this 7:30-8:30 show on Friday night on 5/7/71, [redacted]

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"CRANE's most interesting guest probably are [redacted] and [redacted] s one of the few real "insiders" of the street action movement. His contacts range from CPUSA to Chairman MAO himself. [redacted] may also have contacts if not good information on the Round Table Organization, which partly acts to keep the s/a/m^(c) to do the things that can help the top international bankers. [redacted] on the other hand, is the top man in the L.A. County Birch Society, and is officially the [redacted] for the West Coast. [redacted] was real cool on this show. He knows something about [redacted] insider actions, as does Birch Society. [redacted] sat and mostly listened while the others talked. [redacted] called for the abolition of private property. [redacted] is the Valley [redacted] and is active in Valley Peace Center. [redacted] did talk when the subject of Gov. REAGAN not paying his taxes came up. [redacted] stated that REAGAN's case of not paying his state income taxes, however legally, is child's play. He pointed out that Gov. NELSON ROCKEFELLER only paid about \$700 in taxes (federal) about two years ago. [redacted] stated that the super-rich write their own laws so that the middle class will have to pay mostly while the rich will not. [redacted] blamed this on the progressive income tax laws. [redacted] stated that the progressive income tax was a marxist action. [redacted] agreed that the Insiders of international finance had patterned it off of Marxist activity and writings. [redacted] agreed that the income tax should go, be done away with, since it is unfair to the middle and poor classes. [redacted] said that this was a misuse of Marxism in so many words, and [redacted] stopped or was stopped right there. [redacted] stated that he was, in so many

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words, impressed with the Birchers concentration on Marxism and that "I might even join the JOHN BIRCH Society." [redacted] may have half meant this, or he may have been trying to play the Far Right against the Near Right Establishment-leaning types CRANE also had on. [redacted] also plugged the "Naked Capitalist" by former special agent for the FBI W. CLEON SKOUSEN. Maybe [redacted] gave [redacted] a copy of it and his card in case [redacted] was serious. [redacted] and SKOUSEN, and New Leftsists all agree that the Bankers are running America. The banking families set up dynasties that create central banks in nations, leaving one family controlling more than one country, if they are like ROTHCHILDS. The other Banks, like Bank of America, are involved in decision making. Both [redacted] were talking about giving power to the people instead of to the unelected and ultrarich who spend money but pay little taxes."

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in reply to his letter dated May 28th, a xerox copy is attached as the next page.

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letters of May 28th, with enclosures, have been received and the interest which prompted you to contact me is appreciated.

Mr. W. Cleon Sprousen 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.

In response to your other inquiry, [Redacted] furnished information concerning the Klan to the FBI on a confidential basis from November, 1964, through March, 1968. Although he was not an employee of the FBI, he was compensated for his services. In keeping with my long-standing policy, I cannot comment further regarding [Redacted]

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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ADL Appeal

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Attached is a photostat of the first page of the
John Birch Society Bulletin dated January 1, 1968.

Please note that the first sentence of this Bulletin
refers to W. Cleon Skousen and reads as follows:

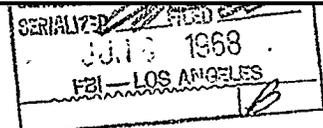
"Mr. Skousen was for many years a top
aide to J. Edgar Hoover."

Is this statement accurate? What position did Mr.
Skousen hold within the Federal Bureau of Investigation,
if you are free to disclose this information?

I look forward to your reply

HBS:ml

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"...Dedicated to translating democratic ideals into a way of life for all Americans in our time."

mediately hung up the telephone. Almost immediately the New York overseas operator was on the line again with my secretary, trying to re-establish the call. My secretary told her: "Mr. Welch has nothing to say to *Pravda*." She in turn reported: "Mr. Welch says that he has nothing to say to you people." Whereupon the male voice with the heavy accent replied: "Cancel the call, please!" Which ended the incident, and I went back to work on the bulletin.

What on earth they wanted, or were trying to accomplish, I don't know. A little later, when I finally stopped work long enough to eat some lunch, my Research Assistant, Tom Haas, gleefully explained that *Pravda* had been calling to change my instructions! Whereupon somebody else said: "Probably, but just how on earth does Mr. Haas know this?" Then Harold McKinney came up with perhaps the real explanation. Most likely, *Pravda* was publishing a year-end survey of just what the Communists and the anti-Communists had done to each other, or had accomplished, during 1967. And this could be partly to support the current theme that we could all be "friendly enemies," working for the greatest good of the greatest number as each side saw it!

We still do not know. We do know that for a sheep to start "co-operating" with a hungry tiger is a sure way to suicide. We want no part of any collaboration or any negotiations with Communists. We also know that things are moving fast. If this bulletin seems a bit on the raw and rough side, it's because

we are now in the crisis. *This is it!*

There is nothing to be gained by "diplomatically" holding back parts of the truth until it is too late. That is exactly what the Communists are counting on, and is the policy they have imposed on the anti-Communists for decades. Even Senator McCarthy never once dared mention who his real enemy was. This was a mistake, from which he *and his cause* had nothing to gain and everything to lose.

