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Director, FBI

October 25, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Rerep of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN, dated October 18, 1949, at Washington, D. C., entitled, "J. DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al, PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R".

On page 2 of referenced report, under the heading, "TESTIMONY OF PRISCILLA HISS", the first sentence should be corrected to read as follows: "A transcript of this account reflects that the sum of \$100.00 was withdrawn November 19, 1937, leaving a balance of \$40.36."

The New York Office is requested to bring this correction to the attention of Special Assistant to the Attorney General T. J. LEWIS.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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JAHAM. AUSA MURPHY HAS REQUESTED THAT AN EFFORT BE MADE TO OBTAIN A  
TRANSCRIPT OF THE TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HCUA OF HEDE AND PAUL MASSING,  
WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND ALGER HISS, WHEN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED PERSONS  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

FROM : L. W. R. OBERNDORF, Supervisor

SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: October 26, 1949

With reference to New York teletype dated October 21, 1949, requesting copy of the transcript of the testimony before the HCUA of HEDE and PAUL MASSING, this is to advise that at 2:30 P. M. on October 25, 1949, Inspector H. B. FLETCHER of the Bureau telephonically advised me that lead in referenced teletype was not to be covered.

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Director, FBI

October 26, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Informant [ ] today confidentially advised that EDWARD STEPTINIUS, former Secretary of State, has published a book which will be released coincidental with the commencing of the HISS trial. This book is entitled "With Roosevelt at Yalta". A section of this book is devoted to a eulogy on ALGER HISS.

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It is the informant's understanding that the book is presently in the hands of reviewers and no copies are presently available to the informant or the Washington Field Office.

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cc - New York

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Washington Field

DATE: October 26, 1949

FROM : Director, FBI

*JMG*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS ✓  
PERJURY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Re your letter October 18 last.

You are requested to purchase the "Washington Herald" newspaper for November 30, 1937, and December 1, 1937, and the "Evening Star" newspaper for December 17 and 22, 1937, in order that the Laboratory can conduct the examination you request in referenced letter.

These newspapers should be purchased without the Special Agent identifying himself as being affiliated with the Bureau. //

cc New York

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DIRECTOR, FBI

October 27, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC  
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

JAHAM

Re WFO letter dated October 18, 1949.

*Letter was from Kelly advised letter was destroyed*

H.W. KELLY, Counsel, Potomac Electric Power Company, 10th and E Streets, North West, advised he has received a request from JOHN T. DAVIS, Attorney for ALGER HISS, that a specific search be instituted for the letter dated December 21, 1937, from Mrs. HISS requesting service be instituted December 29, 1937, at 3415 Volta Place. A search for this letter had already been instituted at the request of this office. Mr. KELLY advised it does not appear that this letter is still maintained in the company's files, but that the search is not complete as yet. If the letter is found he will immediately notify the Washington Field Office.

Mr. KELLY also advised that Mr. DAVIS requested information as to the service furnished the CATLETTS at 2726 P Street, North West. Authorizations to furnish information signed by MAE MYERS, CLAUDIE CATLETT, RAYMOND CATLETT, and PERRY CATLETT were furnished by DAVIS to the company. Information as to this service has already been reported by this office.

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cc: New York

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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JAHAM. ARTICLE IN PERISCOPE COLUMN, OCTOBER THIRTYONE EDITION OF NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE, RELATES BELLA V. DODD, FORMER NATIONAL COMMITTEEWOMAN OF CP, RECENTLY EXPELLED FROM PARTY, WILL WRITE EXPOSE OF COMMUNISM FOR SAURDAY EVENING POST. IN VIEW OF HER POSSIBLE DEFECTION, SUGGESTED BUREAU CONSIDER AUTHORIZING NEW YORK INTERVIEW DODD WHO BECAUSE OF PAST OFFICIAL CAPACITY WITH CP, MAY HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ACTIVITIES PERTINENT TO THIS CASE.

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JAHAM. AUSA T. F. MURPHY TODAY ADVISED THAT HISS ATTYS HAVE FILED FORMAL MOTION TO BE RETURNABLE TEN THIRTYONE NEXT REQUESTING TRIAL DATE BE SET NOV. TWENTYSECOND NEXT. MURPHY DOES NOT ANTICIPATE FILING OPPOSITION AFFIDAVIT BUT ON NOV. ONE, THE DATE SET FOR INSTANT TRIAL, HE WILL REQUEST THAT THE TRIAL COMMENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND BEFORE NOV. TWENTYSECOND. REWFOLET TEN TWENTYSIX FORTYNINE RE BOOK ENTITLED "WITH ROOSEVELT AT YALTA" BY EDWARD STETTINIUS. THIS BOOK BEING PUBLISHED BY DOUBLEDAY AND CO. AND WILL BE ON THE BOOK SHELVES ELEVEN TWO NEXT. COPY OF BOOK OBTAINED TODAY ENTITLED "ROOSEVELT AND THE RUSSIANS, THE YALTA CONFERENCE". SEVERAL REFERENCES TO ALGER HISS ARE MADE BUT THERE IS NO ONE SECTION OF THE BOOK DEALING WITH THE EULOGY OF HISS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED LETTER. VERBATIM PORTIONS OF BOOK DEALING WITH ALGER HISS WILL BE SENT TO THE BUREAU AND WFO BY LET.

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New York #7, New York

October 27, 1949

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Director, FBI

RE: JAHAM

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a medical report dated September 5, 1949 by H. C. EATON, GDR (MC), USNR, Chief of Neuro-Psychiatric Service, in connection with the homosexual tendencies of TIMOTHY HOBSON.

The Washington Field Office is requested to confidentially determine the present whereabouts of Doctor EATON, in connection with the retrial of instant case. No indication whatsoever should be given indicating that Doctor EATON will be a witness in the retrial of this case. His whereabouts is being requested in order that he may be subpoenaed in the event that the homosexual angle involving HOBSON and CHAMBERS may be raised in the retrial of this case.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD SCHEIDT  
Special Agent in Charge

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: October 14, 1949

FROM : DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL  
PERJURY  
ESPIONAGE - R  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to New York letter dated September 29, 1949, to the Washington Field Office, requesting that office to interview former Ambassador William Bullitt and Dr. Stanley Hornbeck. Reference is also made to the letter dated October 4, 1949, from the Washington Field Office to Boston, requesting the Boston office to interview Mr. Bullitt at his country estate. The Boston office was requested to furnish the Washington Field Office with the results of this interview with Mr. Bullitt in order that Dr. Hornbeck could be interviewed in Washington, D. C.

The file of this case at the Bureau reveals that the Boston office did not furnish the Washington Field Office with the results of the interview with Mr. Bullitt as furnished in Boston teletype dated October 7, 1949, and the report of SA Francis D. O'Brien, dated October 7, 1949, at Boston.

In view of the above, one copy of the report of SA O'Brien is being enclosed herewith to the Washington Field Office, with the request that Dr. Stanley Hornbeck be interviewed in accordance with the instructions set forth in New York letter dated September 29, 1949.

Enclosure *mep* - Serial 2602

cc New York

Boston

*Rpt. already received from Boston.*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, New York

October 27, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on October 24, 1949.

Re: **JAHAM**  
**ESPIONAGE - R**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 65-14920  
FBI FILE NO. 74-1333  
LAB. NO. D-106855 HU

Examination requested by: **New York**

Reference: **Letter dated October 21, 1949**

Examination requested: **Document**

Specimens:

K746 Twenty-one pages of typewritten specimens obtained from a Woodstock Typewriter, Serial #N230099.

**ALSO SUBMITTED:** Ten sheets of carbon paper.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that the typewriter with Serial #N230099, which was used to type the specimens designated above as K746, was the typewriter that was used to type the evidence listed below:

- Q6 through Q69 (Baltimore exhibits 5 through 9, 11 through 17)
- Letter addressed to Miss HELLINGS, K35, (Government exhibit #21)
- Document entitled Description of Personal Characteristics of TIMOTHY HOBSON, K32, (Government exhibit #19B)
- Letter addressed to Mr. W. H. HILLEGESST, K41, (Government exhibit #17)
- Document entitled President's Report for the year 1936-1937, K249, (Government exhibit #22)
- STAFFORD JIMMY McQUEEN's Application for Federal Employment, K740.

Enclosure - REGISTERED MAIL

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These specimens making up K746 have been photographed. Photographic enlargements are being made on three of these specimens and will be used by the examiner if necessary in court testimony.

K746 and the ten sheets of carbon paper are returned herewith to the New York Office. The ten sheets of carbon paper were not photographed.

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of the  
**FBI**  
LABORATORY  
**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**  
**WASHINGTON D. C.**

To: SAC, New York

October 27, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on October 26, 1949.

Re: **JAHAM**  
**PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 65-14920  
FBI FILE NO. 74-1333  
LAB. NO. D-106964 BU

Examination requested by: New York

Reference: Letter dated October 25, 1949

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Qc171 Negative and accompanying print of a page of handwritten notes beginning "1937 July 1- Alger brought Timmy to camp ...."

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

The handwriting appearing on specimen Qc171 has been compared with the known handwriting specimens of ALGER ~~also in the laboratory~~ but a definite conclusion was not reached, inasmuch as there are some characteristics in common that cannot be explained in the questioned and known writings. The examination reveals many differences existing in the two sets of specimens. The handwriting characteristics that are different in the known writing are consistent throughout while the similarities in the questioned and known writings only appear in certain parts of the writing which might possibly be due to a common style of letter design.

The evidence submitted is returned herewith to the New York Office, photographic prints having been made for the files of the Laboratory.

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Director, FBI

October 31, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Reurlet October 26, 1949.

Inquiries at the Washington Times Herald, formerly the Washington Herald, 1317 - H Street, N. W., and the Washington Star, 11th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., disclosed that editions of these papers are retained for 30 days only. It was specifically determined that 1937 editions for these papers were not available in this source. No further efforts will be made by this office to secure the newspapers described in Washington Field Office letter of October 18, 1949, unless the Bureau specifically instructs otherwise.

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JAHAM AUSA T. F. MURPHY ADVISED THAT ON OCTOBER TWENTY EIGHTH HE HAD A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH A MR. O-BRIEN IN THE LEGAL ADVISORY SECTION OF THE STATE DEPT. DURING THIS CONVERSATION O-BRIEN RELATED THAT JOHN DAVIS, ONE OF THE HISS ATTORNEYS IN WASHINGTON, HAD BEEN MAKING NUMEROUS REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION IN THE FILES OF THE STATE DEPT. ONE REQUEST WAS FOR PERMISSION TO "SCAN" THE FILES OF THE PASSPORT DIVISION OF THE STATE DEPT. THERE WAS ALSO A REQUEST FOR THE STATE DEPT TO DELIVER TO DAVIS ALL OF THE STATE DEPT. FILES THAT HAD BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE NYE COMMITTEE WHEN THAT ORGANIZATION WAS CONDUCTING THE MUNITIONS INVESTIGATION. MURPHY STATED THAT IN ALL PROBABILITY DAVIS HAS MADE NUMEROUS REQUESTS FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF INFO AND FELT THAT IT WOULD BE MOST DESIRABLE THAT WE ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IN SO FAR AS POSSIBLE EVERY REQUEST MADE BY DAVIS OR OTHER MEMBERS OF THE HISS LEGAL STAFF, SO THAT THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE GOVTS CASE COULD BE SERVED. MURPHY SUGGESTED THAT IF THE BUREAU HAS NO OBJECTIONS, EITHER THE BUREAU LIAISON WITH THE STATE DEPT. OR THROUGH THE WHO OBTAIN DESIRED INFO.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.**

To: SAC, New Haven

October 28, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on October 28, 1949.

Re: **JAHAM**  
**PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R**  
**INTERNAL SECURITY - R**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 74-5  
FBI FILE NO. 74-1333  
LAB. NO. D-107063 BU

Examination requested by: New Haven

Reference: Letter dated October 27, 1949

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Q172 Guest Register from the Stiles House, Woodbury, Connecticut, portion of which contains registrations for the year 1937.

**RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:**

All of the names in the register listed above as Q172 for the year 1937, were compared against the known handwriting of Mr. and Mrs. ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS but nothing of significance was found.

The register is returned herewith to the New Haven Office. Photographs have been made only for the entries under the year 1937.

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- 2 - New York (65-14920)
- 1 - Philadelphia
- 1 - Baltimore
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Director, FBI

November 1, 1949

GUY NOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Rerep of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN BITTEN, dated March 15, 1949, at Washington, D. C., with which a photostatic copy of passport of DAVID BREEN was forwarded.

Informant [ ] confidentially advised that on October 31, 1949, the State Department was served with a subpoena to produce all information from the Passport and Visa Division identifiable with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. The only information so identified by the Passport and Visa Division of the State Department was the aforementioned passport application of DAVID BREEN. b7D

The original passport application and a certified copy have been forwarded to the New York Passport Agency to be produced at the proper time during the HESS trial upon the request of the Defense Attorneys.

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cc - New York

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Director, FBI

November 1, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Reurlet to Bureau dated October 27, 1949, in which the Washington Field Office was requested to confidentially determine the present whereabouts of H. C. EATON, USNR, Chief of Neuro-Psychiatric Service.

Information available here indicates H. C. EATON, USNR, detached January 15, 1946; released from active duty, U. S. Navy, March 31, 1946, at St. Albans Hospital, New York. His present address available here as of May 9, 1949, was the Harrisburg State Hospital, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

No leads are being set out to determine the present whereabouts of Dr. EATON, it being left to the discretion of the New York Office to further ascertain his present whereabouts.

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cc - New York

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Director, FBI

November 3, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Mr. THURIS E. COLLIER advises that JOHN DAVIS, ALGER HISS' Attorney, has requested COLLIER to prepare floor plans of the 3415 Volta Place house and the houses at 1245 and 1247 - 30th Street, N. W. COLLIER advises that DAVIS will obtain permission from the occupants of these houses for COLLIER to enter and make the necessary measurements.

A floor plan of the Volta Place house was furnished as an enclosure to the report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN dated September 30, 1949, at Washington, D. C. in subject case.

A floor plan of the house at 1245 - 30th Street, N. W. was furnished as an enclosure to the report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN, dated October 18, 1949, at Washington, D. C. in subject case.

DAVIS specifically requested that the floor plans which COLLIER will prepare for 1245 and 1247 - 30th Street, N. W. will indicate the location of the refrigerator, stove, sink, etc., and that they be labeled as such in the respective kitchens. DAVIS indicated to COLLIER that he, DAVIS, was of the opinion that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS had looked into the house at 1247 - 30th Street and it is this house he described at the trial rather than the house at 1245 - 30th Street, N. W.

It was pointed out on page 17 in the report of Special Agent VAN ETTEN dated September 30, 1949, that the location of the closet or pantry in respect to the kitchen in the house at 1245 - 30th Street is the reverse from that described by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

The layout of the kitchen at 1247 - 30th Street, N. W. is just opposite from that of 1245 - 30th Street, N. W. and does not fit the description as given by CHAMBERS.

It appears that the Defense is considering use of the prints of 1247 - 30th Street in some manner to controvert the CHAMBERS description of the house at 1245 - 30th Street, N. W.

A description and floor plan of 1247 - 30th Street house will be obtained by the Washington Field Office and furnished to the New York Office.

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cc - New York

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In regard to the Volta Place house, COLLIER advised that DAVIS desired a floor plan as well as front and side elevations and specifically requested that the tree which was formerly in the front of the house be shown on the house plans.

This information should be furnished to Special Assistant to the Attorney General THOMAS J. DONEGAN and to United States Attorney THOMAS MURPHY.

The fact that COLLIER has made known this information should be kept in the strictest of confidences.

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Director, FBI

November 2, 1949

SAC, New York

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PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R

Re WFO letter, 10/26/49.

Inquiries by this office revealed that the book entitled, "With ROOSEVELT At Yalta" by EDWARD STETTINIUS was being published by Doubleday and Company, New York City, and was to appear for publication on November 2, 1949. A copy of this book was purchased on February 28, 1949, and it was noted that the book now carries the title, "ROOSEVELT and the Russians: the Yalta Conference", and is written by EDWARD R. STETTINIUS, JR., and edited by WALTER JOHNSON.

It was also noted that the book was copyrighted in 1949 by the Stettinius Fund, Incorporated, and in the foreword is a comment to the effect that the royalties from this book will go to an educational and charitable foundation.

This book contains an index and there are several references to ALGER HISS in this index. The following is a verbatim transcript of those portions of the book dealing with ALGER HISS. The following appears on pages 30 and 31:

"The State Department experts who traveled with me to the Conference were N. FREEMAN MATTHEWS, Director of the Office of European Affairs, ALGER HISS, Deputy Director of the Office of Special Political Affairs, and WILDER POOTE, Assistant to the Secretary of State. On Malta and Yalta, Ambassador HARTMAN and CHARLES BOHLEN were also part of the State Department delegation. While I was in London in April, 1944, HISS had been transferred from the Office of Far Eastern Affairs to the Office of Special Political Affairs to serve under EDWIN C. WILSON, a Foreign Service official who had been called back from his post as United States Representative to the French Committee of National Liberation to take charge of this division to plan for the Dumbarton Oaks Conference. Shortly after I became Secretary of State—October, 1943—with the approval of the President and Mr. HULL, I called in the Federal Bureau of Investigation to conduct a security examination of the State Department. Assistant Secretary of State G. HOWLAND SHAW served as the liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation during this examination. I never heard of any question of Mr. HISS' loyalty from anyone inside or outside of the State Department, or from the Federal Bureau of Investigation during my time of service in the Department.

"HISS performed brilliantly throughout the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, the Yalta Conference, the San Francisco Conference, and the first meeting of the United Nations Assembly in London. I always had reasons to believe that HISS

cc - Washington Field ✓

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"acted honorably and patriotically in the performance of his duties at these conferences."

On page 36 appears the following:

"Among the questions reserved for subsequent discussion with the President at Malta, which I had reviewed on Marrakesh with MATTHEWS, HISS, and FOOZE were (1) the establishment of a European High Commission composed of Great Britain, Soviet Union, France and the United States."

On page 49, in commenting on the trip to Italy, the following appears:

"Before dinner, HOPKINS, KIRK, MATTHEWS, HISS and I had a discussion on the political and economic situation in Italy."

On page 53, the following appears:

"This Saturday night dinner was the last leisurely social gathering at the Yalta Conference. The pressure of the next few days was most exhausting. My usual daily schedule, for instance, was to confer with MATTHEWS, BOHLEN and HISS just after I got up in the morning. I next discussed conference problems with the President. Every morning, too, there were countless message problems to be dealt with, documents to be drawn, conferences with General MARSHALL, HOPKINS and members of the other delegations, and incoming cables for the Department in Washington to be studied."

"After these meetings I attended the Foreign Ministers Conferences which started at noon and continued on through rather lengthy luncheons. The Chairmanship of these meetings was rotated, and we met at the different headquarters in succession. After the Foreign Ministers session broke up, I usually saw the President again for a last minute briefing before the Plenary. The Plenary session had met at Livadia Palace and began at 4:00 and lasted until 8:00 or later. Then often came tiring and lengthy dinners, which would, like the luncheons, call for constant alertness. After these dinners I usually conferred again with MATTHEWS, BOHLEN, HISS and FOOZE, reading cables from Acting Secretary of State GREW in Washington, drafted cables to the Department, and then went to bed, often as late as two in the morning."

On page 54, the following appeared:

"The next morning at 10:30, HARRIMAN, MATTHEWS, HISS, BOHLEN and I met

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"with the President on the sun porch overlooking the sea to review our proposals for the conference agenda. We arrived just before the President's meeting with the military chiefs broke up. Since the military chiefs were about to leave, I suggested that they remain in order that they might be fully informed of the position of the State Department and thus be in a position to correlate this when the second military conference was to take place between the Chiefs of Staff of the three countries."

In commenting on the seating arrangements of the conference, the following appears on pages 102 and 103:

"The customary seating arrangement after this first meeting was --- working clockwise---starting with the President: HOWLEN, HARRIMAN, CADOGAN, EISEN, the Prime Minister, Sir EDWARD BRIDGES, GROMYKO, VISHINSKY, MOLOTOV, the Marshall, NAISKY, GUSEV, LEAHY and I on the President's right. In addition, other members of the three delegations usually sat behind their respective representatives; the Americans sitting behind the President varied sometimes from session to session, but usually included HOPKINS, MATTHEWS, HISS, and sometimes FOOTE. Whenever BURNES attended the Plenary Session, he sat at the conference table."

On page 137 appears the following:

"After the luncheon I met immediately with HISS and FOOTE to go over my notes for the afternoon meeting of the three leaders. The President that morning had re-studied with me our voting formula for the Security Council. He again told me it was a satisfactory plan and asked me to present it at the Plenary Session that afternoon."

On page 138 appears the following:

"The Big Three meeting took place at 4:00 P.M. in the Great Hall of the palace with its white corinthian columns and a log fire blazing in the great fireplace at the far end of the room. I sat on the President's right. Behind the President sat HOPKINS, MATTHEWS and HISS."

On pages 195 and 196 appears the following:

"I had just a few minutes to talk to the President before Marshall STALIN arrived at Livada Palace for a private discussion on military matters. I pointed out to the President that I had reserved the American position on voting for the Soviet Union at the Foreign Ministers meeting until I could talk to him again, and that as a result, a Special Committee consisting of GLADWYN, JESS, GROMYKO and HISS,

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"representing the three nations, was now at work preparing a report. I also stated that EISENHOWER had told MOLOTOV that the British would support the Soviet request. The President thereupon commented to me that somehow we would not have to accept the proposal."

In commenting of a very heated discussion in connection with the trusteeship statement made at the Plenary Session in which Prime Minister CHURCHILL became very upset, the following appears on page 238:

"Fortunately at this point there was a short intermission. I asked HISS to do a quick summary of the State Department memorandum on the Trusteeship issues. HYNES and I talked it over with the Prime Minister and I seemed to surprise him when I showed him the memorandum just written by HISS. By the time the meeting had convened, the Prime Minister had agreed to our formula, although, whenever the subject was mentioned thereafter, we were never certain he might not explode again."

On page 270 appears the following:

"During one adjournment that afternoon, the President asked me to get a lawyer to consult with him over the wording of the Polish Boundary Statement. I called ALGER HISS, and while the two of us were trying to work out a solution for it, President ROOSEVELT suddenly looked up at us and stated, 'I've got it!'"

On page 288 appears the following:

"We boarded the plane and in a few minutes we were circling Moscow. We flew an agreed air corridor from Turkey to Egypt. MATTHEWS, HISS, FOOTE and I worked most of the day on papers, drafting cables and reports."

Appearing in the appendix of this book on page 332 is the following statement: "ALGER HISS, Deputy Director, Office of Special Political Affairs, Department of State."

On page 145 there appears a full length photograph of Mr. STETTINIUS and ALGER HISS (United States Army Signal Corps photograph).

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JAHAM, FATHER JOHN L. BAZINET, ST. MARYS SEMINARY, BALTO, MD. ADVISES

THAT DURING CONVERSATIONS HELD WITHIN PAST YEAR [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] AND FATHER HERMAN BRANDERIS,

ST. PETERS RECTORY EIGHT ZERO EIGHT E. GRACE ST, RICHMOND., VA., [REDACTED]

FORMER GRADUATE STUDENTS AT JOHNS HOPKINS UNIV HAVE ADVISED HIM THAT

ALGER HISS WAS A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF DR. ALBERT E. BLUMBERG, THIRTY-

NINE CHAIRMAN DIST. FOUR CP. BAZINET DID NOT KNOW PERIOD DURING WHICH

THIS ASSOCIATION EXISTED. HISS GRADUATED FROM HOPKINS TWENTYSEVEN AND

BLUMBERG ATTENDED HOPKINS TWENTYTHREE TO TWENTYSEVEN, AND WAS AN IN-

STRUCTOR THERE FROM THIRTY TO THIRTYSEVEN. WFO AND RICHMOND WILL INTER-

VIEW EACH OF ABOVE SOURCES TO DEVELOP ANY INFO CONCERNING ASSOCIATION OF

HISS WITH BLUMBERG AND ANY OTHER INFO INDICATING COMMUNIST SYMPATHIES

ON PART OF HISS. BAZINET BELIEVES [REDACTED] IS b7D

UNCERTAIN ABOUT BRANDERIS. BLUMBERG KNOWN MEMBER OF CP SINCE THIRTYTH-

REE BUT WAS ON STAFF AT HOPKINS UNTIL THIRTYSEVEN AND HAS BEEN MEMBER OF

NATL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF CP FOR PAST THREE YRS, HAVING BEEN FULL

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Reference is made to pages six and eight in the supplemental summary report of Special Agent Thomas G. Spencer, dated October 31, 1949, at New York.

Your attention is directed to the fact that Mrs. Gladys Talley placed her advertisement for the rental of 3415 Volta Place, N.W., Washington, D. C., in the Sunday, December 5, 1937 edition of the "Washington Post" instead of the "Evening Star," as stated on pages six and eight of the above report.

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You are, therefore, requested to submit new pages reflecting the correct data to the Bureau, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, Special Assistant to the Attorney General Thomas J. Donagan, and to the Bureau offices which received copies of the report.

This correction should be made immediately in order that a copy of the report may be furnished to the Department.

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JAHAM: SA JOHN F. SULLIVAN WILL ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON, WEDNESDAY,  
NOV. NINE, TO CONDUCT INTERVIEW WITH FRANCIS B. SAYRE.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

DATE: November 8, 1949

FROM : L. W. R. OBERNDORF, Supervisor

SUBJECT: JAHAM

At 12:05 P. M., November 8, 1949, SA McANDREWS of the New York Division advised me that an interview was being arranged with Mr. FRANCIS B. SAYRE of the State Department, this interview to be conducted by SA JOHN F. SULLIVAN of the New York Office who is personally acquainted with Mr. SAYRE. Inasmuch as Bureau clearance had been delayed, I was requested to make an appointment for Mr. SULLIVAN with Mr. SAYRE at a convenient time on November 9 or 10, 1949 and then to telephonically confirm this appointment with the New York Division.

I made the above requested appointment for 11:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 9, 1949, and Mr. McANDREWS in New York was so advised.

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JAHAM. RE BALTIMORE TEL REQUESTING INTERVIEW PROF. FRANCIS E. LITZ  
WHO TEACHES ENGLISH THREE DAYS WEEK, CATHOLIC U. FRIDAY HOLIDAY,  
NEXT SCHEDULED CLASS C.U. MONDAY NEXT. SUGGEST IMMEDIATE APPOINTMENT  
WITH LITZ WHO RESIDES THREE ZERO FOUR BROXTON RD., BALTIMORE AND  
IS REGULAR PROFESSOR JOHNS HOPKINS U.

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JAHAM. WILLIAM MC NULTY, NY ATTORNEY FOR WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, TELEPHON-  
ICALLY ADVISED TODAY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM WHITTAKER  
CHAMBERS AND THAT LATTER HAD INSTRUCTED MC NULTY TO TURN OVER HIS,  
CHAMBERS, PASSPORT TO AGENTS OF THE NYO. THIS PASSPORT OBTAINED TODAY  
BEARS NUMBER TWO NAUGHT TWO NAUGHT NINE SEVEN, ISSUED IN THE NAME OF  
DAVID BREEN, MAY THIRTY ONE, NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE- LISTS CHAMBERS DATE  
OF BIRTH AS APRIL TWENTY EIGHT, NINETEEN HUNDRED, AND OCCUPATION  
LITERARY AGENT. THIS PASSPORT BEARS VISA ~~ISSUED BY BRITISH~~ PASSPORT  
CONTROL OFFICE AT NY, NUMBER FIVE SIX ONE THREE NAUGHT, F. B. I. DATED AUGUST  
TWENTY SIX, NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE, AND FRENCH VISA ISSUED AT NY, SAME  
DATE, BEARING NUMBER TWO TWO FIVE. NO OTHER ENTRIES APPEAR IN THIS  
BOOK WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT PASSPORT WAS USED BY CHAMBERS.

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JAHAM. REFERENCE SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY REPORT SA THOMAS G. SPENCER, DATED OCTOBER THIRTYONE, LAST AT NYC, PAGE NINE EIGHT, NOTING THAT STENOGRAPHER M. A. HANSEN, WFO, IS LISTED AS POSSIBLE WITNESS IN FORTHCOMING RXX TRIAL OF THIS MATTER IN NYC. HANSEN ON TRANSFER TO LOS ANGELES AND DUE TO LEAVE NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, NEXT. REQUEST YOU CONTACT USA TO DETERMINE POSSIBILITY THAT HANSEN WILL BE CALLED AS WITNESS IN ORDER THAT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR POSSIBLE DELAY IN TRANSFER MAY BE MADE BY THIS OFFICE.

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Director, FBI

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Reference is made to Washington Field Office teletype to the Bureau and New York dated June 26, 1949 which contained information in connection with original State Department documents made available to the Nye Committee and also is concerned with the later availability of these documents to ALGER HISS. In this connection as you will recall Mr. JOSEPH C. GREEN, an official of the State Department furnished information in connection with the State Department documents which were made available by him to the Nye Committee.

In the report of Special Agent Donald D. Connors, dated June 29, 1949, at Washington, D.C. it is set out on the administrative page that Mr. GREEN was interested because in his opinion Assistant United States Attorney MURPHY left the implication that GREEN had furnished these State Department documents to the Nye Committee and/or ALGER HISS in a surreptitious clandestine manner. GREEN at this point stated that the newspapers in Cincinnati, Ohio (GREEN's hometown) had made capital of his part in this affair.

Please be advised that on November 9, 1949, Mr. GREEN advised Special Agent Donald D. Connors of this office that he had just been interviewed by HISS' attorneys and that they had taken from him the same information which he had previously furnished to the Washington Field Office. From this, Mr. GREEN is under the impression that he will probably be called as a witness either for the government or the defense and even if he is not called as a witness he is of the opinion that his name will be mentioned as the State Department individual who furnished documents to the Nye Committee.

Mr. GREEN has urgently requested that if his name is used in this trial by the government that it be made perfectly plain that GREEN furnished documents to the Nye Committee as a government official acting in the utmost good faith and pursuant to his official governmental duties. Mr. GREEN pointed out that he was considerably embarrassed by the Cincinnati, Ohio newspaper publicity after the first trial of HISS and that his father, a Cincinnati resident, was plagued by newspapermen and also embarrassed.

It is pointed out that Mr. GREEN is considered to be a friendly witness; at least he is by no means a hostile witness and it is thought that his wishes in this matter should be fulfilled.

It is therefore requested (unless the Bureau should advise to the contrary) that Mr. MURPHY be advised of GREEN's situation in order that he will not be unnecessarily embarrassed in the forthcoming trial.

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Director, FBI

November 10, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Rebulet dated September 29, 1949, and recap of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated October 7, 1949, at Boston, Massachusetts, regarding the interview of former Ambassador WILLIAM C. BULLITT.

~~Dr. STANLEY K. HORNECK was interviewed today at his residence, 2139 Wyoming Place, N. W., Washington, D. C.~~

Dr. HORNECK refuses to name the individual who advised him on an occasion that ALGER HISS was a fellow traveler. He does not recall the BULLITT conversation in 1939. He definitely recalls that no-one charged ALGER HISS with being a Communist to him between the years 1939 and 1944. His familiar contact with ALGER HISS was new in 1939 and he states that he would have recalled any such charge made at that time.

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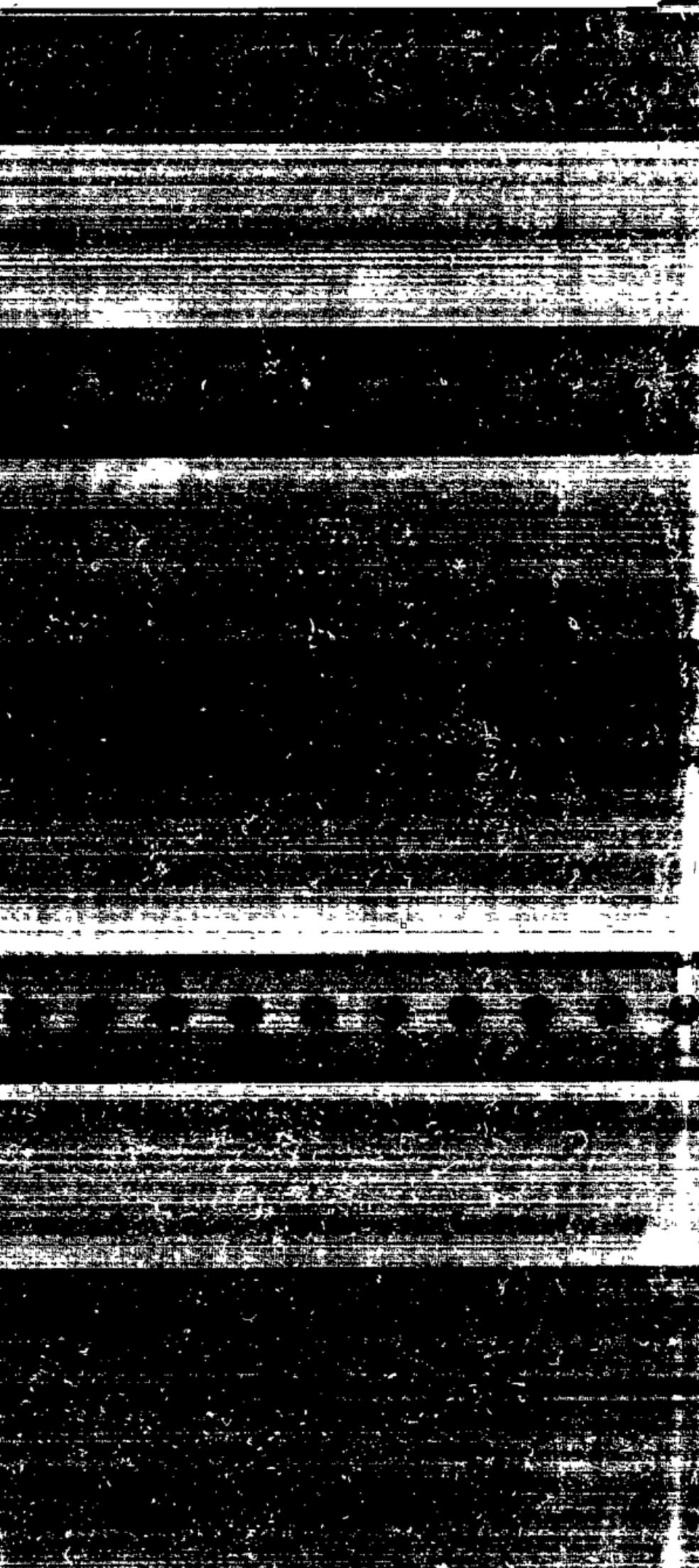
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ReNYtel dated November 8, 1949, requesting a number of exhibits be forwarded from WFO to WFO.

In connection with the photographs of the residences of the CATLETT family in Washington, D. C., which photographs were shown to GEORGE NORMAN BOUJHAC during recent interview, the following are enclosed: *Exhibit 1B7-9*

1. Four views of 2523 P Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
2. Four photographs of 2319 N Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
3. Four photographs of 161/2 32nd Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
4. Three views of 1008 26th Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
5. Seven views of 1301/2 9th Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
6. Four views of 1665 32nd Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
7. Five views of 1270 25th Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.
8. Four views of 2728 P Street, N. W., labeled as such on the reverse side.

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It is noted that in connection with some of these exhibits mentioned above, the angle of the photograph differs only slightly.

Also enclosed herewith for the New York Office are seven photographs of typewriters numbered on the reverse side from one through seven. These numbers are enclosed in circles and on No. 7 of these photographs is a statement signed by GEORGE M. ROULLAC dated September 29, 1949, at New York City. 136-6

Also enclosed herewith for the New York Office is a four-page signed statement dated January 26, 1949, at Winchester, Virginia, which statement is signed by CLAUDIA CATLETT and witnessed by Special Agents ROBERT G. CHICHESTER and DONALD WALTER of the WFO.

Also enclosed for the New York Office is another statement signed by CLAUDIA CATLETT dated February 2, 1949. This one-page statement is also witnessed by Special Agents CHICHESTER and WALTER.

All enclosures listed above are being transmitted by Registered Mail.

The WFO has reviewed the bulky exhibits in the captioned case and finds no other exhibits, save those listed above, which might be of possible interest to the New York Office or which might be necessary at the trial.

It is pointed out, however, that the WFO does not know what ramifications may develop during the trial. It is thought that the NYO is cognizant of all bulky exhibits now maintained by the WFO and if any specific exhibit is requested, the WFO will of course forward it immediately to the NYO.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

FROM : L. W. R. OBERNDORF, Supervisor

SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: November 14, 1949

At 4:30 P. M., November 10, 1949, I telephonically advised SA McANDREWS of the New York Division to disregard our previous teletype of that date concerning the retention of certain State Department documents by AUSA MURPHY, inasmuch as this office had been advised by the Department of State that Mr. MURPHY had already returned the State Department documents concerned to the proper State Department authority in New York City.

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

JAHAM

Reufolet dated November 3, 1949, advising that Defense is obtaining from THOMAS F. COLLIER plans for the house at 1247 - 30th Street, N. W.

Your attention is directed to paragraph six (6), page one (1), which should be corrected to read as follows: "The layout of the kitchen at 1247 - 30th Street, N. W. is just opposite from that of 1245 - 30th Street, N. W. and does fit the description as given by CHAMBERS."

This correction should be brought to the attention of Assistant to the Attorney General THOMAS J. DONOGAN and to Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS MURPHY.

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IN A CONFERENCE WITH AUSA MURPHY TODAY THE LATTER REQUESTED THAT WHITTAKER CHAMBERS SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO REPORT TO ROOM ONE FOUR NAUGHT FOUR, US COURT HOUSE ABOUT NOON, NOVEMBER SIXTEEN, NEXT IN CONNECTION WITH INSTANT TRIAL. IT IS ALSO REQUESTED THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE TO HAVE CHAMBERS' MAID, EDITH MURRAY, REPORT TO ROOM ONE FOUR NAUGHT FOUR AT OR ABOUT NINE THIRTY AM, NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN, NEXT. THE PURPOSE OF EDITH MURRAY'S TRIP WILL BE TO EFFECT POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS, AFTER WHICH SHE WILL BE PERMITTED TO RETURN TO BALTIMORE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS SHE IS NEEDED AS A WITNESS IN THIS CASE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT SHE WILL BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO BALTIMORE ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN. THE FBI LABORATORY IS REQUESTED TO REVIEW ITS FILE IN CONNECTION WITH THE TYPEWRITING EXAMINATIONS MADE OF TYPEWRITTEN DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE AND FURNISH THIS OFFICE WITH THE DATES OF ALL LABORATORY REPORTS SHOWING EXAMINATION OF ALL TYPEWRITING SPECIMENS OBTAINED AND EXAMINED WHICH ARE DATED DURING THE YEAR NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN AND FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL OF THIRTY EIGHT.

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JAHAM. RENTEL NOVEMBER SEVEN, LAST CONCERNING ORDER FILED BY HISS ATTORNEYS UNDER RULE SIXTEEN, FEDERAL RULES FOR CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, REQUESTING PERMISSION TO INSPECT CERTAIN DOCUMENTS. AUSA T. F. MURPHY THIS DATE ADVISED THAT USDJ WILLIAM BONDY HANDED DOWN HIS OPINION IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ORDER. IN SUMMARY JUDGE BONDY DENIED THE DEFENSE MOTION TO PRODUCE ALL DOCUMENTS IN THE GOVERNMENT'S POSSESSION WHICH WERE TYPED ON EITHER THE WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER OR THE CORONA PORTABLE WHICH WERE FORMERLY OWNED BY ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS, AND LIKEWISE DENIED THE MOTION REQUESTING THAT THE GOVT. PRODUCE ALL TYPEWRITTEN OR HANDWRITTEN SPECIMENS IN THE POSSESSION OF THE GOVT. THAT WERE WRITTEN BY EITHER WHITTAKER CHAMBERS OR HIS WIFE OR TYPEWRITTEN ON TYPEWRITERS BELONGING TO EITHER MR. OR MRS. CHAMBERS. IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE ORDER TO TEST CERTAIN GOVT. EXHIBITS TO ASCERTAIN THE "QUALITY, AGE AND CHARACTERISTICS" THIS MOTION WAS DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO A RENEWAL THEREOF BEFORE THE TRIAL JUDGE. IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE'S EXPARTE ORDER AND SUBPOENA FOR PRODUCTION OF THE RECORDS OF THE PASSPORT DIVISION OF THE STATE DEPT. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PASSPORT FOR DAVID BREEN AND THE GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO QUASH THE SUBPOENA, JUDGE BONDY DENIED THE GOVERNMENT'S ORDER TO QUASH AND PERMITTED THE DEFENSE TO INSPECT A CERTIFIED PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF THIS PASSPORT. MURPHY STATED THAT ATTORNEYS

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CROSS, MC LEAN AND ROSENWALD COPIED THE CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS PASSPORT  
VERBATIM. THIS MORNING AUSA MURPHY ARGUED A MOTION BROUGHT BY THE DEFENSE  
TO INSPECT THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION FILE OF HEDDA MASSING.  
THIS MOTION WAS ARGUED BEFORE USJ IRVING KAUFMAN AND THE LATTER RE-  
SERVED DECISION.

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JAHAM. AUSA T. F. MURPHY ADVISED THAT HE HAS RECEIVED INFO ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS TO THE EFFECT THAT ON OCTOBER TWENTY SIXTH, FORTY NINE, JOHN F. DAVIS, AN ATTORNEY WHO HAS BEEN WORKING FOR ALGER HISS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., DIRECTED A LETTER TO HARRY P. MITCHELL, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AT EIGHTH AND F STREETS, NW, WASHINGTON DC, INDICATING THAT IN NINETEEN FORTY ONE OR FORTY TWO WHITTAKER CHAMBERS MADE CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO JOSEPH BARNES, WHOSE TRANSFER FROM THE OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION TO OSS WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION, FURTHER, THAT CHAMBERS REPRESENTATIONS CONTAINED INFO PERTINENT TO THE TRIAL OF THE HISS CASE EITHER BY REASON OF THE FACT THAT THEY CONTAINED INFORMATION RELATING TO THE CHARGES AGAINST MR. HISS OR INFORMATION ABOUT MR. CHAMBERS OWN HISTORY AND ACTIVITIES. DAVIS REQUESTED THAT HE SHOULD BE INFORMED OF ANY INFO IN THE FILE WHICH WOULD AID IN PROMOTING JUSTICE IN THIS CASE, WHICH HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE OBTAINED BY THE EXECUTION OF A SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM. MURPHY FURTHER RELATED THAT MITCHELLS REPLY TO THIS

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LETTER INDICATED THAT BARNES WAS INVESTIGATED BY THE COMMISSION IN NINETEEN FORTY TWO IN CONNECTION WITH THE LATTERS CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYMENT AND THAT DURING THIS INVESTIGATION NUMEROUS PERSONS WERE CONTACTED REGARDING MR. BARNES, OF WHICH MR. CHAMBERS WAS ONE. HE INDICATED TO DAVIS THAT THE INFO OBTAINED FROM CHAMBERS WAS OBTAINED UNDER A PLEDGE OF CONFIDENCE AND COULD NOT THEREFORE BE CONVEYED TO DAVIS. MITCHELL RELATED HOWEVER THAT THE STATEMENT OF CHAMBERS WAS BRIEF AND THAT THE NAME OF ALGER HISS DID NOT FIGURE IN ANY OF THE TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS OR ANY OF THE OTHER WITNESSES SO INTERVIEWED. AUSA MURPHY STATES THAT HE WOULD BE MOST DESIROUS OF OBTAINING, IF POSSIBLE, A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THE INFO SUPPLIED BY CHAMBERS TO THE COMMISSION CONCERNING BARNES, AS HE IS SOMEWHAT AT A LOSS AS TO THE NATURE OF THE INQUIRY BY DAVIS AND FEELS THAT HE SHOULD BE ARMED WITH THE INFO SUPPLIED BY CHAMBERS AT THIS TIME SO AS NOT TO BE SURPRISED DURING THE TRIAL OF THE CASE IF THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE IS RAISED BY THE HISS ATTORNEYS.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP-R, IS-R. RE CATLETT FAMILY. REREP SA JOHN J. WALSH, SEPTEMBER THIRTY, FORTYNINE, AT WFO, INDICATING ON PAGES SEVEN AND EIGHT THAT ON CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FORM NUMBER FIVE SEVEN, DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, FORTYSIX, RAYMOND SYLVESTER CATLETT LISTED EMPLOYMENT WITH MR. AND MRS. D. HISS, DECEMBER THIRTYFIVE TO FORTYTWO. WFO WILL SECURE PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF SAID CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FORM NUMBER FIVE SEVEN OF RAYMOND SYLVESTER CATLETT AND FORWARD PHOTOSTAT TO NY, INASMUCH AS THOMAS MURPHY, AUSA, SDNY, REQUESTS THAT SAME BE AVAILABLE FOR USE AT TRIAL. EXPEDITE.

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REMARKS OR DESCRIPTION Return to SA J. J. Walsh,

Room 1521.

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November 17, 1949

GUY HOTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Reference is made to New York teletype dated November 16, 1949 requesting certified photostatic copy of passport application of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

Enclosed herewith for the New York Office is one certified photostatic copy of passport application of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, #309316 dated June 11, 1923.

cc - New York (Enc) *sent 11/17* (Registered Mail) *mo*

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November 18, 1949

SAC GUY HOTTEL, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

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Reference Washington Field Office letter - JAHAM dated November 3, 1949.