Furthermore, if you have been regarding your chapter as more or less a social club of congenial spirits, forget it. For we repeat, and keep on repeating: *This is it!* We are in a battle for both life and freedom, which we can win — but only if you really mean to win it! John Birch Society chapter meetings and chapter activities now must become almost entirely work, and more work — and pleasure only to the extent that you find pleasure and satisfaction in the work itself.

The only other thing we know at the minute is that we send all of you our very best wishes for a Happy, Healthy, and Successful New Year; and that I personally, now as always, wish to express to every faithful member my most earnest thanks and my affectionate regards.

Sincerely,

Robert Welch

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Belmont, Massachusetts 02173

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Foreword

A former member of the Communist Party National Committee told me: "The Communist leaders look upon the stamping out of The John Birch Society as a matter of life and death for the Party."

W. Cleon Skousen

Mr. Skousen was for many years a top aide to J. Edgar Hoover. He is author of *The Naked Communist*, which has long been considered one of the most authoritative books on the nature and purpose of our Communist enemies. He has had the contacts and the experience to know what he is talking about; and he is convinced that the above statement is an accurate report.

But actually we do not have to go hunting for any inside information obtained through espionage channels. The Communists themselves have felt obliged for years to make their growing fear of The John Birch Society known through their official publications, as a guide to the actions of their agents, followers, and sympathizers everywhere. And as recently as March 18, 1967, the official Communist publication on the West Coast, *The People's World*, issued its warning and instructions to the faithful in these words:

"... The John Birch Society is the largest and most sophisticated 'anti-Communist' organization in the United States. The Right is a seething

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Newspaper article taken from "South Bay Daily Breeze," Redondo Beach, California, dated 1/19/65, entitled "ANTI-RED WILL AUTOGRAPH BOOKS."

This article reads as follows:

W. CLEON SKOUSEN, anti-Communist author and former FBI man, will autograph books tomorrow afternoon in Pro Blue Book Store, Torrance.

SKOUSEN will make a personal appearance from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at 1308 Crenshaw Blvd.

[redacted] said SKOUSEN is scheduled to appear at 7:30 tomorrow night in the Redondo Union High School Auditorium.

His topic is "The Naked Communist."

SKOUSEN is the author of "The Naked Communist" and "So You Want to Raise a Boy."

[redacted] said both volumes will be on sale at the book store and will be autographed personally by SKOUSEN during the afternoon appearance.

"The Naked Communist" has become a classic in its field and a standard reference book and study textbook on the subject of communism.

SKOUSEN is speaking under the auspices of the American Opinion Speakers Bureau.

His talk is sponsored by chapters of the John Birch Society.

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Newspaper article taken from the "South Bay Daily Breeze", Redondo Beach, California, dated 1/15/65, entitled "'NAKED COMMUNIST' SKOUSEN WILL UNMASK REDS," a xerox copy is attached as the next page.

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'NAKED COMMUNIST' Skousen Will Unmask Reds

"The Naked Communist" will be discussed Wednesday in Redondo Union High School by W. Cleon Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist."

Skousen's appearance will be under sponsorship of South Bay chapters of the John Birch Society.

His talk will be at 7:30 p.m. and will be preceded from 3:30 to 5:30 by an autograph reception in Pro Blue Book Store, 1308 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance.

Ex-FBI Official

Skousen, a former FBI official and field director of the American Security Council, is a member of the American Opinion Speakers Bureau, Brookfield, Mass.

Born in Raymond, Alberta, Canada attended schools in Canada, Mexico and the U.S.

He received his law degree from George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Mormon Missionary

Before completing his education, Skousen served for two years as a Mormon missionary in the British Isles.

In 1935, Skousen entered the FBI, serving first as a special agent and later in a supervisory capacity in FBI headquarters.

He left the FBI in 1951 to become a member of the faculty at Brigham Young University. Five years later, Skousen was asked to reorganize the Salt Lake City Police Department. He then became the Salt Lake City police chief, serving in that capacity until 1960.

He was the editorial director of Law and Order, the most



W. CLEON SKOUSEN
... anti-Red speaker

widely distributed police magazine in the U.S.

As an author, Skousen wrote the best seller, "The Naked Communist," which is becoming a classic in the field and a standard reference book and study textbook on communism.

His latest book, "So You Want to Raise a Boy?" deals with another favorite field of Skousen—youth and its problems.

The Skousens have eight children, and the family home is in Utah.

Further information may be obtained by calling Richard Ab-shear at Frontier 1-1135.

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

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South Bay
Daily Breeze

Redondo Beach,
Calif.

Date: Jan. 15, 1965
Edition: Home
Author: --
Editor: SAM C. STEWART
Title: Skousen Will
Unmask Reds

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 Being Investigated

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W. Cleon Skousen*

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"PEOPLE'S WORLD"
Vol. 27, No. 38
9/19/64, p. 3

An article appeared in this newspaper entitled "LOCKOUT OF TEAMSTERS 'IN CHARACTER' WITH OTHER FOOD EMPLOYER COUNCIL ACTS."

This article is quoted as follows:

"Los Angeles -- This week all the people of Los Angeles, and most particularly the members of the Teamsters Union, got a first hand taste of policies of the Food Employers Council when a citywide lockout of Teamsters in the wholesale warehouses was ordered by the council, precipitating what could become an areawide food crisis.

"The policy of the council is consistent with its earlier attitude toward civil rights organizations.

"It was the Food Employers Council that stood in the way of agreements between the civil rights organizations and the retail grocers in Southern California, the Congress of Racial Equality has charged. Attempts by CORE and the United Civil Rights Committee to reach fair hiring pacts with the major retail grocery chains were stalemated as long as the Food Employers Council represented the managements.

"Only after sit-ins, shop-ins, picket lines and demonstrations did some of the chains agree to negotiate independently of the FEC, and finally reached agreement with CRE and the other protesting groups. Not one single agreement has ever been reached with a chain as long as it insisted that [redacted] represent it.

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"This attitude, observers point out is consistent with FEC's affinity for the ultra-Right. Earlier this year the Employers Council co-sponsored a series of telecasts by CLEON SKOUSEN, close co-worker with [redacted] [redacted] and often a teacher at his "anti-Communist schools."

"Many of the retail groceries have carried special racks of ultra-rightist publications, and when customers protested they were informed that the racks had been placed there by the Food Employers Council.

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"The crisis in food came this week when 75 Teamsters struck Certified Grocers at 12:30 a.m. Monday, which subsequently directly affected 10,000 Teamster Union members in 12 locals as a result of the industry-wide lockout ordered by the Food Employers Council.

"By Tuesday afternoon all 56 wholesale food houses had locked out their employes, thereby shutting off virtually all grocery supplies from the 3,000 Southern California markets. How long the supply, or the strike, would last was unpredictable early this week.

"Monday night negotiations, called by the federal mediators, lasted about one hour and broke off without any-new date set for the resumption of talks. Each side remained firm.

"At special membership meetings last Sunday Teamster locals overwhelmingly rejected the "final offer" of the employers, which the employers estimated to amount to 33¢ per hour for a three-year period.

"Union spokesmen condemned the offer, not solely for its inadequate money proposal, but also because they said it was loaded with "hookers" which would seriously affect seniority rights, job bidding and working conditions.

"They also placed the blame for the industry shutdown on the employers council, despite the attempt of the FEC to place itself in a more favorable public position by saying its agreement with Teamsters provided for such a lockout in the event one firm was struck. The Teamsters denied that this was a "legal lockout" within the meaning of the agreement."

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Newspaper article taken from "The Register", Santa Ana, California dated 10/8/62, entitled "SKOUSEN TO SPEAK IN S. A.". (Photostatic copy)

This article reads as follows:

"W. CLEON SKOUSEN, former special agent for the F.B.I.

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and author of the "The Naked Communist," will speak Sunday night in Santa Ana on "Communism and the Ten Commandments."

"SKOUSEN's talk will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First Christian Church, 1720 W. 17th St. There will be no admission charge.

"SKOUSEN, former student body president at San Bernardino College, received his bachelor of law degree at George Washington University. He practiced law at Washington, D.C., before entering the F.B.I. in 1935.

"In 1951 he joined the faculty at Brigham Young University, and in 1960 he became field director of the American Security Council at Chicago and editorial director of Law and Order, the most widely distributed police magazine in the U.S."

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Source furnished a printed letter from [redacted] the Executive Committee of the [redacted] dated 3/2/62, on the letterhead of the Committee.

Appearing on the left hand margin of this letter is a list of members of the Advisory Board and the Executive Committee of the Committee to Free Cuba. Listed under the Advisory Board is one W. CLEON SKOUSEN.

Date received: 4/4/62
Agent: [redacted]
Source: [redacted]

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Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/30/62, at Los Angeles entitled "ANTI - FIDEL CASTRO ACTIVITIES; IS-CUBA."

[redacted] on 2/5/62 advised SA [redacted] that the Committee to Free Cuba was then in a formative stage as a non-profit corporation, primarily consisting of United States citizens in the Los Angeles, California area.

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[redacted] advised that a tentative advisory board will include one W. CLEON SKOUSEN, a former Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Date furnished: 2/5/62

Agent: SA [redacted]

Source: [redacted]

Original: Possibly furnished orally

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[redacted] on March 3, 1962, furnished a printed letter dated March 2, 1962, on the letterhead of the Committee to Free Cuba showing the national headquarters' location as P.O. Box 91, Arcadia, California, and the Advisory Board.

Listed on the Advisory Board is one W. CLEON SKOUSEN.

Date furnished: 3/1/62

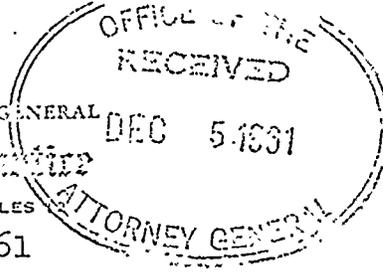
Agent: SA [redacted]

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This reference is a copy of a letter dated 12/4/61 from the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Justice, State Building, Los Angeles, signed by STANLEY MOSK, Attorney General, a xerox copy is attached as the next two pages.



OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
Department of Justice
STATE BUILDING, LOS ANGELES

December 4, 1961

Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Attorney General Kennedy:

When the President was in Los Angeles November 18th, I discussed with him the problem we are having in California with a number of apparently irresponsible persons whipping people into an emotional frenzy of anti-communism.

I will yield to no man in my opposition to communism, and I am certain Governor Brown and all public officials of both parties are equally devoted to our country. Yet all are being subjected to attacks and abuse, regardless of party affiliation, in an endless series of rallies, "schools", conferences, and meetings.

While public officials must expect that sort of thing to some extent, the unreasoning assaults are given a certain authenticity when the speakers are identified as "a former F.B.I. agent".

The President stated that if I would send the names to you we could learn (either for publication or in confidence, as you would prefer) in each instance whether the individual (a) was ever actually in the F.B.I.; and (b) whether his separation was voluntary, by dismissal, or under honorable or dishonorable circumstances.

The names in which we are currently interested are these:

- ~~Karl Prussion~~
- ~~W. Cleon Skousen~~
- ~~Herbert Philbrick~~
- ~~Matt Svetic~~



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We are mostly interested in any information available about a [redacted] who is busy lecturing great numbers of people on how to be better Americans. His operation appears to be netting several hundred thousand dollars under a questionable tax-exempt status.

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I do not think our federal or state law enforcement agencies can be oblivious to the emotional problems, and to the tax phases, of these groups and individuals who seem to have found a lucrative and politically potent facet to anti-communism. There are some thoughtful journalists, both in Los Angeles and San Francisco, who feel this whole movement is diabolical enough to actually have communists themselves behind it.

Please let me know if your Department can advise us.

Sincerely yours,



~~STANLEY MOSK~~
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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This reference is a letter addressed to Honorable STANLEY MOSK dated 12/11/61, in reply to his letter dated 12/4/61, a xerox copy is attached as the next page.

December 11, 1961

Honorable Stanley Mosk
Attorney General
Department of Justice
State of California
600 State Building
Los Angeles 12, California

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My dear Mr. Attorney General:

Your letter of December 4 to the Attorney General of the United States has been referred to me.

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In response to your inquiries, Messrs. Prussion, Philbrick and Cvetic and [redacted] were not employed as Special Agents of the FBI;

[redacted]

[redacted] 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, 1961. The opinions and comments of the above individuals are strictly their own and do not represent this Bureau in any manner.

[redacted] has never been an employee of this Bureau, neither has he served in an informant capacity.

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Sincerely yours,

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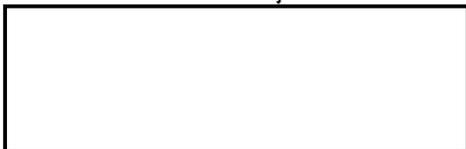
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This reference is a letter addressed to [redacted]
[redacted] dated 11/16/61, in reply to his letter
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November 16, 1931



Dear 

Your letter dated November 8 and addressed to Associate Director Clyde A. Tolson has been referred to me.

In response to your inquiries, I can inform you that Mr. Skousen entered on duty with this Bureau in the capacity of 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 unable to answer your specific questions 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.

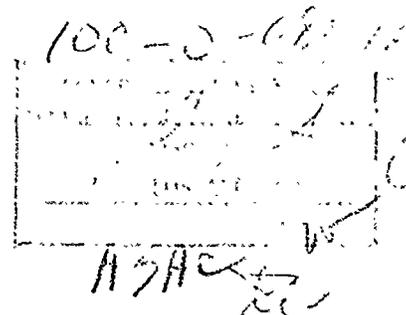
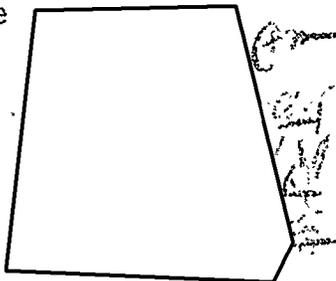
Since Mr. Skousen is no longer connected with this Bureau and the opinions expressed in his speeches and publications are his own, I am unable to comment regarding him.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

① - Los Angeles - Enclosure



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November 6, 1961

Mr. Clyde Tolson, Assistant Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Is it possible that you can inform me on the background of W. Cleon Skousen? Mr. Skousen is the author of a controversial book, The Naked Communist, and is allegedly a former member of your organization.

This book has created quite a stir on the West Coast. Its authority is enhanced, I think, by the positive statement in right-wing circles here that Mr. Skousen was once head of the Los Angeles district office of the FBI (although his book does not mention this.)

Much of Mr. Skousen's argument appears to be sound, and his exposures of subversive Communist activities are patently in the public interest. What I object to is his apparent intemperance and his use of "loaded" phrases.