TERRELL F. COLLIER advised that he has furnished the defense with the following blueprints; 3115 Volta Place floor plan and side and front elevations, the identical drawings which were enclosures to report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN dated September 30, 1949 at Washington, D. C.; 1245 30th Street, N. W. floor plans, the identical plans furnished as enclosures to report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN dated October 18, 1949 at Washington, D. C.; 1247 30th Street, N. W. floor plans.

T. F. COLLIER has furnished the floor plan of the house at 1247 30th Street, N. W., one copy of which is enclosed herewith for the New York Office.

COLLIER has advised that there may be an attempt by the defense to show the CHAMBERS' description of the house at 1245 30th Street, N. W. actually is a description of 1247 30th Street, N. W. Assuming that the defense does present the 1247 30th Street house on this basis, the following differences in floor plans of 1245 and 1247 30th Street may be relevant.

1245 30th Street, N. W.

Kitchen is located on the north side of lavatory and pantry or storage closet.

Stairway located on south wall of living room.

Bookcase located on south wall of living room only.

1247 30th Street, N. W.

Kitchen is located on south side of lavatory and pantry or storage closet.

Stairway located on north wall of living room.

Bookcases located on west wall of living room.

By letter dated August 16, 1949 from the New York Office, this office was furnished the testimony of MR. and MRS. WHEATAKER CHAMBERS relative to the description of the house at 1245 30th Street.

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WITTAKER CHAMBERS' description of 1245 30th Street appearing on page 575 et. seq. of the transcript includes a statement "there was a small kitchen on the right hand side as you face the street, on the left hand side, there was a closet as I recall it....". CHAMBERS' description of the location of the kitchen in respect to the closet does not conform to the layout of 1245 30th Street, since the closet is actually on the right hand side as you face the street. At 1247 30th Street, the closet is on the left hand side as you face the street.

MRS. CHAMBERS testified that "to the left in the rear of the house was a stairway that went down into a dining room....". This description does correspond to the location of the stairway at 1245 which is in the rear to the left when approached from the front of the house.

MRS. CHAMBERS' description set forth on page 873 of the transcript included the statement that the living room was lined on either side by books. In their present state, neither living room at 1247 or 1245 has bookcases on both sides of the living room. The bookcases in the living rooms are built in alcoves and were originally so constructed.

T. F. COLLIER has been keeping this office advised of the investigation being conducted by ALGER HISS' attorney, JOHN F. DAVIS, relative to the Volta Place and 30th Street houses. Since he has been cooperative in this and does have the confidence of the defense to a certain degree at least, the information furnished by him must be maintained as confidential. The blueprint of the house at 1247 30th Street is furnished the New York Office for information only and should not be introduced at the trial. SAAG T. J. DONOHAN and AUSA THOMAS MURPHY should be so advised by the New York Office.

JOHN F. DAVIS has requested COLLIER to accompany him to the houses at 1245 and 1247 30th Street to inspect the prints on the walls, and COLLIER will inform this office as to the results of this inspection. WFO in turn will advise the Bureau and New York.

One copy of the Blueprint for 1247 30th Street house is being retained by this office.

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JAHAM. IN CONNECTION WITH EXPECTED TESTIMONY OF MRS. HEDE MASSING  
IN FORTHCOMING TRIAL TO THE EFFECT THAT SHE MET AND DEALT WITH ALGER  
HISS AT THE HOME OF NOEL FIELD IN WASHINGTON IN OR ABOUT THE SUMMER  
OF NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE, WFO REQUESTED TO REVIEW NOEL FIELDS PERSONNEL  
FILE AT STATE DEPT. THE INFO DESIRED IS PERIOD OF FIELDS EMPLOYMENT  
AT STATE DEPT. AND HIS RESIDENCES IN WASHINGTON DURING THAT EMPLOYMENT  
ESPECIALLY THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE, SINCE MASSING  
THOUGH SHE CAN DESCRIBE FIELDS APARTMENT, DOES NOT RECALL THE STREET  
ADDRESS. THIS INFO SHOULD BE OBTAINED BY WEDNESDAY NEXT SO THAT IN  
THE EVENT US ATTORNEY MURPHY AUTHORIZES, MASSING MAY VIEW THE FORMER  
FIELD RESIDENCE WHEN SHE IS IN WASHINGTON IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WAS, LEE -----, EMPLOYEE NYE COMMITTEE,  
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'35 - 419-40 St. N. E. (Noel H. J. - Dir. Assant - State Dept)

St. Dir. Mavis E. Koons - 419-4 N. E.  
419-40 N. W. - Robert W. Walker Silma Bianchini  
Joe Guyan Morris Field

'36 419-40 St N W. (Apt. - Jesse E. Leonard)  
Robert M. Gates  
Robert W. Walker  
Joe Coffin  
Noel H. Field

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'32 - Noel H. (Hester) Dir. Assant State - 419-40 N. W. - address 419-40

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JAHAM. PERJURY, ESP-R, ISR. REFERENCE REPORT OF SA THOMAS G. SPENCER  
OCT. THIRTYONE, FORTYNINE AT NY AND RPT OF SA JOHN E. HOWARD, MAR.

FIRST, FORTYNINE AT WFO. WFO WILL FORWARD TO NY FOR USE AT TRIAL THE  
FOLLOWING MATERIAL PRESENTLY THEIR FILES...PHOTOS OF THE RESIDENCES

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OF CATLETT FAMILY IN WASH, DC, WHICH PHOTOS WERE SHOWN TO GEORGE NORMAN

ROULHAC DURING RECENT INTERVIEW, PHOTOS OF SEVEN UNIDENTIFIED

TYPEWRITERS SHOWN TO ROULHAC AND BEARING HIS INITIALS ON BACK THEREOF,

INCLUDING ONE OF WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER WITH STATEMENT OF ROULHAC ON BACK

THEREOF, SIGNED STATEMENT OF CLAUDIE CATLETT, JAN. TWENTYSIX, FORTYNINE,

MENTIONED IN REF RPT OF MAR. FIRST, FORTYNINE. WFO REQUESTED TO REVIEW

THEIR EXHIBITS THIS CASE TO DETERMINE THAT ALL STATEMENTS AND OTHER

EVIDENTIARY MATERIAL THAT MIGHT BE NEEDED FOR TRIAL HAS BEEN FORWARDED

TO THIS OFFICE.

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JAHAM. RENYTEL NOV. SEVEN CONCERNING EMPLOYMENT AND RESIDENCES NOEL  
FIELD XXX FIELD. STATE DEPT. FILES DISCLOSE FIELD APPOINTED VICE-  
CONSUL, DIVISION FOREIGN SERVICE AND ASSIGNED TO DEPT. SEPT. ONE,  
TWENTYSIX. RESIGNED AUGUST TWENTY, THIRTY AND APPOINTED SENIOR ECONOMIC  
ADVISOR, DIVISION WESTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, STATE DEPT. AUGUST TWENTY-  
ONE, THIRTY. RESIGNED POSITION APRIL THIRTY, THIRTYSIX TO ACCEPT EMPLOY-  
MENT LEAGUE OF NATIONS, SWITZERLAND. WAS IN EUROPE O. B. SUMMER THIRTY-  
FOUR FOR UNKNOWN PERIOD AND ATTENDED THIRTYFIVE NAVAL CONFERENCE HELD  
LONDON, ENGLAND DEC. SIX, THIRTY FIVE. DEPARTED U. S. NOV. TWENTY-  
NINE, THIRTYFIVE TO ATTEND NVA XXX NAVAL CONFERENCE. RESIDENCE IN  
TWENTYFIVE AND TWENTYSIX FURNISHED AS TWO ONE BERKELYE ST., CAMBRIDGE,  
MASS. FROM TWENTYSEVEN TO THIRTY RESIDED APT. FOUR ONE, ONE NINE ONE  
FOUR G ST., N. W. FROM THIRTYONE TO THIRTYSIX RESIDED FOUR ONE NINE, FOURTH  
XXX FOURTH ST., N. W. FILE CONTAINED MEMO FROM LAUREHC XXX LAURENCE  
DUGGAN DATED NOVEMBER FIVE, FORTY RECOMMENDING FIELD FOR POSITION AS  
EXECUTIVE ASSIST. TO F. B. SAYRE, U. S. COMMISSIONER TO PHILLIPINES AND  
ADVISING THAT FOR TWO YEAR PERIOD LIVED IN SAME APT. BLDGE. AS DID  
FIELD AND HAD DAILY CONTACT WITH HIM. CITY DIRECTORIES FAIL TO VERIFY  
THIS BUT SHOW ONE JAMES DUGAN RESIDING FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH ST., N. W.  
IN THIRTYFIVE. DUGGAN ADVISED BU AGENTS IN NY IN DEC. FORTYEIGHT  
THAT HE HAD LIVED IN SAME APT. BLDG. AS FIELD AT FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH  
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ON THURS NOVEMBER TEN, FORTYNINE, CI [REDACTED] ADVISED IN CON- b7D  
 NECTION WITH THE WHITTAKER CHAMBERS BREEN PASSPORT APPLICATION, THAT  
 HE HAD BEEN SERVED WITH SUBPOENA TO PRODUCE THE ORIGINAL PAPERS IN  
 THIS MATTER AT NYC ON MON, NOV SEVEN, FORTYNINE. THE ORIGINAL PAPERS  
 AND CERTIFIED TRUE COPY OF SAME WERE DELIVERED TO NY DIV OF STATE DEPT  
 PASSPORT SECTION AND BY AN OFFICIAL THEREOF TAKEN TO OFFICE OF AUSA  
 THOMAS MURPHY ON MON, NOV SEVEN, FORTYNINE. BOTH THE CERTIFIED TRUE  
 AND ORIGINAL COPIES WERE LEFT IN MURPHY-S OFFICE. THIS IS CONTRARY TO  
 EXTREMELY RIGID STATE DEPT DIRECTIVE THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL  
 ORIGINAL STATE DEPT PASSPORT PAPERS BE OUT OF CUSTODY OF STATE DEPT  
 OFFICIALS. [REDACTED] ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE LEAVING OF THE ORIGINAL  
 PAPERS WAS AN ERROR ON THE PART OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPT OFFICIAL.  
 IN THE WASHINGTON TIMES HERALD DAILY NEWSPAPER DATED NOV EIGHT, FORTY-  
 NINE APPEARED AN ARTICLE IN CONNECTION WITH STATE DEPT COOPERATION WITH  
 THE GOVT AND THE DEFENSE IN THE HISS CASE. [REDACTED] NOTING THIS  
 ARTICLE THOUGHT SOMETHING AMISS WITH ORIGINAL BREEN PAPERS AND ATTEMPTED  
 TO CALL AUSA MURPHY DIRECT. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO REACH MURPHY BECAUSE  
 TUESDAY ELECTION DAY IN NYC. HOWEVER [REDACTED] TALKED WITH MURPHY

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ON WED NOV NINE, AT WHICH TIME MURPHY REFUSED TO GIVE UP STATE DEPT ORIGINAL PASSPORT DOCUMENTS ALTHOUGH [REDACTED] INSISTED THAT THIS BE DONE. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT, MURPHY BECAME ANGRY AND TOLD INFORMANT THAT HE, MURPHY, WOULD CALL PEYTON FORD, JUSTICE DEPT. LATER ON SAME DAY INFT CONTACTED STATE DEPT LEGAL DIV WHICH DIV INFORMED HIM THAT THEY HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US JUSTICE DEPT IN CONNECTION WITH THESE STATE DEPT DOCUMENTS AND THAT PEYTON FORD HAD CALLED AND TALKED OVER THIS MATTER WITH STATE DEPT LEGAL SECTION INCLUDING JACK BERNARD TATE, ONE TIME OFFICIAL LOCAL CHAPTER NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD NOW STATE DEPT LEGAL ADVISOR. NO DECISION REACHED BY THIS CONFERENCE ACCORDING TO INFT. INFT HAS ADVISED THAT EXACT NATURE OF THESE DOCUMENTS HAS NOT THUS FAR BEEN MADE KNOWN TO ANYONE EXCEPT HIMSELF AND MURPHY, ACCORDING TO HIS BEST KNOWLEDGE, BUT POINTS OUT THAT IF THIS MATTER IS MADE THE SUBJECT OF OFFICIAL JUSTICE AND STATE DEPT TALKS IT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY COME OUT THAT THE DOCUMENTS IN QUESTION RELATE TO CHAMBERS FOREIGN TRAVEL AS BREEN, A SITUATION WHICH [REDACTED] DESIRES TO AVOID AT ALL COSTS IN ORDER <sup>b7D</sup> TO AVOID RESULTANT UNPLEASANT PUBLICITY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS DIVISION. NY IS ADVISED THAT THIS INFORMANT HAS FURNISHED INFO TO THE WFO FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, IS EXTREMELY TRUSTWORTHY AND MOST COOPERATIVE AND THE WFO WOULD BE GREATLY EMBARRASSED IF HE WERE PREJUDICED BY THIS ACTION ON THE PART OF MURPHY. THE NYO IS REQUESTED IMMEDIATELY TO ADVISE MURPHY OF THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH [REDACTED] REGARDS

MURPHY-S RETENTION

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OF THE ORIGINAL STATE DEPT DOCUMENTS AND THE NYO IS REMINDED THAT CONTINUED RETENTION OF THESE DOCUMENTS BY MURPHY MAY VERY WELL PREJUDICE CI [REDACTED] AND CAUSE SERIOUS REPERCUSSION IN CONNECTION WITH WFO COVERAGE OF THIS TYPE OF MATTER. [REDACTED] HAS REITERATED THAT A QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STATE DEPT WILL PRODUCE THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS IN COURT WHEN THEY ARE DESIRED. HE HAS POINTED OUT THAT MURPHY HAS A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY OF THE DOCUMENT WHICH [REDACTED] BELIEVES WOULD SERVE ANY PRETRIAL PURPOSE JUST AS WELL AS THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. NY IS REQUESTED TO HANDLE THIS MATTER IMMEDIATELY AND ADVISE WFO AS TO THE OUTCOME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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JAHAM. RENVTEL NOVEMBER SEVEN, LAST, AND WFOTEL NOVEMBER EIGHT, LAST, CONCERNING POSSIBILITY OF IDENTIFICATION OF RESIDENCES OF NOEL FIELD BY HEDE MASSING. ON INSTANT DATE, MRS. MASSING IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH ST., NW, AS RESIDENCE OF NOEL FIELD. MRS. MASSING OBSERVED WHEN CAR TURNED CORNER THAT THIS WAS THE BLOCK OF FIELD-S RESIDENCE AND AS CAR MOVED SLOWLY DOWN THE STREET, MRS. MASSING POINTED OUT THE CORRECT RESIDENCE WITHOUT SLIGHTEST HESITATION. NYC SHOULD SUTEL IMMEDIATELY IF IT IS DESIRED THAT MRS. MASSING VIEW INTERIOR OF THIS HOUSE. SHE SAYS FIELD RESIDED ON THIRD FLOOR. MRS. MASSING DOES NOT RECOGNIZE ONE NINE ONE FOUR G ST., NW, BUT STATES SHE DID NOT KNOW FIELD AT TIME OF HIS RESIDENCE THERE IN NINETEEN TWENTYSEVEN TO THIRTY.

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JAHAM. ✓ WFO REQUESTED TO TELEPHONICALLY COMMUNICATE WITH PROPER INDIVIDUAL AT THE CHESAPEAKE AND POTOMAC TELEPHONE CO., THE POTOMAC ELECTRIC CO., AND THE WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT CO. AND INFORM THESE PERSONS OF THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR BEING CALLED AS A WITNESS IN THE ALGER HISS CASE ON NOV. EIGHTEEN, NEXT. PERTINENT RECORDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INTRODUCED IN EVIDENCE AND ARE MAINTAINED AS AN EXHIBIT BY THIS OFFICE. IN THE EVENT IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR THEM TO APPEAR TOMORROW, YOUR OFFICE WILL BE ADVISED BY FOUR THIRTY P.M. TODAY SO THAT THEY MAY BE SO INFORMED.

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CONF WASH AND WFO 25 FROM NEW YORK 17 7-51 P  
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JAHAM REOURTEL TODAY TO WFO. PROPER OFFICIALS OF CHESAPEAKE AND  
POTOMAC TELEPHONE CO., POTOMAC ELECTRIC CO. AND WASHINGTON GAS, LIGHT  
CO. REQUESTED TO APPEAR ROOM FOURTEEN NAUGHT FOUR, US COURT HOUSE,  
FOLEY SQUARE, NOON NOV. EIGHTEEN NEXT AS WITNESSES INSTANT CASE.  
WFO REQUESTED TO SO NOTIFY THESE INDIVIDUALS.

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| TITLE<br><b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS,<br/>ALGER HISS, was., et al</b> |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R<br/>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b> |  |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Schedule showing how the square foot area of house plans for 3415 Volta Place and 1245 30th Street, N. W. was determined is furnished.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN dated September 30, 1949 at Washington, D. C.  
Report of Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN dated October 18, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

**DETAILS:** AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Furnished with referenced reports were plans of the 3415 Volta Place house and the 1245 30th Street house respectively.

TEUNIS F. COLLIER, on November 16, 1949, furnished this office with a schedule showing how the square foot area of the rooms in the houses at 3415 Volta Place and 1245 30th Street, N. W., was determined.

This schedule is set out below:

1245 30th Street, N. W.

Dining room 13'7" x 13'7"  
Area 184 sq. ft.  
Deduct 9 sq. ft. for closet  
175 sq. ft. net area

*Exhibit 1B7-15*

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Kitchen

13'1" x 8'10"

Area 115 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
115 sq. ft. net area

Living room

13'9" x 22'3"

Area 303 sq. ft.  
Deduct 13 sq. ft. for stairway  
290 sq. ft. net area

If chimney breast, brick breast and projections are to be deducted subtract 20 sq. ft.

Hall

12'0" x 4'6"

Area 54 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
54 sq. ft. net area

Rear bedroom

13'4" x 10'8"

Area 143 sq. ft.  
Deduct 7 sq. ft. for closet  
136 sq. ft. net area

Front bedroom

7'11" x 13'1" plus 2'4" x 2'9"

Area 105 plus 7 - 112 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
112 sq. ft. net area

Bath

5'0" x 7'10"

Area 40 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
40 sq. ft. net area

3415 Volta Place, N. W.

Living room

27'8" x 13'10"

Area 382 sq. ft.  
Deduct stairway 25 sq. ft.  
chimney breast 5.7 sq. ft.  
difference in width of room 8. sq. ft.  
projections 1.5  
Total Deductions 40.2 sq. ft.  
342 sq. ft. net area

Dining room 13'4" x 11'4"  
Area 150 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
150 sq. ft. net area

Kitchen 8'11" x 7'7"  
Area 67 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
67 sq. ft. net area

Second floor bath 6'11" x 7'6"  
Area 52 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
52 sq. ft. net area

Front bedroom 13'5" x 9'11"  
Area 133 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
133 sq. ft. net area  
Closets and fireplace are not included.

Middle bedroom 13'4" x 11'4"  
Area 150 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
150 sq. ft. net area  
Closets and fireplace are not included.

Rear bedroom 11'3" x 7'9"  
Area 87 sq. ft.  
No deductions  
87 sq. ft. net area  
Closets, stairs and recesses are not included.

The above schedule is being furnished in anticipation of any collateral issue concerning room areas which may arise at the trial.

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JAHAM. HEDA MASSING ON NOVEMBER SEVENTEENTH LAST VIEWED INTERIOR  
THIRD AND FOURTH FLOOR APARTMENTS AT FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH STREET,  
STATES THAT FIELDS OCCUPIED FOURTH FLOOR APARTMENT. BASED IDENTI  
ON SLIGHT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SIZE OF ROOMS AS BETWEEN THIRD AND F  
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RECALLS IS AVAILABLE ONLY ON THE FOURTH FLOOR.

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Director, FBI

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Reynolds November 15, 1949, concerning the CATLETT family and information furnished by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS concerning JOSEPH BARNES. There are being forwarded herewith photostatic copies of the followings:

1. Application for Federal Employment dated November 25, 1946, by RAYMOND S. CATLETT.
2. Application for Federal Employment dated December 27, 1946, by PERRY M. CATLETT.
3. Reference letter dated April 23, 1947 concerning PERRY M. CATLETT.
4. Pages 16 and 17 of the CSC Investigative Report dated April 16, 1942, concerning JOSEPH FELS BARNES.

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RE. JAHAM. HISS TRIAL SUMMARY, AM SESSION, NOVEMBER EIGHTEENTH.

ON CONVENING OF COURT AT TEN THIRTY AM, AUSA MURPHY MADE OPENING STATEMENT FOR U.S. EXPLAINED INDICTMENT, SKETCHED BACKGROUND OF CHAMBERS AND HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HISS FROM THE BEGINNING INCLUDING MECHANICS OF HISS GIVING CHAMBERS DOCUMENTS, PHOTOGRAPHING, ETC. DESCRIBED CHAMBERS BREAK FROM APPARATUS, HIS CAREER WITH TIME, HIS HCUA AND OJ APPEARANCES AND OJ APPEARANCE DECEMBER FIFTEENTH LAST OF HISS. MURPHY STATED DEFENSE WILL ATTEMPT TO MAKE GREAT CAPITAL OF INNUMERABLE LIES OF CHAMBERS. MURPHY EXPLAINED THAT WHAT CHAMBERS LIED ABOUT CONCERNED WHETHER HE POSSESSED ANY EVIDENCE OF ESPIONAGE AND THEN STATED CHAMBERS' REASONS FOR WITHHOLDING DOCUMENTS UNTIL LAST NOVEMBER. MURPHY THEN DESCRIBED LIBEL ACTION AND PRODUCTION OF PAPERS WHICH MURPHY DESCRIBED AS IMMUTABLE EVIDENCE OF ESPIONAGE. MURPHY THEN TOUCHED BRIEFLY ON PRE TRIAL EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS AND HIS ANSWERING ALL QUESTIONS WITHOUT A REFUSAL. MURPHY CONCLUDED AT ELEVEN TWENTY-FIVE AM. AT ELEVEN THIRTY-FIVE AM, ATTORNEY CROSS BEGAN OPENING STATEMENT FOR DEFENSE. BRIEFLY MENTIONED FIRST TRIAL WHICH ENDED IN JURY DISAGREEMENT, POINTED OUT INDICTMENT IS NOT EVIDENCE AND THEN MANAGED TO REPEAT TO JURY STATEMENT FROM MURPHY'S OPENING IN FIRST TRIAL THAT "IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE CHAMBERS GOVERNMENT HAS NO CASE." CROSS HAD ATTEMPTED TO READ THIS FROM TRANSCRIPT OF FIRST TRIAL BUT JUDGE GODDARD SUSTAINED MURPHY'S OBJECTION THERETO BUT CROSS PROCEEDED TO MAKE THE STATEMENT WITHOUT ACTUALLY READING IT. CROSS THEN SKETCHED BACKGROUND OF HISS

H.B. Fletcher. advised by phone 11-22-49  
Act. Dept. will contact HCUA -

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FROM HIS BIRTH, STRESSED SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, BOY SCOUT MEMBERSHIP, AND ATTENDANCE WITH HONORS AT JOHNS HOPKINS AND HARVARD LAW SCHOOL. THEN TRACED HIS CAREER FROM NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE, POINTED OUT YEARS SPENT WITH JUSTICE HOLMES, HIS SERVICE AT DUMBARTON OAKS, YALTA AND UNCIO IN SAN FRANCISCO. CROSS THEN ASKED "WHAT ABOUT CHAMBERS" AND PROCEEDED TO STATE THAT WHILE AT COLUMBIA CHAMBERS WROTE THE MOST BLASPHEMOUS PLAY EVER WRITTEN AND LIED IN A LETTER TO DEAN HAWKES. MENTIONED DIFFICULTY IN ASCERTAINING JUST WHEN CHAMBERS BROKE FROM CP BUT SAID CHAMBERS WAS PART OF CP PLOT TO OVERTHROW US. MENTIONED THAT CHAMBERS MADE FALSE STATEMENT UNDER OATH IN PASSPORT APPLICATION IN MAY THIRTY-FIVE USING NAME OF DAVID GREEN WHO DIED WHEN HE WAS THREE AND A HALF YEARS OLD. CROSS DESCRIBED THIS ACT AS MOST GHOULISH.

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MENTIONED FALSE STATEMENT BY CHAMBERS IN JOB APPLICATION TO US IN OCTOBER, THIRTY SEVEN, AND THAT CHAMBERS HAS EMPLOYED MANY ALIASES. ALSO THAT HE WAS FIRED FROM NYC PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR STEALING FIFTY SIX BOOKS. ALSO THAT HISS MET CHAMBERS AS FREE LANCE WRITER, SAW HIM TWICE IN OFFICE AND THREE OR FOUR TIMES AT LUNCH. STATED THAT HISS THREW IN THE NINETEEN TWENTY NINE FORD WITH SUBLET OF TWENTY EIGHTH STREET APARTMENT. CROSS CONTINUED THAT CHAMBERS BORROWED SMALL SUMS FROM TIME TO TIME FROM HISS, DID NOT REPAY THEM, THAT IN SUMMER OF THIRTY SIX HISS DECIDED CHAMBERS WAS A DEAD BEAT AND DECIDED TO DISCONTINUE SEEING HIM. POINTED OUT THAT ON PRE-TRIAL EXAM MRS. CHAMBERS NEVER MENTIONED SEEING HISSES AT THIRTIETH STREET HOUSE AND THAT CHAMBERS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF OCCASIONS IN FBI OFFICE IN WASHINGTON WHEN MAIDS WERE BROUGHT IN, TO ASCERTAIN DETAILS ABOUT INTERIOR OF RESIDENCES AND ITEMS OF FURNITURE BELONGING TO HISSES. MENTIONED THAT CHAMBERS HAD TOLD FBI IN NINETEEN FORTY TWO, FORTY THREE AND FORTY FIVE THAT HISS WAS COMMUNIST, YET FBI WORKED WITH HISS AT UNCIO IN SAN FRANCISCO, WHERE HISS WAS IN CHARGE IN SECURITY. CROSS CONTINUED THAT CHAMBERS DID NOT MENTION HISS TO MALCOLM COWLEY IN FORTY BUT NAMED SAYRE AS HEAD OF ESPIONAGE APPARATUS IN STATE DEPT. ALSO THAT CHAMBERS TOLD RAY MURPHY, OF STATE DEPT., AT LEAST TWICE THAT HISS WAS PRO-COMMUNIST AND MADE SAME STATEMENT TO HCUA IN AUGUST, FORTY EIGHT. POINTED OUT HISS IMMEDIATELY REQUESTED AND RECEIVED PERMISSION TO TESTIFY BEFORE

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EGUA THAT HE WAS NOT COMMUNIST AND DID NOT KNOW CHAMBERS. MENTIONED INCIDENT OF CHAMBERS RETRIEVING MATERIAL FROM DUMMWAITER SHAFT IN BROOKLYN, AND THAT THERE IS ONLY THE WORD OF CHAMBERS THAT THE DOCUMENTS WERE, IN FACT, IN THE ENVELOPE. MENTIONED THAT THE CATLETTS WILL TESTIFY AS TO RECEIPT BY THEM OF WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER WHEN HISSSES MOVED TO VOLTA PLACE AND THAT HISSSES WILL ALSO TESTIFY AS TO SUCH DISPOSAL OF TYPEWRITER. POINTED OUT THAT DOCUMENT NUMBER TEN NOT TYPED ON WOODSTOCK AND THAT IT WAS ON GOVT. WATERMARKED PAPER, THAT IT WENT TO FAR EASTERN DIVISION AND NOT TO SAYRE'S OFFICE, WHICH MEANS THAT CHAMBERS OBVIOUSLY HAD A PIPELINE OUT OF FAR EASTERN DIVISION. SAID THAT FROM MARCH, THIRTY SIX TO MARCH, THIRTY EIGHT WADLEIGH STOLE DOCUMENTS FOR CHAMBERS. ALSO THAT THERE WERE FROM TWENTY FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED INFORMATION COPIES MADE OF STATE DEPT. DOCUMENTS, THAT DISTRIBUTION SHEETS SHOW WHICH OFFICE RECEIVED SAME, BUT NO RECORDS MAINTAINED OF WHETHER SUCH COPIES WERE EVER RETURNED FOR BURNING, AS THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE. GROSS OBSERVED THAT PERHAPS THERE WAS ONE OTHER CONFEDERATE BESIDES WADLEIGH AND SOME INDIVIDUAL IN THE FAR EASTERN DIVISION. MENTIONED THAT OF DOCUMENTS REPRODUCED ON MICRO-FILM, THREE HAD RECEIVING STAMP OF SAYRE'S OFFICE AND INITIALS "AH"; THAT ONE WAS DATED JANUARY FOURTEEN, THIRTY EIGHT AND DEFENSE WILL ESTABLISH SAYRE WAS NOT IN HIS OFFICE THAT DAY, BUT THAT WADLEIGH WAS THERE AND THAT THE MICRO-FILM PAPERS ACTUALLY CAME FROM WADLEIGH. STATED

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HISS DOES NOT TYPE AND ASKED JURY TO COMPARE POOR QUALITY OF PAPER ON WHICH BALTIMORE PAPERS WERE TYPED WITH THE QUALITY OF PAPER ON WHICH THE KNOWN STANDARDS WERE WRITTEN. ADMITTED THAT EXPERTS CONSULTED BY DEFENSE HAVE STATED PAPERS TYPED ON WOODSTOCK AND CROSS CONCLUDED THEREFROM THAT EITHER CHAMBERS OR HIS CONFEDERATE TYPED THEM. STATED HE DID NOT KNOW WHEN CHAMBERS TYPED THEM BUT THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN ANYTIME AFTER APRIL ONE, THIRTY EIGHT, WHICH IS LAST DATE ON DOCUMENTS. DECLARED THAT AN INDIVIDUAL LIKE CHAMBERS WOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE GETTING HIS HANDS ON THE OLD WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER WHICH THE HISSES GAVE THE CATLETTS. FIRST GOVT. WITNESS WILL TAKE STAND ON RECONVENING OF COURT AT TWO THIRTY PM.

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11/19/49

FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, SA

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Reference is made to NY teletype to the Bureau, WFO, and Balto. Offices dated 11/15/49 requesting the Balto Office to locate certain papers belonging to Mr. EDWARD W. CASE, Real Estate Agent of Westminster, Maryland, pertaining to negotiations between ALGER HISS and CASE, as well as between the CHAMBERS family and CASE for the same piece of real estate located in the vicinity of Westminster, Md., generally known as the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property.

On 11/18/49 Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Balto. Attorney for CHAMBERS, 2500 Mathieson Bldg, Balto., Md. turned over to SAs EDWARD G. COUGH and FRANK G. JOHNSTONE all of the papers of CASE pertaining to the above-mentioned transactions which were still in his possession. Agents furnished Mr. CLEVELAND with a receipt for these papers, but such receipt was not detailed. Accordingly, it was deemed advisable to make a detailed inventory of the papers received from Mr. CLEVELAND on this occasion. The papers were reviewed by SA JOHNSTONE, and the contents have been classified into seven groups as set out below, of papers having been properly marked for identification by SA JOHNSTONE:

Group A: Papers pertaining to Negotiations Between ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and EDWARD W. CASE, All Dated in 1935 and 1936, For the Purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property Located Near Westminster, Md. Consisting of the following:

1. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 11/8/35 to PRISCILLA HISS, evidently from CASE.
2. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/9/35 to Mr. ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
3. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/14/36 to ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
4. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/18/36 to ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
5. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/22/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.

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6. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/25/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.

7. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 5/2/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.

8. Typewritten partial carbon copy of a letter dated 5/11/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.

9. Typewritten partial carbon copy of a letter dated 5/20/36 to Mr. ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.

10. Typewritten receipt dated 4/4/36, Westminster, Md. for \$20 cash deposited, received from Mr. ALGER HISS on the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property.

11. Handwritten notations in ink, headed "For Mr. HISS," evidently outlining requests made by Mr. HISS in connection with the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property, probably in the handwriting of EDWARD W. CASE.

12. Brown paper envelope addressed to EDWARD W. CASE, Esq., 211 E. Main St., Westminster, Md. with the return address, ALGER HISS, 2905 P St., N.W., Washington, D.C., envelope postmarked 4/13/36 at Washington, D.C., contents evidently removed, also bearing a handwritten notation in ink, probably by CASE.

13. Original, signed agreement of sale dated 4/13/36 between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and JOSEPHINE AMELANG, her sister, deceased, and ALGER HISS, 2905 P St., N.W., Washington, D.C., agreement witnessed by E. LEE ENB and FRISQILLA HISS.

Group #2: Papers Pertaining to Negotiations Between JAY W. CHAMBERS and ESTHER CHAMBERS and EDWARD W. CASE dated from 2/3/36 through 10/30/39 for the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property located near Westminster, Md., consisting of the following:

1. Photographic copy of a typewritten letter dated 2/3/36 to Mr. E. W. CASE from JAY W. CHAMBERS.

2. Carbon copy of a letter dated 2/4/36 to JAY W. CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.

3. Original typewritten letter dated 6/3/37 to Mr. CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.

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4. Carbon copy of a letter dated 6/12/37 to Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
5. Original of a typewritten letter dated 11/1/37 to Mr. EDWARD CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
6. Original of a typewritten letter dated 11/16/37 to EDWARD CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
7. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/20/37 to ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
8. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 7/10/37 to Mrs. CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
9. Original of a letter handwritten in ink dated 10/30/39 to Mr. EDWARD W. CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
10. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/21/39 to Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
11. Original, signed agreement of sale dated 3/12/37 between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY, she the executrix for the estate of her sister, T. ESTELLE SHAW, deceased, and the Party of the Second Part, ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS, this agreement being witnessed by CHRISTINE P. CASE.

Group #3: Correspondence During the Period April, 1936 to August, 1938 between EDWARD W. CASE and various heirs of T. ESTELLE SHAW concerning the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property located near Westminster, Md. and the property sale of same to the HISSSES and the CHAMBERS, consisting of the following:

1. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 4/11/36 to Mr. CHARLES A. AMELANG, 1615 Darley Ave., Balto., Md., probably from CASE.
2. Carbon copy of a two page typewritten letter dated 4/18/36 to Mrs. CHARLES SMIRKEY, Fairfield, Pa., MD #2, probably from CASE.
3. Original of a letter handwritten in pencil dated 4/21/36 to Mr. CASE from Mrs. SHIRKEY.
4. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 4/22/36 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.

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5. Original of a letter handwritten in ink dated 5/16/36 to Mrs. CASE from DAISY A. SHIRKEY.

6. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 5/18/36 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.

7. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/19/37 to Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.

8. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 8/19/38 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.

Group #4: Miscellaneous Papers Pertaining to the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property located near Westminster, Md.:

1. Original and carbon copy on onionskin paper, evidently an inventory list, headed "Westminster, Md. Oct. 28, 1936 Goods Included with the Mrs. T. ESTELLA SHAW Property of ten acres."

2. Two odd sheets of paper handwritten in pencil, evidently a rough draft listing of the same inventory in 1, above.

3. Original of tax bill addressed to ESTELLA T. SHAW by the Collector of State and County Taxes for Carroll County, Md. showing taxes in arrears of \$8.24.

4. Document issued by the Register of Wills for Carroll County, Md. dated 11/23/37, appointing DAISY A. SHIRKEY administratrix for the estate of TILLIE ESTELLE SHAW.

5. Invoice in the amount of \$9.90 dated 11/23/37, addressed to DAISY A. SHIRKEY, Admx. TILLIE ESTELLE SHAW, decd. by HARRY G. BERTAGER, Register of Wills for Carroll County, Westminster, Md.

Group #5: Fifteen pieces of paper of assorted sizes and types bearing miscellaneous notations and figures, probably all made by EDWARD W. CASE, pertaining to the settlement of the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and the partition of that estate between her various heirs, also bearing the name CHAMBERS on several pieces of paper.

Note: As these fifteen pieces of paper are rather non-descript, no effort is being made to describe them further in any detail.

Group #6: Four pieces of paper of assorted sizes and shapes bearing miscellaneous figures and notations, probably made by EDWARD W. CASE, the significance of which is unknown and not apparent.

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Note: As these four pieces of paper are rather non-descript, no effort is being made to describe them further in any detail.

Group #7: Papers of EDWARD W. CASE which have no apparent pertinence to the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property located near Westminster, Md. or to the efforts of CASE to sell same to either the HISSSES or CHAMBERS, consisting of the following:

1. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 3/1/37 to Mr. M. T. CHAMBERS, 3103 Milford Ave., Balto., Md., probably from CASE.

Note: This may be a misfiled item or a communication by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS with CASE under another name.

2. Carbon copy of a typewritten list of items and figures on a sheet of yellow paper, evidently an inventory of livestock and farm equipment items totaling \$2,066.45.

All of the above papers and documents are being forwarded to the New York Office by Special Messenger over the weekend of 11/19-20/49 upon the telephonic request of Supervisor ROBERT GRANVILLE of the N.Y. Office on 11/19/49.

Director, F.B.I.

11/19/49

SAC, Baltimore

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Re: Negotiations of EDWARD W. CASE,  
Real Estate Agent or Westminister,  
Maryland with the HISSSES and the  
CHAMBERS for the T. ESTELLE SHAW  
Property located near Westminster,  
Maryland

By teletype dated 11/15/49 the NY Office furnished the following to the Bureau, Washington Field and Balto. Offices:

\*JAHAM. Re WFO letter Sept. twelve forty nine enclosing photostatic copies of letters and agreements of sale of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and ESTHER and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in connection with the purchase of a farm in Maryland. This letter refers to report of SA LAMBERT ZANDER at Washington, D.C. Oct seven, forty eight. This office presently in possession of "Case Letters" signed by ALGER HISS on April three, sixteen and May five, thirty six. According to photostatic copies received with the above mentioned letter there also appears a letter dated Nov. five, thirtyfive signed by PRISCILLA HISS and a photostatic copy of an agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and ALGER HISS. Also attached to above letter was photostatic copy of letter dated Oct. thirty, thirty nine of EDWARD CASE signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS and letters dated July three, thirty seven Nov. one and six, thirty seven, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS directed to CASE. There was also attached a photostatic copy of an agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRRY and ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS. A SA T. F. MURPHY has indicated he will attempt to introduce the attempted purchase by HISS and the actual purchase by CHAMBERS of the above mentioned property at retrial of this case. It is necessary that this office be supplied with the original of the letter dated Nov. five, thirty five signed by PRISCILLA HISS as well as the agreement of sale entered into between HISS and CHAMBERS and the original of the above mentioned letters signed by Mrs. CHAMBERS and the agreement of sale between CASE and Mrs. CHAMBERS. The Baltimore Office is requested to determine if the requested documents are presently in the possession of EDWARD CASE and if it will be necessary to serve him with a subpoena before obtaining same. If so, subpoena will be sent to him at an early date. Sutel. SCHEIDT."

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For the information of the NY Office, previous data concerning the captioned subject has been furnished in the following communications from the Baltimore Office. Report of SA WILLIAM G. PFEIFFER dated 1/28/49 at Balto., pages 13 - 22; Balto teletype to the Bureau and NY Office dated 2/15/49; Balto. teletype to the Bureau, NY, WFO, and Phila. Offices dated 2/18/49. Since the above communications, the original of the three "CASE Letters" signed by ALGER HISS dated 4/13/36; 4/16/36; and 5/5/36, all addressed "Dear Mr. CASE" have been forwarded by Balto to the NY Office and are presently in possession of the NY Office per the above quoted tel.

It will be noted by review, the cited portions of the rep of SA PFEIFFER reflect that agents of the Balto Office have contacted Mr. EDWARD W. CASE at Westminster, Md. during 1949 and have been advised that Mr. CASE no longer has in his possession any papers or documents pertinent to this situation. Complying with the request made in the above quoted tel from the NY Office dated 11/15/49, SAs EDWARD G. GOUGH and FRANK G. JOHNSTON again contacted Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Balto. Attorney for CHAMBERS, 2500 Mathieson Bldg, Balto., Md. on 11/18/49 to obtain any papers belonging to EDWARD W. CASE which CLEVELAND had in his possession and which pertain to negotiations between CASE and HISS, and between CASE and the CHAMBERS family for the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property.

Mr. CLEVELAND repeated the following history of the custody and disposition of the "CASE Papers" which information has been previously reported in various Balto communications as set out above.

On 8/27/48 Mr. CASE turned over to Mr. DONALD T. APPELL, Investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities what CASE thought was his complete file. Subsequently during the fall of 1948 NICK VEZZANA, a private investigator from NYC, who was then working in CHAMBERS' behalf in connection with the HISS-CHAMBERS libel suit under the employ of the NY Law Firm of CRAVATH, SWAINE, and MOORE, representing "Time, Inc." At the time VEZZANA obtained this correspondence file of CASE from the HQUA, Mr. CLEVELAND stated that he and his assistant, a legal counsel for CHAMBERS, were conducting a private investigation for the purpose of obtaining evidence in connection with the defense of CHAMBERS in the HISS-CHAMBERS Libel Suit. Mr. CLEVELAND mentioned that he had already turned over three letters from this file to agents of the Balto. Office, and three letters from ALGER HISS mentioned supra, and the NY Office acknowledges that these three letters are already in the possession of that office. Mr. CLEVELAND turned over to the agents GOUGH and JOHNSTON the balance of his "CASE File." Agents furnished Mr. CLEVELAND with a receipt for this file.

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but no detailed description of the papers and documents contained therein was made in the receipt. Accordingly, all the papers and documents in this file were examined in the Balto Office and an inventory memo was prepared listing all of the papers and documents obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on this occasion.

A copy of this inventory memo is enclosed with copies of this letter to the Bureau, NY and Washington Field Offices upon the telephonic request 11/19/49 of Supervisor ROBERT GRANVILLE of the NY Office. The entire "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on 11/18/49 is being forwarded to the NY Office via Special Messenger during the weekend of 11/19-20/49 so same may be available when the second trial of ALGER HISS is resumed at NY on 11/21/49.

The following items requested in the NY tel quoted above were found in the "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on 11/18/49:

1. Agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and ALGER HISS.
2. Letter dated 10/30/39 to EDWARD CASE, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
3. Letter dated 6/3/37 (not 7/3/37) to CASE, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
4. Letter dated 11/1/37, addressed to CASE and signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
5. Letter dated 11/16 (not 11/6) 1937 to CASE and signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
6. Agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY and ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS.

The only communication requested which was not obtained was a letter dated 11/5/35 signed by PRISCILLA HISS. The whereabouts of this letter are unknown to the Balto. Office, but it is noted that in the "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND there was found a carbon copy of a typewritten letter apparently addressed by CASE to Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS which apparently was in answer to the 11/5/35 letter of PRISCILLA HISS.

Evidently at the time Mr. CASE turned over all his correspondence to the HCUA Investigator, he overlooked two letters directed by ALGER HISS to him, one a handwritten letter dated 5/13/36 and one a typewritten letter

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dated 5/28/36. The originals of these two letters were at one time in the possession of the Balto Office and were forwarded to the Bureau but returned subsequently to Mr. CASE as reflected in the rep of SA H. EDGAR LENTZ, dated 9/10/48 at Balto., Md. in the case entitled "JAY D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Wa.; ALGER HISS; PERJURY," Balto. file 74-6.

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Mr. CLEVELAND believes that subsequently during the latter part of 1948 representatives of Mr. WILLIAM L. MARBURY obtained these two letters from Mr. CASE. As reflected in the rep of SA PFEIFFER dated 1/28/49 at Balto., Agents of the Balto., Md. Office made a subsequent effort to obtain these two letters from Mr. MARBURY, together with any other CASE letters or correspondence in his possession. On 1/26/48 Mr. MARBURY advised that all such letters had been forwarded by him to Mr. EDWARD G. McLEAN, NY Attorney for ALGER HISS, associated with the law firm of DEBEVOISE, POIMPTON and McLEAN. Photostatic copies of these two letters dated 5/13 and 5/28/36 are presently available in the files of the Bureau as well as in the files of the Washington Field and Balto. Offices.

Mr. CLEVELAND stated that he did not know whether the HCUA had turned over its entire "CASE File" to Mr. VEZZANA but suggested that it might be worthwhile to check with the HCUA in Washington, D.C. if any necessary papers or documents were missing.

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The WFO is requested to check with the HCUA immediately to ascertain if any further correspondence of Mr. EDWARD G. CASE is still in their files or in the possession of any of the committee investigators.

The Balto. Office has also been endeavoring to locate at the request of AUSA MURPHY the 1923 passport of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS for use in connection with the second trial of ALGER HISS. CHAMBERS originally thought that this 1923 passport was in the possession of his Balto. Attorney, Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, but Mr. CLEVELAND denies that he has same in his possession. Mr. CHAMBERS has suggested that the HCUA in Washington, D.C. be contacted to ascertain if they might have this passport in their possession. Such passport in 1923 was evidently issued in the name of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

It is suggested that when the WFO contacts the HCUA in Washington, D.C. to obtain any CASE letters in their possession, they also obtain and forward immediately to the NY Office any passport of CHAMBERS in their possession.

In view of the rather complete file of papers, correspondence and documents which are now available to the NY Office for the assistance of

L/Dr  
Re JAHAM

AUSA THOMAS F. MURPHY in introducing the attempted purchase by HISS and the actual purchase by CHAMBERS of the T. ESTELLE SHAW Property during the retrial of this case, no further efforts will be made by the Balto. Office to obtain additional papers pertaining thereto unless advised to the contrary by the NY Office.

For purposes of any subpoena which may be issued subsequently, it should be noted that MR. EDWARD W. CASE maintains both his office and residence at 211 E. Main St., Westminster, Md., telephone, Westminster 122.

All of the papers and documents enclosed herewith to the NY Office have been appropriately marked for subsequent identification by SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE.

REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.

November 21, 1949

To: SAC, Baltimore

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on November 21, 1949.

Re: JAMES  
Perjury; Espionage - R  
Internal Security - R

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO. 65-1642  
FBI FILE NO. 74-1333  
LAB. NO. D-108071 BU

Examination requested by: Baltimore

Reference: Letter dated 11-18-49

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

Q173 Small sheet of paper bearing typewriting beginning "All details here such as Fathers Date...." ending "... copy by the Sec'y of State ..."

Result of Examination:

It was concluded the typewriter that was used to type Q173 was not used to type Q5, Q6 through Q69 or K746.

Q173 is returned herewith and photographs retained.

- 2 - New York
- 1 - Washington
- 1 - Philadelphia

Enclosure - Registered Mail - Special Delivery

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| REPORT MADE AT<br><b>NEW YORK</b>   | DATE WHEN MADE<br><b>11/4/49</b> | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE<br><b>10/3-31/49</b>                                  | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE</b> |
| TITLE<br><b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; et al;<br/>ALGER HISS</b> |                                  | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>PERJURY; ESPIONAGE-R;<br/>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b> |   |

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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Motion by HISS' attorneys for change in venue from SDNY to Vermont denied by D.J. ALFRED COKE; new trial date set for November 17, 1949. CHAMBERS stated photographs of guest houses; Hillside Lodge, Sandy Hook, Conn. and Blackmans, Newtown, Conn., did not resemble guest houses at which he and HISS resided in Thomaston, Conn. and Peterboro, N.H.; CHAMBERS stated ALGER HISS never used aliases to his knowledge. CHAMBERS acknowledges writing critical review of MALCOLM COWLEY's book; does not recall telephone in 28th St. house of HISS. Specimens obtained from Woodstock typewriter, Serial #N230099. FBI Lab report dated 10/27/49 concluded that typewriter used to prepare said specimens was also used to type Baltimore exhibits 5 through 9, 11 through 47; Government Exhibits 21, 19B, 17, 22 and K740, Stafford McQueen's application; handwritten notes (Government Exhibit 36) prepared by J. KELLOGG SMITH, and used attrial to refresh his memory, submitted to Laboratory for comparison with handwriting of ALGER HISS. FBI Laboratory report of 10/27/49 stated comparison made but definite conclusion could not be reached. WELFORD RAYMOND DAY interviewed in effort to locate EVELYN, who was employed by CHAMBERS as maid in 1937; states he knew a Mrs. EVELYN KING who worked asmaid on Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, Md. in 1937 and she fits description of maid EVELYN. DAY described her employer as married woman with a young child, unable to recall name; unable to identify photograph of CHAMBERS or wife as employer of KING. The individuals "CHARLOTTE" and "JERRY", who CHAMBERS stated

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were associated with him and MAXIM LIEBER in 1935, are believed to be JEROME BARTELS, Brooklyn, NY, and CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF, Mamaroneck, NY. IRMA COHEN, now Mrs. LEONARD GALEN, former wife of MAXIM LIEBER, has no knowledge of "CHARLOTTE" nor was she able to furnish information concerning LIEBER'S activities after 1933, the time of their separation. Mrs. JOSEPH KREUTTNER, Tarrytown, NY, fixes date of various SHEPARD photographs as Christmas holidays of 1937; recalls going to Washington, D.C. several days prior to Christmas, 1937 and thereafter the SHEPARDS went to Capon's Springs, West Virginia. Mrs. MABEL WOODBURY, NYC, recognizes SHEPARD'S photograph; she visited Washington, D.C. regularly during Fall and Winter of 1937 but unable to fix definite date. Review of Socialist Party Literature and Revolutionary Policies Committee by DANNY BELL reflects no reference to PRISCILLA HISS.

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REFERENCES:

Bureau File 74-1333  
Baltimore teletype to New York and Bureau, 10/20/49.  
Bureau letter to Washington Field and New York, 10/26/49.  
Report of SA Robert F.X. O'Keefe, 10/3/49, New York.  
New York teletype to the Bureau, 10/21/49.

DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MOTIONS IN RE. US v. ALGER HISS

On October 10, 1949 EDWARD McLEAN, of the firm Debevoise, Plimton and McLean, attorneys for ALGER HISS, appeared before Judge VINCENT L. LEIBELL and made a motion for a change in venue in the matter of the United States against ALGER HISS from the Southern District of New York to the District of Vermont. McLEAN also in his moving papers requested that the trial date for the case be set two months after the date of its motion. Judge LEIBELL stated that in connection with the motion for a change in venue, he would disqualify

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himself because of the fact that a relative of his was an employee of "Time" magazine and that this relative had seen Mr. CHAMBERS, the principal Government witness, on one or two occasions. JUDGE LEIBELL then directed that the motion in so far as it pertained to a change of venue should be heard by Judge ALFRED COXE. CLAUDE CROSS, a Boston attorney, who replaced LLOYD STRYKER as trial counsel for HISS, also appeared and was heard on the motion. Judge LEIBELL set November 1, 1949 as the tentative date for the trial without prejudice, however, to the HISS attorneys to ask for a further continuance on that date.

On October 14, 1949 Judge ALFRED COXE, who had previously heard the motion for a change in venue, denied the same. Judge COXE held that there was nothing in the motion papers which convinced him that there was so great a prejudice existing in the Southern District of New York as to preclude a fair trial in the District.

On October 31, 1949 the HISS case was called for trial before Judge WILLIAM G. BONDY, Southern District of New York, and on motion of the Defense attorneys, the trial was adjourned until November 17, 1949. Although a longer continuance was desired by CLAUDE CROSS, the Court instructed the Defense that they should be ready to proceed with the trial on the date set.

#### INTERVIEW WITH WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

On October 18, 1949 WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was interviewed at his residence at Westminster, Maryland, by SA Thomas G. Spencer and Assistant United States Attorney Thomas Murphy. At that time he was shown a photograph post card representing Hillside Lodge on Route #6, Sandy Hook, Conn. and also a photograph post card of Blackmans Guest House, Route #6, Newtown, Connecticut. CHAMBERS related that these guest homes did not in any way resemble the guest homes in which he stayed with ALGER HISS and PRISCILLA HISS at Thomston, Connecticut, or Peterboro, New Hampshire.

During this same interview, CHAMBERS was asked whether he could recall ALGER HISS ever using the aliases of CAPTAIN H. T. SMITH, the name of SPENCER ST. CLAIR, or EUEN. CHAMBERS stated that in so far as he knows ALGER HISS never used any aliases whatsoever.

As set forth in the referenced report of SA Robert F. X. O'Keefe dated October 3, 1949 at New York, there appeared an excerpt from a critical review of the book entitled, "The Dry Season", which book was written by MALCOLM COWLEY. The book review appeared in the regular Review Section of the

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"Time" magazine issue dated February 16, 1942. CHAMBERS was exhibited a page from "Time" magazine dated February 16, 1942, which contained the aforesaid criticism. CHAMBERS admitted, after reading the review, that it had been written by himself, after a review of CONLEY's book.

During the same interview on October 18, 1949 both WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and his wife were questioned concerning the telephone that was in the 28th Street house during the six weeks period that Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS resided there. Neither Mr. or Mrs. CHAMBERS was able to recall a telephone in the 28th Street house. However, they could not definitely state that there was not a telephone there. Both felt, however, that if a telephone was located in the house neither could recall having used it nor can they ever recall anyone telephoning them while they were in residence there.

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Re: WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER

In the course of the trial of ALGER HISS, there was introduced into evidence a Woodstock typewriter, Serial #N-230099, which typewriter was alleged by the defense to have been in the possession of the HISS family in the early 1930's. at the conclusion of the trial, on the motion of Assistant United States Attorney Thomas F. Murphy, this typewriter was impounded by the court.

On October 20, 1949, Assistant United States Attorney Thomas F. Murphy secured an order of the court permitting the Government to take specimens from this typewriter.

On October 21, 1949, SA John S. McCool took several specimens from this typewriter. In all, twelve originals and nine carbon copies of specimens were obtained. The majority of these specimens contained the exact text that appears in the Baltimore, Maryland documents. For the purpose of obtaining these specimens, the following "Q" numbers were used: Q6, Q9 through Q21, Q23 through Q26, Q27 through Q29, and Q31.

By letter dated October 21, 1949, these specimens, together with the carbon sheets that were used in securing the specimens, were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for examination. The Laboratory was requested to examine these specimens and to compare them with all the questioned and known documents now in the possession of the Bureau.

It was noted, in obtaining these specimens, that the typewriter itself was in very good condition. No difficulty was experienced in obtaining these specimens and none of the letters appeared to stick or to be impaired to any degree. It was noted, however, that the carriage return bar on this machine was loose which necessitated manually turning the platen in order to type from one line to the next.

By Laboratory report dated October 27, 1949 the Laboratory concluded, after examining the abovementioned specimens, that the typewriter with Serial #N 230099, which was used to type the specimens designated by the Laboratory as K-746, was the typewriter that was used to type the evidence listed as follows:

Q6 through Q69 (Baltimore Exhibits 5 through 9, 11 through 47)  
Letter addressed to Miss HELLINGS, K-35 (Government Exhibit #21)  
Document entitled, "Description of Personal Characteristics of  
TLOTHY HOBSON," K-32 (Government Exhibit 19B).  
Letter addressed to Mr. W. L. HILLEGEIST, K-41 (Government Exhibit  
#17).  
Document entitled, "President's Report for the Year 1936-37," K-249  
(Government Exhibit #22).  
STAFFORD JIMMY McQUEEN's Application for Federal Employment K-740.

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RE: NOTES OF J. KELLOGG SMITH

By letter dated October 25, 1949 there was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory a photograph and the negative of Government Exhibit #36, which had been offered in evidence at the first trial of ALGER HISS. This exhibit consisted of a page of handwritten notes, which notes were used by J. KELLOGG SMITH, a Defense witness, to refresh his memory concerning the occurrences at Chestertown, Maryland during the summer of 1937. It will be recalled that J. KELLOGG SMITH was the Director of Rigs O'Marlow Camp, where TIMMY HOBSON, ALGER HISS' step-son, was attending. J. KELLOGG SMITH had been a personal friend of ALGER HISS for many years and offered testimony favorable to HISS' contention as to the continuous residency at Chestertown during July and August, 1937. The Laboratory was requested to compare the handwriting on the aforesaid Government Exhibit with the known specimens of ALGER HISS' handwriting.

By report dated October 27, 1949 the FBI Laboratory, after examining Government Exhibit #36, which was designated by the Laboratory as Q171, stated that the handwriting appearing on the said specimen had been compared with the known handwriting specimens of ALGER HISS, but a definite conclusion was not reached inasmuch as there were some characteristics in common that could not be explained in the questioned and known writing. The report pointed out that many differences existed in the two sets of specimens.

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INTERVIEW OF WELFORD RAYMOND DAY IN CONNECTION WITH EFFORTS TO LOCATE MAID, EVELYN, EMPLOYED BY CHAMBERS IN 1937.

Baltimore teletype dated October 13, 1949, reflected that RAYMOND DAY had been recalled by DAVID H. MILLMAN as a helper who assisted him on MILLMAN'S produce truck in Baltimore during the late 1930's. One neighborhood in which MILLMAN sold produce at that time was in the vicinity of 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace. MILLMAN remembered that a maid corresponding to the description of the maid named EVELYN had worked for the family who lived at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace at that time and he later identified a photograph of Mrs. CHAMBERS as the person who lived at that address. MILLMAN further remembered that on one occasion while DAY was working for him, DAY said that he had dated the maid who worked for the CHAMBERS family and that the husband of this maid was looking for him because of this.

WELFORD RAYMOND DAY, 859 Jackson Avenue, Apartment 2D, Bronx, New York, was interviewed on October 14 and 19, 1949, at his residence by SA ROY J. BARLOGA. He stated that he has been employed as a driver for the EDEN CAB COMPANY, Bronx, New York for the past three years and that he had lived in Baltimore from 1930 until the Fall of 1937. His father, ALEXANDER DAY, still lives in Baltimore at 1022 Gilmore Street.

DAY stated that he had worked for DAVID H. MILLMAN in Baltimore from 1932 until the Fall of 1937 as a helper on MILLMAN'S produce truck which traveled through the streets and alleys of Baltimore selling produce to housewives. DAY was asked if he recalled having a date with a colored maid in Baltimore whose husband was looking for him afterward and if he recalled telling MILLMAN about this maid. He stated that he did recall telling MILLMAN about this matter and that this maid was a Mrs. KING who, in 1937, was living with her husband in Baltimore on Druid Hill Avenue between Presstman Street and Roberts Street or between Presstman Street and Baker Street. He said that this maid lived in a two-story apartment house on Druid Hill Avenue. She worked at that time as a maid for a white family living in an apartment on the first floor of an apartment house located on a street very close to or bordering Druid Hill Park in Baltimore. DAY at this time claimed that he was unable to recall the first name of this maid or the first name of her husband. He also could not recall the name of the street on which the maid's employer lived and he could not recall the name of the employer.

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recall the name of the employer. He described the employer as a married woman who had a young child and he could not elaborate on this description. He remembered that Mrs. KING frequented colored night clubs and taverns and that her husband was supposed to have operated or worked in a colored night club called KING'S TAVERN located in Catonsville, Maryland, which is located on the outskirts of Baltimore and was well known to colored people in Baltimore. DAY further recalled that Mrs. KING'S husband had a large green automobile which he believed to be a Buick convertible.

DAY was shown photographs of Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS but he stated he could not recall ever having seen these persons before and he could not identify either as having been the employer of Mrs. KING. He stated that he had never seen the husband of the lady who employed Mrs. KING. He claimed that he could not recall that there was such a street as Auchentoroly Terrace in Baltimore. He indicated that he had sold produce both at Mrs. KING'S place of employment and at her place of residence and he had gotten acquainted with her due to her coming to the truck to buy produce. He described Mrs. KING as a colored woman, about 21 years of age in 1937, 5' 6", about 135 pounds, light complexion, long black hair, strong build and attractive appearance.

He stated that he would think about Mrs. KING and would try to remember further details about her and about her husband. Later that day, after the interview had been terminated, DAY telephoned the New York Office and advised Agent BARLOGA that he had given the matter a great deal of thought and that he was now almost positive that the maid's first name was EVELYN, and that her full name was Mrs. EVELYN KING. He recalled that he had one or two dates with her in early 1937 and that he had heard from her afterward that her husband was looking for him about these dates with his wife. He has not seen Mrs. KING since the Fall of 1937 when he left Baltimore. He never knew her very well and had no information concerning her relatives, past employment, or present location.

DAY was then reinterviewed at his residence for further information and he stated that he had never personally met Mrs. KING'S husband. Mrs. KING had stated to DAY that her husband either worked in or operated KING'S TAVERN in Catonsville, Maryland. DAY saw her husband on the street in Baltimore once when the husband was driving a large green car which DAY thought was a Buick convertible. Mrs. KING was with DAY at the time and she pointed to the car, indicating that her husband was driving it and owned it. DAY could not see the husband clearly and he was not able to describe him in any way except that he was a colored man.

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DAY was shown by Agent BARLOGA a street map of the City of Baltimore and was asked to try to point out on the map the location of the apartment house where Mrs. KING was employed as a maid. He studied the map for some time and then pointed out a street bordering on Druid Hill Park, stating that this was the street on which Mrs. KING was employed. The street pointed out by DAY was Auchentoroly Terrace. DAY said that the employer of Mrs. KING lived on that street somewhere near Bryant Avenue on the first floor of a three or four story apartment house which faced Druid Hill Park.

DAY was of the opinion that if he were shown a photograph of Mrs. EVELYN KING, he would be able to identify her. He suggested that DAVID H. MILLMAN, his former employer, be interviewed for information concerning Mrs. EVELYN KING and her location as he felt positive that MILLMAN had been acquainted with Mrs. KING as a customer for produce both at her place of employment and at her residence.

Another person who might be able to assist in locating Mrs. KING was suggested by DAY as a colored boy, whose first name was CLIFTON or CLIFFORD, last name not recalled. CLIFTON had worked with DAY for MILLMAN on the produce truck in Baltimore during 1937 and, according to DAY, he knew Mrs. EVELYN KING as a customer. CLIFTON had lived in Baltimore at that time on Baker Street at the intersection of Calhoun Street behind the house where MILLMAN was living. CLIFTON had lived there with his family and had been living there for a long time so that it was DAY'S opinion that CLIFTON was still residing there.

The information obtained from WELFORD RAYMOND DAY was transmitted to the Bureau and the Baltimore Office by New York teletypes dated October 14 and October 20, 1949. Baltimore was requested to reinterview MILLMAN and to try to locate CLIFTON for information concerning Mrs. KING and her location. Baltimore was also requested to conduct other investigation to locate Mrs. KING in order to determine whether she was identical with the maid, EVELYN, who had worked for Mrs. CHAMBERS, this investigation to be based upon the information obtained from DAY.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JAMES P. MARTIN:

Re: "CHARLOTTE, former secretary of MAXIM LIEBER

Mr. and Mrs. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS were interviewed by SA THOMAS G. SPENCER but could recall no further information that would assist in identifying "CHARLOTTE". Further, both Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS said they could not recall any female accompanying MAXIM LIEBER to the Smithtown Cottage in 1935.

It is noted that when CHAMBERS originally furnished information concerning "CHARLOTTE" he said that "CHARLOTTE", whom he described as a "dirty blonde", was a girl friend and secretary of MAXIM LIEBER. Further, he said that in 1935, on the instructions of unknown subject "BILL", he attempted to organize a courier service on vessels going to England. J. PETERS tried to find individuals to act in this capacity but was unsuccessful; however, one courier was found. His first name was "JERRY" and he was a brother of the above mentioned "CHARLOTTE". "JERRY", according to CHAMBERS, had been an engineering student at City College of New York but gave up his studies after agreeing to act as a courier, and went to sea. Both "CHARLOTTE" and "JERRY" were Communist Party members. "JERRY" went so far as to secure maps of London and with CHAMBERS plotted out possible future meeting places and the conveyances to be used in going to and coming from such meetings. "JERRY" was making trips between New York and Southampton while working on a ship when CHAMBERS ceased to see him.

CHAMBERS said that "JERRY", to his knowledge, never actually worked as a courier nor did "JERRY" know the exact nature of his proposed functions beyond the fact that it was in connection with Communist matters and strict secrecy was involved. CHAMBERS said that "JERRY'S" sister, CHARLOTTE, was cognizant of this plan, as was MAXIM LIEBER.

The Boston Office by referenced teletype of October 13, 1949 transmitted the information that Mrs. ELIZABETH PERKINS, residing 2 Prospect Street, South Dartmouth, Massachusetts, on reinterview, had advised that the last name of "CHARLOTTE" might be BARTEL (phonetic).

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Information indicating possible identity of "JERRY"  
as JEROME BARTELS and "CHARLOTTE" as Mrs. CHARLOTTE  
BARTELS SMIRNOFF

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, in 1943 furnished the following information concerning JEROME BARTELS:

JEROME BARTELS was born March 1, 1913 at New York City and received a Bachelor of Science degree from City College of New York in June, 1934. He then became a fireman oiler on various merchant vessels. T-1 said that in 1943 JEROME BARTELS was residing at 99 North Portland Avenue, in the Fort Greene Housing Project, New York City, and advised that the only reading matter in the apartment of JEROME BARTELS at that time, in addition to a few engineering texts, was extensive Communist folders and literature as well as most of the late issues of the "Daily Worker", the East Coast Communist publication. This informant said that JEROME BARTELS denied any connection with the Communist Party. Further, this informant said that BARTELS had once given as a reference the name of BORIS SMIRNOFF, 44 Hamilton Place, New York City.

EMIL BERGMAN, Assistant Manager, Fort Greene Housing Project, Brooklyn, New York, advised the records of this Housing Project reflected the following information concerning JEROME BARTELS:

This person has been living at 99 North Portland Avenue since May, 1942. Prior to that he resided at 501 West 143rd Street, New York City. He was born March 1, 1913 in the United States. His father and mother were ABRAHAM and ANNA BARTELS, who were residing in August, 1942 at 525 West 151st Street, New York City. He furnished the name of his sister as Mrs. CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF and her residence in August, 1942 as 94 Hamilton Place, New York City.

BARTELS was employed from April 14, 1941 to July 30, 1946 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard as a Junior Mechanical Engineer. He indicated that he was employed from that date until August 31, 1948 on the faculty of the College of Engineering, New York University, and has indicated that he has been employed since then as Assistant Professor of

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Mechanical Engineering at Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

The records of New York University, School of Engineering, reflect the above mentioned employment of JEROME BARTELS on the faculty of that school. These records reflect that JEROME BARTELS has secured the following degrees: Bachelor of Science, 1934, C.C.N.Y.; Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, 1946, C.C.N.Y.; Master of Mechanical Engineering, June, 1948, New York University.

JEROME BARTELS furnished this school with the following information:

Education: 1930-1934 - C.C.N.Y.  
1934-1935 - School of Education, C.C.N.Y.  
"About  $\frac{1}{2}$  the work toward  
M.A. in Education".  
1940-1946 - School of Tech. (Eve,) C.C.NY

BARTELS added the following to the above information:

From December 1935 to April 1940 he was employed on various vessels of the merchant marine. In connection with his pedagogical training he taught a college science class for a semester as a student teacher, during fall term of 1934.

It was ascertained that there is no such address as 44 Hamilton Place, and at 94 Hamilton Place, New York City, CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF was not known.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that a BORIS T. SMIRNOFF had received electric service at 94 Hamilton Place, from September 25, 1939 until October 13, 1944 at which time electric service was requested in the name of this individual at 369 Old Mamaroneck Road, White Plains, New York. According to this informant, this individual is still receiving electric service at the latter address.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York contained no information on JEROME BARTELS, CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF, or BORIS T. SMIRNOFF.

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The records of the Election Records Bureau of New York City contained the following information concerning the registration of CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF, BORIS T. SMIRNOFF and JEROME BARTELS.

In 1943, 1942, 1941 and 1940, both CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF and BORIS T. SMIRNOFF registered American Labor Party, all from the address 94 Hamilton Place, New York City. In 1940, when registering, CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF indicated that she was employed as a stenographer with the Children's Aid Society, 152 East 45th Street, New York City and further indicated that she had previously registered in 1938 from the address 850 Longwood Avenue, Bronx, New York City.

In 1938, CHARLOTTE BARTELS registered American Labor Party, from the address 850 Longwood Avenue, Bronx, New York City. At that time, CHARLOTTE BARTELS indicated she was single, age twenty one, native born and gave no employment.

In 1934, JEROME BARTELS of 908 Freeman Street, Bronx, New York City, (son of ABRAHAM and ANNA BARTELS, of same address) registered but left his Party affiliation blank. He indicated he was 21 years old, and a student.

At White Plains, New York

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent NORMAN PHILCOX:

The Lands Book, in the Westchester County Clerk's Office, Lands Division, reflected that BORIS T. SMIRNOFF purchased a house at 369 Old Mamaroneck Road, White Plains on November 1, 1944 and still owns same. Further, that this BORIS T. SMIRNOFF formerly lived at 94 Hamilton Place, New York City.

There was no record concerning BORIS T. SMIRNOFF at the Westchester Credit Bureau or at the White Plains, New York Police Department.

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Mrs. CHARLES D. STORX, 367 Old Mamaroneck Road, advised that BORIS T. SMIRNOFF and his wife, CHARLOTTE, and their three children reside next door to her at 369 Old Mamaroneck Road. She said that BORIS T. SMIRNOFF is employed as an engineer at the Brussels Sewing Machine Company in New York City. She advised that CHARLOTTE SMIRNOFF was of average height, about thirty to thirty-five years of age and had hair which she would describe as "dirty blonde". She knew nothing of any subversive sympathies or activities on the part of the SMIRNOFFS.

The records of the Election Records Bureau of Westchester County reflected no record of the registration of BORIS or CHARLOTTE SMIRNOFF from 1944 to the present.

Re CATLETT Family

SAMANTHA HOWARD ROULHAC, wife of GEORGE NORMAN ROULHAC, . . . 1226 Boston Road, New York City, on interview by Special Agents ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE and JAMES P. MARTIN, advised she had not known, or known of CLAUDIE CATLETT or her family until about two years ago. She said she had met PERRY CATLETT in Washington, D. C. about two years ago and had never met any of the other members of CLAUDIE CATLETT'S family. She knew nothing about her husband's connection with the CATLETT family or about the securing of the Woodstock typewriter by the CATLETT family.

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MAXIN LIEBER, "CHARLOTTE",  
AND MRS. LEONARD GALEN,  
(FORMER WIFE OF MAXIN LIEBER)

Reference is made to Washington Field Office teletype dated September 19, 1949, which advised in substance that LOU RUSSELL, Chief Investigator for the House Committee On Un-American Activities, was apparently in possession of information from NICHOLAS S. VAZZANA, 103 Park Avenue, New York City, indicating that IRMA COHEN, the divorced wife of MAXIN LIEBER, was with PRISCILLA HISS and ESTHER CHAMBERS at a farm in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, during the pertinent period. The teletype further stated that MAXIN LIEBER is alleged to have married IRMA COHEN in 1924 and was divorced from her in 1932; that IRMA COHEN was born in New York City on April 10, 1905 and is the daughter of EMANUEL C. COHEN, who resides or has offices at 1295 Madison Avenue, New York City.

On September 21, 1949, Special Agent THOMAS G. SPENCER interviewed VAZZANA, who it will be recalled was one of the investigators employed by the law firm of CRAVATH, SWAINE and MOORE, who represented CHAMBERS during the latter part of 1948 on behalf of "Time, Inc.". VAZZANA stated that he made this information available to the House Committee on Un-American Activities and that the farm in Bucks County to which he had reference, was the summer cottage which had been rented in 1935 by MAXIN LIEBER and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He related that he was quite positive that his information was to the effect that in 1935, LIEBER'S wife had been at the CHAMBERS-LIEBER summer cottage in Smithtown, Pennsylvania, and had seen PRISCILLA HISS there and possibly ALGER HISS. In view of the fact that CHAMBERS has related to agents of this office that LIEBER was not married in 1935 and further by the fact that in 1936, LIEBER had allowed the CHAMBERS family to use his farm in New Hope, Pennsylvania, and subsequently brought his "new wife" to live with the CHAMBERS for a short period of time, VAZZANA was questioned as to these facts. He related that he was unaware of how many wives LIEBER had, or the dates on which he was divorced from any of these women, but he was quite sure of the information he had concerning the summer residence at Smithtown.

VAZZANA also stated that he had several photographs of the instant cottage at Smithtown which were taken in 1939, and would make these photographs available to this office in the event they were needed. In connection with VAZZANA'S reference to IRMA COHEN, the divorced wife of MAXIN LIEBER, it will be recalled that IRMA COHEN, whose present name is Mrs. LEONARD GALEN, was previously

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interviewed by an agent of this office on February 7, 1949, to determine whether she knew WHITTAKER CHAMBERS or ALGER or FRISCILLA HISS. At that time Mrs. GALEN stated that she was completely separated from MAXIN LIEBER by 1933 and had nothing to do with him from then on. Further, that she was never in Pennsylvania with him after 1933 and did not know the CHAMBERS or the HISSSES. The results of this interview were set forth in the report of Special Agent ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE dated February 29, 1949 at New York, Page 11. In view of the fact that the possibility existed that LIEBER may have brought "CHARLOTTE" to the summer cottage at Smithtown, and that he might have passed this woman off as his lawfully wedded wife, and in view of CHAMBERS' statement that LIEBER brought his "new wife" to New Hope, Pennsylvania in 1936, Mrs. LEONARD GALEN was reinterviewed by Special Agent JOHN J. DANAHY.

Mrs. GALEN advised that she was divorced from MAXIN LIEBER in April of 1933; further, that she has seen him on only ten or twelve occasions since then and on all of these occasions in a very casual way. She stated that she has no knowledge whatsoever of the identity of CHARLOTTE, and from her casual meetings with MAXIN LIEBER since her divorce from him, to the best of her knowledge the only wife which he has had since her divorce from him, is his present wife, whose first name she believes is MINNA, and concerning whom she could offer no further information. She further advised that she has no idea when LIEBER married his present wife. She stated that insofar as LIEBER'S activities since her divorce from him were concerned, or in particular the identity of any individuals, women or otherwise, with whom he might have associated either in New York or Pennsylvania, that she would be unable to furnish any information whatsoever concerning them.

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IDENTIFICATION AND ATTEMPTED DATING OF  
PHOTOGRAPHS SUPPLIED BY ERNEST S. SHEPARD

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent FRANCIS J. DUANE, dated October 10, 1949, at Washington, D. C., wherein a group of photographs prepared from negatives supplied by Mr. ERNEST S. SHEPARD, was forwarded to this office for the purpose of identifying and determining the date when the exposures, depicted in these photographs, were made.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JOHN J. DANAHY and JOSEPH M. KELLY at Tarrytown, New York:

Mrs. JOSEPH KREUTTNER, 500 Bellwood Avenue, Philipse Manor, Tarrytown, New York, was interviewed and prints furnished in the referenced report and numbered 563 through 573 and 616, 617 and 621 through 624 exhibited to Mrs. KREUTTNER. With relation to the time when these photographs were taken of Mrs. KREUTTNER, her son and her husband, she advised that all of these photographs were taken during the Christmas holidays of 1937. It was Mrs. KREUTTNER'S recollection that she, her husband and her son, went to Washington, D. C. several days prior to Christmas to visit her mother and during this period she and her family stayed at the home of ERNEST and LOUISE SHEPARD, Mrs. KREUTTNER stated that LOUISE SHEPARD is her sister. Mrs. KREUTTNER further recalled that it was her recollection that she and her husband and their child went to Washington several days prior to Christmas Day and that they stayed several days with the SHEPARDS at the latter's apartment, after which time the SHEPARDS left for Capon, West Virginia. The KREUTTNER'S remained at the SHEPARDS' apartment for the duration of the holidays. At a later date, probably just prior to New Year's, the SHEPARDS returned to their apartment and other photographs were probably taken.

Mrs. KREUTTNER produced her son JOHN'S baby book and exhibited to the interviewing agents, a notation therein under the heading, "Trips". This notation read, "Washington, D. C. December, 1937. Christmas with grandmother. Stayed with Aunt Louise" (Shepard). It was Mrs. KREUTTNER'S recollection that she and her family stayed at Washington for a period of approximately ten days. Mrs. KREUTTNER searched for and located a photograph album containing copies of the photographs exhibited to her; however, these photographs were dated merely "1937".

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During the course of the interview, Mrs. KREUTTNER made several efforts to locate her husband who was at work, and eventually received a call from him. After discussing the problem with her husband, she stated that he further refreshed her recollection of the events to the extent that she now recalled that they actually did go to Washington several days prior to Christmas time; that the SHEPARDS definitely went to Capon, West Virginia several days later, ~~that~~ the KREUTTNER'S had dinner on Christmas Day in a Washington restaurant with Mrs. KREUTTNER'S mother. Further, that a day or so after Christmas Day, Mr. KREUTTNER journeyed South on a business trip and upon his return on or about New Year's Day, picked up his wife and son in Washington and they all returned to New York City.

Mrs. KREUTTNER stated that she was unable to fix the exact date that any of the photographs were taken, other than to state that they were taken during the period extending probably from December 20th to the 31st, 1937. With reference to the suitcase which appeared in photographs #564 and 565, Mrs. KREUTTNER advised that this piece of luggage was owned by her husband.

Mrs. KREUTTNER stated that she would be able to definitely identify the year of this visit to Washington, because of a specific incident which occurred in the course of their visit. She stated that she recalls that Christmas Day of 1937, was the day of the death of NEWTON BAKER, former Secretary of War. She stated that on the day of BAKER'S death she had occasion to visit the home of his brother and saw the latter's wife, who advised her of the death of NEWTON BAKER.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent FRANCIS J. DUANE, dated October 10, 1949 at Washington, D. C., which forwarded to this office, copies of photographs #550 and 551 of the group secured from Mr. ERNEST S. SHEPARD requesting that these two photographs be exhibited to Mrs. MABEL WOODBURY. Mrs. MABEL WOODBURY, 330 East 43rd Street, New York City, a commercial artist, was interviewed in her apartment by Special Agent JOHN J. DANAHY, and photographs #550 and 551 exhibited to her. Mrs. WOODBURY recognized the photographs immediately and identified the portion of a coat appearing in both of these photographs as the winter overcoat which she wore in the year 1937.

With relation to the possible fixing of an accurate date as to when these photographs were taken, Mrs. WOODBURY stated she visited her brother CHARLES WELPLEY, in Washington, D. C. quite frequently during the period of the ~~Fall and Winter of~~ 1937. She stated that she visited him approximately once a month, generally for a period of several days and stated that these visits were generally occasioned by difficulty she was having with her husband, CHARLES WOODBURY, who was drinking heavily at that time.

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She viewed the photographs displayed to her with great care, but was unable to recall the particular visit or date thereof, when the photographs were taken. She further advised that she knew nothing of the history of the marionette which is being held by her niece, JANET WELPLEY, in both of these photographs. She stated that she never received copies of these prints and that as a matter of fact, had even forgotten that the photographs had been taken by Mr. SHEPARD, who is a friend of her brother's for many years. In an effort to fix definitely the dates of her visits to her brother in the Fall and Winter of 1937, Mrs. WOODBURY made a concerted but unsuccessful effort to locate a diary which she is certain that she kept for that period. Mrs. WOODBURY searched her apartment without avail for a period of about an hour, but she was unable to locate the diary. She advised the interviewing agent that she would continue her efforts to locate this diary in the event that it might be of some use, and should it be located, she will immediately notify the interviewing agent.

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PRISCILLA HISSAlleged Activity in the Revolutionary Policy  
Committee of the Socialist Party

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE, dated October 3, 1949 at New York in captioned matter, wherein information concerning PRISCILLA HISS' alleged membership in the Morningside Heights Branch of the Socialist Party is set forth, and in particular that portion thereof wherein JACK ALTMAN of the United Retail and Department Stores Union, advised that he believed that PRISCILLA HISS had been active in the Revolutionary Policy Committee and that she may have appeared as a sponsor of this group on one or more pamphlets published by the committee.

It will be recalled that ALTMAN advised at that time that he had delivered all of his literature pertaining to the Socialist Party and the Revolutionary Policy Committee to DANNY BELL of "Fortune Magazine", who is preparing an article on the Socialist Party.

On September 27, 1949, DANNY BELL was contacted by the writer and questioned concerning any literature pertaining to the Revolutionary Policy Committee which he might have in his possession. BELL advised that he had considerable literature pertaining to this organization and to the Socialist Party, and he was asked whether or not the name of PRISCILLA HISS appeared therein. BELL advised that he was engaged in quite a tremendous project in reviewing and sorting this literature for the purpose of preparing his article for the magazine and that he would not complete his review and indexing of this bulky literature for several weeks. He stated that at such time he would be in a position to advise whether PRISCILLA HISS' name was mentioned therein.

On October 26, 1949, BELL was recontacted by the writer, at which time he advised that he had made a studied review of all of the Socialist Party literature, and that of the Revolutionary Policy Committee in particular in his possession and had found no reference whatsoever to PRISCILLA HISS, either under her present name or that of PRISCILLA FANSLER or PRISCILLA HOBSON.

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In an effort to contact former members and counsellors at Camp Rigs O'Marlow, Miss GRETA SCHUYLER was located through the records of City and Country School, New York City. She is now Mrs. ROBERT HABERMAN, 5 Stanton Street, New York City. Mrs. HABERMAN stated that her last year at Rigs O'Marlow was 1934, and as a consequence, she could give no information concerning the events that took place there in 1937.

RICHARD PAUL, 22 Irving Place, New York City, was contacted in an effort to locate ALMA OTLAY, a former member of Rigs O'Marlow. PAUL advised that he never heard of an ALMA OTLAY and that although he, himself, had been a camper at Rigs O'Marlow, he was not there during 1937, and as a result could furnish no information concerning that period.

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On October 4, 1949, Inspector FRANK TRACEY of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York City, advised Special Agent Robert F. X. O'Keefe that he was in contact with an individual who was a seaman with the National Maritime Union and a former Communist Party member. This individual has stated he possessed information concerning ALGER HISS.

On October 5, 1949, Inspector TRACEY appeared at the New York Office with FREMONT BUESTETON of 7 James Street, telephone number AL 5-4264. A personal interview of BUESTETON was conducted by SA Francis J. Gallant and it was ascertained that he was acquainted with a WILLIAM C. THAMEN whom he first met in about 1940 or 1941 at the Beclilli Restaurant and Bar on Creston Street, Baltimore, Maryland. BUESTETON mentioned that he has become quite friendly with THAMEN in the course of his visits to the above restaurant and bar. He stated that THAMEN was formerly a dentist and is presently the operator of a novelty shop called the "Gift Fair" located at 219 West Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

BUESTETON stated that about two months ago, during the latter part of the HISS trial, he was in Baltimore and met his friend THAMEN. He said that THAMEN, who was acquainted with the fact that he was a former Communist, chided him about it and this developed into a discussion of the HISS trial. THAMEN mentioned to him that he was a former schoolmate of ALGER HISS and was a personal friend of HISS. He recalled that THAMEN stated that HISS had attempted to recruit him for the Communist Party several years ago in Baltimore, or that HISS had attempted to take THAMEN to a Communist Party meeting in Baltimore. On this particular point he was not sure which of the above statements were made by THAMEN, but is positive it is one or the other.

Concerning THAMEN, BUESTETON believed that he is sympathetic with HISS' predicament in view of the fact that he stated that the government was making a mountain out of a molehill, in referring to the HISS trial; however, he did not believe THAMEN was sympathetic with the Communist Party. He stated that THAMEN is approximately forty-five years of age, and, for the past twenty years, has resided with a male friend whose first name is HERBERT. The latter is described by BUESTETON

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as being anti-Communist. He believed that HERBERT, mentioned above, is employed as a window dresser at the Isaac Bamberger Clothing Store in Baltimore. BUESTETON advised that THAMEN indicated that he was acquainted with various close friends of ALGER HISS.

Concerning BUESTETON, he advised that he was born at Rochelle, Illinois, September 30, 1913, and was educated at the Rochelle Township High School. About 1931 or 1932, he left home intent upon going to sea and went to Texas where he was unsuccessful in obtaining employment as a seaman. He later went to California after having worked at odd jobs in Texas, and, while in California, he obtained employment on a coastwise oil boat. He first became a card-carrying member of the Communist Party Waterfront Section in Baltimore in about 1943, at which time he stated it was a requirement in the National Maritime Union before being granted permission to go to sea. He also stated that he was a member of the Waterfront Section of the Communist Party in San Francisco and Philadelphia. He did not recall the identity of the individual who sponsored him for the Communist Party and indicated that he was not very well acquainted with Communist Party procedures. However, he claims to have attended indoctrination lectures concerning Marxist theory. He stated that he engaged very little in the activities of the Communist Party in view of the fact that he was sailing on various ships out of the three above-mentioned ports. He broke from the Communist Party in 1945, at the time of the ouster of EARL BROWDER from the leadership of the Party.

A teletype was directed to the Baltimore Office setting forth the above information for investigation concerning the above allegations and the interview of THAMEN concerning his statements for whatever information he may have in his possession concerning ALGER HISS and his Communist associations.

The Baltimore Division advised by teletype October 20, 1949 that WILLIAM C. THAMEN was interviewed and denied any knowledge of or personal acquaintance with ALGER HISS. He denied all of the above allegations made by BUESTETON. This was confirmed by HERBERT WEYRICH, THAMEN'S roommate. THAMEN denied ever making statements, alleged to him by BUESTETON, to anyone even in jest.

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Assistant United States Attorney Thomas F. Murphy, Southern District of New York turned over to the FBI a letter which he said he obtained from JOSEPH C. KENNY who was a former Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York and who is the son-in-law of Judge MURRAY HULBERT of the Southern District of New York.

Mr. KENNY advised that he received the following letter from STEPHEN B. GIBBONS, 15 West 58th Street, New York City, which letter was dated September 16, 1949. This letter reads as follows:

"Dear Joe: If Mr. MURPHY will have a D J Agent visit Mr. REGINALD KAUFFMAN at Rocky Top, Sebasco Estates, Maine, telephone Phippsburg 14-N, Ring four, Mr. KAUFFMAN will see that the information is made available. Rocky Top, Sebasco Estates is near Bath, Maine. Mr. KAUFFMAN is a novelist. This, of course, can be confirmed by a telephone call to Scribner's, Doubleday, or some equally well known publisher. A Mr. SEWALL, who Commissioner ANSLINGER states lives adjacent to Mr. KAUFFMAN, is another individual to whom the statement was made. The Commissioner, as I understand it, knows both of these gentlemen, but he is better acquainted with Mr. KAUFFMAN than Mr. SEWALL. Commissioner ANSLINGER states that Mrs. HISS stated to both SEWALL and KAUFFMAN, on more than one occasion, that she was a member of the Communist Party. If you want any additional information, do not hesitate to call on me. Sincerely, STEVE".

Mr. STEPHEN B. GIBBONS was interviewed on October 17, 1949, and he advised that he had no further information with regard to the related matter other than the information that appeared in the letter which he sent to Mr. KENNY. Mr. GIBBONS did state that he had been formerly an assistant secretary of the Treasury, and in this capacity, he had personally come in contact with ALGER HISS. He advised that he had no personal knowledge of the HISS family connection with any left wing or Communist groups, but he stated that he personally disliked ALGER HISS as he considered him a suave individual whom he, personally, could never trust. He did advise that he probably was prejudiced against HISS because of his political connections.

Reference is made to the information set forth in the letter of JOSEPH C. KENNY to Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY, Leads have previously been set forth by teletype for the Boston and Washington Field Offices to conduct appropriate interviews.

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On October 15, 1949, Assistant United States Attorney Thomas F. Murphy was in receipt of a letter from STEPHAN T. SERGHIESCO, Lecturer in Mathematics, Columbia Univeristy, 417 West 120th Street, New York City. In this letter, SERGHIESCO suggested that he had information which might be of value in the pending investigation concerning ALGER HISS. Accordingly, he was interviewed at his residence on October 18, 1949.

SERGHIESCO offered that in 1930 he had been invited to spend the summer at Camp Yaddo, Saratoga Springs, New York. He arrived there probably in June, and it was to the best of his recollection that at this time he was introduced to ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He was most certain that it was ALGER HISS because on the first evening there, he had entered into a discussion concerning the Russian Political System. The Russian side was taken by ALGER HISS, and he took the opposing side. SERGHIESCO distinctly remembered someone in the audience passing the remark, "So it's the University of Harvard against the University of Sorbonne". SERGHIESCO explained that he was a graduate of Sorbonne. He added that, in his opinion, the group up here was a definitely left wing group, and as a result, instead of staying for two months, he concluded his vacation within about two weeks. He further recollected that ALGER HISS, at the time, was driving a Ford convertible. He remembers this because the HISS car was parked next to his own at the camp's garage.

At this time, SERGHIESCO offered a photograph taken during the above period, and according to him, the only persons in the photograph that he could remember were himself, ALGER HISS, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PRISCILLA HISS, and NATHAN LLVINE. He could not identify or recall any of the other persons in the photograph.

From personal observation of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, it was quite apparent to the writer that the persons designated by SERGHIESCO were not identical with the persons involved in this case. Further, from observation during the interview, it was quite apparent that SERGHIESCO is greatly concerned with world conditions, and this concern appears to have caused such great mental stress that little credence should be given to his statements. As a consequence, no further investigation is being considered along this line.

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LEADS

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Will, in conjunction with the New York Office, perfect arrangements whereby EDITH MURRAY, former maid of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, might have the opportunity of viewing PRISCILLA HISS prior to the retrial of this case in order that she might make a positive identification of her. (See New York letter to Director and Baltimore 10/17/49 and Baltimore letter to the Director, 10/21/49).

Will re-interview DAVID MILLMAN for additional information leading to the identification of EVELYN, having in mind the interview set forth herein of WELFORD DAY.

Will also attempt to locate the individual CLIFTON, mentioned in the interview of WELFORD DAY and interview him for information concerning Mrs. KING.

NEWARK

AT MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

Will interview JOSEPHINE FREY HERBST, who was reported to be a friend of MAXIM LIEBER, 47 Fullerton Avenue, Montclair, N.J., for possible information concerning LIEBER'S employees and girlfriends during the period of 1935. She should be specifically questioned concerning Mrs. MOLLY WEISS, who was a friend of LIEBER's, for information to assist in identifying and locating WEISS. (See New York teletype to Bureau and Newark, 11/1/49)

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will continue to develop and report information on the various phases of the present case on which specific leads have heretofore been set forth by letter from New York to the Director and Washington Field.