He certainly implies, for example, that Harry Hopkins and General George Marshall were dupes of the Communist conspiracy, if not its actual supporters.

What I should most like to know, if this be possible, is whether the FBI has adopted any position with regard to Mr. Skousen or his book--either for or against, unqualifiedly or with reservations.

If you are not able to answer this question, could you tell me whether Mr. Skousen's connection with the FBI was as represented by his book and by his supporters?

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted]

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Newspaper article taken from the "Los Angeles Times" dated 11/1/61, entitled "SKOUSEN ON TV."

This article reads as follows:

"Channel 5 will cover a talk by CLEON SKOUSEN, of the Anti-Communism School, today, at 1 p.m., from the Biltmore. Mr. SKOUSEN's subject is "Your Insurance Against Communism."

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Newspaper article taken from the "EVENING OUTLOOK", Los Angeles, California, Dated 1/10/64, entitled "EX-FBI AGENT URGES HARD LINE ON RUSS."

This article reads as follows:

"The proposed sale of food and other goods to Russia is a product of control of the U.S. State Department by "its soft team," author and lecturer W. CLEON SKOUSEN said Thursday.

"SKOUSEN, a former FBI agent, who wrote "The Naked Communist," told a UCLA audience that the Soviet Union is in a state of "technological and economic collapse and is asking us to bail her out."

"Strong Position

"We have never been in a stronger position," he said. "If we adopt a firm bipartisan policy and accompany any sale with definite demands, we can gain from it."

"But, he said, the State Department officials who "think the soft line toward communism" are in control and lack the will to act with firmness.

"The wheat deal is a good example of the "soft team" approach," he commented. "Here Russia is in a time of crisis asking us to bail her out. To do it without any demands is a serious violation of our interests."

"He suggested that among the demands the U.S. might make would be for Soviet Premier NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV to

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honor his promises of freedom for the peoples of Eastern Europe.

"We must abandon the concept of coexistence in favor of hard-line resistance to the Communist conspiracy," he said. "If we can do this, there is hope for freedom in our time--not only for us but for all people."

"SKOUSEN's appearance was sponsored by Inform, a new student conservative group on the Westwood campus."

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Memo to the SAC from SA [redacted] dated 3/3/61, entitled "SUSPECTED COMMUNIST INFLUENCE ON CAMPUS OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE; [redacted]"

On 2/17/61, [redacted] advised that [redacted] is one of the teachers at the school who uses the classroom to influence students against the HCUA. He stated that [redacted] recently wrote a textbook for Humanities Study and that it is reportedly in favor of "free love". [redacted] stated that the general run of students at the college, think that CLEON SKOUSEN is a "quack". He noted that SKOUSEN has been brought here to speak before various meetings sponsored by the Free Enterprise Association. He said that many teachers at the college run SKOUSEN down, which is the reason for the attitude of the students.

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This exhibit is a newspaper entitled "Americans on Guard" dated March-April edition.

An article appeared in this newspaper entitled "ASC GOALS PRESENTED."

This article reads as follows:

"Following is a report briefly relating the activities of the American Security Council:

"The American Security Council is a research and information service dedicated to the protection of the United States and the free-enterprises system from Communism and other forms of totalitarianism.

"Organized in 1955 the American Security Council has steadily grown, doubling in size each year. The central files in Chicago contain more than two million indexes on individuals who have been associated in some way with this conspiracy against America. Some of these individuals have seen the error of their ways and have returned to the American side of the battle.

"In its reports the American Security Council is pleased to vindicate such individuals. All reports are documented and everything released could stand up in court.

"The top five directors are former FBI people trained in this type of work. W. CLEON SKOUSEN, author of "The Naked Communist" is field director. Through news letters, reports, special studies, tape recordings, and film strips, the council makes available to member companies, businesses and professional people the up-to-the-minute communist strategy.

"Any business or professional person interested in securing more information, The American Security Council may contact [redacted]

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Los Angeles letter to Director, FBI dated 3/29/61, entitled "JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY; INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)."

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On 3/25/61, [redacted]
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He stated that "the JOHN BIRCH Complex" should be watched as a possible silver shift type organization.

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He stated that the Director of the FBI should be advised that "while passing under cover of anti-communist, the John Birch complex is using his name and a stable of retired FBI men as covers for their meetings." He mentioned specifically CLEON SKOUSEN, HERBERT PHILBRICK and MATT CVETIC. The John Birch Society is encouraging the reading of anti-communist literature put out by the Director of the FBI as well as his book "Masters of Deceit." They are showing the films "Operation Abolition" and "Communism on the Map," all of which has as its objective the lending of dignity to their organization and of confusing the people as to their true purpose. [redacted] stated in this connection that he has no objection to the Director's book and that he intends to read it himself some day. The John Birch complex is a rebirth of all the worst aspects of the MC CARTHY era, except that this is worse because it has a brain behind it. He felt that the Director must avoid becoming a tool of the John Birch complex.