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Will confidentially determine the present whereabouts of H. C. EATON,  
CDR (M.C., USNR), Chief of the Neuro-Psychiatric Service. (See New York letter  
to the Director and Washington Field, 10/27/49)

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NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will report the results of the trial of ALGER HISS, which is  
scheduled for November 17, 1949 in the Southern District of New York.

Will interview CHARLOTTE BARTELS SMIRNOFF, 369 Old Mamaroneck Road,  
Mamaroneck, New York.

Will interview JEROME BARTELS, 99 North Portland Avenue, Brooklyn,  
New York.

Will re-interview FREMONT BUESTETON, 7 Jane Street, New York City,  
for further information concerning his allegations as to HISS' Communist Party  
activities.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA  
ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE dated November 4, 1949, at New York are as follows:

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BETWEEN EDWARD W. CASE, ACTING AGENT FOR MRS. DAISY A. SHIRKY AND ESTHER CHAMBERS, WIFE OF JAY CHAMBERS. AUSA T. F. MURPHY HAS INDICATED HE WILL ATTEMPT TO INTRODUCE THE ATTEMPTED PURCHASE BY HISS AND THE ACTUAL PURCHASE BY CHAMBERS OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED PROPERTY AT RETRIAL OF THIS CASE. IT IS NECESSARY THAT THIS OFFICE <sup>BE</sup> BY SUPPLIED WITH THE ORIGINAL OF THE LETTER DATED NOV. FIVE, THIRTY FIVE SIGNED BY PRISCILLA HISS AS WELL AS THE AGREEMENT OF SALE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN HISS AND CHAMBERS AND THE ORIGINAL OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED LETTERS SIGNED BY MRS. CHAMBERS AND THE AGREEMENT OF SALE BETWEEN CASE AND MRS. CHAMBERS. THE BALTIMORE OFFICE IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE IF THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS ARE PRESENTLY IN THE POSSESSION OF EDWARD CASE AND IF IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SERVE HIM WITH A SUBPOENA BEFORE OBTAINING SAME. IF SO, SUBPOENA WILL BE SENT TO HIM AT AN EARLY DATE. SUTEL.

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AT OUTSET, AUSA MURPHY MOVED TO HAVE EXCLUDED FROM COURT ROOM ALL WITNESSES WHO PROPOSED TO TESTIFY FOR EITHER GOVERNMENT OR DEFENSE. MOTION WAS GRANTED WITH EXCEPTION MADE FOR PRISCILLA HISS, WHO WAS ALLOWED TO REMAIN. NO INDIVIDUALS WERE OBSERVED TO LEAVE THE COURT ROOM AS A RESULT OF THIS RULING. FIRST GOVERNMENT WITNESS WAS ADPLAIDE E. LOWE, SECRETARY OF OJ, WHICH RETURNED HISS INDICTMENT. SHE TESTIFIED THAT ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT, AND FOR A PERIOD PRIOR THERETO, SHE WAS SECRETARY OF THIS OJ AND RECALLED THAT HISS APPEARED AS A WITNESS ABOUT SEVEN OR EIGHT TIMES; THAT THIS OJ WAS INVESTIGATING ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF ESPIONAGE LAWS AND THAT HISS APPEARED BEFORE THIS OJ ON TWO OCCASIONS ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT. SHE IDENTIFIED HISS AND STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN SWORN AS A WITNESS WHEN HE FIRST APPEARED. RE HISS' TESTIMONY ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, SHE STATED THAT IT WAS HER BELIEF THAT HE HAD SENT WORD THAT HE HAD A STATEMENT TO MAKE TO THE OJ; THAT IT WAS AGREABLE TO THE OJ THAT HE APPEAR; AND THAT HE SUBSEQUENTLY DID SO. ON CROSS EXAMINATION BY CLAUDE B. CROSS, SHE STATED THAT SHE BELIEVED THE OJ WAS EMPANAELED ON JUNE FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN, BUT THAT SHE COULD NOT RECALL WHETHER OR NOT ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST SHE WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE FACT

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THAT THIS WAS THE LAST DAY THAT THE GJ COULD LEGALLY SIT. SHE STATED THAT HER BEST RECOLLECTION WAS THAT HISS FIRST APPEARED BEFORE THE GJ IN MARCH OR APRIL, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT, BUT THAT SHE COULD DEFINITELY OBTAIN SAME FROM A RECORD WHICH SHE MAINTAINED FOR THE GJ. FURTHER THAT HISS APPEARED BEFORE THE GJ SEVERAL DAYS IN DECEMBER, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT AND THAT IT WAS HER RECOLLECTION THAT THE QUESTIONS ASKED OF HISS ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST WERE SUBSTANTIALLY THOSE PREVIOUSLY ASKED OF HIM AND THAT RESPONSES GIVEN TO THE QUESTIONS ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST WERE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME AS THE RESPONSES GIVEN BY HIM TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS. SHE STATED THAT THESE QUESTIONS HAD BEEN ASKED OF HISS ON SEVERAL PRIOR OCCASIONS AND THAT HISS ON ALL PREVIOUS OCCASIONS HAD DECLARED TO THE GJ THAT HE HAD NEVER TRANSMITTED DOCUMENTS TO CHAMBERS. AT THIS POINT, IT WAS STIPULATED BY GOVERNMENT AND DEFENSE THAT THE ACCURATE DATE OF HISS' FIRST APPEARANCE BEFORE GJ WAS MARCH SIXTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT, AND THAT THE DATES OF HIS SUBSEQUENT APPEARANCES WERE DECEMBER SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN, ELEVEN, THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN, AND FIFTEEN LAST. MRS. LOWE STATED SHE COULD NOT RECALL THE TIME THAT HISS LEFT THE GJ ROOM ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST, BUT THAT SHE RECALLED THAT THE GJ WAS DISCHARGED ABOUT FIVE PM ON THAT DATE. ON REDIRECT, SHE STATED THAT THE GJ HAD SAT FOR LONG HOURS DAILY FROM ABOUT TEN AM TO FIVE OR FIVE THIRTY PM, EVEN ON SATURDAYS. SECOND GOVERNMENT WITNESS WAS LOUIS BENSON, GJ STENO, WHO IDENTIFIED A PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF A

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PORTION OF THE TESTIMONY OF HISS GIVEN ON AM OF DECEMBER FIFTEEN, WHICH PORTION EMBODIES SOME OF THOSE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS CONSTITUTING PART OF THE INDICTMENT. THIS PHOTOSTAT WAS OFFERED AND RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE. BENSON FURTHER STATED THAT HISS WAS SWORN WHEN HE FIRST APPEARED ON DECEMBER SIX LAST AND READ THE OATH ADMINISTERED TO HIM. HE TESTIFIED TO THE DATES WHEN HISS HAD PREVIOUSLY APPEARED ON WHICH HE HAD TAKEN TESTIMONY AND STATED THAT IT WAS HIS RECOLLECTION THAT ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS HISS HAD BEEN ASKED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME QUESTIONS AS THOSE ASKED ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST AND HAD GIVEN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME ANSWERS. HE STATED THAT HIS RECOLLECTION WAS THAT THE GJ WAS DISCHARGED LATE IN THE AFTERNOON ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN. THE THIRD WITNESS, BEN DE BUFF, ANOTHER GJ STENO, TESTIFIED THAT ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST HE TOOK TESTIMONY OF HISS AT ABOUT TWELVE NOON OR ONE PM AND IDENTIFIED AN A PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF A PORTION OF THE GJ TRANSCRIPT AS BEING/ACCURATE TRANSCRIPTION OF THE NOTES WHICH HE TOOK ON QUESTIONS ASKED OF HISS AND ANSWERS GIVEN BY HIM, WHICH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ARE LIKEWISE EMBODIED IN THE INDICTMENT. THIS PHOTOSTAT WAS RECEIVED IN EVIDENCE AND WAS READ TO THE JURY BY AUSA MURPHY. ON CROSS EXAMINATION, DE BUFF STATED THAT THE ONLY PREVIOUS OCCASIONS WHEN HE TOOK TESTIMONY OF HISS WAS ON DECEMBER TEN AND FOURTEEN LAST AND THAT ON THESE OCCASIONS HISS HAD BEEN ASKED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME QUESTIONS AS THOSE ASKED ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN AND HAD GIVEN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME ANSWERS. HE WAS

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UNABLE TO STATE WHEN HISS LEFT THE CP ON DECEMBER FIFTEEN. THE FOURTH WITNESS WAS W. EDWARD GALLAGHER OF THE WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY WHO WAS SWORN, BUT SUBSEQUENTLY EXCUSED AND A STIPULATION ENTERED INTO BY BOTH SIDES WHEREBY A CHART SUMMARIZING THE DATES OF COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION OF UTILITY SERVICE AT VARIOUS HISS ADDRESSES, WHICH CHART WAS PREPARED FROM RECORDS OF CHESAPEAKE AND POTOMAC TELEPHONE CO., POTOMAC ELECTRIC CO., AND WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT CO., WAS INTRODUCED IN EVIDENCE. BY STIPULATION, A LETTER SUMMARIZING THE ELECTRIC SERVICE FURNISHED TO THE HISSSES AT THE VARIOUS ADDRESSES, WHICH LETTER WAS PREPARED BY THE POTOMAC ELECTRIC CO., WAS ALSO ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE. THE NEXT WITNESS WAS CHAMBERS WHO TOOK THE STAND AT THREE PM. HE TESTIFIED AS TO HIS DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, EARLY SCHOOLING, SHORT STAY AT WILLIAMS COLLEGE AND SUBSEQUENT ENROLLMENT AT COLUMBIA WHERE HE WAS EDITOR OF QUOTE MORNINGSIDE UNQUOTE. HE STATED HE WROTE BLASPHEMOUS PLAY THERE, BUT WAS NOT EXPELLED AS RESULT THEREOF. DESCRIBED ATTITUDE TOWARD RELIGION IN EARLY YEARS AS ONE OF SKEPTICAL INDIFFERENCE. DESCRIBED HIS TRIP TO EUROPE IN NINETEEN TWENTY THREE, HIS ENROLLMENT AT COLUMBIA AFTER RETURNING AND ADMITTED HE WROTE LETTER TO MARK VAN DOREN IN WHICH HE SAID HE LIED TO DEAN HAWKES ABOUT REASON FOR WANTING TO STUDY HISTORY. HE LISTED VARIOUS SOCIALIST WRITINGS HE READ AT THAT TIME AND STATED HE JOINED CP AT AGE TWENTY THREE. HE

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STATED LIBRARY OFFICIALS FOUND COMMUNIST LEAFLETS IN HIS LOCKER AT  
NYC PUBLIC LIBRARY WHERE HE WAS EMPLOYED EVENINGS, BUT FOUND NO LIBRARY  
BOOKS THERE. SOME COLUMBIA BOOKS WERE FOUND AT HIS HOME AND HE LOST  
LIBRARY JOB AS RESULT THEREOF. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HE BEGAN WORK  
FOR DAILY WORKER IN MENIAL CAPACITY AND BECAME EDITOR IN FACT IN  
NINETEEN TWENTY SEVEN OR TWENTY EIGHT, REMAINING UNTIL NINETEEN  
TWENTY NINE. WAS THEN OUT OF CP ABOUT THREE YEARS. THEN BECAME  
EDITOR OF NEW MASSES. HE WENT THROUGH COMMUNIST MARRIAGE WITH IDA  
DALES AND IN NINETEEN THIRTY TWO MARRIED PRESENT WIFE. DESCRIBED HIS  
FAMILY AND HOME. IN NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR WAS ASKED BY MAX BEDAGHT  
TO GO UNDERGROUND AND THEN EXPLAINED TERMS UNDERGROUND AND APPARATUS.  
OVER OBJECTION WAS ALLOWED TO TESTIFY BRIEFLY AS TO HIS UNDERGROUND  
DUTIES CONSISTING OF BEING LIAISON MAN WITH SOVIET GROUP. WAS  
INTRODUCED TO HISS IN DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON RESTAURANT BY HAROLD WARE  
AND J. PETERS, BOTH OF WHOM HE WAS PERMITTED, OVER OBJECTION, TO  
DESCRIBE AS UNDERGROUND FUNCTIONARIES. HE STATED ON ABOVE OCCASION  
PETERS TOLD HISS HE WAS TO LEAVE WARE GROUP AND JOIN NEW PARALLEL  
WHICH CHAMBERS WAS ORGANIZING. MET HISS AS CARL AND SAW HIM LATER  
AT TWENTY EIGHTH ST., BUT NEVER AT OFFICE. DECLARED HISS SAID HE  
COULD GET STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS THROUGH HIS POST WITH NYE  
COMMITTEE AND OFFERED SAME TO CHAMBERS. AFTER CONSULTING PETERS, Kisseloff-97366  
CHAMBERS RECEIVED SOME OF SUCH DOCUMENTS FROM HISS WHICH HE PHOTOGRAPHED

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AND RETURNED. HE TESTIFIED HE TALKED SEVERAL TIMES TO HISS ABOUT DEAN  
IVAN LAMB. MENTIONED PREVIOUS RESIDENCES IN FORT LEE, NJ; W. ELEVENTH  
ST., NYC; AND STATEN ISLAND, WHERE HE WAS KNOWN AS ARTHUR DWYER. HE  
TESTIFIED HE USED NAME LLOYD CANTWELL WITH PERMISSION OF CANTWELL,  
A CLOSE FRIEND. HE DECLARED HIS FAMILY MOVED TO TWENTY EIGHT ST.  
ON INVITATION OF HISS, NO RENT INVOLVED, AND THAT HISS DROVE TO  
BALTIMORE IN HIS FORD, PICKED UP BABY ARTICLES AND TOOK THEM TO  
TWENTY EIGHT ST. WHERE CHAMBERS' FAMILY REMAINED ABOUT TWO MONTHS.  
THEN MOVED TO MEYER SCHAPIRO HOUSE ON W. FOURTH ST., NYC, AND BABY  
THERE  
ARTICLES WERE BROUGHT/FROM WASHINGTON BY HISSES. ADJOURNED UNTIL  
TEN THIRTY AM, NOVEMBER TWENTY ONE WHEN CHAMBERS WILL RESUME ON DIRECT.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

FROM : L. W. R. OBERNDORF, Supervisor

SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: November 21, 1949

At 5:25 P. M., November 18, 1949, Mr. McANDREWS of the New York Office telephonically advised me that in the event that HEDE MASSING was actually to testify in this case as to her knowledge of the occupancy of an apartment on 4th Street, N. W. in Washington, D. C. by NOEL FIELD, she would be subject to severe cross-examination by the Defense which would make every effort to discredit her as a witness. It would therefore be necessary to have available substantiating witnesses or evidence to bolster Mrs. MASSING's testimony.

He requested this office to attempt to locate either documentary evidence or live witnesses reflecting the residence of NOEL FIELD at the pertinent apartment during the pertinent period.

I instructed SA DONALD D. CONNORS to conduct the necessary investigation in an effort to comply with the desires of the New York Division in this matter.

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There is being transmitted herewith the  
original lease agreement dated January 18, 1938, for  
2728 - P Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., between EMMA  
W. STEVENS and GEORGE ROULIAC.

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RE WFO letter dated November 18, 1949.

TEUNIS F. COLLIER advises that the attic room at 3415 Volta Place, N.W., is 12 feet by 19 feet, 10 inches, and that omitting the portion used by the stairway, which is 3 feet by 6 feet, there is a total of 220 square feet of usable floor space. The defense has requested COLLIER to furnish this information. The attic is livable according to COLLIER in that it has one window on the north wall and one window on the south wall and sufficient head room.

On November 18, 1949, TEUNIS F. COLLIER, accompanied JOHN F. DAVIS to 1245 and 1247 - 30th Street, N.W., to obtain samples of paint from these premises. Samples were obtained and descriptions of these samples are set out below:

1245 - 30th Street, N.W.

1. Sample from front hall closet: plasterboard and paper - plasterboard painted green covered with two layers of wall paper.
2. Sample of wall paper and plasterboard from the southeast corner of living room: plasterboard painted cream covered with paper which is now painted white.
3. Piece of wood off of siding, exterior of house, showing present color - yellow.

1247 - 30th Street, N.W.

1. Piece of wood from the bottom of bookcase shelf, living room, showing the following colors - green, peach and cream.
2. Plasterboard from hall closet painted peach only.
3. Piece of wood off the face of inside of closet door, back edge, showing colors green and peach, with a small splash over edge of cream. Present color is peach.

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4. Sample of wall paper from behind radiator in living room. Present color green. Color of paper under green is peach. Color on plasterboard wall apparently green as appears on back of peach wall paper.

COLLIER advises that none of the houses on 30th Street had wall paper as initially remodeled in 1936 and that the colors for the various rooms were painted on the plasterboard at that time.

The defense has advised COLLIER that he may or may not be called upon to testify as to the paint samples above referred to. COLLIER advises that he does not know how the defense intends to use these paint samples to their advantage. COLLIER stated that he removed only those samples as requested by JOHN F. DAVIS. COLLIER stated that DAVIS believes that the CHAMBERS either looked through the window at 1247 - 30th Street or actually gained entrance to this house and the CHAMBERS then used their knowledge of 1247 - 30th Street to describe the house at 1245. COLLIER further pointed out that the front steps from the sidewalk at 1247 lead straight up to the front door, whereas those at 1245 parallel the front of the house and entrance through the front door is made through a landing. COLLIER stated that it was his understanding that Mrs. CHAMBERS described the steps as leading straight up to the front door rather than the arrangement of the steps at 1245 - 30th Street.

It is noted that both the houses at 1247 and at 1243 - 30th Street, N.W., are of similar floor plan. COLLIER was asked if DAVIS gave any indication as to why 1247 was chosen as the house from which CHAMBERS drew his description instead of 1243. COLLIER stated that he did not know why this was other than that 1247 is easier to look into from the street than is 1243.

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JAHAM. HISS TRIAL SUMMARY, AM SESSION, NOVEMBER TWENTYONE.

CHAMBERS RESUMED STAND AT TEN FIFTY AM, SAID THEY SPENT MONTH OR TWO AT SHAPIRO HOME IN NYC AND SAW HISSSES THERE IN JUNE OR JULY OF THIRTYFIVE. TOLD OF TRIP WITH ALGER AND PRISCILLA TO LONG BEACH, NY, IN HISS' PLYMOUTH TO INSPECT COTTAGE. STATED HE WAS GIVEN USE OF OLD FORD BY HISS AND OVER OBJECTION TESTIFIED THAT ALGER PROPOSED TO GIVE FORD TO OPEN CP BUT CHAMBERS OBJECTED, THAT J. PETERS APPROVED TRANSACTION AND ALGER LATER TOLD CHAMBERS HE HAD TURNED IT OVER. TESTIFIED RE MOVE TO SMITHTOWN, USE OF NAME DAVID BREEN, THAT HE SAW PRISCILLA THERE AND STAY WAS FOR TWO OR THREE MONTHS. THEN SPENT SEVERAL DAYS AT HISS APARTMENT ON P STREET AND HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH ALGER ABOUT CHAMBERS GOING TO ENGLAND FOR APPARATUS. STATED SECURED PASSPORT AS DAVID BREEN, USED BREEN BIRTH CERTIFICATE WHICH HE GOT FROM J. PETERS, BUT NEVER USED PASSPORT. THEN MOVED TO EUTAW PLACE. PHOTOGRAPHED DOCUMENTS AT P STREET, WHICH ALGER GOT THROUGH NYE COMMITTEE. WAS KNOWN AS LLOYD GANTWELL AT EUTAW PLACE WHERE HE CONTINUED TO SEE ALGER AND PRISCILLA. WAS SEEING ALGER ABOUT EVERY TEN DAYS AT P STREET, THEN MOVED TO NEW HOPE, PA., WHERE HE ALSO SAW HISSSES. TOLD OF CONVERSATION WITH ALGER RE LATTER ENTERING JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND THAT PARTY WANTED ALGER THERE. CHAMBERS THEN DESCRIBED IN DETAIL THE RESIDENCES AT P STREET AND

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THIRTIETH STREET. TESTIFIED RE CONVERSATION IN FALL OF THIRTYSIX WITH ALGER RE BYKOV, SUBSEQUENT INTRODUCTION OF ALGER TO BYKOV, THE MEETING IN NYC, AND THEN DESCRIBED PURCHASE OF ORIENTAL RUG WITH MONEY FROM BYKOV AND DETAILS OF GIVING RUG TO ALGER. DESCRIBED TRIP TO BROOKLYN THEATRE, MEETING BYKOV THERE AND CONVERSATION IN WHICH BYKOV TOLD ALGER HE COULD HELP USSR BY SECURING DOCUMENTS. SAID ALGER AGREED BUT THAT DONALD HISS WAS NOT SUFFICIENTLY DEVELOPED TO DO SUCH WORK. CHAMBERS STATED HE SAW ALGER SHORTLY THEREAFTER AT THIRTIETH STREET HOUSE AND THAT ALGER THEN BEGAN TO GIVE HIM DOCUMENTS. DESCRIBED MODUS OPERANDI OF RECEIVING SAME FROM ALGER AND PHOTOGRAPHING THEM. THEN TOLD OF CHANGING SYSTEM IN SUMMER OF THIRTYSEVEN TO INCREASE FLOW BY HAVING SOME DOCUMENTS TYPED BY PRISCILLA AS WELL AS CONTINUING TO RECEIVE ORIGINALS. TOLD OF PHOTOGRAPHING DOCUMENTS AND OF RECEIPT OCCASIONALLY OF SMALL HANDWRITTEN NOTES. TESTIFIED TO GIVING FILM TO BYKOV AND THAT THIS PRACTICE CONTINUED UNTIL APRIL, THIRTYEIGHT, WHEN HE BROKE. TESTIFIED TO GIVING DOCUMENTS IN ENVELOPE TO NATHAN LEVINE. MENTIONED SECURING GOVERNMENT JOB IN DESIRE TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY WHILE LIVING ON MT. ROYAL TERRACE. SAW HISS THERE AND SAID HE AND HIS WIFE VISITED THIRTIETH STREET HOUSE TOGETHER. DESCRIBED PROCESS OF BREAKING FROM CP INCLUDING RENTING OF ROOM ON OLD COURT ROAD, PURCHASE OF FORD WITH LOAN FROM ALGER AND TRANSLATING WORK HE DID AFTER BREAK. TOLD OF PURCHASING FARM IN THIRTYSEVEN WHICH HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN BOUGHT BY ALGER. SAID HE SAW ALGER AND PRISCILLA AT VOLTA PLACE AROUND CHRISTMAS OF

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THIRTYEIGHT AND DESCRIBED VOLTA PLACE HOUSE IN DETAIL. SAID HE SAW AT THIRTIETH STREET THE RUG HE HAD GIVEN ALGER AND THAT ALGER SAID HE WAS PLEASED WITH IT. AT TIME OF CHRISTMAS VISIT TO VOLTA PLACE, HE TALKED WITH HISSES ABOUT THEIR BREAK FROM CP, SAID THEY KNEW HIS TRUE IDENTITY AND THAT HE WAS ABOUT TO GET A MORE RESPONSIBLE POST IN PARTY. TOLD OF RECEIVING ROLLING PIN AS CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR DAUGHTER AND ENUMERATED ITEMS OF FURNITURE WHICH HISSES GAVE THEM WHEN CHAMBERS MOVED TO BUTAW PLACE. DESCRIBED HIS CAREER AT TIME AND HIS BECOMING AN EPISCOPALIAN, AND LATER A QUAKER. QUESTIONING REVERTED TO GOVERNMENT JOB CHAMBERS SECURED IN THIRTYSEVEN AND AFTER APPLICATION AND OATH WERE ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE, CHAMBERS ADMITTED SEVERAL MIS-STATEMENTS. TESTIFIED RE MEETING BERLE WITH ISAAC DON LEVINE IN WASHINGTON, THAT COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF GOVERNMENT WAS SUBJECT OF THEIR CONVERSATION. ALSO THAT HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY FBI AGENTS IN FORTYTWO OR FORTYTHREE AND FORTYFIVE, AND SAW RAY MURPHY OF STATE DEPARTMENT TWICE THAT YEAR. NAMED APPARATUS PHOTOGRAPHERS AS INSLERMAN, CRANE AND CARPENTER AND SAID BYKOV GAVE HISS PSEUDONUM OF "DER ADVOKAT." CHAMBERS STATED HE BELIEVED HE HAD KEYS FOR ALL THREE HISS HOUSES AND THEN DESCRIBED TRIPS MADE WITH HISS TO ERWINNA, PA., LONG EDDY AND PETERBORO, NEW HAMPSHIRE. TOLD OF OWNING REMINGTON PORTABLE FROM THIRTYFOUR TO FORTY, SAID HE TYPED SOME LETTERS ON IT AND THEN ENUMERATED VARIOUS WORKS HE HAS TRANSLATED. TOLD OF BEING SUBPOENAED AUGUST TWO FORTYEIGHT TO APPEAR FOLLOWING DAY BEFORE HCUA AND CONVERSATION

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PREVIOUS THERETO WITH BEN MANDEL AND WHEELER, OF HCUA. TOLD OF VARIOUS APPEARANCES BEFORE HCUA AND DESCRIBED CONCENTRATION WITH COMMUNISTS IN DETAIL. TOLD OF LIBEL ACTION AND PRETRIAL EXAMINATIONS IN BALTIMORE. THEN DESCRIBED TOUR OF GEORGETOWN WITH FBI AND HIS IDENTIFICATION ON THAT TRIP OF FOUR HISS RESIDENCES. PHOTOGRAPHS THEREOF ADMITTED INTO EVIDENCE AFTER CHAMBERS TESTIFIED HE HAD SIGNED BACK OF EACH UPON MAKING IDENTIFICATIONS. ADJOURNED UNTIL TWO FIFTEEN PM. AT CONFERENCE IN CHAMBERS IT WAS DECIDED COURT WOULD RECESS WEDNESDAY PM FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS.

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JAHAM, HISS TRIAL SUMMARY, PM SESSION, NOVEMBER TWENTY FIRST.

RESUMING INDIRECT, CHAMBERS TOLD OF READING WRONG CLASS PROPHECY AT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION, DESCRIBED GOING TO WASHINGTON TO WORK AS LABORER UNDER NAME CHARLES ADAMS, AND STAY OF TWO TO THREE MONTHS IN NEW ORLEANS, AFTER WHICH HE RETURNED HOME AND WORKED IN ADVERTISING AGENCY WHERE HIS FATHER WAS EMPLOYED. TESTIFIED TO COMING TO NYC WITH HISS BY TRAIN IN NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE SO HISS COULD MEET COLONEL LAMB, DECLARED HE HAD MOUSTACHE WHEN KNOWN AS BRENN, AND HISS KNEW HIM WITH MOUSTACHE. DEFINED TERM QUOTE COVER UNQUOTE. DESCRIBED CONVERSATIONS WITH HISSES RE TRIP TO EUROPE, INCLUDING POSSIBLE USE OF A RELIGIOUS COVER. TESTIFIED THAT AFTER TALKING TO J. PETERS, HE TOLD HISS THAT PARTY WANTED HISS TO ACCEPT OPPORTUNITY TO TRANSFER TO STATE FROM JUSTICE. DECLARED HE CANNOT RECALL USING NAME CROSLBY,

USED IT. DECLARED PRISCILLA WAS RESTLESS, AND HER

AND TYPING ASSIGNMENT GAVE HER OPPORTUNITY

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AND SAID AFTER LEVINE RETRIEVED ENVELOPE, THAT HE FOUND FILM AND DOCUMENTS THEREIN. TOLD HIS ATTORNEY NEXT DAY WHAT HE FOUND EXCEPT RE FILM, AND AFTER CONSIDERING PROBLEM FOR ONE DAY, HE INTRODUCED THEM AT PRE TRIAL EXAMINATION, NOV. SEVENTEENTH, FORTY EIGHT. KEPT FILM AT HIS HOME. DESCRIBED CONVERSATION WITH STRUPLING IN WASHINGTON, SERVICE OF SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM, AND TAKING FILM FROM PUMKIN IN PRESENCE OF WHEELER AND APPELL. SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY GEOMETRIC PATTERN IN WHICH PUMPKINS MAY HAVE BEEN ARRANGED, AND THAT HE TOLD MARBURY ON PRODUCING DOCUMENTS THAT HIS PURPOSES WERE TO DESTROY OR PARALYZE CP CONSPIRACY AND TO DO AS LITTLE INJURY AS POSSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED. SAID IT TOOK HIM CONSIDERABLE TIME TO DECIDE TO BREAK, THAT HE WANTED OTHER INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED TO HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME, AND THAT WAS REASON WHY HE WITHHELD TANGIBLE EVIDENCE FROM G.J. AND H.C.U.A. BALTIMORE DOCUMENTS AND TWO STRIPS OF DEVELOPED FILM RECEIVED INTO EVIDENCE AFTER IDENTIFICATION BY CHAMBERS AND EXPLANATION BY HIM OF NUMBERING SYSTEM USED BY APPARATUS PHOTOGRAPHERS IN PHOTOGRAPHING DOCUMENTS. CHAMBERS DECLARED HE RECEIVED THE DOCUMENTS REPRODUCED ON THE FILM FROM HISS. MURPHY THEN READ TO JURY THE PLAY QUOTE PLAY FOR PUPPETS UNQUOTE AFTER CHAMBERS IDENTIFIED COPY OF SCRIPT. DIRECT CONCLUDED. CROSS RECEIVED PERMISSION TO PLACE ON STAND

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SEVERAL WITNESSES UNDER DEFENSE SUBPOENA FOR PRODUCTION OF VARIOUS RECORDS BEFORE COMMENCING CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS. REPRESENTATIVE OF NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PRODUCED BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES OF DAVID BREEN AND CERTIFICATE SHOWING NO RECORD OF DEATH OF JOHN BREEN. CROSS THEN READ THEM ALOUD. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. EMPLOYEE OF PASSPORT DIVISION THEN PRODUCED AND WAS RECEIVED COPY OF DAVID BREEN PASSPORT APPLICATION WHICH CROSS READ TO JURY. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. WALTER H. ANDERSON OF RECORDS BRANCH OF STATE DEPARTMENT PRODUCED NOTES RE CONVERSATIONS OF RAY MURPHY OF STATE DEPARTMENT WITH CHAMBERS, BUT AFTER OBJECTION BY MURPHY, SUGGESTION OF COURT ADOPTED THAT THEY BE HELD UNTIL CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS COMPLETED IN ORDER THAT COURT MIGHT DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY INCONSISTENCIES BETWEEN SUCH NOTES AND CHAMBERS' TESTIMONY SO AS TO MAKE THEM ADMISSIBLE AS PRIOR INCONSISTENT STATEMENTS. ANDERSON TESTIFIED NO RECORD IN DEPARTMENT FILES OF BERLE'S CONVERSATION WITH CHAMBERS. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. REPRESENTATIVE OF NYC PUBLIC LIBRARY THEN PRODUCED RECORDS REFLECTING EMPLOYMENT OF CHAMBERS THERE AND LETTER WRITTEN BY LIBRARY INVESTIGATOR TO EFFECT THAT IN INVESTIGATION HE FOUND NO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKS IN CHAMBERS' LOCKER, BUT IN SEARCH OF CHAMBERS' HOME FOUND FIFTY SIX BOOKS FROM COLUMBIA U. LIBRARY. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS THEN BEGAN AND CHAMBERS DENIED THAT HE KNEW DEFENSE WAS ALLOWED A WEEK AGO TO INSPECT STATE DEPARTMENT PASSPORT FILES AND SAID HE STILL

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DOES NOT KNOW IF, IN FACT, DEFENSE HAS LOOKED AT HIS PASSPORT APPLICATIONS. ADMITTED USING NAME DAVID BREEN. STATED HE NEVER KNEW REAL DAVID BREEN, ACKNOWLEDGED HIS SIGNATURE ON PASSPORT APPLICATION AND SAID HE POSSESSED BREEN BIRTH CERTIFICATE WHEN HE APPLIED FOR PASSPORT IN APPLICATION IN WHICH HE KNEW WAS FALSE. CROSS ASKED HIM TO DEFINE AN OATH AND CHAMBERS DECLARED IT MEANT NOTHING AT ALL TO A COMMUNIST AND WAS NOT BINDING ON HIM AS A COMMUNIST AT THAT TIME. HE STATED HE DID NOT KNOW KENNETH KUHN, WITNESS ON APPLICATION AND THAT WITNESS ACCORDINGLY SWORE FALSELY IN SAYING HE KNEW CHAMBERS. HE TESTIFIED HE AND LIEBER IN UNDERGROUND TOGETHER FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND CROSS ATTEMPTED BY READING FROM PRE-TRIAL DEPOSITION TO SHOW THAT CHAMBERS PREVIOUSLY HAD TESTIFIED HE HAD NO BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH LIEBER, WHILE IN INSTANT TRIAL CHAMBERS DESCRIBED SOME SUCH DEALINGS. HE DECLARED HE HAD MUSTACHE WHEN HE APPLIED FOR PASSPORT AND THAT HE WAS SHOWN WITH MUSTACHE IN ONE PHOTO HE FURNISHED TO FBI MONTHS AGO. WAS ASKED TO PRODUCE PASSPORT, BUT STATED FBI HAD IT SINCE HE TURNED IT OVER THROUGH HIS ATTORNEY. HE STATED HE COULD NOT PRODUCE PASSPORT ISSUED TO HIM IN NINETEEN TWENTY THREE AND THOUGHT HE GAVE IT TO HIS BALTIMORE ATTORNEY, BUT LATTER TELLS CHAMBERS HE HAS NO SUCH RECOLLECTION. HE STATED NAME WHITTAKER CHAMBERS APPEARED ON CP CARDS ISSUED TO HIM COMMENCING IN NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR. ADJOURNED UNTIL TEN THIRTY, NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO.

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none at camp in 1937. H. NORMAN GRIEB, Chestertown, former Rigs O'Marlow counselor, reinterviewed, states probably made camping trip to Piney Point, Md., with different persons than those named by him in initial interview or in year other than 1937, still believes that he went on camping trip with TIMOTHY HOBSON in 1937 as he only recalls HISSES at camp that year. Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS reinterviewed concerning anonymous communication received by Bureau postmarked Aug. 26, 1949, at Pittsfield, Mass., stating society editor at Chestertown has definite record of whereabouts of ALGER HISS in Aug. 1936 or 1937, states letter undoubtedly refers to her, but that she knows nothing further concerning ALGER HISS. GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS, janitor employed in vicinity of CHAMBERS' former residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, for past 25 years, states recollection of visits of a Mr. "HESS" to CHAMBERS' home about 11 or 12 years ago. Efforts to locate "EVELYN", former CHAMBERS' maid in Baltimore in 1937 and 1938, unproductive to date.

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Report of SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, dated 9/8/49 at Baltimore, Md.  
Report of SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, dated 9/28/49 at Baltimore, Md.  
Report of SA JOSEPH R. MARSZALEK, dated 10/3/49 at Baltimore, Md.

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RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

Investigation of CHAMBERS' Bank Account at Carroll County National Bank, Westminster, Md., to Counteract Possible HISS Defense that CHAMBERS Withdrew Funds From His Own Bank Account to Purchase a New Car in November, 1937, Rather Than Borrowing the same from ALGER HISS, According to the Testimony of CHAMBERS.

Mrs. CHAMBERS advised on September 22, 1949, that sometime during July, 1949, after the termination of the first trial of ALGER HISS, she obtained the following information from Mr. EUGENE WALSH, attorney for the Carroll County National Bank at Westminster, Md., where the CHAMBERS have had an account since about 1937. When evidence was introduced during the first trial of ALGER HISS that CHAMBERS had borrowed \$400 or \$500 from HISS to buy a new automobile, and that the

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[REDACTED] SHAPIRO and ROSENWALD, associate defense attorneys, came to Westminster, Md., while the trial was still in progress and asked for but were refused permission to examine the CHAMBERS' account at the Carroll County National Bank. Later, Mr. NORMAN B. BOYLE, President of the Carroll County National Bank, again declined permission for the same examination of CHAMBERS' account at the law office of Mr. STRYKER in New York City.

At no time did the Carroll County National Bank ask the permission of the CHAMBERS to permit the attorneys for ALGER HISS to examine the CHAMBERS' account but evidently refused as a matter of policy.

Mrs. CHAMBERS recalled no such large withdrawals from their account at the Carroll County National Bank during November or December, 1937, and also stated she could not recall that they had any other bank account during late 1937 or 1938. Mrs. CHAMBERS made a thorough search and was unsuccessful in locating any cancelled checks drawn by them on the Carroll County National Bank or any other bank in any amount over \$100, or in any amount which might materially assist in purchasing a new automobile.

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The above information was furnished by teletype on September 23, 1949, to the Bureau and the New York Office.

Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS readily gave their permission for Agents of the Baltimore Office to examine their account at the Carroll County National Bank in an effort to determine whether they had actually made any withdrawals from their account during late 1937, which might have been used in purchasing a new automobile.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD G. GOUGH:

Mr. NORMAN B. BOYLE, President of the Carroll County National Bank, advised that this bank was formerly known as the Westminster Savings Bank. The records of the bank reflect that on April 20, 1937, a checking account was opened in the name of ESTHER CHAMBERS and a deposit of \$20 was made. The account continued in this name until May 28, 1938, when it was made a joint account under the title Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS in trust for herself and DAVID CHAMBERS, her husband, joint owners. This is the current title of the account.

On September 8, 1937, the account reached its highest balance of the year, \$229.21. There were six withdrawals in September, the largest being in the amount of \$50, and on September 29, 1937, the balance was \$113.87, including a \$22 deposit on that day. There were no deposits during the Month of October, 1937, but 17 checks were written on the account. The largest was for \$20.50 and on October 30, 1937, the balance in the account was \$2.19. During the month of November, 1937, there were no deposits and the only debits against the account were three service charges of 25 cents each which Mr. BOYLE explained were occasioned by the fact that there was less than the minimum \$25 balance required for a checking account. The account continued to be stagnant until May 28, 1938, when a deposit of \$160 was made and no further withdrawals were made until June 4, 1938, when a check for \$10 was written.

Mr. BOYLE advised that this was the only account Mr. or Mrs. CHAMBERS ever had with the bank. He also advised that he had no record of the CHAMBERS ever borrowing any money from the bank with the exception of a mortgage which the Bank had held on the CHAMBERS' farm at Westminster, Md.

Interview with CHAMBERS regarding possible overnight stop at the former Mason Tourist Home at Farmington, Connecticut, in August, 1937, during trip with HISS to Peterborough, New Hampshire.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent FRANCIS C. O'BRIEN, dated October 1, 1949, at Boston, in which a lead is set out to ask CHAMBERS regarding a bathrobe missing after the visit in 1937 of two unknown men to the guest house of Mr. and Mrs. WARREN MASON at Farmington, Connecticut, the theory being that if CHAMBERS knew or had heard of this incident, it would identify one of the HISS--CHAMBERS overnight stopping places during their August, 1937, trip to Peterborough, New Hampshire. When questioned in this regard on October 12, 1949, CHAMBERS stated he has no recollection of the incident and does not recall that he and the HISSSES ever stopped at Farmington, Conn., in connection with the above-mentioned trip to Peterborough, New Hampshire.

RE: PRISCILLA HISS

Investigation regarding purchases PRISCILLA HISS claims to have made in November and December, 1937, as

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By letter dated August 10, 1949, to the Boston, Philadelphia, Savannah and Baltimore Offices, the Washington Field Office advised that their office had been requested by the New York Office to contact antique dealers and upholsterers in their district concerning possible purchases made by Mrs. ALGER HISS in November and December, 1937, when the HISS family moved from 1245 30th Street, N.W., to 2415 Volta Place, N.W., Washington, D.C..

In the above-mentioned letter from Washington Field Office, the purchases to which Mrs. HISS testified at the recent trial were set out, which purchases were evidently to explain the

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The Baltimore Office was requested to contact former Washington, D.C. antique dealers presently residing in the territory covered by the Baltimore Office and to secure the following data from them:

1. Determine if engaged in the antique business during the pertinent period, i.e. November and December 1937.
2. Are accounts available of sales during this period?
3. Did ALGER HISS, Mrs. ALGER HISS, or PRISCILLA HISS make any purchases during this period? If so, were purchases made by check or cash? Include all details of the sale and the location and custodian of such records.

In this connection, the Washington Field Office letter dated August 10, 1949, to the Baltimore Office, requested the Baltimore Office to interview Mrs. EDNA M. HARDESTY, 3510 Walbrook Avenue, and Mrs. KATHERINE M. HILL, possibly identical with Mrs. RAYMOND C. HILL, 15 East 22nd Street, both Baltimore, Md.

Referenced letter indicated that Mrs. HARDESTY is the niece of ANNE F. HINSON, who operated an antique shop at 1503 Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D.C., for 15 years prior to October, 1946. HINSON was committed to St. Elizabeth's Hospital (a D.C. mental institution) in 1946 and died in this hospital May 23, 1948. It was requested that HARDESTY be interviewed for information concerning the disposition of HINSON's records relating to her sales and customers during the pertinent period, November and December, 1937.

With reference to Mrs. HILL, referenced letter from the Washington Field Office pointed out that Mrs. HILL formerly conducted an antique business at 1511 Wisconsin Ave., Washington, D.C. in 1937 and specialized in glassware. It was reported that Mrs. HILL moved to Baltimore and was engaged in a similar business at Baltimore.

Mrs. EDNA M. HARDESTY, also known as Mrs. JOHN F. HARDESTY, 3510 Walbrook Avenue, Baltimore, Md., confirmed the fact that she is the niece of Mrs. ANNE F. HINSON, who formerly operated an antique shop at 1503 Wisconsin Avenue, Washington, D.C., from about 1931 until October, 1946. Mrs. HARDESTY stated that Mrs. HINSON's antique shop had never been a very prosperous or profitable business, both because of Mrs. HINSON's advanced age and her inability as a business woman.

Mrs. HARDESTY had in her antique shop during the above period some merchandise for resale which belonged to Mrs. HINSON and some antique objects which were the property of others, which Mrs. HINSON held on consignment for resale on a commission basis. Mrs. HARDESTY stated that throughout the entire duration of her antique business, Mrs. HINSON maintained practically no books or records of a formal character but kept, in the nature of records, only informal notes made on scraps of paper,

When Mrs. HINSON became inactive in the antique business in Washington because of her illness, about October, 1946, Mrs. HARDESTY stated that she assisted in settling and disposing of Mrs. HINSON's business. Mrs. HARDESTY was assisted by the Metropolitan Police and also some unrecalled welfare agency in Washington, D.C. Mrs. HARDESTY stated that the disposition of the business was extremely difficult because Mrs. HINSON had kept no records whatsoever, which could be located at that time, of sales, purchases, customers, consigned merchandise, etc. Accordingly, although Mrs. HINSON was in business during the pertinent period, November and December of 1937, Mrs. HARDESTY was quite positive that there are no records in existence reflecting sales during the pertinent period or any other period during the time Mrs. HINSON was in the antique business.

Of her own knowledge, Mrs. HARDESTY has no recollection of Mrs. HINSON ever mentioning ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS or having made any sale to any individuals named HISS. Further, Mrs. HARDESTY advised that while Mrs. HINSON was in the antique business in Washington, she employed no clerks or assistants of any kind and conducted the business entirely on a personal basis. However, at one time Mrs. HINSON was associated in this business in some way, possibly but not probably even as a partner, with a man named WILLIAM CONRAD, generally called BILLIE. CONRAD was around Mrs. HINSON's shop frequently, even during the late 1930's, was probably an artist of some kind, and even had a room in Mrs. HINSON's space reserved for himself. At one time, Mrs. HARDESTY advised, CONRAD worked as a salesman in an unknown antique shop in the 1400 block of Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. Mrs. HARDESTY has not seen or heard of CONRAD for a number of years but thought that he might still be located for interview, if desired, for his recollection, if any, of possible sales by Mrs. HINSON to ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS, by inquiry among the various antique dealers, especially in the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Possibly the Washington Field Office has already interviewed WILLIAM CONRAD. If not already interviewed, it is being left to the discretion of the Washington Field Office as to whether or not this should be done.

Mrs. KATHERINE M. HILL; also known as Mrs. RAYMOND C. HILL, 15 E. 22nd St., Baltimore, Md., advised that she was in the antique business, specializing in glassware, from about 1934 to October, 1938, doing business as "K. M. HILL - ANTIQUES" at 1511 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C., and was actually in business during the pertinent period. Mrs. HILL stated that she kept no formal accounting records during the operation of the above business, which she transferred from Washington, D.C. to 10 E. 22nd Street, Baltimore, in October, 1938. Further, Mrs. HILL stated that all sales were made for cash and that generally no record was kept of the person to whom the sale was made unless possibly some balance was due on the sale.

Mrs. HILL was unable to locate her "Day Book" which she kept in connection with her business and in which she recorded the cash receipts daily. She stated that probably this "Day Book" had been destroyed since she has been out of the antique business for about ten years. Mrs. HILL was also doubtful if any customer's names would have been listed in this "Day Book".

Mrs. HILL did locate a notebook which she maintained during the operation of the above business and she went through the book from cover to cover, especially during 1937 and 1938 but found no record or notation referring to ALGER HISS, Mrs. ALGER HISS or PRISCILLA HISS. In this notebook, Mrs. HILL stated she often made notations concerning customers or prospective customers for whom she might be searching for a certain type of antique.

Mrs. HILL has no personal recollection of ever having met or known or made any sales to ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS.

Mrs. HILL'S husband, RAYMOND C. HILL, was also present during the above interview and he likewise could not recall ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS or that they were ever customers of the HILL antique shop.

Mr. and Mrs. HILL volunteered the names of a number of other individuals who had been in the antique business in Washington, D.C. during the late 1930's but no mention is being made here because a review of the report of SA LAMBERT G. ZANDER dated August 25, 1949, at Washington, D.C. indicates that these individuals have all been interviewed or are being sought for interview at the present time. The HILLS did suggest the following persons for possible interview who are not listed in the report of SA ZANDER.

A man by the name of HARRY or RALPH JOHNSON, operated the Colonial Woodworking Company at 1526 or 1528 Wisconsin Avenue,

N.W., Washington, D.C., during the late 1930's, probably including the pertinent period. JOHNSON was engaged in repairing antiques and also in the upholstering business. JOHNSON did work for many of the antique dealers in the Wisconsin Ave., N.W. section and possibly even did some work direct for ALGER HISS and PRISCILLA HISS. The HILLS believe that JOHNSON is still in Washington, D.C. and may be engaged in a similar business in the Northeast section.

SAM WADDELL, an employee of the U. S. State Department, lived in an apartment in the Georgetown section of Washington, D.C., and was a well-known collector of pewter. WADDELL also frequented the antique shops in the Wisconsin Avenue section of Washington, D.C., and was well known by all the antique dealers in that section. Because of WADDELL's interest in antiques and in view of the fact that he lived in Georgetown section and was employed in the U.S. State Department, the HILLS were of the opinion that WADDELL and ALGER HISS might be acquainted and that possibly WADDELL might have assisted ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS in buying antiques or suggested reputable dealers from whom the HISSES might purchase antiques.

Investigation regarding information furnished November 1, 1949, by CHAMBERS indicating PRISCILLA HISS stopped overnight at the Fountain Inn, Doylestown, Pennsylvania, probably in 1935, en route to or from Smithtown, Pennsylvania, to visit the CHAMBERS

During an interview with Mr. CHAMBERS on November 1, 1949, at his farm near Westminster, Md., he advised that probably during August or September, 1935, when the CHAMBERS were living at Smithtown, Pennsylvania, on the Delaware, with MAXIM LEIBER, PRISCILLA HISS visited the CHAMBERS alone at Smithtown and later ALGER HISS came to Smithtown and he and PRISCILLA departed together. En route to Smithtown in the old 1929 Ford which was then owned by the HISS family, PRISCILLA stopped overnight at the Fountain Inn located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, where U.S. Highway routes 202 and 611 intersect. CHAMBERS has a clear recollection of this incident of PRISCILLA stopping at the Fountain Inn because she discussed with CHAMBERS some unrecalled incident which occurred at the Inn. CHAMBERS was of the opinion that PRISCILLA HISS was registered at the Fountain Inn as Mrs. ALGER HISS or Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS, as he never knew of the HISSES to use fictitious names at any time.

CHAMBERS stated that he might be wrong regarding the occasion or even the year when PRISCILLA HISS stopped at the Fountain Inn, but he suggested that the registration records, if available, be checked for any registration by PRISCILLA HISS for the period 1934 through 1937.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau and the New York and Philadelphia Offices by teletype on November 2, 1949, with the suggestion that the Philadelphia Office conduct appropriate investigation at Doylestown, Pa., in an effort to obtain such registration for PRISCILLA HISS. By teletype dated November 7, 1949, the Philadelphia Office reported that the Fountain House at Doylestown, Pa., does not maintain registration records for longer than a period of three years.

Mrs. KATHERINE GODFREY VANDERLIN,  
former nurse in the neighborhood  
of the CHAMBERS' residence, 1617  
Eutaw Place, Baltimore -- Efforts  
to locate.

According to statements made by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and his wife, ESTHER CHAMBERS, upon interview by Bureau Agents, they resided at 1617 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Md., from October, 1935, to June, 1936. On one occasion, while residing in this vicinity, Mrs. CHAMBERS recalled that while sitting in the parkway in front of her home on Eutaw Place with her child, ELLEN, she was talking to a nurse who at that time was caring for a neighbor's child. At this time, Mrs. ALGER HISS approached Mrs. CHAMBERS, and Mrs. CHAMBERS introduced Mrs. HISS, under an assumed name, to the nurse. The only feature of description recalled by Mrs. CHAMBERS concerning this nurse was that the nurse had a bad cast in one eye, and Mrs. CHAMBERS was of the impression that the nurse was a registered nurse inasmuch as the nurse wore white on all occasions. During the above period, the CHAMBERS were using the assumed name of Mr. and Mrs. LLOYD CANTWELL.

While residing at the above-mentioned address in Baltimore, the CHAMBERS had in their employ a colored maid named EDITH MURRAY. Upon interview on September 28, 1949, the maid EDITH said that she remembered the nurse with a cast in her eye working for a neighbor on Eutaw Place. EDITH MURRAY also recalled that this nurse had been employed by the former manager of the Century Theater in Baltimore, Md., and that the nurse was the first nurse employed to take care of this manager's infant son,

BILLY. Investigation disclosed that the person who had employed the nurse is Mr. WILLIAM K. SAXTON, 1004 North Charles St., Baltimore, Md. Mr. SAXTON could furnish no information about the nurse formerly employed by him except to say that she had a cast in one of her eyes. He advised that his former wife, Mrs. LEON BELASCO, who presently resides at 245 South Crescent, Beverly Hills, California, could possibly furnish further information concerning this nurse.

Upon interview by Agents of the Los Angeles Office, Mrs. BELASCO advised that the name of the first nurse of her son, BILLY SAXTON, is CATHERINE GODFREY. Mrs. BELASCO further stated that GODFREY was recommended by a friend of hers whose name she did not recall and that GODFREY worked for Mrs. BELASCO from eight months to one year, beginning a few days after BILLY's birth on July 30, 1934. Mrs. BELASCO described GODFREY as about 40 years of age, a tall, huge woman, of quiet demeanor, with long brown hair which she wore in a knot at the back of her head. Mrs. BELASCO had no information regarding GODFREY's whereabouts, her family, or other information which would assist in locating her. She did recall, however, that the nurse lived in Mrs. BELASCO's home at 101 West Monument St., Baltimore, while working for her.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER. Records of the Maryland State Board of Examiners of Nurses, Baltimore, Md., were examined on September 28, 1949, and reflected that a registered nurse named KATHERINE GODFREY, born on August 6, 1900, was graduated from the South Baltimore General Hospital, Baltimore, in 1924, and that when last heard from on September 25, 1942, she listed her address as Post Office Box 255, Carsbad, California, and signed her name KATHERINE G. VANDERLIN.

Mrs. CLAIRE K. GODWIN, Assistant Manager, Mt. Vernon Place Apartment Hotel, 101 W. Monument St., Baltimore, advised on September 29, 1949 that she recalled Mr. and Mrs. SAXTON residing at the apartment hotel in about 1934 and that at that time they employed a nurse to care for their infant child. Mrs. GODWIN recalled that nurse as having a name somewhat similar to hers, and added that it could possibly have been GODFREY. She recalled that this nurse was about 45 years of age at that time, weighing about 150 pounds, about five feet, six inches tall, with dark hair, and that she always wore white. Mrs. GODWIN had no idea as to the nurse's present whereabouts.

Further investigation at Baltimore disclosed that LEWIS E. GODFREY, 2528 Oakley Avenue, is the brother of Mrs. HENRY VANDERLIN, nee KATHERINE GODFREY. He described his sister as a registered

nurse, a graduate of the South Baltimore General Hospital, stated her to be now about 49 years of age, five feet seven inches tall, a large woman weighing about 150 pounds, with brown hair and a cast in her left eye. He recalled that she formerly worked for a family, name unknown to him, on Eutaw Place, tending a baby, between about 1933 and 1936. The last known address for Mrs. VANDERLIN in Mr. GODFREY's possession was listed on a Christmas card received by him in 1948, as follows: Mrs. HENRY VANDERLIN, Box 246, Fort Steilacoom, Washington. GODFREY added that this address was probably a convalescent home.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau and the New York and Seattle Offices by letter dated October 3, 1949. With a copy of this letter, the Seattle Office was furnished with photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ESTHER CHAMBERS, ALGER HISS and PRISCILLA HISS for exhibition to Mrs. VANDERLIN, and the Seattle Office was requested to interview Mrs. VANDERLIN in an effort to have her confirm the incident related by Mrs. CHAMBERS when Mrs. VANDERLIN was introduced to PRISCILLA HISS.

By teletype dated October 14, 1949, to the New York and Baltimore Offices, the Seattle Office advised that Mrs. KATHERINE GODFREY VANDERLIN, Box 246, Fort Steilacoom, Washington, recalls working for Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM SAXTON, at 101 W. Monument Street and on Eutaw Place, Baltimore, during 1934 and 1935. Mrs. VANDERLIN did not recognize the photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ESTHER CHAMBERS or ALGER HISS and stated that the photograph of PRISCILLA HISS appeared somewhat familiar. The Baltimore Office was requested in this teletype to forward additional photographs of Mrs. CHAMBERS, if available, and to furnish the details of any other occasions when Mrs. CHAMBERS and Mrs. VANDERLIN might have met one another.

By teletype to the Seattle and New York Offices, dated November 17, 1949, the Seattle Office was advised that any additional contacts between Mrs. CHAMBERS and Mrs. VANDERLIN, would have occurred in the parkway in front of the CHAMBERS' residence at 1617 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, and it was pointed out that Mrs. CHAMBERS recalled only the one contact with Mrs. VANDERLIN when PRISCILLA HISS was present. In this teletype, the Seattle Office was also advised that no additional photographs of Mrs. CHAMBERS made during the pertinent period were available. By letter dated October 20, 1949, the Seattle Office advised that further interview with Mrs. VANDERLIN had failed to result in any information or identifications pertinent to instant case.

BA 65-1642

RE: ALGER HISS

Investigation regarding information furnished 11/1/49 by CHAMBERS regarding a trip with ALGER HISS during the Easter week end of probably 1935 to Erwinna, Pennsylvania, probably to visit JOHN HERRMANN and his wife, JOSEPHINE HERBST, involving an overnight stop at a tourist home near Center Square, Pennsylvania.

During an interview with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS at his farm near Westminster, Md., on November 1, 1949, Mr. CHAMBERS advised that during the Easter week end of 1934 or 1935, probably 1935, ALGER HISS and he made a trip in the 1929 Ford then owned by ALGER HISS, from Washington, D.C., probably to Erwinna, Pennsylvania, to visit JOHN HERRMANN and HERRMANN's wife, JOSEPHINE HERBST. On the Saturday night before the above Easter Sunday, ALGER HISS and CHAMBERS stopped overnight at a tourist home located several miles north or south, preferably north, of Center Square, Pa., on U.S. Route 202. The tourist home was a private home located on the right hand side of Route 202 facing north, and had a sign on the front lawn bearing the name of the owners, name not recalled, but definitely a Polish name. CHAMBERS clearly recalls that ALGER HISS personally signed the register on this occasion for both of them, using the names of ALGER and DONALD HISS, CHAMBERS supposed to be DONALD HISS on this occasion. CHAMBERS recalls the details of the above registration so well because he and ALGER HISS had some discussion about the wisdom of registering in this fashion since DONALD HISS in no way resembled WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS could not recall whether ALGER HISS signed a registration card or a registration book, but is of the opinion that such registration may still be available if the tourist home in question can be located.

The above information was furnished by teletype on November 2, 1949, to the New York and Philadelphia Offices with the suggestion that the Philadelphia Office conduct appropriate investigation at Center Square, Pennsylvania. By teletype dated November 7, 1949, the Philadelphia Office advised that efforts up to that time had been unsuccessful in locating the above-mentioned tourist house on Route 202 near Center Square, Penna.

Knowledge on the part of JOHN HERRMANN and his former wife, JOSEPHINE HERBST, regarding the Communist Party underground activities of ALGER HISS

During an interview with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS on November 1, 1949, at his farm near Westminster, Md., Mr. CHAMBERS advised that he had previously furnished the New York Office information regarding JOHN HERRMANN and his former wife, JOSEPHINE HERBST. CHAMBERS is of the opinion that HERRMANN definitely knows of the Communist Party underground connections and activities of ALGER HISS and is quite certain that JOSEPHINE HERBST also has the same knowledge. He pointed out that HERRMANN and HERBST were divorced or broke up about 1937. Both were Communist Party members, and upon the break-up between them, EARL BROWDER, then National Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, awarded the HERRMANN's nice home at Erwinna, Pennsylvania, to JOSEPHINE HERBST. CHAMBERS was of the opinion that JOSEPHINE HERBST might still be residing at Erwinna, Pennsylvania, or that her present whereabouts could be ascertained at Erwinna.

Further, CHAMBERS advised that JOSEPHINE HERBST is a novelist and writer of some reputation, and CHAMBERS recalls he was recently informed by an unrecalled source that JOSEPHINE HERBST has defected from the Communist Party, making her a good potential witness, if true.

CHAMBERS stated that he considers the possible development of HERRMANN and HERBST as witnesses in this case as to the underground connections and activities of ALGER HISS as extremely important. CHAMBERS inquired as to whether or not HERRMANN and HERBST had ever been located and interviewed regarding this case.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau and the New York and Philadelphia Offices by teletype dated November 2, 1949, at which time it was suggested that the Philadelphia and New York Offices endeavor to determine the present whereabouts of HERBST and to confirm her defection so that she could be interviewed if same had not already been accomplished. Subsequently, by teletype dated November 3, 1949, to the Newark, New York and Baltimore Offices, the Bureau advised that JOHN T. HERRMANN had been previously interviewed on May 31, 1949, as reflected in the report of Special Agent ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE dated July 1, 1949, at New York City. The Bureau also pointed out in this teletype that JOSEPHINE FREY HERBST had previously been interviewed by the Newark Office in February, 1949. The Bureau suggested that Newark reinterview HERBST concerning the additional information set out above as obtained from CHAMBERS.

The Newark Office by teletype dated November 4, 1949, advised the Bureau and the Baltimore Office that HERBST presently resides at Erwinna, Pennsylvania, and that the necessary information to conduct an interview with her had been furnished by the Newark Office to the Philadelphia Office. By teletype dated November 7, 1949, to the Bureau and the New York and Baltimore Offices, the Philadelphia Office advised that Mrs. JOSEPHINE FREY HERBST had been interviewed by Agents of the Philadelphia Office on November 7, 1949, at which time she advised she has never met WHITTAKER CHAMBERS other than at her husband's apartment in Washington, D.C. Further, the teletype stated that Mrs. HERBST reiterated that she has never on any occasion met with ALGER HISS or PRISCILLA HISS.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED  
CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE OF ALGER AND  
PRISCILLA HISS AT CHESTERTOWN, MD.  
DURING THE SUMMER OF 1937, AS DE-  
FENSE TO CHAMBERS' TESTIMONY THAT  
HE AND HISS MADE A TRIP TO PETER-  
BOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE, ABOUT 8/10/37

Interviews with Counselors, Campers  
and Visitors to the Kellogg-Smith  
Camp, Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown,  
Md., during or about the summer  
of 1937.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  
WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

By teletype dated September 23, 1949, the Philadelphia Office advised that MARTHA SHEARER, who had been previously mentioned in Baltimore teletype dated September 16, 1949, to Philadelphia and other offices, as formerly associated with the Kellogg-Smith Camp, Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Maryland, during or about the summer of 1937, was formerly a student at the Philadelphia School of Occupational Therapy, and that an undated notation on a record card there indicated that she married EDWIN J. HUGHES and resided at Sykesville, Maryland.

Inquiry made at the Sykesville, Maryland, Post Office on October 3, 1949, reflected that Mrs. JOSEPH B. HUGHES, mother of EDWIN J. HUGHES, resides at RFD #2, Sykesville, Maryland. Upon interview, Mrs. HUGHES advised that her daughter-in-law, MARTHA SHEARER HUGHES, has resided for the past five years at 1204 Second Road, Baltimore 20, Maryland.

Mrs. EDWIN J. HUGHES, nee MARTHA E. SHEARER, 1204 Second Road, Baltimore 20, Maryland, advised on October 3, 1949, that she is a niece of Mrs. J. KELLOGG--SMITH, Chestertown, Maryland, and as such, served as a counselor at the Kellogg--Smith Camp, Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Md., during the summers of 1934, 1935 and 1936. She recalled TIMOTHY HOBSON as a camper at Rigs O'Marlow in about 1934 and recalled that ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS visited him there on frequent occasions during that summer. Mrs. HUGHES did not recall TIMOTHY HOBSON ever having a broken leg, walking on crutches or incapacitated in any way. She did not recall whether or not the HISSSES stayed in the vicinity of Chestertown during their visits to Rigs O'Marlow and had no idea of the duration of the HISS' visits to the camp. Mrs. HUGHES recalled the following persons as counselors at Rigs O'Marlow during the period from 1934 to 1936:

JOAN KELLOGG--SMITH, from Chestertown

PAUL PIPPIN

MARCIA EARLE

ROBERT KRAFT, 205 Glider Road, Baltimore 20, Maryland.

She further recalled the following persons as Rigs O'Marlow campers during the same period: TIMOTHY HOBSON, and DWIGHT SCHOEFFLER, from New York City.

Mrs. HUGHES was not aware of the present whereabouts of any of the above-listed persons other than ROBERT KRAFT.

ROBERT P. KRAFT, 205 Glider Road, Baltimore 20, Maryland, advised on October 4, 1949, that he served as a counselor at the Kellogg--Smith Camp, Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Maryland, during the summers of 1934 and 1935. He recalled that a boy named TIMMY, who at that time was about 9 or 10 years of age, with dark hair and of slight build, was a camper there in the year 1934 or 1935. KRAFT vaguely recalled that this boy's parents may have visited Rigs O'Marlow, but did not recall their names, descriptions or anything else about them. He was personally unaware of any relationship between ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and TIMOTHY HOBSON and was unaware of the HISS' visit to Chestertown. He recalled the following persons as Rigs O'Marlow counselors in about 1934 or 1935: PAUL PIPPIN, from Chestertown, Maryland; MARTHA SHEARER, from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and who presently resides at 1204 Second Road, Baltimore 20, Maryland. The following persons were recalled by KRAFT as Rigs O'Marlow campers during the same period: DICK KENT, son of ROCKWELL KENT, possibly from New York City, and TIMMY (last name unknown to KRAFT). With the exception of MARTHA SHEARER, KRAFT was unaware of the present whereabouts of any of the above-listed persons.

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By teletype dated October 4, 1949, the Newark Office advised that MAX and JOE BERNHARDT, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, may have been campers at Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Md., in 1937.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent FRANCIS X. JAHN:

According to the Washington Telephone Directory, ~~JOSHUA BERNHARDT~~ resides at 6800 Brookville Road, Chevy Chase, Maryland. At this address, JOSEPH ENOCH BERNHARDT, age 19, stated that he and his brother, MAX GICHNER BERNHARDT, were formerly in attendance at the Rigs O'Marlow Camp during the late 1930's, but he had no recollection of having been at the Camp himself in the year 1937, pointing out that he was only seven years of age at the time. He had no personal recollection of TIMOTHY HOBSON, stepson of ALGER HISS.

Mrs. JOSHUA BERNHARDT located some letters she had written to her son MAX in May, 1937, and she stated she believed this was the first year her son MAX had been at the Camp. She stated that MAX is now twenty-one years of age and would have been nine years old in his first summer at the camp in 1937. She explained that MAX at the present time is a student at the University of Rochester, Rochester, New York, and he resides at the Todd Union River Campus.

By teletype dated September 23, 1949, the Newark Office in answer to Baltimore teletype dated September 16, 1949, which requested that HARRY NICHOLS, believed to be at a race track near Freehold, New Jersey, be located and interviewed, advised that investigation at Freehold, New Jersey, reflected that HARRY NICHOLS was unknown there, and that the Freehold Raceway Harness Track was now closed for the season. Newark requested Baltimore to furnish more specific information concerning NICHOLS.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JAMES M. CLAYTON:

~~HARRY NICHOLS~~, Chestertown, Maryland, advised on October 3, 1949, that he recalls several horse shows being held at the Kollogg-Smith Farm, Rigs O'Marlow, in 1937. NICHOLS was certain that he attended all of these shows, but had no recollection of TIMOTHY HOBSON or of any other child with a broken leg being there. He further advised that he had no personal knowledge of the ALGER HISS visit to Chestertown during or about 1937. NICHOLS added that he did recall seeing numerous children at Rigs O'Marlow during the horse shows there but did not recall the names or descriptions of any of them.

Upon initial interview by Agents of the Baltimore Office on September 14, 1949, H. NORMAN GRIEB, in a signed statement submitted by him on that date, stated that while serving as a counselor at Rigs O'Marlow, he recalled going on a camping trip to Piney Point, Maryland, accompanied by EDMOND JOHN SCHOEFFLER, DAN McMULLIN and either JOHN FEER or GEORGE REYNOLDS.

Upon interview by the Newark Office, JOHN and EDMOND SCHOEFFLER stated attendance at Rigs O'Marlow during the summers from 1938 through 1943, but advised that they were not at camp in 1937. Upon interview by the Boston Office, DAN McMULLIN stated attendance at Rigs O'Marlow from 1939 through 1942, but advised he was not there in 1937. He recalled he was five years of age in 1937 and added he did not recall TIMOTHY HOBSON. GEORGE REYNOLDS, upon interview by the Washington Field Office, stated attendance at Rigs O'Marlow from 1939 through 1942. JOHN FEER, according to an inquiry made by the Washington Field Office, is the son of a Swiss national, EDWARD FEER, and was stated by the Swiss Legation in Washington, D.C., to be probably in Switzerland or Egypt.

Upon reinterview by Special Agents WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER and FRANK A. STANTON on November 3, 1949, NORMAN GRIEB stated that McMULLIN must be right inasmuch as the first time GRIEB recalls him at camp he was about seven years old, and that inasmuch as McMULLIN says he first came to camp in 1939, JOHN and EDMOND SCHOEFFLER say 1938, and GEORGE REYNOLDS says 1939, they are probably right and that either the camping trip was a year other than 1937 or that different persons accompanied him on the trip.

GRIEB added, however, that he still thinks that he went on a camping trip with TIMOTHY HOBSON in 1937 as he only recalls the HISSSES at camp during the camping season of that year, but that different persons other than the SCHOEFFLERS, McMULLIN and REYNOLDS probably accompanied him. He further stated that he is absolutely positive that he went on a camping trip with TIMOTHY HOBSON at some time.

Inasmuch as McMULLIN did not remember TIMOTHY HOBSON, GRIEB concluded that the camping trip with TIMOTHY HOBSON could not have been in 1939, and that inasmuch as JOHN SCHOEFFLER says he took a camping trip with JAN LONG in about 1940, GRIEB can definitely state that he (GRIEB) could not have been a counselor in 1940 as he was never at camp with JAN LONG.

Interview of physician who at-  
tended and records pertaining to  
hospitalization of RUTH FANSLER  
in 1937.

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By report of Special Agent FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, dated September 8, 1949, at Baltimore, in this case, a lead was set out for the Baltimore Office to endeavor to locate and interview the doctor probably in the vicinity of Chestertown, Md., who treated Miss RUTH FANSLER in the summer of 1937 and subsequently during that same summer had Miss FANSLER placed in a hospital in Wilmington, Delaware. This lead noted that this doctor would probably be more readily located by consulting the records of the hospital at Wilmington, Delaware.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent E. JACKSON SWAN:

Miss MARIAN N. FINNEY, Medical Records Librarian, Delaware Hospital, 14th and Washington Streets, Wilmington, telephone 4-5211, residence 600 West 12th Street, telephone 2-2847, advised on September 24, 1949, that she has been employed in her present position since November, 1944. She produced the hospital chart of RUTH FANSLER, the first item of which was noted to be a 3x5 slip of paper with the following notation in pencil:

"ALGER HISS  
TELEPHONE - Chestertown 287W or  
Chestertown 287M

Care of Mrs. Wickes, Chestertown, Md."

Miss FINNEY recalled that Dr. MARGARET I. HANDY, presently practicing in Wilmington, came to the hospital in about March of 1949 and asked to see the records with respect to RUTH FANSLER. DR. HANDY was alone at the time and examined the records in the presence of Miss FINNEY. The records indicated that Dr. HANDY was the attending physician and Miss FINNEY recalls that the first item in the hospital chart file at that time was the above described 3x5 slip of paper. At that time it was stapled into the file with a type of staple that has not been used by the Hospital since Miss FINNEY began her employment there in November, 1944, and Miss FINNEY advised that she could only assume it had been placed in the file soon after the discharge of RUTH FANSLER, on July 26, 1937, when all the Hospital records pertaining to FANSLER were assembled and stapled together for purposes of filing. She could furnish no information as to

the identity of the person who made the notation on the 3x5 slip of paper, but stated it could have been made by any one of a number of persons, including nurses, visitors, switchboard operators, or internes, and that it was the custom and practice of all hospitals to obtain the names and addresses of one or more persons to be notified in case of emergency, particularly if the patient were a child. She stated that it would have been likely that this particular slip of paper had been maintained by the nurse on duty at the time or possibly by the switchboard operator, although she stated that she was not familiar with the Hospital routine prior to 1944.

She could not recall a request from any one other than Dr. HANDY and the writer to examine the file and records pertaining to FANSLER, and stated that had such a request been made, she was sure she would remember it.

Dr. MARGARET I. HANDY, 1100 North Broom Street, Wilmington, Del., advised that she does not have any recollection of having attended RUTH FANSLER in 1937, but knows she was the attending physician because she was able to locate in her own records a "Patient's Record" which contains entries daily from July 15, 1937, through July 26, 1937, for FANSLER. This "Patient's Record" is a small white card with the patient's name, date and number of visits, and charges. Under the "Remarks" section there appears the name "J. KELLOGG SMITH, Chestertown, Md."

Dr. HANDY stated that she did not maintain any records of her own of "straight hospital cases", and that all other records pertaining to the case were in the files of the Delaware Hospital. She exhibited a letter to the writer which she stated she received from Mrs. J. KELLOGG--SMITH about March 5 or 7, 1949. The date of receipt was fixed by the date "March 4", which appears on the second page of the letter. In substance, the letter requests Dr. HANDY to advise as to how photostatic copies of the records of the Delaware Hospital with respect to the confinement of FANSLER might be obtained. Upon receipt of the letter from Mrs. J. KELLOGG--SMITH, Dr. HANDY stated that she immediately went to the Delaware Hospital and examined the records of the FANSLER child. From the entries in the records which had been made by herself, Dr. HANDY said that she definitely had been the attending physician, but that she could not recall any of the facts pertaining to the case. She recalled that she did not answer the letter, but spoke to Mr. R. R. GRIFFITH, Superintendent, Delaware Hospital, about the matter. Mr. GRIFFITH told Dr. HANDY that he would handle the request, and within a day or so, Dr. HANDY received a letter from Mr. GRIFFITH. This letter is dated March 8, 1949, and in substance

states that Mr. and Mrs. KELLOGG--SMITH were both out of town and that Mr. VANDERGOES would stop and see Mr. GRIFFITH on his next visit to Wilmington. Dr. HANDY explained that Mr. VANDERGOES was married to JOAN, daughter of J. KELLOGG--SMITH. Dr. HANDY recalled that at the time she examined the Hospital records the first item in the file was a 3x5 slip of paper with the name and telephone number of ALGER HISS. She stated that she did nothing further with respect to the matter, and could only assume that Mr. GRIFFITH had made the requested information available to Mrs. J. KELLOGG--SMITH.

Dr. HANDY related that she has known Mr. and Mrs. J. KELLOGG--SMITH since about 1918 and that while they operated the camp near Chestertown, Md., known as Rigs O'Marlow, it was routine for Mr. J. KELLOGG--SMITH to bring all of the children who became ill at the camp, to Wilmington for treatment by Dr. HANDY. After examining the records of the Hospital, Dr. HANDY stated that she could not recall who had brought the FANSLER child to the Hospital and that she could not definitely recall any contact with Mr. J. KELLOGG--SMITH in connection with the case, but was sure there must have been such contact, since his name appears in the records. She also stated that in all probability, J. KELLOGG--SMITH had brought the FANSLER child from Chestertown, Md., to the Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, and that she had been called after the arrival of FANSLER.

It was the recollection of Dr. HANDY that she has never seen or had any contact whatsoever with any member of the HISS family. With respect to the 3x5 slip of paper in the Hospital chart which bears the name and address of ALGER HISS, Dr. HANDY stated that she had not made the notation and did not recall ever having seen it prior to her examination of the records in March, 1949. She stated that it would have been normal procedure for the notation to have been made by a nurse, interne, clerk, switchboard operator, or visitor, and that it would probably have been kept with the medical charts and records pertaining to the FANSLER child during her stay in the Hospital. She stated that it would certainly have been normal procedure to obtain the name and address of a relative or friend to be notified in case of emergency when the patient was a child. It was also pointed out by Dr. HANDY that any visitor might have made the notation on the 3x5 slip of paper and left it at the Hospital.

Mr. MERLE A. ROEMER, Engineering Department, Hercules Powder Company, Delaware Trust Building, Wilmington, Del., telephone 7211, extension 562; residence 206 East Delaware Avenue,

Newark, Delaware, advised that he was employed as a counselor at the Rigs O'Marlow Camp near Chestertown, Md., during the summers of 1930--32, but that he has not since been connected with the camp. He advised that during the summer of 1937 he resided in Wilmington, Delaware where he was employed, and that on many week ends, he and his wife went to Chestertown, Md., to visit his mother-in-law, Mrs. CATHARINE S. HULETT, who had the third floor front apartment in the apartment building owned or operated by Mrs. WICKES. He stated that he did not know the identity of the other persons who resided in the building, but that it was his recollection that there were other apartments which were occupied. He related that he did not visit the camp during the summer of 1937 and that he did not know who the employees of the Camp were at that time. He also stated that he does not know of the HISS family and does not know of ever having seen ALGER HISS. ROEMER advised that he is not familiar with the name TIMOTHY HOBSON, and that he does not recall ever having heard anyone speak of the residence of ALGER HISS in Chestertown in 1937.

He also advised that Mrs. CATHARINE S. HULETT is presently in Ocean City, Md., exact address unknown, but that she will return to Chesapeake City, Md., on or about October 1, 1949.

Anonymous Communication Received by the Bureau postmarked 1:00 p.m., 8/26/49, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, stating society editor at Chestertown, Md., has definite record of whereabouts of ALGER HISS in August 1936 and August 1937

By report of Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER dated September 28, 1949, at Baltimore, regarding this case, a lead was set forth for the Baltimore Office to interview Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS at Chestertown, Md., regarding an anonymous communication received by the Bureau, which probably referred to her.

The following investigation was conducted by SA PFEIFFER:

Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS, Chestertown, Md., advised on September 27, 1949, that in her opinion the anonymous communication received by the Bureau postmarked 1:00 p.m., August 26, 1949, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, undoubtedly refers to her. She further advised that she visited her cousin, Mrs. GUY STONE at Pittsfield, Mass., from August 2, 1949, to August 9, 1949. While in Pittsfield, Mass., Mrs. COLLINS related that she met numerous persons at social functions and discussed the HISS case with

them but does not recall the names of these individuals and has no idea as to who could have written the anonymous letter, but was certain that Mrs. STONE did not write this letter. She added that the letter is definitely an error in that she has no idea as to the whereabouts of ALGER HISS in August 1937 and has already told Bureau Agents all pertinent facts concerning her finding of a notebook that reflected that Mrs. ALGER HISS may have attended a party given by Mrs. COLLINS on August 24, 1936. She went on to say that she knows nothing further concerning ALGER HISS other than that already told to Bureau Agents.

Investigation regarding JAMES M. SNOUFFER, alleged to have remarked to Washington, D.C., newspaper reporter that he is in possession of some information in connection with ALGER HISS' alleged residence in Maryland in 1937 or 1938

By letter dated September 27, 1949, the Washington Field Office advised that on September 26, 1949, LOUIS J. RUSSELL, Chief Investigator of the House Committee on Un-American Activities advised that it had recently come to RUSSELL's attention through one JAMES WALTER, a reporter for the "Times-Herald", a Washington daily newspaper, that one JAMES SCHNAUTTER, a Chestertown, Md., resident, had some information in connection with ALGER HISS' alleged residence in Maryland in 1937 or 1938. It was RUSSELL's opinion that SCHNAUTTER was a student at the Benjamin Franklin University and resided in Washington, D.C., at the local YMCA. The Baltimore Office was requested to locate and interview SCHNAUTTER at Chestertown, Md., inasmuch as he could not be located at either the YMCA or at the Benjamin Franklin University in Washington, D.C.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Miss HELEN SNOUFFER, 117 Front Street, Chestertown, Md., advised on October 4, 1949, that she has a brother, JAMES M. SNOUFFER, a 36-year-old ex-serviceman who has resided with her at 117 Front Street, Chestertown, since November, 1937, with the exception of a few months in early 1949. Miss SNOUFFER stated further that her brother left Chestertown within the two weeks prior to October 4, 1949, to enter the Benjamin Franklin University at Washington, D.C. She had no idea as to her brother's present address in Washington, D.C.,

but recently learned through a friend of his, one ANNE FORD, that he had obtained a room at 1820 Park Road in Washington. Miss SNOUFFER recalled that her brother mentioned he would possibly stay at the YMCA in Washington, D.C. She added that her brother also mentioned that he was going to try to obtain a part-time job while going to school.

When asked whether or not her brother knew any newspapermen in Washington, Miss SNOUFFER immediately replied that her brother, JAMES, had known a Washington newspaperman named JAMES WALTERS during her brother's entire lifetime. She went on to say that her brother first came to Chestertown in November, 1947, and she doubted if he knew anything of value concerning the HISS--CHAMBERS case other than what he may have heard through local Chestertown gossip. Miss SNOUFFER stated that she, herself, has resided at 117 Front Street, Chestertown, since 1943, but has no personal knowledge whatsoever of the possible HISS visit to Chestertown.

Miss SNOUFFER agreed to advise the Baltimore Office in the event that she received any further indication of her brother's whereabouts in Washington, D.C.

EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY, LOCATE AND  
INTERVIEW "EVELYN" CHAMBERS'  
MAID AT 3310 AUCHENTOROLY TERRACE  
AND 2124 MT. ROYAL TERRACE, BALTI-  
MORE, MD., FROM MARCH 1937 to  
APRIL 1938

Interview with additional  
neighbors of CHAMBERS in the  
vicinity of 3310 Auchentoroly  
Terrace, Baltimore, Maryland

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent FRANK A. STANTON:

Mrs. JOSEPH ARCHER, SR., 413 East Lake Avenue, Baltimore, Md., advised on October 4, 1949, that she lived at 3320 Auchentoroly Terrace for several years until 1943. She stated that she was living at this address during 1937 but she had no knowledge whatsoever of CHAMBERS residing at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace. In this regard, she stated that she had no information or knowledge of any visits of ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS to that area.

Regarding the maid "EVELYN", employed by the CHAMBERS family during this period of residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, Mrs. ARCHER related that she had no knowledge of any such maid. She added that her maid, BERTHA HAWKINS, to the best of her knowledge, is not at present in Maryland and has no way of knowing where she may be located. Mrs. ARCHER was unable to furnish any possible sources to resolve the identity or determine the location of "EVELYN".

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Mrs. FRANK G. SCHENUIT, 4328 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., advised on October 12, 1949, that her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. KOESTER, resided at 3308 Auchentoroly Terrace for a number of years but moved from there 15 or 16 years ago, and that both her mother and father died about 2 years ago. Mrs. SCHENUIT added that she, herself, has not resided at 3308 Auchentoroly Terrace for the past 30 years. She did not recall any neighbors of her parents at Auchentoroly Terrace, was not aware of the CHAMBERS' residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, could not recall ever having seen the maid "EVELYN", could not recall who occupied 3308 Auchentoroly Terrace after her parents left, and could not recall the name or description of any maid formerly employed by her parents. She was shown pictures of WHITTAKER and ESTHER CHAMBERS, and ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS, and stated she had never seen any of these persons.

Interview with additional neighbors of CHAMBERS at 2124 Mt. Royal Terrace, Baltimore, Md.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOSEPH C. TRAINOR:

In an effort to locate "EVELYN", former maid of the CHAMBERS family during the period they resided at 2124 Mt. Royal Terrace, the following maids and janitors who were employed in that neighborhood during the pertinent period were interviewed with negative results. None of them recall EVELYN or the CHAMBERS family:

JULIA HARRISON, employed by Mrs. FRANK A. PARKER,  
2106 Mt. Royal Terrace  
CORR HAYDEN, employed by Mrs. THOMAS C. ELEY,  
2118 Mt. Royal Terrace

ELLA MILLARD, employed by Mrs. C. E. RIDDLE,  
3417 Gwynns Falls Parkway, formerly  
2132 Mt. Royal Terrace  
THELMA CAMPHOR, employed by Mrs. HYMAN DAVIDOV,  
2146 Mt. Royal Terrace  
NORMAN HARRIS, janitor, employed by Mr. G. GRAHAME  
DUCE, 2100 Mt. Royal Terrace  
JOSEPH DAVIDSON, janitor, employed by Mr. J. LEIPER  
WINSLOW, 2033 Park Avenue  
EVA BRAZO, employed by Mr. IRVIN PUSHKIN, 2022  
Park Avenue.

The following former neighbors of JAY CHAMBERS during the period he and his family resided at 2124 Mt. Royal Terrace, Baltimore, were interviewed with negative results. All advised that they do not remember the CHAMBERS family and can furnish no information concerning them:

Mr. G. GRAHAM DUCE, 2100 Mt. Royal Terrace  
Mrs. C. E. RIDDLE and Mrs. MABEL RIDDLE, 3417 Gwynns  
Falls Parkway, formerly of 2132 Mt. Royal  
Terrace  
Mrs. BEALE E. RIDDLE, 1423 Bolton Street, formerly of  
2132 Mt. Royal Terrace  
Mrs. E. LYLE KERR, 2120 Mt. Royal Terrace.

Interview with GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS,  
janitor employed in the vicinity of  
CHAMBERS' former residence at 3310  
Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, Md.,  
for the past 25 years.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents  
DAN A. BRANT and WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS, 554 Presstman St., Baltimore 17, Md., advised on September 30, 1949, that he has been employed for the past 25 years as a handyman, performing odd jobs, such as tending furnaces, washing windows, scrubbing floors, etc., in the vicinity of the 3300 block of Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore. He recalled that about 11 or 12 years ago a family named CHAMBERS, consisting of a man, his wife and one child, a girl about 6 or 7 years of age, lived in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace. According to WILLIAMS, they first lived at 3302 Auchentoroly Terrace for about two months. While there, they lived on the first floor and two other families lived on the second floor and third floor respectively. WILLIAMS did

recall the names of these other families. He further stated that the CHAMBERS then moved to 3216 or 3218 Auchentoroly Terrace where they occupied the whole house for about one year after which they moved to 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace. While at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, WILLIAMS recalled that the CHAMBERS occupied the whole house there for about one year, after which he lost track of the family.

While living at 3216 or 3218 and at 3310, the CHAMBERS employed a maid named EVELYN, according to WILLIAMS. He stated this maid to be 24 or 25 years of age at that time, 5'7" tall, 130 pounds, a light brown skinned negress, who had one gold-capped tooth in the front of her mouth. On one occasion, WILLIAMS recalled carrying a linoleum rug and two bags of things that were given to EVELYN by the CHAMBERS, from the CHAMBERS' home, then at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, to EVELYN's home at 1809 Etting Street, a distance of about ten blocks. WILLIAMS stated that this was the only time that he can recall ever having visited EVELYN's home.

He added that he never saw EVELYN with a man, so thought she was unmarried. He had no idea as to her last name. He recalled that she reported for work each morning and went home each night. She came to work by streetcar.

So far as WILLIAMS can remember, the CHAMBERS never employed any other maid while living on Auchentoroly Terrace.

While residing on Auchentoroly Terrace on one occasion, WILLIAMS recalled that the CHAMBERS hired a station wagon and transported a large crate to a farmhouse, which was located about one hour's drive from Baltimore. WILLIAMS recalled that Mr. CHAMBERS, another negro, whom WILLIAMS did not know, and WILLIAMS made this trip. WILLIAMS did not know what was in this crate and does not know where the farmhouse was located.

WILLIAMS went on to say that after EVELYN had been working for the CHAMBERS for about two years, she told WILLIAMS that she was going to quit working for CHAMBERS as so many "foreigners" came to visit the CHAMBERS. EVELYN stated to WILLIAMS at that time that a number of these people did not speak English and that she did not like this. WILLIAMS did not know whether or not EVELYN actually quit working for the CHAMBERS at this time, but he does not recall ever seeing her again.

WILLIAMS was shown pictures of WHITTAKER and ESTHER CHAMBERS and positively identified them as the Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS who formerly lived on Auchentoroly Terrace. When shown pictures of

ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS, he stated that ALGER was a Mr. "HESS" and that both of these persons frequently visited the CHAMBERS while the CHAMBERS were living on Auchentoroly Terrace, but that he never saw them come there together. WILLIAMS recalled that they would each come to the CHAMBERS' home in different automobiles, but he could not recall the make and description of these automobiles. WILLIAMS remembered putting cartons, which possibly contained books and papers, into the automobiles driven by these persons and added that CHAMBERS would always tip him for doing this. He added that these two persons were always very quiet.

WILLIAMS advised that he had no idea of the present whereabouts of the maid EVELYN and could not recall the names of any of the CHAMBERS' former neighbors.

WILLIAMS was asked if he would sign a statement concerning the above facts and stated that he would not do so because he could not recall any dates and would not want to be called upon to testify in this case.

It is noted that WILLIAMS stated on the morning of September 30, 1949, prior to the detailed interview set out above, which was made on the afternoon of September 30, 1949, that when he placed cartons, which possibly contained books and papers, into Mr. "HESS'" automobile, Mr. "HESS" would always give him a \$1.00 tip. In the detailed interview set out above, he maintains that CHAMBERS tipped him for this service.

The 1937 Baltimore City Directory listed a Mrs. HATTIE BROWN as residing at 1809 Etting Street, Baltimore. Sergeant FRANK P. BACCALA, Patrolmen JAMES NUGENT, HARRY KLAGES, ROBERT DUTY and JOHN WALTER SMITH, all of the Baltimore Police Department, and FREDERICK I. SCOTT, letter carrier from 1938 to 1944 on route 188, which covers 1809 Etting Street, and MAURICE M. JOLLEY, letter carrier on route 188 since March 19, 1949, advised Special Agents FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and EDWARD G. GOUGH on September 30, 1949, that they have never known anyone named EVELYN or a person meeting the description of the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN, to reside at 1809 Etting Street or in that vicinity.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent PATRICK D. PUTNAM on October 1, 1949, pursuant to information obtained from GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS that EVELYN, the CHAMBERS' maid, during the year 1937 resided at 1809 Etting St., Baltimore, Md.:

The records of the Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore, Md., reflect that one Mrs. HATTIE BROWN resided at 1809 Etting St. from the early part of 1936 until July of 1939. HATTIE BROWN's employment was listed as the Druid Laundry, 1634 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, Md.

Mr. GAINES LANSEY, manager of the Druid Laundry, 1634 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore, advised that HATTIE BROWN, Social Security #218-01-7971, was employed at the Druid Laundry prior to the year 1938. Mr. LANSEY stated that HATTIE BROWN's employment terminated due to illness which later resulted in her death. LANSEY added that HATTIE BROWN had 3 or 4 daughters and that one of the daughters, VIRGINIA M. BROWN, Social Security #220-07-7217, was employed by the Druid Laundry from November 1, 1938, to approximately July, 1940. According to LANSEY, VIRGINIA M. BROWN married an individual by the name of PLEASANT sometime prior to July, 1940. LANSEY did not know of the present whereabouts of VIRGINIA M. BROWN. VIRGINIA M. BROWN did not fit the description of EVELYN. The above information was corroborated by JOSEPH TAYLOR and EMILY FINKS, employed by the Druid Laundry.

LANSEY further advised that HATTIE had one son named PAUL, last name unknown, who operates a hack somewhere in the vicinity of Pitcher Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

Inquiry was made in the vicinity of Pitcher Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore, and PAUL JACKSON, who identified himself as the son of HATTIE BROWN, was located at the New Standard Restaurant, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Upon interview, PAUL JACKSON stated that he moved to 1822 Etting Street from Virginia sometime in 1936 and in 1937 or 1938 he moved to 1809 Etting Street. JACKSON advised that he has four sisters, namely:

VIRGINIA M. BROWN, approximately 23 years of age, who presently resides in New York.

KATHLEEN BROWN, approximately 17 years of age.

MAMIE JACKSON, approximately 27 years of age, who presently resides in Philadelphia.

ANGIE BROWN WYATT, approximately 38 years of age, who presently resides in Chester, Penna.

JACKSON added that none of the above sisters ever worked as maid on Auchentoroly Terrace or Mt. Royal Terrace.

According to JACKSON, his father is EDDIE JACKSON, who never resided at 1809 Etting Street. JACKSON further stated that WILLIAM HENDERSON was HATTIE BROWN's boyfriend and that about one year ago, WILLIAM HENDERSON resided in northeast Baltimore in a colored section about one block north of 33rd Street and about one or two blocks east of Greenmouht Avenue.