[redacted] continued that in [redacted]
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[redacted] "brainwashed" him for an hour concerning the communist threat to our schools and churches. A [redacted] [redacted] is a tool of the John Birch Society by publishing a sheet called "The Freedom Press." A [redacted] who writes anti-communist articles is spreading the John Birch line. The Santa Barbara Speakers Forum is part of the John Birch Society (JBS) and is bringing to Santa Barbara such speakers as CLEON SKOUSEN, WILLIAM BUCKLEY, [redacted] and the like.

Date received: 3/25/61

Agent: SA [redacted]

Source: [redacted]

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Newspaper article taken from "Los Angeles Examiner" dated 1/8/61, entitled "FREEDOM CLUB."

This article reads as follows:

"W. CLEON SKOUSEN, former Salt Lake City police chief

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and an authority on communism, will address the Freedom Club at 7:30 Tuesday night in First Congregational Church."

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Newspaper article taken from "Los Angeles Evening Herald-Express" dated 11/9/60, entitled "GEORGE TODT'S OPINION," a xerox copy is attached as the next two pages.

A View of the News

George Todt's Opinion

Communism is the major menace of our time. It threatens the very existence of our Western civilization. J. EDGAR HOOVER — *Masters of Deceit.*

An interesting experiment in the field of ideological warfare is taking place in Los Angeles this week at the Biltmore Hotel: An anti-Communist school. This one is open to the public. Any good American is cordially invited to register and attend the day-long sessions, which commence at 8:30 a. m. and end at 9:30 p. m.



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The Greater Los Angeles School of Communism, as this well-planned effort is named, is sponsored by the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade. The latter organization is headed by Dr. Fred Schwarz, formerly of Australia, and author of a book with this arresting title: "You Can Trust the Communists."

What He Means

By this, Dr. Schwarz means you can trust the Reds "to do exactly what they say!" Remember "Mein Kampf"?

Although the school is sponsored by the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, many non-Christians are lending helping hands, too—and they are welcome, indeed.

Prominent among the latter are such devoted American patriots as Rabbi Max John Merritt, and Paul and Marion Miller. The latter two, a husband and wife team, entered the Communist Party some years ago as counter-agents for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Incidentally, here is the official policy of the school, as enunciated by Dr. C. Ellis Carver of Pasadena, who is the chairman of the committee for the Greater Los Angeles School of Communism. It is binding upon all members.

"This committee," stated Dr. Carver, "while operating in conjunction with the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, is completely de-

void of racial, color, or religious prejudice.

"For the purposes of this school and the desperate fight against Communism, we are associated together. And we each have our place to fill—and our job to do!

Proud

"Personally, I am very proud to be an American, and I am, therefore, proud to be working with each one of you who are also Americans in the truest sense of the word.

"That which has made America great is that she has thrown wide her arms to those who have come to her from every land, and every race, and every tongue—and our nation has given to all these refugees without respect to race, color or creed.

"This dreadful tyranny which we are fighting today would take from us all these freedoms we so cherish. So may we not by word, thought or deed do anything which would divide us one from another. May we always show a united front against Communism!

"We will each be proud of our own beliefs, faith, race or color—and each glory in those things with which God has individually endowed us.

"And I know," concluded Dr. Carver, "we will thus do our part to preserve this 'Nation under God' in order that 'liberty shall not perish from the Earth.'"

Some really noble sentiments, what?

When will we learn to substitute the word "respect" for the implied inferiority contained in the misnomer, "tolerance"?

Actually, Dr. Carver has done it very well in his rational and lucid statement.

Big Names

Some outstanding names are to be found on the faculty roster at the anti-Communist school. Among them: W. Cleon Skousen, author of the best-seller "The Naked Communist"; Herbert Philbrick, of "I Led Three Lives" fame; Dr.

James Colbert, D.D., of Long Beach; W. P. Strube jr., Fred Schaffly, Paul Terry, Dr. Joost Sitis, Dr. Robert Morris, and, of course, Dr. Schwarz.

The purpose of this school is to explore the motives and methods of the international Communist conspiracy.

The main idea is to educate the public in Communist theories and practices—so that our people may be better equipped for the struggle against the Reds as they attack our way of life.

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We must be on guard—
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—to protect our American
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the inherent liberties which
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More than 3000 are ex-
pected to attend the Bilt-
more sessions which end
this Friday night, at which
time a huge banquet is
scheduled.

Those really interested in
what is best for America
could not put their time to
greater advantage than
spending part of it at this
remarkable school. In knowl-
edge there is strength.

Why not give it a try?

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, Salt Lake City letter to Director, FBI dated 10/28/60, regarding "LINUS CARL PAULING; SM - C," a xerox copy is attached as the next two pages.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-353404)
FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-9496)
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On 10/27/60 W. CLEON SKOUSEN, 2197 Berkeley Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, former Special Agent of the FBI, former Chief of Police of Salt Lake City, and one who is very friendly with several Agents of the Salt Lake City Office, reported he is a Field Representative of the American Security Council, 205 West Monroe Street, Chicago 6, Illinois, and in this capacity has given and will give several speeches throughout the country.