PAUL JACKSON explained that his recollection of the dates that he resided at 1809 Etting Street might be somewhat inaccurate and that his wife, ALICE JACKSON, who presently resides at 1809 Etting Street, might have a more accurate recollection of the dates.

Mrs. ALICE ELLA JACKSON, wife of PAUL JACKSON, stated that she and PAUL moved to 1809 Etting Street on April 2, 1936. On March 2, 1938, she and PAUL moved to Doswell, Virginia, and lived in Virginia until September 16, 1939, at which time they returned to 1809 Etting Street. ALICE JACKSON explained that HATTIE BROWN, PAUL JACKSON's mother, resided with them at the times that she and PAUL lived at 1809 Etting Street, and that during the period that she and PAUL lived in Virginia, from March 2, 1938, to September 16, 1939, the residence at 1809 Etting Street was occupied solely by HATTIE BROWN and her two young daughters whose ages she estimated to be 16 years and 10 years. ALICE JACKSON stated that a family by the name of COOPER resided at 1809 Etting Street prior to 1936. She based this statement on the fact that mail has come to the house in the name of COOPER.

ALICE JACKSON further stated that she has never heard of an EVELYN who has resided in the 1800 block of Etting Street and that she could safely state that none of HATTIE BROWN's daughters ever worked at Auchentoroly Terrace or Mount Royal Terrace. She further advised that she, herself, had never worked as a maid in Baltimore and that the only domestic work she had ever done was that of a cook at the residence of Mrs. SELLMAYER, 525 Conkling Street. ALICE JACKSON stated that she was 41 years of age on March 16, 1949. She is light skinned and approximately 5'3" or 5'4". She married PAUL JACKSON on November 17, 1938. ALICE JACKSON further stated that during the years 1937 and 1938, to her knowledge, PAUL JACKSON never owned a big green automobile and that at the time he owned a blue or grey car.

The following individuals were contacted in connection with the location of WILLIAM M. HENDERSON with negative results:

SAMUEL ROSE, owner of the Service Garage at 1415 Etting St., who advised that he has owned this garage since 1936 and could recall no WILLIAM M. HENDERSON as having worked for him. ROSE checked his records back to the year 1944 and no record was found under the name WILLIAM M. HENDERSON. ROSE stated that records prior to the year 1944 were not available but a search would be made to locate them.

Mr. L. WALLER, General Manager, Mutual Benefit Society, 407 West Franklin Street.

ALEX M. KNAPP, general agent, Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co., 515 Tower Building.

GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS, 554 Presstman St., Baltimore 17, Md., reinterviewed on November 14, 1949, by Special Agents FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, in the presence of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, reiterated the information originally given by him to Special Agents DAN A. BRANT and WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, on September 30, 1949, set forth hereinbefore, with the exception that he stated that he was not tipped by Mr. CHAMBERS when he placed cartons, which possibly contained books or papers, into Mr. "HESS'" automobile, but was tipped by the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN. He also added at this time that a negro known to him as "YOUNG WILL", who was employed during or about the year 1937 in the vicinity of the CHAMBERS' residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, did perform some carpentry work for Mr. CHAMBERS at a farm located somewhere outside of Baltimore, Md. WILLIAMS stated that he has not seen "YOUNG WILL" for many years, never knew his place of residence or his last name, and has no idea as to his present whereabouts.

At this time, WILLIAMS on his own volition positively identified WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as the Mr. CHAMBERS who formerly resided at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore. Upon termination of the interview with WILLIAMS, and in the presence of Agents JOHNSTONE and PFEIFFER only, CHAMBERS stated that he did not recall ever having seen WILLIAMS before instant interview. He added, however, that this should not be regarded as conclusive inasmuch as he may have known of WILLIAMS in the past but has since forgotten him.

Reinterview with Miss ETHEL M. ENGLER, Baltimore, Md., and investigation resulting therefrom.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Miss ETHEL M. ENGLER, 5712 Maple Hill Road, Baltimore, Md., was reinterviewed on October 7, 1949, inasmuch as during a prior interview she had stated that she had formerly resided at 3314 Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, for 34 years prior to 1949, and had had casual brief conversations with the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, when the two of them purchased vegetables from the same huckster. Upon instant reinterview, Miss ENGLER recalled that this huckster would be either DAVID H. MILLMAN, who currently resides at 4105 Garrison Boulevard, Baltimore, or DAVID P. MILLMAN, who resides at 3612 Eldorado Avenue, Baltimore.

DAVID H. MILLMAN, 4105 Garrison Boulevard, Baltimore, advised on October 10, 1949, that he sold produce in the vicinity of the 3300 block of Auchentoroly Terrace. He recalled that the CHAMBERS family resided at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace sometime during the late 1930's and recalled that they employed a maid at that time. MILLMAN described this maid as being in her early 20's at that time, 5'6" in height, a good looking colored girl with a light complexion and high cheek bones. He recalled that a colored boy named RAYMOND DAY, about 20 years of age, worked for him at that time and added that this colored boy stated to him that he had dated the maid of the CHAMBERS family and that the maid's husband was looking for him as a result of this. MILLMAN advised he last saw RAYMOND DAY in about 1942 and that at that time DAY was an Army Sergeant. On this occasion, DAY told MILLMAN that he had been employed at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania prior to going into the Army. MILLMAN also stated that a colored woman named SARAH JOHNSON, who presently resides at 1317 Whatcoat Street, Baltimore, and who worked for a family who lived somewhere on Gwynns Falls Parkway near Auchentoroly Terrace, Baltimore, may have known the former CHAMBERS' maid. MILLMAN also stated that about 5 years ago he saw the former CHAMBERS' maid in a car accompanied by a tall colored man named HERBERT DIGGS, and that at that time the maid had stated that she was then working for a family on Gwynns Falls Parkway in the first block west of the intersection of Gwynns Falls Parkway and Hilton Avenue.

MILLMAN was shown pictures of WHITTAKER and ESTHER CHAMBERS and ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS, and advised that the only one of these persons whom he had ever seen before was Mrs. CHAMBERS, whom he recalled seeing on one occasion when she purchased produce from him while residing at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace.

Mrs. AGNES E. JOHNSON, 1317 Whatcoat Street, Baltimore, Md., advised on October 11, 1949, that her mother-in-law, Mrs. SARAH JOHNSON, died in July, 1949.

HERBERT DIGGS, 1306 North Fremont Avenue, advised on October 11, 1949, that since 1941 he has been engaged in the business of operating buses which transport children to and from various schools in Baltimore, but that prior to 1941 he transported in his personal automobile numerous colored maids to and from their homes and places of employment. He did not recall ever having known a person meeting the description of the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN who might have worked in the vicinity of the 3300 block Auchentoroly Terrace or the 3300 block of Gwynns Falls Parkway (3300 block Gwynns Falls Parkway is the first block of Gwynns Falls Parkway west of the intersection with Hilton Street). He added that it was quite likely that he would not remember a specific person inasmuch as he carried a number of persons in his automobile each day.

A neighborhood investigation conducted in the vicinity of the 3300 block of Gwynns Falls Parkway on October 10 and 11, 1949, disclosed that the only person in this block who ever employed a maid meeting the description of the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, was one LOUIS M. COOPER.

LOUIS M. COOPER, 3318 Gwynns Falls Parkway, Baltimore, Md., advised on October 12, 1949, that he recalled that about six to eight years ago he and his wife employed a light skinned, good-looking negress as a maid. He remarked she was about 20 years of age, slender, about 5'4" to 6" tall, and that this maid was the best looking colored girl he ever saw. The maid was employed by him for one week only, at which time she left to care for her 8-month-old child. COOPER never saw the maid's husband and could not recall the maid's husband ever calling for her. He added she was not employed by him long enough for him to discuss past employments with her and she never mentioned them. COOPER recalled that this maid lived on either Madison or Druid Hill Avenue in the first block south of North Avenue, inasmuch as he picked her up in his automobile at her home on one occasion, and that he had employed her in answer to an employment agency newspaper advertisement. He had no idea as to the name or location of this employment agency. He added he has no idea of this maid's present whereabouts as he has not seen her since she terminated her employment with him.

On October 13, 1949, Mr. COOPER, accompanied by Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, was driven past the first block of Druid Hill Ave. south of North Ave., and the first block of Madison Ave. south of North Ave. He advised that he seemed to recall that the maid formerly lived on Madison Ave. on the right side of the street going north, about four to six doors below North Ave.

at approximately 2125 Madison Avenue. He was also driven past 1809 Etting Street and stated that the maid could not have lived at this address inasmuch as Etting Street is a narrow street and he distinctly recalled that at the time he picked up the maid in his automobile she lived on a wider street.

On October 14, 1949, a neighborhood investigation conducted in the vicinity of 2125 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, failed to reflect that anyone in that vicinity had ever known a person meeting the description of the COOPER's maid to have resided there.

By teletype dated October 14, 1949, the New York Office advised that WELFORD RAYMOND DAY, Bronx, New York, upon interview, stated he had worked for DAVID H. MILLMAN on a produce truck in Baltimore, but that he could not recall the location of Auchentoroly Terrace or any resident on that street, and was unable to identify a photograph of CHAMBERS or his wife. He recalled telling MILLMAN about going out on a date with a maid and her husband was looking for him as a result. He added this maid was Mrs. EVELYN KING, who lived on Druid Hill Avenue between Presstman St. and Baker or Roberts St. in Baltimore. Her husband, whose first name was unknown to him, operated a night club called "King's Tavern" in Catonsville, on the outskirts of Baltimore. She worked as a maid on the first floor of an apartment house near Druid Hill Park; however, DAY was unable to recall the street. Her employer, whose name was not known to DAY, was a lady who had a young child. EVELYN KING frequented night clubs and her husband had a large green convertible automobile. DAY stated that EVELYN KING fits the description of the maid, EVELYN, as given by Mrs. CHAMBERS. He added she had black hair and a strong build. He dated her once in about 1936 but saw her in the neighborhood quite often after that. He went on to say that he had not seen or heard from her since about 1937 when he left Baltimore.

PAUL N. KING, 1047 West Lanvale St., Baltimore, Md., part owner of King's Tavern, Winters Lane, Catonsville, Md., advised on October 15, 1949, that the only person named EVELYN in his family was his sister-in-law, EVELYN KING, who married his brother, KENNETH, who died 13 years ago. He added that his sister-in-law, EVELYN KING, presently resides somewhere in the 1200 block of Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore.

Mrs. EVELYN V. KING, 1212 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, advised on October 16, 1949, that she has never worked as a maid on Auchentoroly Terrace and has only been employed as a maid on

one occasion and that employment was at the Friends School in Baltimore. She further stated she has never worked for a family named CHAMBERS. Mrs. KING is described as age 47, dark brown skin, 5'5" in height, 160 pounds. She went on to say that her husband, KENNETH, has been dead for 13 years and that he never owned an automobile. She added she has never lived on Druid Hill Avenue between the 1900 and 2200 blocks and there are no other EVELYN KINGS in her family, she does not know any other EVELYN KING, and she has never heard of a RAYMOND DAY. She was shown pictures of WHITTAKER and ESTHER CHAMBERS and ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS, and said she has never seen any of these people.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Mrs. PAUL N. KING, 1047 West Lanvale Street, Baltimore, wife of PAUL N. KING, part owner of King's Tavern, Catonsville, Baltimore, Md., advised on October 17, 1949, that her husband had seven brothers:

GEORGE, now age 54 - wife, CLARA, now age 51  
GILLETTE, now age 49 - wife, JESSIE, now age 48  
KENNETH, now deceased - wife, EVELYN, now age 47  
ARTEMUS "TURK", now age 46 - wife, FANNIE, now age 45  
SAMUEL "HONEY", now age 43 - wife, BILLIE, now age 45  
HARRY "EPE", whose first wife was SADIE, now age 45.  
(HARRY has since remarried and his wife's name was unknown to Mrs. PAUL KING.

MURPHY "MURF", now age 32 - wife, MAURETA, now age 32.

Mrs. PAUL KING added that her given name is ALICE and that she is 49 years of age and that her husband, PAUL, is 51 years of age. She advised that GEORGE and PAUL are the only persons who operate the King's Tavern in Catonsville, Md. She did not know of any other relative who could have worked at the tavern. She knew of no other KING's Tavern in Catonsville and never heard of anyone in the family owning a large green automobile and never heard of RAYMOND DAY.

PAUL N. KING, part owner of King's Tavern, Winters Lane, Catonsville, Md., recontacted on October 17, 1949, advised that the only other colored KING family in the vicinity of Catonsville, Md., is the family of HERBERT KING, who reside on March Avenue in Catonsville.

HERBERT S. KING, JR., 210 March Ave., Catonsville, Md., interviewed in the presence of his sister, Mrs. ALEXANDER A. SMITH, JR., on October 17, 1949, advised that he knows of no one named EVELYN KING except PAUL KING's sister-in-law, and does not know anyone who meets the description of the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN. He stated his family are the only KINGS in Catonsville except the KINGS who operate the King's Tavern. KING added that no relative of his has ever worked at or owned a tavern in Catonsville or elsewhere. Mrs. SMITH advised at this time that she knows a woman named ROSE WILLIAMS nee ROSE DAVIS, who remarried and is now ROSE CRANFORD, who formerly worked as a maid, then as a waitress at King's Tavern in Catonsville. She is now about 36 years of age, 5'7" tall, very light greyish-blue eyes, and was formerly quite slender. Mrs. SMITH added that Mrs. CRANFORD frequents night clubs and now lives in the 6100 block of Old Frederick Road, Catonsville.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Mrs. ROSE CRANFORD, 6113 Old Frederick Road, Catonsville, Md. advised on October 19, 1949, that she came to Baltimore from Carroll County, Md., in 1939, and has worked as a maid but never worked on Auchentoroly Terrace. She never heard of the CHAMBERS family and never heard of RAYMOND DAY. Her former husband, CLIFTON WILLIAMS, who died in 1947, never owned an automobile larger than a Chevrolet. She is described as 36 years of age, 5'4" tall, 150 pounds, light skin with black straight hair. She had formerly worked as a waitress in King's Tavern in Catonsville in the early 1940's for about six months, but added that she has never heard or known of an EVELYN KING.

The 1936 Baltimore City Directory listed a Mrs. ELIZABETH E. KING (widow of Joseph) as residing at 2201 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore. She was the only KING listed as a resident of the 1900 through the 2200 block of Druid Hill Avenue (Robert through Baker Streets). Neighborhood investigation conducted in the vicinity of 2201 Druid Hill Avenue on October 18, 1949 failed to reflect anyone who was aware of a Mrs. ELIZABETH E. KING ever having been a resident of 2201 Druid Hill Avenue. The 1936 Baltimore City Directory listed the name EVELYN E. KING, wife of WASHINGTON R. KING, 324 South Smallwood Street, Baltimore.

Mrs. EVELYN E. KING, 2115 Ramsey Street, Baltimore, Md., was interviewed on October 16, 1949, and found to be a white woman. She advised that her husband is WASHINGTON R. KING and that the family formerly resided at 324 South Smallwood St., Baltimore. Mrs. KING, being a white woman, was thereupon eliminated as possibly being identical with the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN.

The 1937 Baltimore City Directory, in addition to EVELYN KING, widow of KENNETH at 1230 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, and EVELYN E. KING, wife of WASHINGTON R. KING, 324 South Smallwood Street, Baltimore; listed one EVELYN KING, a maid, as residing at 553 Oxford St., Baltimore.

This Directory listed no KINGS as residents of the 1900 through the 2200 block of Druid Hill Avenue.

Investigation in the vicinity of 553 Oxford Street reflected that MILTON BRIGHTFUL, currently living at 553, has lived there for 18 months and has never heard of an EVELYN KING. The only other person in this vicinity who recalled a person named EVELYN or a person meeting the description of the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN, was a Mrs. GRACE SIMS, 557 Oxford Street, a resident of that address for the past 14 years, who advised that a colored girl named EVELYN (last name unknown to her) formerly rented a room and lived by herself in the home of one IDA NELSON, who died 4 years ago. This EVELYN left before IDA died. Mrs. SIMS described her as being in her late 20's at that time, short and fat, with dark brown skin, and not married. She has no idea as to this person's present whereabouts.

New York teletype dated October 14, 1949, advised in addition to information set forth hereinbefore that the report of Special Agent JOSEPH R. MARSZALEK dated October 3, 1949, at Baltimore, in this case, upon reflecting investigation at employment agencies in Baltimore to locate the maid EVELYN, indicated that one EVELYN KING, 537 Hoffman St., Baltimore, registered with an employment agency as a domestic worker. New York at this time requested Baltimore to attempt to locate this EVELYN KING and interview her to determine if she is the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN.

JOSHUA MOORE, 537 West Hoffman St., Baltimore, advised on October 16, 1949, that an EVELYN KING, whom he described as about 24 years of age in 1939, 5'7" in height, about 140 pounds, dark brown skin, straight black hair, rented a room in his home from him and his wife, CATHERINE, for about six months in 1939. This person, according to MOORE, was unmarried and worked as a maid or cook at a place unknown to him. He never heard her mention that she worked for a CHAMBERS family or worked on Auchentoroly Terrace. He never heard her mention a RAYMOND DAY. He added that she rented a room in his house inasmuch as he had a "Room for Rent" sign in his front window, that he did not know her prior to her having seen the sign and that he does not know where she came from and whether or not she ever lived on Druid Hill Avenue. He added that this EVELYN KING left Baltimore in

1939 and went to Philadelphia and that he has not heard from her since and has no idea as to her present whereabouts.

Additional investigation in the vicinity of 537 West Hoffman Street, Baltimore, failed to disclose anyone else in this neighborhood who recalled an EVELYN KING or person of her description who formerly resided at 537 West Hoffman Street.

Confidential Informant T-1 advised on October 18, 1949, that a person meeting the description of the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, and who formerly resided on Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, was currently employed by the Meat Cutters Institute, 1313 Fremont Ave., Baltimore. Mrs. MAXINE WALKER EDEMY, 706 North Carrollton Ave., Baltimore, advised Special Agents JESSE C. PARKER and WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER on October 18, 1949, that she was born and reared at 2119 Druid Hill Ave. and lived there until about 1938. Mrs. EDEMY advised, however, that she has never worked as a maid on Auchentoroly Terrace or in that vicinity and never heard of the CHAMBERS or RAYMOND DAY. She added she never went with anyone who owned a large green swanky automobile. She went on to say that a girl named EVELYN N. WEST, who now resides at 1923 Division St., Baltimore, was reared in the same neighborhood as she was, the 2200 block of Druid Hill Avenue, and that Mrs. WEST's description somewhat corresponds to hers. Mrs. EDEMY is described as 32 years of age, 5'7" tall, 130 pounds, amber eyes, straight black hair, light skin and high cheek bones.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Mrs. EVELYN N. WEST, 1923 Division St., Baltimore, advised on October 19, 1949, that she was born and reared at 2228 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore, but has never worked as a maid, her only work having been as a school teacher for the past ten years. She never heard of a RAYMOND DAY and neither she nor her husband has ever owned a large green automobile. She is 32 years of age, 5'7" tall, 120 pounds, light complexion, brown eyes, black straight hair. She added that a person now living at 2227 Druid Hill Ave., whose husband has had large automobiles, somewhat meets the description of the maid, EVELYN, and may have worked as a maid.

Mrs. WILLA MAE HUDSON, 2227 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore, advised on October 19, 1949, that she has never worked as a maid, has never heard of a family named CHAMBERS, came to Baltimore from Washington in 1944 and has been living at 2227 Druid Hill

Avenue ever since. Her husband has a green 1941 Buick, 4-door sedan. She is 39 years of age, 5'3" tall, 145 pounds, light skin, brown eyes, straight black hair. She added she has never heard of a RAYMOND DAY.

By teletype dated October 20, 1949, the New York Office advised that upon reinterview, WELFORD RAYMOND DAY, Bronx, New York, had not been certain as to the first name of the maid EVELYN upon being initially interviewed by New York Agents on October 14, 1949, but had subsequently telephoned the New York Office later that day and said that he was almost positive that the maid's first name was EVELYN. DAY also added at this time that he never met Mrs. KING's husband but that she mentioned to him that her husband either operated or worked in King's Tavern. DAY did not know her husband's first name. He reiterated that he thought EVELYN's husband's car was as previously described by him, as Mrs. KING on one occasion in Baltimore, while accompanied by DAY, pointed out her husband to DAY and at that time EVELYN's husband was driving a large green car which DAY believed to be a Buick convertible.

DAY also ascertained at that time, upon being shown a map of Baltimore, that Mrs. KING formerly worked on Auchentoroly Terrace near Bryant Avenue. (This is near 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, the former CHAMBERS' residence.) DAY also suggested that MILLMAN be reinterviewed concerning Mrs. KING and her location, as he felt sure that MILLMAN knew Mrs. KING as a customer at her place of employment and her residence, inasmuch as MILLMAN delivered produce in both neighborhoods. DAY also said that a young negro whose first name was CLIFTON or CLIFFORD worked with DAY for MILLMAN and knew Mrs. KING and that CLIFTON lived on Baker Street at the intersection of Calhoun Street behind the house where MILLMAN lived. DAY added that CLIFTON had lived with his family there for many years and probably still lives there.

DAVID H. MILLMAN, 4105 Garrison Boulevard, Baltimore, was reinterviewed on October 21, 1949, and advised that he had no regular produce customers in the vicinity of Druid Hill Ave. but would sell produce there on Saturdays so that he could dispose of this produce without keeping it over a week end. However, he does not recall ever having seen the CHAMBERS' maid in that vicinity at any time. He further advised that he could not recall a person named CLIFTON or CLIFFORD as ever having worked for him, but that a DONALD WHITE, who lived on Baker Street between Mount and Gilmore Streets, and an EDWARD JOHNSON, who lives at 1317 Whatcoat St., Baltimore, both worked for him in the past and may know RAYMOND DAY and may have some information concerning the maid, EVELYN.

DONALD J. WHITE, 805 North Appleton Street, Baltimore 17, Md., advised on October 26, 1949, that he worked as a helper for Mr. DAVID H. MILLMAN on Mr. MILLMAN's produce truck off and on from about 1936 to 1941. He recalled that RAYMOND DAY also worked for Mr. MILLMAN about 1936 or 1937 and that they sold produce in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace. He seemed to recall that a family named CHAMBERS formerly resided on Auchentoroly Terrace and stated that a picture of Mrs. CHAMBERS looked familiar to him. He was shown pictures of Mr. and Mrs. HISS and Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS and said he could not recall any of them. He could not recall a maid named EVELYN or of EVELYN's description working in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace. He does not recall ever having heard RAYMOND DAY mention anything about EVELYN. He recalled that EDWARD JOHNSON, of 1317 Whatcoat Street, worked for MILLMAN about 1937 to 1938, and that a boy named "CHINK" who used to live in the 1500 block of Baker Street near Calhoun Street, worked for MILLMAN from about 1934 to 1939.

Mr. DAVID MILLMAN was recontacted on October 26, 1949 and stated that "CHINK" was FRANK WILSON, who lived on Gilmore Street near Baker Street and worked for MILLMAN in 1934 and 1935.

EDWARD WILLIAM JOHNSON, 1317 Whatcoat St., Baltimore, advised on October 31, 1949, that he formerly worked as a helper with RAYMOND DAY on the produce truck of Mr. DAVID MILLMAN in about 1938. He recalled selling produce with MILLMAN in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace. He did not recall the name "CHINK" but seemed to recall a picture of Mrs. CHAMBERS. He failed to identify pictures of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS. He recalls that RAYMOND DAY told him in about 1938 that RAYMOND had dated a maid whose name was unknown to JOHNSON. JOHNSON added that he saw this girl on one occasion about that time and that she was then about 21 years of age, 5'6" tall, 135 pounds, had long hair, unusual looking eyes, was light skinned and had high cheek bones. He was also of the opinion that this person was married at this time. This girl, according to JOHNSON, then lived in the 1100 block of Gilmore Street and had a sister about her age who looked like her. JOHNSON could not, however, recall ever having seen her husband.

Investigation in the vicinity of the 1100 block of North Gilmore Street, disclosed that JESSE G. WIGGINS, 1141 North Gilmore St., has a niece named BLOSSIE BUTLER, whose description somewhat resembles that of the maid EVELYN as described by Mrs. CHAMBERS.

Mrs. BLOSSIE BUTLER nee BLOSSIE WIGGINS, 2312 McCullough St., Baltimore, Md., advised on November 1, 1949, that she knew RAYMOND DAY from about 1930 until about 1937, when he left Baltimore. In about 1937, while her husband, SAMUEL, was in jail, she had a number of dates with RAYMOND DAY over a six-month period. However, her husband, SAMUEL, never owned a large swanky automobile but around 1937 had a 1937 blue Chevrolet 2-door sedan. She stated she has never lived on Druid Hill Ave. but at that time lived at 1141 N. Gilmore St. with her uncle, JESSE, and that she was working at that time as a maid on Forest Park Avenue for a Dr. DAVID CHASSON. She went on to say that she has never worked on Auchentoroly Terrace or Mount Royal Terrace and never worked for or heard of a family named CHAMBERS. She was shown pictures of Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS and Mr. and Mrs. HISS and said she has never seen any of them. Mrs. BUTLER added she has never heard of a girl named EVELYN KING or a person who met EVELYN KING's description. Her husband has never worked for the King's Tavern in Catonsville and she has no idea of any other girl who RAYMOND DAY might have dated as he never mentioned to her that he was going with any other girl.

BLOSSIE BUTLER is described as 35 years of age, 5'6" tall, 122 pounds, short brown hair, brown eyes and light skin. She added that her sister, PEARL LEWIS, somewhat resembles her and possibly may have dated RAYMOND DAY.

Mrs. PEARL I. LEWIS nee PEARL WIGGINS, 1357 North Carey St., Baltimore, Md., advised on November 1, 1949, that she has worked as a maid but never worked in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace and never heard of a CHAMBERS family. She failed to recognize pictures of Mr. and Mrs. HISS or Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS. She recalled that RAYMOND DAY formerly went with her sister, BLOSSIE BUTLER, but she knew of no other girl who RAYMOND may have gone with, never went with RAYMOND herself and never heard of a person named EVELYN KING or a girl who met EVELYN KING's description. Mrs. LEWIS has been married only two years, to ROBERT LEWIS, this being her first marriage. She added that her husband never owned a large swanky car. PEARL LEWIS is 32 years of age, 5'4" tall, 127 pounds, has short dark hair, hazel eyes and light skin.

Mr. DAVID MILLMAN telephonically contacted the Baltimore Office on November 1, 1949, and stated that he recalled that a colored boy named ULYSSES, who is now working for Oscar's Meat Market, 4322 Park Heights Ave., Baltimore, also worked for him about 1937 or 1938 and may know RAYMOND DAY or the maid EDITH.

LEWIS ULYSSES TALLEY, 1028 Appleton St., Baltimore, Md., employed by Oscar's Meat Market, 4322 Park Heights Ave., advised on November 7, 1949, that he was formerly employed as a helper on a produce truck operated by DAVID MILLMAN for about one year during 1937. He recalled selling produce on this truck in the vicinity of Auchentoroly Terrace and recalled that the only other boy who worked for MILLMAN was EDWARD JOHNSON who lived on Whatcoat Street. He was shown pictures of Mr. and Mrs. HISS and Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS but could not recall seeing any of them and could not recall RAYMOND DAY. He could not recall ever having heard the name EVELYN KING and does not recall having seen a girl of EVELYN's description.

FRANK A. WILSON, 1811 West North Avenue, Baltimore, Md., advised on November 9, 1949, that he is known to DAVID MILLMAN as "CHINK" and formerly worked for MILLMAN on MILLMAN's produce truck from about 1927 to 1932. At that time WILSON resided at 1607 North Gilmore St. He recalled selling produce with MILLMAN in the vicinity of 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace but does not recall ever having heard of or seeing a colored maid who worked in that vicinity named EVELYN KING or meeting EVELYN KING's description. He knew RAYMOND DAY as a neighbor and knew that RAYMOND worked on MILLMAN's truck but recalled that DAY worked on the truck a number of years later than he did. However, he never heard RAYMOND mention an EVELYN KING or a maid who worked on Auchentoroly Terrace or a person of EVELYN's description. He added that he has lived in the vicinity of Gilmore and Baker Streets for the past 27 years and never heard of a colored boy named CLIFTON or CLIFFORD who lived on Baker Street at the intersection of Gilmore Street and who may have worked for MILLMAN. He was shown pictures of Mr. and Mrs. HISS and Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS and could not recall ever having seen any of them.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Extensive investigation in the vicinity of Baker and Gilmore Sts. in Baltimore has failed to disclose that a colored boy named CLIFTON or CLIFFORD and who may have worked on a produce truck of DAVID MILLMAN ever resided in that vicinity.

STAFFORD CAHILL, 1532 Baker St.; Mr. and Mrs. JOHN JORDAN, 1522 Baker St., and Mrs. CHARLES EDWARDS, 1506 Baker St., residents of the neighborhood for the past twenty years, twenty-one years and nineteen years, respectively; Patrolmen ELWOOD L. BROWN and HARRY S. SCOTT, Baltimore Police Department, assigned to Post #31, which covers this vicinity; JAMES JETT, 1403 Presstman St., a

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produce vendor in the vicinity of Baker and Calhoun Sts. for the past 20 years, were all contacted, with negative results.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT L. LANPHEAR:

The records of the Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles, Guilford Ave. at 21st St., Baltimore, were reviewed on October 17, 1949, for a 10-year period, from 1932 to 1942, concerning automobile owners named KING. Drivers licenses of owners of large convertible automobiles during the pertinent period were also checked. All records reviewed were unproductive.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent HUGH KNOTT:

Mr. TILGHMAN PRICE, Clerk, Supervisor of Elections Office, on October 18, 1949, searched the names EVELYN KING and ELIZABETH E. KING through the 1900 through 2200 blocks of Druid Hill Ave. without finding a registration. He also advised that he could not locate a registration for the following: EVELYN KING, 537 West Hoffman St., and 553 Oxford St. Mr. PRICE advised that his search covered the period 1939 to the present.

Mr. JOHN L. SCHIMPF, Clerk, Supervisor of Elections Office, on October 18, 1949, made a similar search through the records dating from 1930 to 1936 and 1936 to 1939, but could locate no EVELYN KINGS registered during those periods.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER:

Arrest records of the Baltimore Police Department checked by LEO DUFFY, Detective, Identification Division, on October 20, 1949, failed to reflect the name of any person named KING in the 1900 through 2200 block of Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore.

Miss ELIZABETH McCLOSKEY, Principal Clerk, Traffic Record Division, Department of Motor Vehicles, Baltimore, caused a check to be made of the record of conviction files of the Department of Motor Vehicles, which reflected the names THOMAS W. KING, 2138 Druid Hill Ave., and THOMAS J. KING, 2212 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore. Investigation in the vicinity of 2138 and 2212 Druid Hill Avenue failed to reflect anyone who was aware of a THOMAS W. KING or a THOMAS J. KING ever having resided in those neighborhoods.

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Confidential Informant T-2 on November 4, 1949, made a search of his records for a colored female named KING whose first name started with an "E". The following names were ascertained through this check:

ELEANOR MURRAY KING, 521 North Fulton Avenue, Baltimore, Md.  
ETHEL KING, 1613 W. Lafayette Avenue, Baltimore, Md.  
Mrs. EMILY KING, 1631 W. Lanvale Street, Baltimore, Md.  
ELEANOR KING, 1325 Whatcoat St., Baltimore, Md.  
ELIZABETH KING, 922 Burgundy Street, Baltimore, Md.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent PAUL D. EARNEST:

Upon interview, Mrs. ELEANOR MURRAY KING, 521 N. Fulton Avenue, advised on November 4, 1949, that she was 27 years old and had resided near Charleston, South Carolina, until October, 1941, at which time she came to Baltimore, Md. It was therefore ascertained that she is not identical with EVELYN KING.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent DAN A. BRANT:

Investigation at 1613 West Lafayette St., Baltimore, on November 4, 1949, revealed that ETHEL KING is now Mrs. HARRY WHITE and resides at 2039 Madison Avenue.

ETHEL WHITE, 2039 Madison Avenue, upon interview, advised that she had never worked as a maid on either Auchentöroy Terrace or Mount Royal Terrace. She further advised that she had never worked for a family by the name of CHAMBERS.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THEODORE MALINOWSKI:

Mrs. EMILY KING, who presently resides at 1631 West Lanvale St., Baltimore, stated on November 4, 1949, that she is the wife of PAUL KING, who is employed as a stevedore on the Baltimore waterfront. Mrs. KING advised that she is approximately 57 years old, and has never been employed as a maid or domestic. She advised that she could not recall anyone whose name would be "EVELYN KING". Mrs. KING stated her former addresses were 1335 North Mount St. and 1116 North Stricker St., Baltimore. Therefore, it appears that Mrs. EMILY KING is not identical with the "EVELYN" in instant case.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN O. MONTGOMERY:

Mrs. ELEANOR KING, wife of EDWARD R. KING, 1325 Whatcoat Street, Baltimore, upon interview on November 4, 1949, at her home, advised she was born on October 29, 1907, in Baltimore, and has resided in the city her entire life. Mrs. KING's maiden name was ELEANOR CARROLL and from 1937 to 1940 she resided with her family at 343 Bloom Street. Mrs. KING advised she worked as a domestic for a COHEN family on Piedmont Avenue around 1937 and that she never was employed by the CHAMBERS family. Mrs. KING was confident that if she had worked for this family she would remember.

Mrs. KING was interrogated concerning her knowledge of any EVELYN KING, and she stated she knew of no person answering her description. It was noted that Bloom Street address was located near the 2300 Block of Druid Hill Avenue; however, Mrs. KING stated she could furnish no information about the residents in that area.

It appears, therefore, that Mrs. ELEANOR KING is not identical with the "EVELYN" in instant case.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent WILLIAM G. OSBORN:

ELIZABETH KING, 922 Burgundy Street, Baltimore, was, upon interview on November 4, 1949, noted to be white and approximately 65 years of age, and advised she resided at Westminster, Maryland, from 1936 to 1943. She was, therefore, eliminated as being identical with the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN.

Attempts to locate former CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN through possible disbursements made in CHAMBERS' checking account.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent LINDIAN J. SWAIM. In connection with efforts to locate EVELYN, former maid of CHAMBERS, the writer examined the checking account of the CHAMBERS at the Carroll County National Bank, Westminster, Md. This account was originally carried as "Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS, In trust for herself and DAVID CHAMBERS, her husband. Joint owners.", with the Westminster Savings Bank, the predecessor of the Carroll County National Bank, which now maintains the records of the Westminster Savings Bank. A handwritten notation on the account indicates that the first name DAVID was later changed to "WHITTAKER". The account reflects the following addresses: 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace, 2610 St. Paul St., 2124 Mt. Royal Terrace.

Opposite the address 2610 St. Paul Street was the handwritten notation "5/16/39", apparently indicating that this address became effective as of that date. The account also has another handwritten notation "Lafayette 1239", apparently a telephone number.

It will be noted that CHAMBERS has advised that he was not certain as to whether maid EVELYN was paid by check or cash, that he did not know whether she was paid weekly, bi-monthly or monthly, but that he believed she had been paid approximately \$40 per month. The purpose of the examination of CHAMBERS' account was to trace, if possible, a check which had been made payable to maid EVELYN and thereby obtain additional identifying data which might lead to her whereabouts.

The account was examined for the pertinent period and several \$10 and \$40 checks charged to the account were noted. The details concerning the activity in the account during the period April 30, 1937 through July 8, 1939, are included in the work papers of Special Agent LINDIAN J. SWAIM in this case. Generally, it was noted that there was very little activity in the account, both as to withdrawals and deposits and that a rather small balance was consistently carried during the period examined.

The Carroll County National Bank and/or its predecessor began recordaking checks on October 31, 1937. However, it has followed the policy of recordaking only transit items and therefore it has no photographs of any checks drawn on the CHAMBERS' account.

During the period of maid EVELYN's employment, the CHAMBERS resided in Baltimore. It therefore appears probable that the checks,

if any, which were issued to maid EVELYN were processed through Baltimore banks where they would be handled as transit items, i.e., as checks drawn on out-of-town banks and as such would normally be photographed. It was determined that the Carroll County National Bank has two Baltimore correspondents, the Federal Reserve Bank and the First National Bank. Any check drawn on the CHAMBERS' account which had been handled by a Baltimore bank would have been transmitted to the Carroll County Bank either by the Federal Reserve Bank or the First National Bank during the pertinent period.

Inquiries were made at the Federal Reserve Bank and the First National Bank, Baltimore, with the idea in mind of tracing through those institutions checks, charged to the CHAMBERS' account, which appeared to have been possibly made payable to maid EVELYN. However, the officials of these banks advised that after the recordak film becomes three years old, it is destroyed, and therefore the possibility of obtaining a photograph of any CHAMBERS checks at these banks was eliminated.

Consideration was given to tracing through the incoming cash letters the identity of the Baltimore banks transmitting checks drawn on the CHAMBERS' account to the Federal Reserve Bank. However, this line of investigation was also eliminated inasmuch as the Federal Reserve Bank also destroys all incoming and outgoing cash letters after they become 3 years old.

Mr. NORMAN B. BOYLE, President, Carroll County National Bank, explained that normally all checks drawn on its accounts which are processed through Baltimore banks would be transmitted to the Carroll County National Bank through its Baltimore correspondent, the Federal Reserve Bank. However, he stated that infrequently the First National Bank would send direct to the Carroll County National Bank checks which require special handling. By this he stated he meant that any checks drawn on the Carroll County National Bank which came to the First National Bank late in the day would be sent directly to the Carroll National Bank by the First National Bank. All other checks drawn on the Carroll County National Bank which are handled by the First National Bank would be sent by the First National Bank to the Federal Reserve Bank for transmittal to the Carroll County National Bank.

On October 12, 1949, Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS advised Special Agent FRANK G. JOHNSTONE that a thorough search had failed to produce any cancelled checks for 1937 and only a few for 1938. None of the 1938 checks were made out to EVELYN or any payee suspected of being EVELYN. The CHAMBERS are not positive but doubtful that they ever paid EVELYN by check.

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It is being left to the discretion of the NY office as to whether any of the info set out on the following Adm.Pgs. should be furnished to AUSA THOS. MURPHY and SAAG T.J. DONEGAN.

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Employment Information on PERRY and RAYMOND CATLETT, also GEORGE ROULHAC, obtained for Washington Field Office from [redacted] b7D

By letter dated September 19, 1949, the Washington Field Office requested that employment data during 1937 and 1938 be obtained from [redacted] on PERRY MURPHY CATLETT, RAYMOND SYLVESTER CATLETT and GEORGE NORMAN ROULHAC, which information was desired by the Washington Field Office for assistance in interviewing these individuals to determine the date when the Woodstock typewriter was given to the CATLETT family by the HISS family.

[redacted] advised that his files do not contain any employment data on PERRY CATLETT or RAYMOND CATLETT during 1937 and 1938. Concerning ROULHAC, his records contained the information set out below:

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| Name:                       | GEORGE NORMAN ROULHAC   |
| Born:                       | 1/24/17, Washington, D.C.   |
| Social Security No.:        | 577-18-0942   |
| Employment (in 1937 & 1938) | Name and Address of   |
| Wages Reported for Quarter  | Employer:   |
| Ending:                     |   |
| December, 1937:             | J. Brenner & Son, Inc.,<br>2517 M St., NW, Washington, DC           |
| March, 1938:                | Colonial Village, Inc.<br>1913 Wilson Blvd., Arlington,<br>Virginia |
| March, 1938; June, 1938;    | Leonard Smith, 1528 Connecticut Ave., Washington, DC                |
| December, 1938:             | Johnson, Embrey & Wood, Inc.  |
| September, 1938:            | 6825 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda,<br>Maryland                          |

The records of [redacted] disclose that RAYMOND SYLVESTER CATLETT first applied for a Social Security Number in July, 1940, at which time he was unemployed and resided at 2728 Pea Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The records disclose he was born January 14, 1922, at Winchester, Va., and that the name of his parents are PERRY LOUIS CATLETT, father, and CLYUCE MAE MORRIS, mother's maiden name.

Concerning PERRY MURPHY CATLETT, JR., the records of [ ] disclose that he first applied for a Social Security account number in July, 1940, at which time he was unemployed and resided at 2728 Pea Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The records disclose that he was born on February 13, 1921, at Winchester, Virginia, and the names of his parents are listed as follows: PERRY LOUIS CATLETT, father and CLYTCE MAE MORRIS, mother's maiden name.

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In March, 1941, according to the file of [ ] PERRY CATLETT submitted a "Request for a Change in Records" to the Social Security Board, for the purpose of correcting his own name and that of his mother. The records disclose he requested his name be changed from PERRY LOUIS CATLETT, JR., to PERRY MURPHY CATLETT. He gave his mother's full name on this occasion as CLAUDIA MAY MYERS.

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Complete information to date concerning the employment of PERRY CATLETT, RAYMOND CATLETT and GEORGE ROULHAC is being retained in the Baltimore file for further reference.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau and the Washington Field and the New York Offices by letter dated September 23, 1949. (Information from [ ] obtained by SA RALPH C. VOGEL.)

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Interview with WILLIAM C. THAMEN and HERBERT WEYBICH, Baltimore, Md., regarding alleged Communist Party activities at Baltimore by ALGER HISS

By teletype dated October 6, 1949, from New York to the Bureau and the Baltimore Office, the following information was furnished. FREMONT BUESTETON, 7 James St., New York City, a National Maritime Union seaman, advised the New York Office that he was acquainted with WILLIAM C. THAMEN, former Baltimore dentist and now operator of a novelty shop called the "Gift Fair", 219 West Saratoga St., Baltimore. BUESTETON and THAMEN have known each other since 1940 or 1941, having been acquainted at the Beclieli Restaurant and Bar on Preston St., Baltimore.

During the latter part of the HISS trial, THAMEN told BUESTETON that he (THAMEN) was a former schoolmate and a personal friend of ALGER HISS and is acquainted with various friends of HISS. THAMEN appeared sympathetic to HISS and stated that the Government was "making a mountain out of a molehill." THAMEN is also alleged to have stated to BUESTETON that ALGER HISS attempted to recruit him (THAMEN) for the Communist Party several years ago or invited THAMEN to attend a Communist Party meeting in Baltimore.

THAMEN was described as about 45 years of age and as having had a roommate for about the past twenty years, first name HERBERT, an anti-Communist employed as a window dresser at the Isaac Hamburger Department Store, Baltimore. BUESTETON advised the New York Office that he had been a Communist Party member from 1943 to 1946, claiming to have been a member of the Waterfront Branch of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Philadelphia and San Francisco, when sailing out of these ports as an NMU seaman. Baltimore was requested to interview THAMEN in an effort to confirm the above allegations pertaining to HISS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised on October 10, 1942, that the name and address, FREMONT BUESTETON, 1305 North Calvert St., appeared on a 3x5 card at Communist Party headquarters in Baltimore, probably indicating that BUESTETON was then a subscriber to the Sunday Worker. This same informant advised on May 22, 1943, that F. BUESTETON, 1213 North Calvert St., appeared on a list under the heading "Industrial Section" at Communist Party headquarters, Baltimore, indicating his Daily Worker subscription, #A052, had been cancelled as of May 1, 1943.

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The indices of the Baltimore Office were negative under the names WILLIAM C. THAMEN and HERBERT WEYRICH, mentioned below as THAMEN'S roommate.

When interviewed on October 19, 1949, by SA FRANK A. STANTON and the writer, WILLIAM C. THAMEN, proprietor of "The Gift Fair", small novelty shop at 219 West Saratoga St., Baltimore, advised that he resides at 3631 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, with Mr. HERBERT WEYRICH, window dresser employed by Isaac Hamburger & Sons, men's department store in Baltimore. THAMEN went to dentistry school some years ago but never finished school and has never practiced dentistry. THAMEN stated he never went to school with ALGER HISS, is definitely not a personal friend of HISS. In fact, THAMEN denied ever knowing HISS or anything regarding him, except what he has read in the newspapers. THAMEN also denied any knowledge of, membership or activity in the Communist Party and positively denied that ALGER HISS ever attempted to recruit him for the Communist Party or ever invited him to attend any Communist Party meeting in Baltimore. THAMEN could recall no conversation at any time with any person which could be misconstrued to construct the above false allegations of BUESTETON.

HERBERT WEYRICH when interviewed by the writer on October 19, 1949, at Isaac Hamburger & Sons, confirmed that he has lived with WILLIAM C. THAMEN, for about the past thirteen years, present joint residence being 3631 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore. WEYRICH denied knowledge of any Communist Party activity or of any personal acquaintanceship with ALGER HISS on the part of THAMEN. WEYRICH also stated that he had never heard THAMEN make any statements or admissions to himself or anyone else similar to those alleged above to THAMEN by BUESTETON. It was WEYRICH's opinion that someone was either joking with the Bureau or was trying to give THAMEN trouble.

A summary of the above interviews was furnished to the Bureau and the New York Office by teletype dated October 20, 1949.

Interviews with Mrs. ALEXANDER JENKINS and MILES H. WOLFF, regarding an alleged Baltimore photographer of ALGER HISS

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD G. GOUGH and the reporting Agent:

Mrs. ALEXANDER JENKINS, 216 Wendover Road, Baltimore, Md., advised that one evening about June 1, 1949, Mr. and Mrs. RALPH ARMSTRONG of Duluth, Minn., Mr. ARMSTRONG being a brother-in-law by marriage of Mrs. JENKINS, visited in the JENKINS' home in Baltimore. On the visit the ARMSTRONGS brought along a Mr. GEORGE E. DEATHERAGE whom Mrs. JENKINS had not met until that evening. DEATHERAGE resides at 6 West 23rd St., Baltimore. Apparently DEATHERAGE had previously attended a meeting of the Maryland Committee for Representative Government which Mrs. JENKINS chaired. At that meeting Mrs. JENKINS distributed a Christmas article entitled "The Rise of Man", by CLARENCE K. STREIT, author and editor of "Freedom and Union", 700 9th St., NW, Washington, DC. During the evening's conversation, DEATHERAGE expressed caustic anti-British sentiments and also violently attacked Mrs. JENKINS' admiration for the works of STREIT. Then, apparently to impress her, Mrs. JENKINS stated that DEATHERAGE said, "If you want to know the photographer in Baltimore who did the printing for ALGER HISS, ask MILES WOLFF, he knows." Mrs. JENKINS stated that she knows nothing further about DEATHERAGE except that she thinks he was some kind of a Nazi collaborator during World War II. Mrs. JENKINS did not question DEATHERAGE as to what he meant by the above statement but felt it was of sufficient significance to report it to the FBI.

Mr. MILES H. WOLFF, 202 Ridgmede Road, Baltimore, Md., advised that until May, 1949, he was managing editor of the Baltimore Sunpapers. He stated that he does not know ALGER HISS personally and has no information regarding the identity of any photographer in Baltimore used by HISS. Of course, because of his position as a newspaperman, Mr. WOLFF stated he is quite conversant with the details of the HISS--CHAMBERS case. The Baltimore Sunpapers printed all the news available pertaining to the case and made a concerted effort through its reporters to identify the photographer, FELIX, in the Koenig Street vicinity of Baltimore in about February or March, 1949. Their photographers also took many pictures in the Koenig Street area which were published in the Sunpapers but Mr. WOLFF stated that their investigation developed no new information which was not published or already known to the Government. Neither personally or as managing editor of the Sunpapers, has Mr. WOLFF developed or obtained any information concerning photographers, ALGER HISS, or any other angle of the HISS--CHAMBERS case which has not been published in the Sunpapers.

Mr. WOLFF has no information regarding and has had no contact with GEORGE E. DEATHERAGE, except as follows. In the spring of 1949, Sunpapers reporters learned that DEATHERAGE and an unknown associate in the Silver Shirts or some other so-called Fascist organization, were living in Baltimore. The reporters became quite excited about the prospect of a good story and conducted some investigation, also interviewing DEATHERAGE and his associate. Mr. WOLFF declined to print anything regarding the Baltimore residence of DEATHERAGE, as not being news in itself, in the absence of any evidence that DEATHERAGE was doing organizational work and holding meetings in Baltimore. During the course of their investigation, DEATHERAGE telephoned Mr. WOLFF in about March or April, 1949, and in a rather threatening manner warned Mr. WOLFF that he didn't want or expect any publicity in the Baltimore Sunpapers. Nothing was ever published regarding DEATHERAGE only because Mr. WOLFF did not consider him news under the circumstances. DEATHERAGE and WOLFF have never met personally and Mr. WOLFF is not aware that they have any mutual friends.

Mr. WOLFF does not recall ever saying anything in any company which could possibly be the basis of DEATHERAGE's statement quoted above as made in the presence of Mrs. JENKINS, and could offer no logical reason for DEATHERAGE making such a statement.

The GEORGE E. DEATHERAGE mentioned above is identical with the organizer of the Knights of the White Camellia and the American Christian Nationalist Party and was the subject of extensive Bureau investigation in 1941. By teletype to the Bureau and the New York Office dated September 26, 1949, Bureau authority was requested to interview DEATHERAGE; and, if he substantiated his remark to Mrs. JENKINS, to interview WOLFF. By teletype dated September 29, 1949, the Bureau authorized an interview with WOLFF but not with DEATHERAGE. In view of the results of the interview with WOLFF, Baltimore contemplates no further investigation concerning this matter in the absence of instructions to the contrary.

WALTER WINCHELL's mention in his column in the New York "Daily Mirror" of 9/12/49 of alleged cables from JOHN OSBORNE to "Time" magazine attacking the credibility of CHAMBERS.

By teletype dated September 12, 1949, to the Bureau and Baltimore, the New York Office advised that the following appeared in WALTER WINCHELL's column in the New York "Daily Mirror" on September 12, 1949:

"THE ALGER HISS DEFENSE LAWYERS MAY SUBPOENA INTER-OFFICE CABLES AND MEMORANDA IN THE FILES OF TIME MAGAZINE. THEY WILL INCLUDE CABLES AND MEMOS ATTACKING THE CREDIBILITY OF ACCUSER WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. A VERY LONG ONE SENT BY JOHN OSBORNE WILL, IF PRODUCED, PROVIDE DRAMA IN THE COURTROOM. OSBORNE, THE HISS DEFENSE HEARS, SENT IT FROM ITALY ABOUT THE TIME OUR TROOPS LANDED IN SOUTHERN FRANCE. OSBORNE WAS STILL OFFICIALLY FOREIGN NEWS EDITOR AND CHAMBERS WAS FILLING HIS PLACE AS ACTING FOREIGN NEWS EDITOR. IN THAT CABLE/ANALYZING AN ISSUE OF TIME/ OSBORNE IS SAID TO HAVE ACCUSED CHAMBERS OF CHANGING TIME FROM A NEWS MAGAZINE TO A FICTION MAGAZINE!"

The Baltimore Office was requested to interview CHAMBERS immediately for any information in his possession concerning the above-quoted article and to ascertain the identity of JOHN OSBORNE, also to ascertain if OSBORNE was employed at Time magazine while CHAMBERS was employed by the same.

When CHAMBERS was interviewed on September 14, 1949, at his farm near Westminster, Md., by SAS EDWARD G. GOUGH and the writer, CHAMBERS furnished the following information with reference to the identity of JOHN OSBORNE:

CHAMBERS first met OSBORNE about 1941, at which time OSBORNE was writing labor news for the National Affairs Section of Time magazine. CHAMBERS stated that he suspected OSBORNE of being a Communist and further information in this regard will be set out below. CHAMBERS stated that during their early acquaintanceship, when CHAMBERS first went into OSBORNE's office at Time magazine, he found stacks of "Daily Workers" in OSBORNE's office.

During the war, OSBORNE was editor of "World Battle Fronts", then one of the departments or sections of the magazine. Later during the war, OSBORNE wrote and edited foreign news for Time. While OSBORNE was still editor of foreign news for Time, he was sent to Europe in about 1944. CHAMBERS' recollection is that OSBORNE, while in Europe, was with the American troops in Italy and later followed the American troops up the Rhine Valley in the offensive on Germany.

When OSBORNE went to Europe, CHAMBERS was appointed foreign news editor pro tem of Time in OSBORNE's absence. While in Europe, CHAMBERS stated that OSBORNE probably felt an over-all responsibility for the foreign news department and probably sent a number of communications to HENRY LUCE or T. S. MATTHEWS, Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor, respectively, of Time. No such communications from OSBORNE to officials of Time were brought directly to CHAMBERS' attention. However, CHAMBERS stated that his style of editing foreign news for Time was at great variance with that of OSBORNE. OSBORNE believed in a serious tone and a scholarly approach to foreign news, whereas CHAMBERS believed in a lighter tone for the purpose of making the foreign news department more attractive and more interesting for the readers.

CHAMBERS further advised that apparently the officials of Time magazine preferred CHAMBERS' editing of foreign news because after CHAMBERS took over as foreign editor of Time, the effort on the part of the officials appeared to be an effort to remove OSBORNE as foreign editor without demoting him or hurting his feelings. In other words, CHAMBERS stated that the officials appeared to be trying to find another "spot" for OSBORNE and pointed out the fact that CHAMBERS was retained as foreign news editor, which was an indication to him that his work was preferred to that of OSBORNE.

After the war, OSBORNE returned to the United States and Time created a new section in the magazine known as the International Section, and OSBORNE was made editor of that new section, whereas CHAMBERS was retained as foreign news editor.

Eight or nine months after OSBORNE became international news editor, OSBORNE was sent by Time to London where he became manager of the London Bureau of Time magazine. CHAMBERS stated that OSBORNE was very successful in his London post and returned to the United States sometime in 1948. At the present time, OSBORNE and JOHN CHAMBERLAIN are the editorial writers for Life magazine. CHAMBERS stated that OSBORNE is from Mississippi and described him as a "very decent guy". Unlike many Southerners, CHAMBERS stated that OSBORNE has a "negro and poor white complex".

CHAMBERS and OSBORNE have never been overly friendly but there has never been any hostility between them. CHAMBERS always considered OSBORNE as being on the "left" but he now feels that OSBORNE politically lines up more to the "center", especially during the past several years. CHAMBERS stated that OSBORNE became quite labor government minded within the past several years but still does not hesitate to criticize the Labor Government of Great Britain. He also stated that OSBORNE is quite serious-minded and in many respects lacks a sense of humor. Further, CHAMBERS stated that in his contacts with OSBORNE since August, 1948, when the CHAMBERS--HISS affair first began, OSBORNE has been very cordial to him on the subject of ALGER HISS. CHAMBERS is definitely of the opinion that OSBORNE is pro-CHAMBERS and anti-HISS. Likewise, CHAMBERS does not feel that OSBORNE would ever be a defense witness for ALGER HISS.

With reference to the cable mentioned in the above quotation from WINCHELL's column in the New York "Daily Mirror", CHAMBERS stated that he believed such a cable was received from OSBORNE by Time magazine but under different circumstances as outlined below:

In about August, 1944, CHAMBERS wrote an article for the foreign news section of Time magazine on WINSTON CHURCHILL's interview with news men in Rome. CHAMBERS stated that this article was friendly to CHURCHILL and he, CHAMBERS, gave the subject matter a rather "light" treatment. It is CHAMBERS' recollection that OSBORNE took offense to this article and not this entire issue of Time. Further, CHAMBERS stated that he did not believe that OSBORNE objected to the fact that the above-mentioned article was friendly to CHURCHILL but only objected to the light treatment given the news item by CHAMBERS. It was CHAMBERS' recollection that OSBORNE sent a cable to HENRY LUCE, complaining about this particular article. CHAMBERS further advised that it is entirely likely that OSBORNE sent numerous other cables to HENRY LUCE or other Time officials who outranked CHAMBERS, complaining about CHAMBERS' editing of the foreign news department, but he stated that none of these cables from OSBORNE were ever brought to his attention personally.

From this situation, CHAMBERS construed that his editing of the foreign news department was approved of by Time officials and CHAMBERS does not know what, if any, answers Time officials gave OSBORNE in reply to such cables. Any complaint registered by OSBORNE against CHAMBERS, CHAMBERS feels would be occasioned by the difference between the editing touch of CHAMBERS and OSBORNE, as described above.

It should be noted that CHAMBERS is of the opinion that the cable mentioned in WINCHELL's column is not the cable previously discussed with agents of the New York Office, as originating with WILLIAM WALTON, also a Time correspondent in Europe during the war.

For the particular guidance of the New York Office in conducting further investigation regarding this or other matters at Time magazine, CHAMBERS furnished the following information regarding Communist infiltration of Time:

When CHAMBERS was first employed by Time magazine he was actually employed by T. S. MATTHEWS. CHAMBERS, at that time, about 1939, found the foreign news section of Time was definitely "pro-Russian" and "pro-left". Also, in about 1939, CHAMBERS stated that there was a Communist Party cell at Time magazine which published a house organ known as "High Time". CHAMBERS believes that the following persons were among members of the above-mentioned cell at Time magazine:

JOHN McMANUS, writer in the Radio and Cinema Section  
 TABITHA PETRAN, a foreign news researcher  
 JOHN HERSEY, later a foreign news writer  
 CAROLINE MARX, Book Department researcher and close  
 friend of VITO MARCANTONIO  
 Possibly JOHN OSBORNE, who was then a writer in the  
 National Affairs Department

CHAMBERS thinks that all of the above persons, except OSBORNE, are now out of the Time-Life organization and he does not know the present whereabouts or activities of the first four mentioned above. CHAMBERS is of the opinion that OSBORNE was probably a member of the Communist Party for a year or so prior to 1942 but doubts that he is a Party member or a Communist at the present time. CHAMBERS does not now recall who told him OSBORNE had been a Communist Party member but does have a clear recollection that his informant in this regard was very reliable and a person in a position to furnish accurate information. CHAMBERS will try to recall the identity of this informant.

When CHAMBERS came into some authority in the Foreign News Section of Time magazine, practically overnight, he began to change the "pro-Russian" and "pro-left" tone of the department, which immediately caused considerable opposition to him. In fact, CHAMBERS stated that he would probably have been discharged from Time magazine because of the activities against him of the "pro-Russian" and "pro-left" group at Time if it had not been for T.S. MATTHEWS. CHAMBERS pointed out that when the "pro-left" element disapproved of anybody in the organization, they would immediately begin activities for the purpose of discrediting that individual and having him discharged. Such activities would include stealing their papers, distorting facts, deliberately sabotaging their work, and always a personal "smear campaign".

CHAMBERS stated that over the years he frequently came into direct opposition with the "pro-left" element at Time. In connection with this "pro-left" group at Time, CHAMBERS stated that many of the individuals who belonged to this group or element could hardly be considered Communists or members of the Communist Party. Many of them were sympathetic to Communism and undoubtedly many of them were actually Communists or members of the Communist Party. Therefore, CHAMBERS stated that he repeatedly referred to the "pro-left" group because he never knew the identity of everybody belonging to this group and he is definitely of the opinion that all of this group were not Communists.

On practically every occasion when CHAMBERS was in opposition to or had any contention with this "pro-left" element, he stated that in the final analysis he invariably came face to face in settlement of the issue, whether it was policy or otherwise, with ALAN GROVER, who is a Vice President of Time. Since the final settlement was almost invariably made between CHAMBERS and GROVER, CHAMBERS is of the opinion that probably GROVER is the silent head of the "pro-left" element at Time, probably assisted in this regard by HOWARD BLACK, who is a Director and Vice President of Time.

When CHAMBERS became acting editor and later editor of the Foreign News Section, he stated that a group of foreign correspondents abroad formed an informal organization called a "round robin" in opposition to CHAMBERS. Most or all of this group of foreign correspondents were identified by Chambers with the "pro-left" element. The "round robin" consisted of the following:

CHARLES CHRISTIAN WERTENBAKER, former editor of the Foreign News Department of Time, and French correspondent whose third wife was LAEL LAIRD, suspected member of the Communist Party and of the Spanish underground.

JOHN OSBORNE, correspondent in various countries of Europe

JOHN SCOTT, correspondent in Berlin

TEDDY WHITE, foreign correspondent in Chungking

RICHARD LAUTERBACH, correspondent in Moscow, and author of "Russians Are People", also one-time editor of the magazine "Twice a Year".

CHAMBERS stated that the above five, generally referred to as the "round robin," sent cables critical of CHAMBERS to HENRY LUCE. CHAMBERS presumes that probably the cables were actually sent to LUCE from France by WERTENBAKER, who would sign the cables by prearrangement for all five of the individuals listed above. LUCE never mentioned such cables to CHAMBERS directly but CHAMBERS heard about the "round robin" and their communications to LUCE by hearsay and through his friends at Time. Again, CHAMBERS did not know if LUCE made any reply to these cables and if so, the contents of any such replies. CHAMBERS stated that LUCE evidently defended and took CHAMBERS' part because CHAMBERS continued as editor of the Foreign News Department.

CHAMBERS does not consider the above a complete history by any means of the Communist or "pro-left" infiltration of Time magazine, but feels that the above general information may be of assistance to New York agents in conducting any further investigation at Time. CHAMBERS feels that it would not be inappropriate to approach JOHN OSBORNE direct in connection with this matter. However, if the New York Office considers such a direct interview inadvisable, and possibly even in conjunction with such a direct interview, CHAMBERS suggested that the following persons at Time could be safely contacted by Bureau agents, as they are friends and in some cases close friends of CHAMBERS:

HENRY R. LUCE, Editor-in-Chief

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, mentioned above as one of two members of the editorial staff of Life magazine.

ROY ALEXANDER, Executive Editor of Time magazine, who is also a friend of OSBORNE, as OSBORNE and ALEXANDER were formerly Marine Corps fliers

T. S. MATTHEWS, Managing Editor of Time.

From CHAMBERS' discussion of the above four persons who he suggested might be contacted at Time, CHAMBERLAIN is probably CHAMBERS' best friend in the present Time-Life organization and would probably be the safest initial contact.

Further, CHAMBERS is of the opinion that if the interdepartmental cables and memos at Time magazine were exposed publicly, there would be quite a disturbance not only to Time magazine but to many individuals presently and formerly connected with Time. Therefore, CHAMBERS is confidentially of the opinion that if the defense counsel for HISS or any other persons making an effort to get into the files of Time magazine, talk to HENRY LUCE or others, the answer will be that no such cables or memos can be located, and that if any existed, they have probably been destroyed. CHAMBERS did not indicate that Time would take any such position in case of a similar inquiry by Bureau agents.

All of the above information obtained from CHAMBERS was furnished to the Bureau and the New York Office by letter dated September 19, 1949.

CHAMBERS' proposed appearance on  
"Newsweek" television program.

By teletype to the Bureau and the Baltimore Office, the New York Office advised on October 11, 1949, that information had been received that the appearance of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in connection with "Newsweek" television program was being contemplated. Referenced teletype further advised that investigation was being conducted to ascertain if CHAMBERS could be interviewed on the television program on a polygraph machine. Further details regarding the proposed television appearance of CHAMBERS were set out in referenced teletype in which the New York Office also advised that the Baltimore Office should contact CHAMBERS to ascertain if there was any truth to the above rumor that he proposed to appear on a television program and subsequently to advise CHAMBERS that Mr. MURPHY, the Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, considered any such appearance of Mr. CHAMBERS as undesirable in view of the fact of the coming retrial of the HISS case.

Upon interview on October 12, 1949, at his farm near Westminster, Md., WHITTAKER CHAMBERS furnished the following information:

RALPH TOLEDANO, National Affairs writer for "Newsweek" and a personal friend of CHAMBERS, first approached CHAMBERS by letter and later by telephone, with an invitation to appear on a television interview regarding the HISS case. CHAMBERS denies making initial overtures and deferred accepting TOLEDANO's invitation because he felt a straight question and answer interview would be dull and ineffective. Then the thought occurred to CHAMBERS of using the polygraph in connection with the telecast interview, especially since about a year ago HISS had declined to submit to a lie detector test on the basis that the machines are not scientifically accurate. So, CHAMBERS made this suggestion to "Newsweek" and agreed to submit to polygraph test on their telecast. The source of the Bureau's information was not disclosed to CHAMBERS, but, contrary to statements of TOM MALLEY, CHAMBERS said "Newsweek" was enthusiastic about the idea and the actual telecast was tentatively scheduled for October 17 or 24, 1949. "Newsweek" was going ahead with plans to locate a polygraph and operator and had submitted the program to their attorneys. CHAMBERS stated he would receive no money for his appearance and had stipulated that he see prior to the program the list of questions he would be asked. CHAMBERS had seen no list of questions at the time of the interview but stated they were to embrace only that area of the HISS case which had already been presented in evidence at the first trial.

Despite Assistant United States Attorney MURPHY's opinion that his appearance would be undesirable in view of the coming trial, CHAMBERS thought it was a great idea from the standpoint of a newspaperman and that it would be a great dramatic success as well as helpful to the Government's case because he felt the program would arouse public sentiment against HISS. He saw no objection to telling the truth under the proposed auspices and was inclined to insist on his appearance as planned. CHAMBERS saw no objection to the Government taking the initiative in reviewing the questions to be asked prior to the telecast and at one point in the discussion CHAMBERS cryptically stated that it might be best to take the attitude "the less the Government knows about this thing, the better". It is unknown whether he meant from the effect on the public or the defense or whether he might possibly be implying that the Government was infringing on his rights as a private individual.

As usual, CHAMBERS was very friendly about this matter and was not at all intractable on the point but stated he would defer to Mr. MURPHY's final decision. Baltimore Agents made no effort to dissuade or influence CHAMBERS but only delivered

AUSA MURPHY's message and obtained the above facts from him. CHAMBERS wanted to talk to MURPHY personally about this matter, and he was told MURPHY would contact him within the next several days.

CHAMBERS stated that "Newsweek" wanted to keep the proposed telecast quiet prior thereto, possibly to increase the expected dramatic impact.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau and the New York Office by teletype dated October 13, 1949.

Subsequently, Mr. THOMAS MURPHY, Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, discussed the above matter personally with Mr. CHAMBERS, at which time Mr. CHAMBERS agreed to forego his appearance on the above television program and further agreed to advise "Newsweek" magazine immediately of his decision. It was later learned from Mr. CHAMBERS that his decision in this regard was unnecessary, as "Newsweek" magazine decided independently of him to forego his appearance on their weekly television program.

Allegations regarding association between Dr. ALBERT E. BLUMBERG and ALGER HISS, and other radical activities alleged to ALGER HISS, also hearsay regarding HISS defense fund raising.

WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, on the occasion of an interview with Special Agent FRANK G. JOHNSTONE of the Baltimore Office in October, 1949, advised that he had been in contact with Father JOHN L. BAZINET of St. Mary's Seminary, Roland Park, Baltimore, Md., and that Father BAZINET had informed him that certain individuals known personally to Father BAZINET, had said that

during the time that these unknown individuals had attended Johns Hopkins University, they had noted that HISS was a companion of Dr. ALBERT BLUMBERG, who, investigation developed, attended Johns Hopkins University during the same period as ALGER HISS, and who in 1933 became a member of the Communist Party and in 1939 was Chairman of District #4 of the CP. Accordingly, Mr. CHAMBERS recommended that Agents of the Baltimore Office interview Father BAZINET for additional information.

On November 7, 1949, Father BAZINET was interviewed at St. Mary's Seminary by SA's FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and EDWARD G. GOUGH, and stated he had no personal knowledge of any of the activities of ALGER HISS during the time he had attended Hopkins or thereafter, but that Dr. FRANCIS E. LITZ, an instructor at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and a former graduate student at Johns Hopkins University, who was a personal friend of Father BAZINET, had suggested the possibility of association between ALBERT BLUMBERG and HISS. Father BAZINET also advised that Father HERMAN BRANDERIS, St. Peter's Rectory, 808 East Gray St., Richmond, Va., had been a graduate student at Hopkins University at one time, and had indicated that he had knowledge of association between ALBERT BLUMBERG and ALGER HISS.

Father BAZINET stated that VIRGINIA STARR FREEDOM, 1031 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Md., another personal friend of his, had informed him that she had been acquainted with ALGER HISS during the time he was a student at Hopkins and was acquainted with some of the personal friends of HISS during his college days, and that she had been told that HISS was considered to be a "radical" by his associates and had frequently expounded his social and political philosophies in the presence of his friends.

By teletype dated November 7, 1949, to the Director and the New York, Washington Field and Richmond Offices, the foregoing information was set forth, and the Washington Field and Richmond Offices were requested to interview Dr. LITZ and Father BRANDERIS respectively.

By teletype dated November 10, 1949, the Washington Field Office advised that Dr. LITZ resided at 304 Broxton Road, Baltimore, Md., and he was interviewed by SA's RICHARD G. SULLIVAN and EDWARD G. GOUGH on November 10, 1949. Dr. LITZ advised that he had no personal knowledge of any association between ALBERT BLUMBERG and ALGER HISS, and that he had no reason to suspect that they were associates. He stated that he had taught both BLUMBERG and HISS in his English class at Johns Hopkins University and had

recalled this fact and mentioned it in a conversation with Father BAZINET, suggesting the possibility that there might have been some association between the two.

By teletype dated November 10, 1949, the Richmond Office advised that Father BRANDERIS had no personal knowledge of any association between BLUMBERG and HISS, and suggested that ANGELA ECKENRODE, 3004 Woodland Avenue, Baltimore, Md., formerly employed in a drugstore at Howard and Franklin Sts., Baltimore, might be able to furnish information inasmuch as BLUMBERG was known to frequent this drugstore.

ANGELA ECKENRODE was interviewed by SA's JOHNSTONE and GOUGH on November 15, 1949, and stated that she knew ALBERT BLUMBERG by sight and knew he had some connection with the Communist Party in Baltimore. As far as she knows, she has never seen ALGER HISS and did not believe she would know him by sight and knows of no connection between BLUMBERG and HISS.

Mrs. VIRGINIA STARR FREEDOM, 1031 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Md., was interviewed by SA's EDWARD G. GOUGH and RICHARD G. SULLIVAN on November 10, 1949, and advised that she is a foreign news commentator for the Hearst newspapers and a militant anti-Communist. She stated that she has been following the HISS case closely from the outset and was present as a reporter at the Congressional Hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D.C., when HISS was confronted by CHAMBERS. In addition, she stated that on September 29, 1949, she had invited WHITTAKER CHAMBERS to her home in Baltimore and had also invited several friends who she felt were anti-Communist and who would be interested in meeting CHAMBERS and hearing his story of the Communist infiltration in Government circles during the period that he was active in the Communist underground. On the occasion of this gathering, Mrs. FREEDOM said that CHAMBERS told those present that HISS was proud of his activities as a Communist, and according to CHAMBERS, had on occasion beat his chest and made the remark, "I am a true Bolshevik". This information is being set forth inasmuch as it is not believed that CHAMBERS has previously made this statement to anyone else.

Mrs. FREEDOM advised that she was acquainted with ALGER HISS slightly during the period that he was a student at Johns Hopkins University and shortly thereafter, which would be from 1924 to 1927. She said that she had no personal knowledge of the ideas that HISS entertained from a social or political standpoint but that she understood from classmates of HISS and closer personal associates that he had a reputation for being "radical".

She named HELEN E. ASHBURY, presently employed by Sears Roebuck and Co., at Niagara Falls, New York, as a girl whom HISS had courted for a two-year period just prior to his marriage to PRISCILLA HISS, which occurred in 1931. Mrs. FREEDOM said she is a long-time friend of HELEN ASHBURY and from conversations with Miss ASHBURY understood that during the period of courtship, ALGER frequently expressed his great sympathy for the welfare of the common man, which Mrs. FREEDOM interpreted as an indication of Communist tendencies on the part of HISS. Mrs. FREEDOM had no specific information to offer along these lines but said she felt that Miss ASHBURY, because of her long and close relationship with HISS, might be able to furnish information concerning Communist sympathies on his part.

Mrs. FREEDOM named TED TINSLEY of Severna Park, Md., whom she described as a former U. S. Naval Commander, and G. KENNETH REIBLICH, 6311 Boxwood Road, Baltimore, Md., as two former classmates of ALGER HISS who had classified him as one of the "radical group" during his attendance at Johns Hopkins University. Mrs. FREEDOM had no idea as to what these individuals based their observation on.

Mrs. FREEDOM advised that she is acquainted with Mrs. E. B. LUCKETT, 2315 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Md., who is a long-time personal friend of the mother of ALGER HISS, and that on November 4, 1949, Mrs. LUCKETT called Mrs. FREEDOM and informed her that Mrs. HISS, SR., had called and told her that the Washington Book Shop Association had raised \$17,000 to be used in defraying the expenses of defending ALGER HISS in the forthcoming trial. The Washington Book Shop Association is a Communist front organization and is on the Attorney General's list.

Mrs. FREEDOM also said that Mrs. LUCKETT had advised her that Mrs. HISS, SR., had recently made a trip to North Carolina to visit a sister-in-law for the purpose of borrowing money to help pay the attorney's bill of LLOYD PAUL STRYKER, which amounted to \$50,000. According to Mrs. LUCKETT, via Mrs. FREEDOM, the sister-in-law of Mrs. HISS, SR., had told her she would not contribute anything for this purpose because she believed ALGER to be guilty.

Mrs. E. B. LUCKETT was interviewed by SA's FRANK G. JOHNSTONE and EDWARD G. GOUGH on November 16, 1949, and advised that she had been told by Mrs. HISS, SR., approximately three weeks ago that \$17,000 had been raised for HISS' defense fund but that she

had never been given any information as to the source of this money and had never been informed by anyone that the money had been put up by the Washington Book Shop Association. Mrs. LUCKETT said she has been a personal friend of Mrs. HISS, SR., for over 50 years, and that she has had some conversation with her concerning the litigation involving ALGER HISS and that more recently at a card party which she attended Mrs. HISS told her that the defense fund had now reached \$19,000. Mrs. LUCKETT said that she did not recall Mrs. HISS ever telling her of the trip to her sister-in-law and said that it was her opinion from her close acquaintanceship with the HISS family that all of the members of the family were strongly on the side of ALGER.

Mrs. VIRGINIA STARR FREEDOM, from her manner and vigorousness, is obviously intensely interested in the problem of Communism and in the course of her discussion with the investigating Agents indicated that she is very familiar with the personalities involved in all of the important Communist investigations most recently in the public press and also is very familiar with the rumor and gossip which is prevalent concerning prominent persons who are alleged to be connected with Communist front organizations or to be fellow travelers. Specifically, she discussed CORLISS LAMONT, OWEN LATTIMORE and Mrs. FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT with the investigating Agents, and her enthusiasm and knowledge of the rumors concerning these individuals is so great that she cannot be cut off and the interview extended over a much longer time than was necessary in order to develop the information concerning the HISS case which she felt she should bring to the attention of the Agents. It is also to be noted that each of the individuals suggested as possible sources of information by Father BAZINET and Mrs. FREEDOM, when interviewed, advised the Agents that Father BAZINET or Mrs. FREEDOM "knew everything" and probably would be able to furnish additional information to the Agents.

Inasmuch as the interviews reflected above developed no information of assistance in the case, no efforts are being made by the Baltimore Office to interview TED TINSLEY or G. KENNETH REIBLICH.

By teletype to the Bureau, New York and Buffalo Offices dated Nov. 15, 1949, the Buffalo Office was requested to interview Miss HELEN ASHBURY. By teletype to the Bureau, New York and Baltimore Offices dated Nov. 16, 1949, the Buffalo Office reported the following results of their interview with Miss ASHBURY:

"Re Baltimore tel November fifteen instant. Miss HELEN ASHBURY, three three four Third St., Niagara Falls, N.Y., interviewed today at Hotel Niagara, Niagara Falls. Stated her family and family of HISS have been life long friends. advised her personal contact with HISS has been very limited. Sometime during nineteen twentyfour while HISS was attending Johns Hopkins University, HISS took her to a college tea dance. She described this as her only date with HISS and could not recall being in HISS' company socially after the tea dance in nineteen twentyfour. Advised that her only contact with HISS from nineteen twentyfour to twentyeight or twenty-nine was casual meeting on street. She last saw HISS in nineteen twentyeight or twentynine at the time of the death of HISS' brother BOSLEY. Stated she had no association with HISS subsequent to nineteen twenty-eight or twentynine and has never met HISS' wife, PRISCILLA. Miss ASHBURY expressed her willingness to be of assistance in any way possible but stated she knew nothing of his activities subsequent to nineteen twentynine."

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INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED  
CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE OF ALGER AND  
PRISCILLA HISS AT CHESTERTOWN, MD.,  
DURING THE SUMMER OF 1937; AS DE-  
FENSE TO CHAMBERS' TESTIMONY THAT  
HE AND HISS MADE A TRIP TO PETER-  
BOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE, ABOUT 8/10/37

Interviews with Counselors,  
Campers and Visitors to the  
Kellogg--Smith Camp, Rigs O'Marlow,  
Chestertown, Md., during or about  
the summer of 1937.

MERLE A. ROEMER, upon interview set forth in this report, stated that Mrs. CATHERINE S. HULETT of Chesapeake City, Maryland, his mother-in-law, was a former resident of the Wickes Apartments, Chestertown, Maryland. It is noted that this person has been previously interviewed. An interview with her is set forth on page 17 in the report of Special Agent WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER dated July 1, 1949 at Baltimore, Maryland, in this case.

By Baltimore teletype dated October 11, 1949, the Buffalo Office was requested to interview MAX BERNHARDT, formerly Rigs O'Marlow camper, presently at the University of Rochester, Rochester, New York.

By teletype dated October 4, 1949, the Newark Office advised ELLIOTT INGRAM may have been a camper at Rigs O'Marlow in 1937 and that he later attended Antioch College in Ohio, and was later in the U. S. Army in Italy. Inasmuch as communications from other offices fail to reflect an interview of ELLIOTT INGRAM, the Cincinnati Office was requested by Baltimore teletype dated November 8, 1949, to attempt to ascertain from records at Antioch College, Antioch, Ohio, the present address of ELLIOTT INGRAM and to interview him if he was available within the territory covered by the Cincinnati Office or to set forth a lead to effect his interview if he is located elsewhere. By teletype dated November 10, 1949, the Cincinnati Office advised that the records at Antioch College reflect that ELLIOTT INGRAM attended there for one year and left in 1942. His present address, obtained September, 1942, according to school records, is 93 Mill River Ave., Lynbrook, Long Island, New York. The New York Office was requested by referenced Cincinnati teletype to locate and interview INGRAM.

By Baltimore teletype dated October 7, 1949, the Newark Office was requested to discontinue further efforts to locate HARRY NICHOLS inasmuch as he had returned to Chestertown, Maryland, and had been located and interviewed there.

By teletype dated September 23, 1949, the Philadelphia Office requested the Baltimore Office to recontact its original informant to verify the name of JOYCE LORIMER as a camper or counselor at Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Md., around 1937, as no JOYCE LORIMER was a member of any family named LORIMER listed in Philadelphia and suburban Philadelphia telephone books. It is noted that the name JOYCE LORIMER was originally obtained

through a review of "The Chestertown Transcript" for Saturday, July 24, 1937, conducted on August 30, 1949, the results of which were set forth in the report of SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, dated September 28, 1949, at Baltimore, in this case. A recheck of this newspaper indicated that the name is spelled as originally set out.

It is further noted that Mrs. GEORGE D. SMITH, Chestertown, Md., and Miss JANET C. BROWN, Annapolis, Md., upon interview on Sept. 6, 1949 and Sept. 13, 1949, respectively, which interviews were reported in referenced report of SA PFEIFFER, stated that a JOYCE LORIMER was formerly at Rigs O'Marlow during or about 1937.

By teletype dated Sept. 27, 1949, the Los Angeles Office advised that RICHARD KENT, a former Rigs O'Marlow camper, upon interview, stated that he recalled his counselor to be a man about 30, 6' tall, 160 pounds, blond, wavy hair, very good looking, named "JIMMY", who married the mother of one of the boys in camp. This mother was the divorced wife of a rich industrialist who lived in an old pre-revolutionary house with riding stables, in the immediate vicinity of Rigs O'Marlow. This industrialist was a gun collector. Los Angeles requested the Baltimore Office to endeavor to locate the counselor named "JIMMY".

H. NORMAN GRIEB, R.D.#3, Chestertown, Md., advised on November 3, 1949, that the unknown individual named "JIMMY" undoubtedly refers to JAMES L. NICKLIN, known to him as a former counselor at Rigs O'Marlow. It is noted that JAMES L. NICKLIN has been previously interviewed at Leesburg, Va., on Sept. 20, 1949. The results of this interview are set forth in the report of SA WILLIAM M. BOARDMAN dated Sept. 29, 1949, at Richmond, in this case.

By Boston teletype dated October 7, 1949, the Baltimore Office was advised that LEWIS LITTLE was from Illinois, and if his address had not been ascertained Baltimore should request the Chicago or Springfield Office to locate LITTLE. This lead was disregarded inasmuch as LeROY LEWIS LITTLE, at the request of Baltimore, was located and interviewed at Jackson, Tennessee. Results of this interview are set forth in the report of SA GEORGE W. HYMERS, dated Sept. 22, 1949, at Memphis, Tenn., in this case.

It is noted that upon reinterview at Chestertown, Md., on Nov. 3, 1949, H. NORMAN GRIEB advised Special Agents WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER and FRANK A. STANTON that he had recently been told by Mrs. J. HORTON SILCOX nee ANNE W. BRANHAM, that she recalled that

while attending school at Camp Rigs O'Marlow, Chestertown, Md.; she was taught Communist theory. She explained to GRIEB at this time that she was not taught Russian Communism but pure Communist theory. GRIEB thereupon concluded that KELLOGG-SMITH was liberal and "pink", and expressed this conclusion to SA's PFEIFFER and STANTON upon his reinterview. It is noted that an interview of Mrs. J. HORTON SILCOX is set out in the report of SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER, dated Sept. 28, 1949, at Baltimore, in this case.

It is noted that interviews of JOHN and EDMOND SCHOEFFLER are set forth in the report of SA PAUL R. ALKER, dated Oct. 10, 1949, at Newark; an interview of DAN McCULLIN is set forth in the report of SA FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, dated Oct. 1, 1949, at Boston; an interview of GEORGE REYNOLDS is set forth in the report of SA DONALD D. CONNORS, dated Oct. 4, 1949, at Washington, D.C., all reports concerning this case.

Anonymous communication received by the Bureau postmarked 1:00 p.m., August 26, 1949, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, stating society editor at Chestertown, Md., has definite knowledge of whereabouts of ALGER HISS in Aug. 1936 & Aug. 1937

Baltimore letter dated Oct. 3, 1949, to the Boston Office, advised of the interview of Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS at Chestertown, Md., on Sept. 27, 1949, in which Mrs. COLLINS stated that she had discussed the HISS case with numerous persons in Pittsfield, Mass., in early August, 1949. Inasmuch as the writer of this anonymous letter could have been anyone of a number of persons, it was not suggested that the Boston Office contact Mrs. STONE in an endeavor to ascertain their identities unless requested to do so by the Bureau or office of origin.

In an endeavor to ascertain the possible writer of an anonymous communication received by the Bureau and referred to in the details of this report as probably referring to Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS, R.D.#3, Chestertown, Md., a 30-day mail cover effective Sept. 20, 1949, was placed on all mail received from the New England area by Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS. HARRY C. COLEMAN, Postmaster, Chestertown, Md., advised that as of Oct. 20, 1949, no mail had been received from the New England area by Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD H. COLLINS for the period from Sept. 20, 1949, to Oct. 20, 1949.

Investigation regarding JAMES M. SNOUFFER, alleged to have remarked to Washington, D.C., newspaper reporter that he is in possession of some information in connection with ALGER HISS' alleged residence in Maryland in 1937 and 1938

Inasmuch as upon interview on October 4, 1949, Miss HELEN SNOUFFER, Chestertown, Md., advised that her brother, JAMES M. SNOUFFER, was probably staying at 1820 Park Road, Washington, DC, the Washington Field Office was requested by letter dated October 5, 1949, to locate and interview him. By letter dated October 12, 1949, the Washington Field Office advised that subsequent investigation has failed to locate JAMES M. SNOUFFER; however, information received at Washington indicated that he is currently on probation from the Probation Department, Central Bench, Baltimore City, and that he had apparently failed to check with his Probation Officer for Sept. 1949. It was thought possible that SNOUFFER may have become nervous at the interest displayed in him by the FBI.

EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW "EVELYN", CHAMBERS' MAID AT 3310 AUCHENTOROLY TERRACE AND 2124 MT. ROYAL TERRACE, BALTIMORE, MD., FROM MARCH, 1937 to APRIL 1938

Investigation at Baltimore concerning attempts to locate the maid EVELYN through Baltimore employment agencies and insurance companies which specialize in the registration of negro workers and negro accounts, respectively, disclosed the names of numerous persons named EVELYN. A number of these names definitely eliminated and those not yet eliminated as possibly identical with the CHAMBERS' maid EVELYN were set forth in the report of SA JOSEPH R. MARSZALEK, dated Oct. 3, 1949, at Balto. in this case. However, the eliminating of further names is not being done at this time inasmuch as this phase of the JAHAM investigation is being held in abeyance pending positive identification or elimination of the name EVELYN KING as the former CHAMBERS' maid.

Interview with additional neighbors of CHAMBERS at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace, Baltimore, Md.

Reference is made to teletype from Los Angeles to Bureau, New York and Baltimore, dated Sept. 30, 1949, reflecting the results of an interview of Miss GERTRUDE A. SEES.

Miss SEES stated that during 1937 and 1938 the residence at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace was occupied by a woman and her two daughters, one of whom is a professor at Goucher College in Baltimore. Mrs. FRANK MOALE, 2122 Mount Royal Terrace, has advised that Miss ELINOR PANCOAST, a teacher at Goucher College, formerly resided at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace, but after the CHAMBERS family had moved from that address. They occupied the same portion of the house that had previously been occupied by the CHAMBERS family.

The Los Angeles teletype also reflects that Miss SEES furnished the names of two other residents of instant neighborhood: a Mr. and Mrs. RIDDLE of 2132 Mount Royal Terrace, and a Mr. and Mrs. BOLTON of 2120 Mount Royal Terrace. Mrs. RIDDLE was interviewed as reflected in the details of this report. Mr. and Mrs. BOLTON were determined to be Mr. and Mrs. LEE BOLTON, both of whom are deceased. This information was furnished by Miss E. LYLE KERR, sister of Mrs. BOLTON, 2120 Mount Royal Terrace.

Reinterview with Miss ETHEL M. ENGLER, Baltimore, Md., and investigation resulting therefrom.

By Baltimore teletype dated Oct. 11, 1949, the Philadelphia Office was requested to ascertain through records at Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, the present whereabouts of RAYMOND DAY. By teletype dated Oct. 12, 1949, the Philadelphia Office advised that BENNETT DAY, brother of RAYMOND DAY, upon interview, advised that RAYMOND DAY resides at 895 Jackson Ave., Bronx, New York, with his wife, LACEY DAY.

By Baltimore teletype dated Oct. 13, 1949, additional information was submitted to the New York Office for the assistance of that office in its interview with RAYMOND DAY.

Inasmuch as preliminary inquiries concerning the information furnished by RAYMOND DAY to the effect that the husband of the former CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, had operated a night club

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called King's Tavern, Catonsville, Md., was not borne out by subsequent investigation, the New York Office was telephonically contacted by the Baltimore Office on Oct. 17, 1949, and arrangements were made for a reinterview of DAY by the New York Office.

Inasmuch as extensive investigation at Baltimore, Md., failed to locate the maid EVELYN, the New York Office was requested by Baltimore teletype dated November 14, 1949, to give consideration to having RAYMOND DAY brought or sent to Baltimore so that he may assist Agents in locating the maid EVELYN through his personal knowledge and observation.

In an additional effort to determine the present whereabouts of the maid EVELYN, whose last name appears to be KING, Special Agent LINDIAN J. SWAIM contacted HARVEY HALL, Internal Revenue Service, Custom House, Baltimore, Md., regarding an examination of income tax returns. Income tax returns prior to the year 1944 have been destroyed. However, Recordak film of index cards reflecting individuals filing returns prior to 1944 are presently maintained at the local office of the Internal Revenue Service. A review of these indices cards for the years 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1946 and 1947, for individuals by the name of KING, determined that no EVELYN KING residing in Baltimore filed an individual return for any of these years. It was further determined that no joint return was filed by any husband whose last name was KING and whose wife's first name was EVELYN.

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NOTE:

In view of the expedite nature of this investigation, all leads set out for other offices during the period of this report have been set out by teletype or special delivery letter, with the exception of the following. Such leads are not being restated in this report, in view of the fact that such teletype leads have probably been covered and reported by this time.

THE NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK CITY

Will give consideration to having WELFORD RAYMOND DAY, Bronx, N.Y., brought or sent to Baltimore so that he may assist Baltimore Agents in locating the CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, through personal knowledge and observation. (This lead initially set out in Baltimore teletype to Bureau and New York on Nov. 14, 1949)

THE BALTIMORE OFFICE

AT BALTIMORE, MD.

Inasmuch as GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS, janitor employed in the vicinity of the former CHAMBERS' residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace for the past 25 years, stated upon interview that the CHAMBERS formerly resided at 3 different locations on Auchentoroly Terrace and gave conflicting information concerning tips given to him for services performed for the CHAMBERS, the Baltimore Office will attempt to ascertain through WILLIAMS' employers and other sources his reputation for veracity. (This lead initially set out in this report.)

Will continue to follow and report any developments in the libel suit instituted by ALGER HISS against WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and presently pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland at Baltimore.

WASHINGTON FIELD, BOSTON, NEWARK & PHILADELPHIA OFFICES:

Copies of this report are furnished to these offices for information in view of the fact that these offices are most frequently requested to conduct investigation in this case and may in the future be requested for investigation based on information set out herein.

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INFORMANTS

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[redacted] who furnished information concerning an individual possibly identical with the former CHAMBERS' maid, EVELYN, to SA JESSE C. PARKER.

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T-2:

[redacted]  
Baltimore, Md., who caused a check to be made of the current subscribers' files of that concern.

The aforementioned informants have been given temporary symbols in order that their identities may be further protected.

SAC, New York

November 23, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Reurtel November 22, 1949, concerning JAMES

FURBUSH.

The necessity for his appearance was explained to Mr. COSTIGAN, President of Corson & Gruman Company, who said he would personally see that FURBUSH appeared in New York whenever the government so desired.