He stated that on 10/20/60 he gave a talk at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, sponsored by the YMCA students at this Institute. He advised the invitation was extended to him by [redacted] former FBI Agent, who now resides in [redacted]. [redacted] explained to Mr. SKOUSEN that Subject had given a talk at the California Institute of Technology regarding his fight with the Internal Security Subcommittee, Washington, D. C., and the conservative element of the school and town was very much concerned over the effect Subject's speech had on the students. Hence, they decided to have the students hear the other side of the story. Mr. SKOUSEN thought his topic would be on Communism, but on arriving at Pasadena, he found he was billed as a lecturer to give answers to Subject's talk regarding the Internal Security Subcommittee. Mr. SKOUSEN stated he first talked about the

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history of Communism and then went into the history of the various House Committees dealing with security matters prior to allowing the discussion open for questions. He stated the students who were sponsoring him were at first antagonistic and had some planted questions. He stated, however, he gave them answers which seemed to satisfy them and they invited him to have a repast with them after his talk. Mr. SKOUSEN stated there were approximately 300 students present at his lecture.

He stated he is acquainted with Subject and was certain he was not present at his lecture. He stated at no time during his visit to the school did he see or converse with Subject.

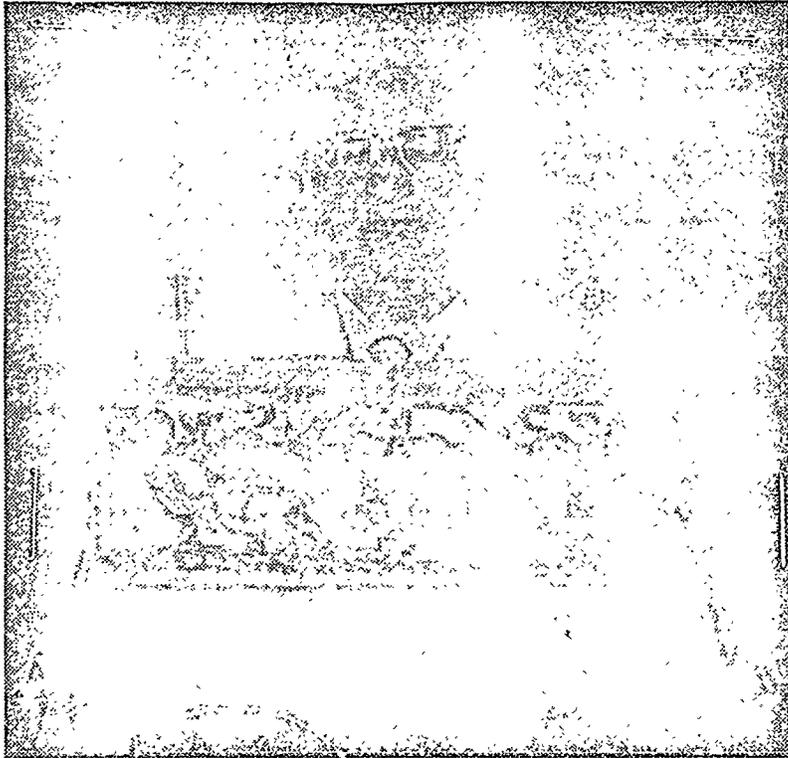
He stated would be able to furnish more details regarding this matter.

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Newspaper article taken from "California Teach" dated 10/27/60, a weekly student publication, distributed principally on the campus of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, entitled "SKOUSEN ANTAGONIZES WITH REACTIONARY IDEAS," a xerox copy is attached as the next two pages.



Skousen Antagonizes With Reactionary Ideas

BY RICHARD KARP

Facing a hammer-and-sickle which adorned Culbertson Hall, W. Cleon Skousen, author of "The Naked Communist," and ex-police chief of Salt Lake City, spoke last Thursday on "The History and Function of Investigative Committees." The program was sponsored by the YMCA in an attempt to give the other side of the Pauling case.

Skousen began his talk by explaining that since the topic was rather well limited, he would like to give a little background first. This announcement was followed by 75 minutes of Skousen-biased History of the Communist Party in the U.S.S.R. He called the "Union of Socialist

Soviet Republics" by Skousen), and then 15 minutes on the history of the investigating committees of Congress. Questions followed the speech.

The main thesis of Skousen's talk appeared to be the idea that the Communist Party has not done one good deed for the western world (and the United States in particular) since they took control of Russia in 1917. Skousen endeavored to show that the Russian people were never for the government and, indeed, while Lenin didn't want his hatchet man to take over when he died, Stalin expressed the same feeling while he lay dying, evidently out of his tender feeling for the Russian people.

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Skousen felt that it was the duty of the U.S. at the last U.N. meeting to make a motion that the U.S.S.R. be unseated from the United Nations Organization. This motion, he felt, would be peace-like since it is a breaking of diplomatic relations, an action which shows that the nation has stopped short of war. Skousen denied the fact that the breakage of diplomatic relations is an indication of war.

This talk was not what was expected by the Caltech students. They had come expecting some kind of defense of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee in the Pauling case.

The majority of the people at the lecture were men and women in their 50s and 60s. The oldsters are well-known for their blind "patriotism" and this night was no exception. On the other hand, the Caltech students who were there (and in the minority) displayed the usual cynicism that the Tech student is known and loved for. It is an interesting fact that the only reason the speech got exciting at all was due to the questions asked by the Techmen, and there were NO questions at all asked by the elderly Pasadenans.

One student asked the question, "Can Mr. Skousen name three historians who would support his feelings?" Skousen: "Would you believe me if I could?" At this point the NOL's (nasty old ladies—a "Playboy"

team) decided that they should get into the act and cheered Skousen on by yelling "Answer him!" "Yes or no!" Without, of course, giving the questioner a chance to explain himself Skousen's question was eventually answered: "No, I would not believe you but your case would be about a million times stronger than it is now." Of course, Skousen jumped at the opportunity by announcing that since the young man would not be convinced what use would there be in naming the historians? The reaction to this was somewhat mixed: Hissing from the first four rows (Techmen), applause from the rest of the hall (guess who?).

Los Angeles letter of Director, FBI dated 2/19/60, entitled "CRIMDEL - CRS."

This letter is quoted in part as follows:

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"To Rebuild Chicago's Police Department

"Last week former SA W. CLEON SKOUSEN, Chief of Police at Salt Lake City, spoke before the Los Angeles County Peace Officers Association and incidentally took the occasion to renew some old friendships.

"Con conversationally, but without intending it to go further, SKOUSEN mentioned in broad outline a plan which he thinks could clean up the Chicago Police Department. He said he has given some serious consideration to this in view of his own experiences in Salt Lake City and because someone had put out a feeler to him about moving into the Chief's job at Chicago.

"SKOUSEN said he would frankly consider an appointment at Chicago's Chief of Police, but only under certain definite conditions.

"For whatever it is worth, SKOUSEN said that precedent to appointment, he would contact the heads of all news media in Chicago, all religious organizations, and service groups representing all the ethnic groups. If their support of his proposed program were accepted and he could feel assured of their continuing support, he would go forward with his next preparatory step.

"This would be the obtaining of authorization to select six to 12 qualified Chiefs of Police to serve on a sort of board which would take up to five years to systematically overhaul the department, cleansing each precinct, and probably putting each precinct under the direct control of one of the chiefs on his board.

"The other major consideration would be assurance of freedom from political control (like the FBI under Mr HOOVER, he said) with autonomous control in the hands of a civilian board of commissioners.

"Under these conditions, SKOUSEN said he would consider the job in Chicago a challenge, but one holding forth hope."

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Letter from W. CLEON SKOUSEN, Chief of Police, Salt Lake City, Utah dated 2/28/59 to JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, a xerox copy is attached as the next page.

W. CLEON SKOUSEN
CHIEF OF POLICE

SALT LAKE CITY
POLICE DEPARTMENT

SALT LAKE CITY 11, UTAH

February 28, 1959

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

As you may already know the Boy Scouts of America were planning to produce an outstanding motion picture on the scouting movement entitled "On My Honor." Cecil B. De Mille was getting ready to produce this picture at the time of his recent death. He was very enthusiastic about the service which this film would provide the scouting movement and was planning to make it a major production. Since his death, we have learned that the studio is reluctant to put the kind of money behind the picture which would make it the great contribution Mr. De Mille had envisioned. Many of us have therefore been writing to the studio to encourage them to carry out the original plan.

Knowing of your warm interest in the scouting movement down through the years I thought you could do more good than all the rest of us combined by sending a brief note to Mr. De Mille's successor, Henry Wilcoxon, and encourage the studio to move forward with their plans for the production of this film. Mr. Wilcoxon's address is Paramount Studios, 5451 Marathon, Hollywood, California. Here in Utah, 4 out of every 5 boys of scouting age are enrolled in the movement and it has been of tremendous value. We feel that a major motion picture built around the program would give tremendous impetus to this important youth guidance organization. I know a word of encouragement from you would practically guarantee its production.

Sincerely,


37 W. Cleon Skousen
Chief of Police.

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Letter from J. EDGAR HOOVER dated 3/9/59, to Mr. W. CLEON SKOUSEN, Chief of Police, Salt Lake City 11, Utah, a xerox copy is attached as the next page.

March 9, 1959

Mr. W. Cleon Skousen
Chief of Police
Salt Lake City 11, Utah

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My dear Chief:

It was thoughtful of you to call to my attention
in your letter of February 23, 1959, the information regarding
the proposed Boy Scout film entitled "On My Honor."

Certainly, such a movie would contribute materially
to youth training and guidance. My associates in Los Angeles are
keeping me advised on this matter.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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ATTENTION SAC: The Bureau does not desire that you take any action
in this matter. You should, however, very discreetly determine the studio's
plans regarding the film, and if possible, ascertain if it is to be a major
production or merely a short feature release. Under no circumstances
should the studio get the impression that the FBI is interested in the film's
production. Keep the Bureau advised of any pertinent information in this
regard.

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