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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
JAHAM, HISS TRIAL SUMMARY, PM SESSION, NOVEMBER TWENTY FIRST.

RESUMING INDIRECT, CHAMBERS TOLD OF READING WRONG CLASS PROPHECY AT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION, DESCRIBED GOING TO WASHINGTON TO WORK AS LABORER UNDER NAME CHARLES ADAMS, AND STAY OF TWO TO THREE MONTHS IN NEW ORLEANS, AFTER WHICH HE RETURNED HOME AND WORKED IN ADVERTISING AGENCY WHERE HIS FATHER WAS EMPLOYED. TESTIFIED TO COMING TO NYC WITH HISS BY TRAIN IN NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE SO HISS COULD MEET COLONEL LAMB; DECLARED HE HAD MOUSTACHE WHEN KNOWN AS BRENN, AND HISS KNEW HIM WITH MOUSTACHE. DEFINED TERM QUOTE COVER UNQUOTE. DESCRIBED CONVERSATIONS WITH HISSES RE TRIP TO EUROPE, INCLUDING POSSIBLE USE OF A RELIGIOUS COVER. TESTIFIED THAT AFTER TALKING TO J. PETERS, HE TOLD HISS THAT PARTY WANTED HISS TO ACCEPT OPPORTUNITY TO TRANSFER TO STATE FROM JUSTICE. DECLARED HE CANNOT RECALL USING NAME CROSLBY, BUT MAY HAVE USED IT. DECLARED PISCILLA WAS RESTLESS, AND HER LIMITED UNDERGROUND FUNCTION AND TYPING ASSIGNMENT GAVE HER OPPORTUNITY SHE DESIRED TO BE OF MORE ASSISTANCE. DESCRIBED HIS VISIT WITH NATHAN LEVINE, AT TIME HE RECOVERED DOCUMENTS AFTER BEING REQUESTED BY MARBURY TO PRODUCE ANY HE HAD. STATED HE KNEW THERE WERE HANDWRITTEN NOTES IN ENVELOPEMENT DID NOT RECALL WHAT ELSE WAS INCLUDED

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AND SAID AFTER LIVING RETRIEVED ENVELOPE, THAT HE FOUND FILM AND DOCUMENTS THEREIN. TOLD HIS ATTORNEY NEXT DAY WHAT HE FOUND EXCEPT RE FILM, AND AFTER CONSIDERING PROBLEM FOR ONE DAY, HE INTRODUCED THEM AT PRE TRIAL EXAMINATION, NOV. SEVENTEENTH, FORTY EIGHT. KEPT FILM AT HIS HOME. DESCRIBED CONVERSATION WITH STRIPLING IN WASHINGTON, SERVICE OF SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM, AND TAKING FILM FROM PUMKIN IN PRESENCE OF HELLER AND APPELL. SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY GEOMETRIC PATTERN IN WHICH PUMPKINS MAY HAVE BEEN ARRANGED, AND THAT HE TOLD MURPHY ON PRODUCING DOCUMENTS THAT HIS PURPOSES WERE TO DESTROY OR PARALYZE CP CONSPIRACY AND TO DO AS LITTLE INJURY AS POSSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED. SAID IT TOOK HIM CONSIDERABLE TIME TO DECIDE TO BREAK, THAT HE WANTED OTHER INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED TO HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME, AND THAT WAS REASON WHY HE WITHHELD TANGIBLE EVIDENCE FROM G.J. AND H.C.U.A. BALTIMORE DOCUMENTS AND TWO STRIPS OF DEVELOPED FILM RECEIVED INTO EVIDENCE AFTER IDENTIFICATION BY CHAMBERS AND EXPLANATION BY HIM OF NUMBERING SYSTEM USED BY APPARATUS PHOTOGRAPHERS IN PHOTOGRAPHING DOCUMENTS. CHAMBERS DECLARED HE RECEIVED THE DOCUMENTS REPRODUCED ON THE FILM FROM HISS. MURPHY THEN READ TO JURY THE PLAY QUOTE PLAY FOR PUPPETS UNQUOTE AFTER CHAMBERS IDENTIFIED COPY OF SCRIPT. DIRECT CONCLUDED. CROSS RECEIVED PERMISSION TO PLACE ON STAND

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SEVERAL WITNESSES UNDER DEFENSE SUBPOENA FOR PRODUCTION OF VARIOUS RECORDS BEFORE COMMENCING CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS. REPRESENTATIVE OF NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PRODUCED BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES OF DAVID BREEN AND CERTIFICATE SHOWING NO RECORD OF DEATH OF JOHN BREEN. CROSS THEN READ THEM ALOUD. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. EMPLOYEES OF PASSPORT DIVISION THEN PRODUCED AND WAS RECEIVED COPY OF DAVID BREEN PASSPORT APPLICATION WHICH CROSS READ TO JURY. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. WALTER H. ANDERSON OF RECORDS BRANCH OF STATE DEPARTMENT PRODUCED NOTES RE CONVERSATIONS OF RAY MURPHY OF STATE DEPARTMENT WITH CHAMBERS, BUT AFTER OBJECTION BY MURPHY, SUGGESTION OF COURT ADOPTED THAT THEY BE HELD UNTIL CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS COMPLETED IN ORDER THAT COURT MIGHT DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY INCONSISTENCIES BETWEEN SUCH NOTES AND CHAMBERS' TESTIMONY SO AS TO MAKE THEM ADMISSIBLE AS PRIOR INCONSISTENT STATEMENTS. ANDERSON TESTIFIED NO RECORD IN DEPARTMENT FILES OF BREEN'S CONVERSATION WITH CHAMBERS. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. REPRESENTATIVE OF NYC PUBLIC LIBRARY THEN PRODUCED RECORDS REFLECTING EMPLOYMENT OF CHAMBERS THERE AND LETTER WRITTEN BY LIBRARY INVESTIGATOR TO EFFECT THAT IN INVESTIGATION HE FOUND NO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKS IN CHAMBERS' LOCKER, BUT IN SEARCH OF CHAMBERS' HOME FOUND FIFTY SIX BOOKS FROM COLUMBIA U. LIBRARY. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. CROSS EXAMINATION OF CHAMBERS THEN BEGAN AND CHAMBERS DENIED THAT HE KNEW DEFENSE WAS ALLOWED A WEEK AGO TO INSPECT STATE DEPARTMENT PASSPORT FILES AND SAID HE STILL

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DOES NOT KNOW IF, IN FACT, DEFENSE HAS LOOKED AT HIS PASSPORT APPLICATIONS. ADMITTED USING NAME DAVID BREEN. STATED HE NEVER KNEW REAL DAVID BREEN, ACKNOWLEDGED HIS SIGNATURE ON PASSPORT APPLICATION AND SAID HE POSSESSED BREEN BIRTH CERTIFICATE WHEN HE APPLIED FOR PASSPORT IN APPLICATION IN WHICH HE KNEW WAS FALSE. CROSS ASKED HIM TO DEFINE AN OATH AND CHAMBERS DECLARED IT MEANT NOTHING AT ALL TO A COMMUNIST AND WAS NOT BINDING ON HIM AS A COMMUNIST AT THAT TIME. HE STATED HE DID NOT KNOW KENNETH KUPN, WITNESS ON APPLICATION AND THAT WITNESS ACCORDINGLY SWORE FALSELY IN SAYING HE KNEW CHAMBERS. HE TESTIFIED HE AND LIEBER IN UNDERGROUND TOGETHER FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND CROSS ATTEMPTED BY READING FROM PRE-TRIAL DEPOSITION TO SHOW THAT CHAMBERS PREVIOUSLY HAD TESTIFIED HE HAD NO BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH LIEBER, WHILE IN INSTANT TRIAL CHAMBERS DESCRIBED SOME SUCH DEALINGS. HE DECLARED HE HAD MUSTACHE WHEN HE APPLIED FOR PASSPORT AND THAT HE WAS SHOWN WITH MUSTACHE IN ONE PHOTO HE FURNISHED TO FBI MONTHS AGO. WAS ASKED TO PRODUCE PASSPORT, BUT STATED FBI HAD IT SINCE HE TURNED IT OVER THROUGH HIS ATTORNEY. HE STATED HE COULD NOT PRODUCE PASSPORT ISSUED TO HIM IN NINETEEN TWENTY THREE AND THOUGHT HE GAVE IT TO HIS BALTIMORE ATTORNEY, BUT LATTER TELLS CHAMBERS HE HAS NO SUCH RECOLLECTION. HE STATED NAME WHITTAKER CHAMBERS APPEARED ON CP CARDS ISSUED TO HIM COMMENCING IN NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR. ADJOURNED UNTIL TEN THIRTY, NOVEMBER TWENTY TWO.

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TELETYPE

NEW YORK 27 FROM WASH FIELD 21 7-00 P  
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JAHAM. RE NYC TELEPHONE CALL TO WFO NOV EIGHTEEN, FORTYNINE IN CONNECTION WITH RESIDENCE OF NOEL FIELD AT FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH ST, NW. THIS REALTY PROPERTY OF NATL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. FORMER REALTOR WAS HORACE H. WESTCOTT, DECEASED. HIS SUCCESSOR HAS NO RECORDS EXTANT CONCERNING RESIDENTS THEREIN AND POSITIVE THESE RECORDS DESTROYED. PRESENT AGENT MISS HARRIET HOLTHUR BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE BOTH AT ONE SEVEN THREE FOUR K ST NW. HAS NO RECORDS FOR PERTINENT PERIOD BUT RECALLS THAT NOEL FIELD OCCUPIED EITHER THIRD OR FOURTH FLOOR IN NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR DASH THIRTYSIX. NOT BELIEVED ENTIRELY DESIRABLE WITNESS, AGES WOMAN WITH VAGUE RECOLLECTION. BEST WITNESS LOCATED IS DR. PAREN NOT M.D. PAREN, ROBERT W. WEBB, RESIDENT OF SECOND FLOOR NINETEEN THIRTYONE DASH FORTYSIX. CLEARLY RECALLS THAT NOEL FIELD RESIDENT OF TOP FLOOR PAREN FOURTH FLOOR PAREN, DURING ALL OF THIRTYFIVE AND QUOTE PART OF UNQUOTE THIRTYSIX AND CAN SO TESTIFY. BELIEVES FIELD THERE IN THIRTYFOUR AND PRIOR BUT HAS NO CLEAR RECOLLECTION OF FIELD-S TENANCY BEFORE THIRTYFIVE. WEBB RECALLS FIELD-S WIFE NAMED HERDA AND STATES MADE TWO BRIEF VISITS TO FIELD-S APARTMENT IN THIRTYSIX IN CONNECTION WITH ILLNESS OF HIS, WEBB-S, WIFE.

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WEBB SAYS LARRY DUGGAN, THIRD FLOOR RESIDENT, AND NOEL FIELD CONSTANTLY TOGETHER. STATES FIELD AND DUGGAN GAVE MANY PARTIES WHICH WEBB DID NOT ATTEND. WEBB RESIDES COSMOS CLUB, FIFTEEN TWENTY H ST NW, EMPLOYED IN COTTON BRANCH, PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINIS, USDA, ROOM ONE ZERO FOUR, AGRICULTURE ANNEX, TWELFTH AND C SW. WILLING TO TESTIFY AND BELIEVED WILL MAKE EXCELLENT WITNESS. ABOUT SIXTY, ALERT, GOOD APPEARANCE. WEBB-S WIFE HAD NERVOUS DISORDER. WEBB STATES INSANITY IN HER FAMILY AND IS NOT ABLE TO TESTIFY IN COURT. FIRST FLOOR RESIDENTS FROM NINETEEN THIRTYTWO DASH THIRTYNINE WERE MR. ROBERT M. GATES AND WIFE, MARY PARSONS GATES. THEY HAVE NOT CLEAR RECOLLECTION AS TO WHETHER FIELD OCCUPIED THIRD OR FOURTH FLOOR BUT MR. GATES STATES FAIRLY CERTAIN FIELD LIVED ON BOTH FLOORS BUT LIVED ON FOURTH FLOOR WHEN DUGGAN LIVED ON THIRD FLOOR IN PERHAPS THIRTY-FIVE OR THIRTY-SIX. GATES VAGUE AS TO DATES AND MOST RELUCTANT TO TESTIFY. HE IS EMPLOYED WITH PROBATION OFFICER, USDC. MRS. GATES EMPLOYED IN REGISTRATION OF WILLS DEPT, USDC. MR. GATES HESITANT AND FALTERING IN MANNER. UTILITIES AT THIS RESIDENCE INCLUDED IN RENT AND NOT

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BILLED TO INDIVIDUAL TENANTS. MISS HARRIET HOLTHUR STATES THAT ONE JANET CLAUDY LOCAL RESIDENT WAS SECRETARY TO THE PRES OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS AND MAY HAVE RECORDS INDICATING TENANTS OF FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH NW, BUT BELIEVES THESE RECORDS UNCONCLUSIVE AS TO LOCATION OF TENANTS. MISS CLAUDY UNAVAILABLE BUT CAN PROBABLY BE INTERVIEWED NOV TWENTYTWO OR TWENTYTHREE. THESE RECORDS MAINTAINED ACCORDING TO HOLTHUR FOR TAX PURPOSE ONLY AND ARE BELIEVED FRAGMENTARY. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT BEST POSSIBLE WITNESS TO FIELD-S RESIDENCE AT FOUR ONE NINE FOURTH NW IS WIDOW OF LARRY DUGGAN AND UNLESS THERE ARE COMPELLING REASONS TO CONTRARY, NY SHOULD INTERVIEW IN THIS DETAIL. INVES WFO WILL CONTINUE AND REPORT FOLLOWS AFTER INTERVIEW OF CLAUDY.

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AT OUTSET, AUSA MURPHY RENEWED OBJECTION TO REQUEST OF CROSS FOR  
MURPHY'S NOTES FROM STATE DEPARTMENT FILES AND STATED SOLE  
INCONSISTANCY BETWEEN THEM AND INSTANT TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS WAS DATE  
HE WITHDREW FROM PARTY. AFTER CROSS REITERATED REQUEST FOR FBI REPORTS  
DATED MAY FOURTEEN, NINETEEN FORTY TWO AND JUNE TWENTY SIX, NINETEEN  
FORTY FIVE, JUDGE GODDARD DECLARED HE WOULD REVIEW THEM FOR ANY  
INCONSISTANCIES WHICH WOULD ENTITLE DEFENSE TO INSPECT. CHAMBERS ADMITTED  
HE NEVER TOLD FBI ABOUT BYKOV ON OCCASION NUMEROUS INTERVIEWS TO WHICH  
HE HAD TESTIFIED THIS AM AND THAT HE TOLD FBI SOMETHING RE ESPIONAGE OR  
UNAUTHORIZED TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS. COULD NOT RECALL IF HE TOLD  
FBI HE WAS CP MEMBER FROM NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR TO SPRING OF THIRTY EIGHT.  
ADMITTED HE HAD NOT TOLD FBI HE HAD BEEN A COURIER AND THAT HE DID NOT  
TELL OF ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES OF HISS. ADMITTED WORKING IN WASHINGTON  
AND LIVING IN NEW ORLEANS FOR SHORT PERIOD UNDER NAME OF CHARLES ADAMS  
AND DESCRIBED OCCUPANTS OF NEW ORLEANS DIVE WHERE HE LIVED. MATTER  
OF CHAMBERS' SHORT STAY AT WILLIAMS COLLEGE THEN BROUGHT UP AND  
CHAMBERS STATED HE HAS ONLY VAGUE RECOLLECTION OF A ROOMMATE NAMED  
CARL HELFRIDGE. ADMITTED WRITING QUOTE PLAY FOR PUPPETS UNQUOTE WHICH

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WAS VERY OFFENSIVE AND ADMITTED LEAVING COLUMBIA AFTER DIFFICULTIES WITH AUTHORITIES. ADMITTED LYING TO DEAN HAWKES TO REENTER COLUMBIA AND GROSS THEN HAD CHAMBERS READ ALOUD TWO LETTERS HE WROTE HAWKES. HE STATED HE BELIEVED HE JOINED CP IN NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR, USED CORRECT NAME AND HAD PARTY CARD IN HIS TRUE NAME. AFTER IT WAS DEVELOPED THAT IN HIS SECOND LETTER TO VAN DORIN HE MENTIONED DATE OF JOINING CP AS FEBRUARY SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE, CHAMBERS ADMITTED THAT WAS APPARENTLY THE CORRECT DATE. GROSS THEN READ ALOUD PORTION OF CHAMBERS' PREPARED STATEMENT TO HCUA IN AUGUST NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT DEFINING TENETS OF COMMUNISM AND CHAMBERS AGREED THAT WHEN HE WAS A COMMUNIST HE SUBSCRIBED THERETO WITH MINOR RESERVATIONS. ADMITTED HE WAS FORMERLY A TRAITOR, WAS DISLOYAL AND AN ATHEIST, AND THAT FROM NINETEEN THIRTY TWO TO THIRTY EIGHT HE WAS A SPY, SABOTEUR, AND ENEMY OF US. ADMITTED COMMUNIST MARRIAGE WITH IDA DALES, BUT DENIED TELLING HIS MOTHER WHEN SHE OBJECTED TO HIS BRINGING DALES TO MOTHER'S HOME THAT SHE HAD LOST ONE SON AND MIGHT LOSE ANOTHER. GROSS THEN ATTEMPTED TO GET COMPLETE TEXT OF RAY MURPHY NOTES OF CONVERSATIONS WITH CHAMBERS INTO EVIDENCE, BUT ARGUMENT ENDED ABOUT DELETION OF CERTAIN NAMES AND JUDGE TOOK NOTES FOR INSPECTION FOR ANY STATEMENTS THEREIN INCONSISTANT WITH INSTANT TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS. HE STATED HE MADE CHARGES AGAINST GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES OTHER THAN MISS TO MURPHY, COULD NOT RECALL MENTIONING WADLEIGH, BUT STATED HE DID

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MENTION LATTER TO BERLE THOUGH NOT TO FBI. HE STATED HE SAW WADLEIGH ABOUT EVERY MONTH FROM NINETEEN THIRTY SIX TO THIRTY EIGHT, BUT NEITHER WAS IN HOME OF THE OTHER AND THAT HE MADE NO OVERNIGHT TRIPS WITH WADLEIGH. HE SAID HE USUALLY MET WADLEIGH ON STREET OR IN A PARK, THAT WADLEIGH HANDED HIM DOCUMENTS IN BRIEF CASE AND THAT SAME WERE PHOTOGRAPHED IN WASHINGTON BY CARPENTER. CHAMBERS STATED HE BELIEVED SUCH DOCUMENTS WERE ORIGINAL AND THAT HE SAW THEM ONLY ON FILM. HE STATED HE NOW KNOWS WADLEIGH WAS NOT A COMMUNIST AND THAT HE INTRODUCED WADLEIGH TO BYKOV WHO WAS KNOWN AS SASHA. BELIEVES HE LAST SAW WADLEIGH IN FEBRUARY NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT, BEFORE LATTER WENT TO TURKEY AND HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF ANY SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS THOUGH SAME ARE POSSIBLE. CROSS THEN EXAMINED CHAMBERS IN DETAIL ABOUT VARIOUS STATEMENTS MADE BY WADLEIGH IN SERIES OF ARTICLES HE WROTE FOR NY POST CONCERNING RELATIONSHIP WITH CHAMBERS AND CHAMBERS ANSWERED THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL HAVING MADE ANY OF ALLEGED STATEMENTS. REITERATED THAT HE TOLD BERLE ABOUT WADLEIGH THOUGH HE ADMITTED HE DID NOT MENTION WADLEIGH TO FBI AND SAID REASON WAS THAT HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO RECALL WADLEIGH'S NAME UNTIL LAST YEAR WHEN HE MADE INQUIRY AND REFRESHED HIS RECOLLECTION. ADJOURNED UNTIL NOVEMBER TWENTY THREE AM.

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JAHAM. <sup>or d/roc</sup> JAMES FURBUSH, FIVE EIGHT ONE ONE FOOTE ST., NW, WASHINGTON, DC.  
HAS BEEN SUBPOENAED AS GOVT WITNESS IN THIS CASE. ON NOV. NINETEENTH  
LAST, AUSA MURPHY RECD A LETTER FROM CARSON AND GRUMAN CO., WASHINGTON,  
DC, FURBUSH-S EMPLOYER, INDICATING THAT THIS FIRM HAD TALKED TO  
FURBUSH AND FURBUSH HAD INDICATED THAT HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE ALGER  
HISS CASE EXCEPT WHAT HE HAD READ IN THE PAPERS AND THIS FIRM SUGGESTS  
THAT IT WOULD COST THE GOVT NEEDLESS EXPENSE TO HAVE FURBUSH ANSWER  
THE SUBPOENA THAT WAS SERVED ON HIM. THEY FURTHER INDICATE THAT FURBUSH  
WOULD NOT ANSWER THE SUBPOENA. AUSA MURPHY REQUESTS THAT THE FIRM OF  
CARSON AND GRUMAN BE INFORMED THAT FURBUSH IS A NECESSARY WITNESS AND  
ALSO TO ADVISE FURBUSH OF THIS FACT. MURPHY ALSO INDICATED THAT THIS  
FIRM IS APPARENTLY MORE DESIROUS OF HAVING FURBUSH IN THEIR EMPLOY THAN  
HAVING HIM APPEAR AS A WITNESS IN THIS CASE. UNLESS THE BUREAU HAS  
SOME THOUGHTS TO THE CONTRARY, THE WFO SHOULD CARRY OUT THE REQUEST  
OF MR. MURPHY.

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Re Baltimore letter dated November 19, 1949, requesting the Washington Field Office to contact the House Committee on Un-American Activities for certain papers in connection with the negotiations of the Hisses and Chambers with Mr. Edward W. Gase concerning the property located near Westminster, Maryland.

This request has been referred to the Criminal Division of the Department for appropriate handling.

You will be advised of the results of the Department's inquiry.

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JAHAM. DEFENSE ATTY CROSS TODAY INFORMED AUSA MURPHY THAT HE WOULD PROBABLY COMPLETE THE CROSS EXAMINATION OF WHITAKER CHAMBERS AT NOON MONDAY NEXT. IN VIEW OF THIS, MESSRS. DONEGAN AND MURPHY HAVE REQUESTED THAT SA JOHN J. WALSH, OF THE WFO, SHOULD REPORT TO ROOM FOURTEEN NAUGHT FOUR, US COURT HOUSE, AT ABOUT NOON NOV. TWENTY EIGHT NEXT AS A WITNESS IN THIS CASE. IT IS ALSO DESIRED THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BE REQUESTED BY THE WFO TO APPEAR IN ROOM FOURTEEN NAUGHT FOUR AT THE SAME TIME AS A WITNESS IN THIS CASE. IN VIEW OF THE RELATIONSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN MR. DE LASHMUTT AND THE BUREAU, DONEGAN SUGGESTED THAT HE BE INFORMED THAT IT IS NOT DEFINITE AS TO WHETHER HE WOULD BE ON THE STAND MONDAY NEXT, AND THAT IF MR. DE LASHMUTT IS TIED UP ON SOME OTHER MATTER AND IT IS AGREEABLE WITH HIM, SOME OTHER OFFICIAL OF THE BANK WHO IS COMPETENT TO INTRODUCE THE RECORDS OF THE BANK MAY COME TO NYC IN HIS PLACE. DURING THE FIRST TRIAL OF THIS CASE, THE GOVT. CALLED MARIE ABBOTT AS A GOVT. WITNESS TO INTRODUCE THE BRYN MAWR REPORT TYPED BY MRS. HISS. IT TURNED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE

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HER AS A CHARACTER WITNESS. DONEGAN AND MURPHY NOW SUGGEST THAT THE WFO INFORM MRS. JAMES DICKEY, EIGHT LENNOX AVE., CHEVY CHASE, MD, THAT SHE WILL BE A NECESSARY WITNESS IN THE TRIAL OF THIS CASE AND THAT SHE SHOULD REPORT TO ROOM FOURTEEN NAUGHT FOUR, US COURT HOUSE, AT ABOUT NOON MONDAY NEXT. DONEGAN INDICATED THAT A SUBPOENA CALLING FOR HER PRESENCE IS BEING MAILED TO HER THIS EVENING. DONEGAN INDICATED THAT IF IT COULD BE DETERMINED WHETHER MRS. DICKEY WAS BEING CALLED BY THE DEFENSE, IT WOULD BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE DURING THE EXAMINATION OF HER WHILE SHE IS TESTIFYING AS A GOVT. WITNESS. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE WFO ADVISE THIS OFFICE BY TEL IF MRS. DICKEY AND MR. DE LASHMUTT ARE LOCATED AND IF THEY WILL APPEAR AS REQUESTED BY MESSRS. DONEGAN AND MURPHY.

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CHAMBERS ADMITTED THAT AT CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN HIMSELF AND MARTHA POPE AND CLAUDIE CATLETT, THERE WAS CONVERSATION RE FURNISHINGS OF HISS RESIDENCES, BUT COULD NOT RECALL DEFINITELY WHAT HE TOLD POPE RE FURNISHINGS. BELIEVES HE SPOKE ABOUT THEM TO CATLETT AND PROBABLY ASKED HER CONCERNING HITCHCOCK CHAIRS, GOLD FRAMED MIRROR, AND SETTEE. HE STATED HE HAS FORGOTTEN IF CATLETT ABLE TO RECALL THOSE ITEMS DURING THE CONVERSATION. DECLARED CATLETT STATED THERE WAS A KJG KEPT IN THIRTIETH ST. HOUSE CLOSET WHICH FRISCILLA ONCE SHOWED HER. CHAMBERS RECALLED NO CONVERSATION WITH MAIDS RE COLOR OF HISS HOUSES AND DID NOT RECALL SAYING ANYTHING TO CATLETT ABOUT SPENDING A NIGHT AT THIRTIETH ST. COULD NOT RECALL CATLETT SAYING THAT THERE WERE ONLY TWO BEDROOMS IN THAT HOUSE SO HE COULD NOT HAVE SLEPT THERE. BELIEVES HE ONCE TESTIFIED THAT HE SPENT NIGHT AT THIRTIETH ST., BUT IS PRESENTLY NOT SURE IF, IN FACT, HE DID, AND ALSO NOT SURE IF HE EVER SAW ANY MAIDS AT VOLTA PLACE ON OCCASIONS OF HIS VISITS BETWEEN FOUR THIRTY PM AND SIX PM. RECALLED SEEING ONE MAID IN CHRISTMAS OF THIRTY EIGHT, DOES NOT REMEMBER WHO SHE WAS. WHEN ASKED TO LIST ALL NAMES USED THROUGH NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN, CHAMBERS MENTIONED BREEN, DWYER, CANTWELL, ADAMS, KELLY, AND HIS TRUE NAME. STATED NAME

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ARTHUR DUYER WAS JUST AN INSPIRATION, THAT HE KNEW NO ONE BY THAT NAME. DECLARED HISSSES VISITED ST. PAUL ST. HOUSE AND THAT THEY KNEW HE USED NAME GANTWELL AND THAT HE MUST HAVE TOLD THEM AT ONE TIME THAT HE WAS USING NAME BREEN THOUGH HE COULD NOT RECALL THEIR CALLING HIM BY THAT NAME. REITERATED HE USED NAME BREEN AT SMITHTOWN. HE STATED HE SEEMS TO RECALL BOUCOT BEING IN SMITHTOWN COTTAGE, SAW BOUCOT MANY TIMES AND WAS THEN WEARING MUSTACHE. USED NAME GANTWELL ABOUT SIX MONTHS AND BREEN ABOUT A YEAR. RECALLED HAVING TELEPHONE UNDER NAME JAY CHAMBERS IN BALTIMORE IN SPRING OF THIRTY SEVEN. USED NAME DAVID CHAMBERS UNTIL BREAK FROM CP AND THEN USED PRESENT NAME. ALSO USED ALIAS BOB FROM THIRTY TWO TO TIME OF BREAK. STATED THAT HE PROBABLY USED OTHER PEN NAMES PRESENTLY UNRECALLED. CHAMBERS DEFINED TERM PSEUDONYM. ADMITTED WRITING BOOK REVIEWS FOR AMERICAN MERCURY UNDER NAME JOHN LAMB, WHICH, HE SAID, HE HAD FORGOTTEN. TESTIFIED HISS GAVE HIM A CHAIR WHILE ON UTAH PLACE IN FALL OF NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE AND THAT TWENTY EIGHTH ST. APARTMENT WAS FURNISHED WITH HISS FURNITURE. AGAIN TESTIFIED RE PURCHASE OF AUTO IN NYC IN THIRTY FIVE WITH CP FUNDS UNDER NAME BREEN AND STATED HE TRANSFERRED TITLE TO HIMSELF AT TIME HE MOVED TO AUCHENTEROLY TERRACE, LATER REGISTERING IT UNDER NAME CHAMBERS. ADMITTED DR. WILKINS TOLD HIM IN NINETEEN FORTY THREE THAT HE HAD CARDIAC CONDITION AND THAT ANOTHER DOCTOR LATER CONCLUDED THAT THIS WAS INCORRECT. HE STATED HE CANNOT RECALL DATE HE TOLD BERLE OR FBI OR RAY MURPHY THAT HE LEFT CP. HE

IDENTIFIED BALTIMORE PHONE DIRECTORIES FOR THIRTY SEVEN AND THIRTY EIGHT SHOWING PHONE LISTED TO HIM AS JAY CHAMBERS. AFTER IDENTIFICATION BY CHAMBERS, THERE WERE PUT INTO EVIDENCE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO PURCHASE BY HIM OF FARM IN WIFE'S NAME NEAR WESTMINSTER IN NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN. DECLARED HE HAS NO CLEAR RECOLLECTION OF EVER SPENDING NIGHT AT THIRTIETH ST. AND WAS THEN CONFRONTED WITH PRE-TRIAL DEPOSITION STATEMENT THAT HE WAS SURE HE HAD SPENT ONE OR TWO NIGHTS THERE. DECLARED HE DID NOT KNOW BYKOV UNDER THAT NAME DURING TIME HE WAS SEEING HISS, BUT RATHER KNEW HIM AS PETER, WHOM HE THEN DESCRIBED. HE STATED HE INTRODUCED BYKOV TO WADLICH AND THAT HE DOES NOT RECALL THAT RIGHT SLEEVE OF BYKOV'S JACKET WAS EMPTY. CHAMBERS AGAIN DESCRIBED INTRODUCTION BY HIMSELF OF HISS TO BYKOV IN BROOKLYN THEATER AND SUBSEQUENT TRIP TO CHINATOWN AND SAID THAT ENROUTE, TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION, BYKOV MENTIONED FASCIST THREAT AGAINST USSR, ETC. CROSS THEN READ FROM RECORD OF FIRST TRIAL ANSWER OF CHAMBERS TO EFFECT THAT HE RECALLED NOTHING ABOUT CONVERSATION ENROUTE TO CHINATOWN. AGAIN DESCRIBED MECHANICS OF RECEIVING DOCUMENTS FROM HISS AND HAVING THEM PHOTOGRAPHED BY INSLERMAN. HE STATED DOCUMENTS WERE ALWAYS TRANSMITTED IN BRIEF CASE AND THAT HE ALWAYS RETURNED ORIGINALS TO ALGER SAME NIGHT HE RECEIVED THEM. CROSS THEN HAD CHAMBERS NAME THREE BUILDINGS IN WASHINGTON WHERE HE WORKED WHILE HOLDING GOVERNMENT JOB FROM OCTOBER, THIRTY SEVEN TO JANUARY ONE, NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, AND HAD CHAMBERS ESTIMATE DISTANCE FROM THOSE BUILDINGS TO HISS

RESIDENCES. DECLARED HE NEVER SAW WADLEIGH IN STATE DEPARTMENT BUILDING AND THAT HE BELIEVES HE USUALLY USED KEY IN RETURNING DOCUMENTS LATE AT NIGHT. WAS THEN CONFRONTED WITH PRE-TRIAL STATEMENT THAT HE MAY HAVE RUNG BELL OR MAY HAVE USED KEY TO GAIN ENTRANCE TO HISS HOME LATE AT NIGHT AND THAT HE WAS NOT SURE HE HAD KEYS TO ALL RESIDENCES BY WAS QUITE SURE HE HAD ONE FOR VOLTA PLACE. CHAMBERS DECLARED HE NOW BELIEVES HE SOMETIMES RANG BELL AND SOMETIMES USED KEY, BUT DENIED THAT HE NOW KNOWS THERE WAS NO DOORBELL AT VOLTA PLACE, BUT RATHER A KNOCKER. CROSS THEN EXHIBITED TO HIM DOCUMENT NO. ONE AND CHAMBERS BELIEVES HE PLACED IT IN HIS POCKET AFTER RECEIVING SAME FROM HISS. UPON EXAMINING DOCUMENT NO. TWO, CHAMBERS AGREED THAT TOP HAD BEEN TORN OFF, BUT STATED HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT WAS ON PORTION TORN OFF. CROSS THEN SHOWED HIM A SMALL SLIP OF PAPER APPROXIMATELY SAME SIZE BEARING LETTERHEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE, OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY, AND SAME WAS PLACED IN EVIDENCE AFTER CHAMBERS ADMITTED AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF DOCUMENT NO. TWO COULD BE MADE BY TEARING OFF LETTERHEAD. THEN SHOWED HIM DOCUMENT NO. THREE WHICH CHAMBERS AGREED WAS ON SAME SCRATCH PAD SIZE AS NO. ONE AND THEN SHOWED HIM DOCUMENT NO. FOUR, WHICH LIKE DOCUMENT TWO, HAD TOP TORN OFF AND WAS LIKEWISE CHEASED. ADJOURNED UNTIL NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT AM.

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Director, FBI

November 25, 1949

GUY HOTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Enclosed herewith are photographs of the houses at 1243, 1245, and 1247 - 30th Street, N. W., and also 2916, 2918, 2920, 2922, and 2924 - N Street, N. W. These photographs are being furnished to illustrate the relationship between these groups of houses and give their general layout.

The photographs are numbered on the reverse side 1 through 9, and description is set forth thereon.

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- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
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JAHAM. DURING FIRST HISS TRIAL MRS. HENRY L. ABBOTT WAS CALLED AS GOVT WITNESS TO PRODUCE KNOWN TYPEWRITER SPECIMENS IN THE FORM OF "PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR THE YEAR NINETEEN THIRTYSIX" /DYM MAWR/ WHICH WAS MADE BY PRISCILLA HISS. AT LAST TRIAL SHE WAS TURNED INTO CHARACTER REFERENCE FOR ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS BY DEFENSE. AUSA MURPHY AND SAAG BONEGAN NOW REQUEST THAT MRS. JAMES DICKEY, ONE FOUR FOUR NAUGHT NAUGHT SHAKER BLVD., CLEVELAND, OHIO, BE UTILIZED AS A WITNESS TO INTRODUCE THIS DOCUMENT. CLEVELAND OFFICE REQUESTED TO ADVISE MRS. DICKEY THAT SHE WILL BE NECESSARY WITNESS AT THIS TRIAL AND THAT SHE SHOULD APPEAR AT ABOUT NOON NOV. TWENTYEIGHT NEXT, ROOM ONE FOUR NAUGHT FOUR, US COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE, NY. SUBPOENA FOR MRS. DICKEY BEING MAILED TODAY. INSTANT PRESIDENTS REPORT PRESENTLY IN CUCTODY OF NY OFFICE. SUTEL IF SHE CANNOT BE LOCATED.

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| TITLE<br><b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al.</b> |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><b>PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;<br/>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b> |  |

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In signed statement, 11/18/49, Mrs. EDITH MURRAY, former Baltimore maid of the CHAMBERS, positively identified ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS after viewing them personally 11/17/49, in NYC. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Baltimore attorney of CHAMBERS, does not have CHAMBERS' 1923 passport. Personal papers of CHAMBERS, including birth certificates of DAVID and URSULA BREEN, obtained from CLEVELAND and forwarded to New York Office. Balance of "CASE papers" in possession of CLEVELAND obtained and forwarded to NY Office. FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO resigned his position at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., effective 10/22/49. No action since first HISS trial completed in HISS-CHAMBERS libel suit presently pending in Federal Court at Baltimore.

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REFERENCE: Bureau file 74-1333.  
Report of SA FRANK G. JOHNSTONE dated 11/22/49 at Baltimore.

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DETAILS:

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

RE: IDENTIFICATION OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS  
BY MRS. EDITH MURRAY, FORMER (1934-36)  
BALTIMORE MAID OF THE CHAMBERS

By teletype to the Bureau and the New York Office dated September 29, 1949, the Baltimore Office advised that the CHAMBERS' maid, known previously only as EDITH, had been identified as Mrs. ELWOOD FRANKLIN MURRAY, also known as EDITH GLAND MURRAY. This teletype also set forth the results of the interview with EDITH MURRAY, already reported, and suggested that the New York Office perfect arrangements in NYC for EDITH to personally view ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS for identification purposes prior to such time as she might be called as a witness in this case.

By letter to the Bureau and the Baltimore Office dated October 17, 1949, the New York Office indicated that efforts were being made to perfect the above-mentioned arrangements and requested the Baltimore Office to advise whether EDITH is presently employed or whether she has any personal problems that would preclude her coming to New York for a day or possibly two days in order to observe PRISCILLA HISS. The Baltimore Office was also requested to advise the New York Office when EDITH could come to New York with least inconveniences to her.

By letter to the Bureau and New York Office dated October 21, 1949, the Baltimore Office furnished the necessary information regarding EDITH'S personal situation bearing on the proposed trip by her to New York City.

Through arrangements perfected by the New York Office, Mrs. MURRAY made a trip to New York City on November 17, 1949, for the purpose of viewing ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS in person in an effort to make a positive identification of the HISSES as individuals who visited the CHAMBERS family in Baltimore, Maryland during the early part of 1936, when the CHAMBERS were residing at 1617 Eutaw Place. By teletype to the Bureau and Baltimore Office, the New York Office advised on November 17, 1949, that Mrs. EDITH MURRAY had on that date made a positive identification of PRISCILLA HISS and a tentative identification of ALGER HISS.

When interviewed regarding the above identification on November 18, 1949, by Special Agents EDWARD G. GOUGH and FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, Mrs. MURRAY stated that her identification of both ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS was positive. Accordingly, the following voluntarily signed statement was obtained from her:

"Baltimore, Maryland  
November 18, 1949

"I, Mrs. Ellwood F. Murray, also known as Mrs. Edith Gland Murray, ~~342 Bloom Street, Baltimore, Maryland~~, wish to furnish the following information voluntarily to Special Agents Edward G. Gough and Frank G. Johnstone of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"This information will be in addition to the information I gave in my statement of September 28, 1949. In my statement of September 28, 1949 I informed the Agents that a Lady from Washington, D. C. visited Mrs. Cantwell, now known to me as Mrs. Chambers, on three or four occasions while I was working as a maid for the Cantwells at 1617 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Md. Previously I also informed the Agents in my statement that on one occasion in April or May, 1936 the Lady from Washington stayed overnight at the Cantwell apartment at the above address with the Cantwell's daughter, Ellen, whom I called 'Peegee,' while Mrs. Cantwell made a trip to New York City. I also stated previously in a signed statement that on another occasion the Lady from Washington, D. C. visited the Cantwells at 1617 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Md. accompanied by a rather tall, slender man, about thirty years of age, who was very polite and nice. In my statement of September 28, 1949, I also stated that I had been shown photographs of persons the Agents told me were Alger Hiss and his wife, Priscilla Hiss, whom I said looked something like or might be the Lady from Washington, D. C. and the tall, slender man who accompanied her on the occasion of one visit to the Cantwells.

"Since making my statement on September 28, 1949 I have had one occasion to see in person two individuals in New York City on November 17, 1949 who I am sure are the Lady from Washington, D. C. and the tall, slender man who accompanied her on one occasion, that visited the Cantwells at 1617 Eutaw Place, Baltimore, Md. After picking these two persons out of a crowd without any assistance from anyone and identifying them as the Lady from Washington, D. C. and the tall, slender man mentioned in my statement dated September 28, 1949, I was told that the persons I had identified are Alger Hiss and his wife, Priscilla Hiss.

"This is a three page statement with information I want to add to my stattemet of September, 28, 1949. I have signed below

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"of my owen free will and have signed my name on the other two pages."

/s/ Mrs. Edith Murray.

"Witnessed:

Frank G. Johnstone, Special Agent, F.B.I., Baltimore, Md.  
Edward G. Gough, Special Agent, F.B.I., Baltimore, Md."

The original of the above statement was furnished to the New York Office by special messenger, together with a copy of Baltimore letter dated November 19, 1949, to the Bureau, in which the contents of the above statement were also set out. It should be noted that Mrs. MURRAY is presently in possession of a subpoena calling for her presence to testify in the second trial of ALGER HISS on November 28, 1949. Mrs. MURRAY appears to be reconciled to the fact that she will be a necessary witness in the retrial of this case, and appears willing to cooperate in every way possible.

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

Efforts to Locate CHAMBERS' 1935  
Passport in the Name of DAVID BREEN

By teletype to the Bureau and Baltimore Office dated November 7, 1949, the New York Office advised that the defense attorneys for ALGER HISS had subpoenaed the Secretary of State calling for any passport application made by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS under any of his aliases. It was pointed out in referenced teletype that CHAMBERS had actually applied for and received a passport in the name of DAVID BREEN. On November 4, 1949, the defense attorneys for ALGER HISS filed an ex parte order signed by Judge EDWARD CONGER, SDNY, calling for the submission of the above mentioned papers from the State Department. In connection with the argument concerning the ex parte order regarding the passport matter, CLAUDE CROSS, chief counsel for ALGER HISS, argued that it was necessary for the defense to have the passport application for several reasons, indicating that it might show that CHAMBERS was out of the country at a time when he previously testified he had been meeting ALGER HISS at periodic intervals and obtaining State Department documents, and further that the passport would contain information relating to CHAMBERS' background that would be of assistance in developing the defendant's case.

Referenced teletype also pointed out that during the lengthy interrogation of CHAMBERS he had related among other things to New York

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Agents that the passport he received in the name of DAVID BREEN as a result of an application filed with the State Department, had been turned over to his attorneys, MINTON and McNULTY, 295 Madison Avenue, New York City. The New York Office indicated a desire to examine the DAVID BREEN passport to determine whether it contained any entries showing any travel on the part of CHAMBERS outside the United States, and requested the Baltimore Office to contact Mr. CHAMBERS to ascertain if he had any objection to the New York Office obtaining the DAVID BREEN passport from CHAMBERS' New York attorneys.

By teletype to the Bureau and New York Office dated November 8, 1949, the Baltimore Office advised that Mr. CHAMBERS had no objection to New York Agents obtaining the DAVID BREEN passport from CHAMBERS' New York attorneys, MINTON and McNULTY, and advised that CHAMBERS would contact these attorneys as soon as possible so authorizing.

Efforts to Locate 1923 Passport of  
WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

By teletype to the Bureau and Baltimore Office dated November 17, 1949, the New York Office advised that Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY had requested location of the 1923 passport of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS for use in the retrial of ALGER HISS. The teletype further advised that Mr. CHAMBERS had telephonically communicated that date with his Baltimore attorney, Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, who was in possession of the passport and had agreed to turn it over to Agents of the Baltimore Office. The Baltimore Office was requested to obtain this passport immediately and forward it Special Delivery, Registered Mail to the New York Office.

By teletype dated November 17, 1949, to the Bureau and New York Office, the Baltimore Office advised that Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND had made a complete search of his files and records, including everything Mr. CHAMBERS had ever given to him, but had been unsuccessful in locating CHAMBERS' 1923 passport, or any passport under the true name or any of the known aliases of CHAMBERS for any other year.

In telephonic communication with Mr. CHAMBERS on November 19, 1949, he advised the writer that he had been almost certain that his 1923 passport had been turned over to Mr. CLEVELAND. However, as alternative possible locations of this 1923 passport, Mr. CHAMBERS suggested that it might possibly be in the files of the HCUA in Washington, D. C., or might be in the possession of his New York attorneys, MINTON and McNULTY, 295 Madison Avenue, in whose possession the 1935 DAVID BREEN passport had been located.

By letter dated November 19, 1949, to the Bureau, Washington Field and New York Offices, the Washington Field Office was requested to check the files of HCUA in Washington, D. C. in an effort to locate CHAMBERS' 1923 passport.

By teletype to the Bureau and New York Office on November 22, 1949, it was suggested that the New York Office make a similar check with CHAMBERS' New York attorneys, MINTON and McNULTY.

Personal Papers of CHAMBERS Obtained  
From RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, CHAMBERS'  
Baltimore Attorney

On November 18, 1949, Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND turned over to SA EDWARD G. GOUGH and the writer, at the personal request of Mr. CHAMBERS, an envelope containing bank books and other personal papers which Mr. CLEVELAND stated Mr. CHAMBERS had given to Mr. CLEVELAND to keep for him sometime ago, probably during the latter part of 1948. The contents of this envelope were as follows:

1. Bank book of the Solebury National Bank of New Hope, Pa. in account with DAVID BREEN and EDNA ROGERS BREEN of what looks like Kintnersville, Pa.
2. Bank book of the First National Bank and Trust Company, Newtown, Pa. in account with DAVID BREEN or EDNA ROGERS BREEN of New Hope, Pa.
3. Bank book of the First National Bank and Trust Company of Newtown, Pa. covering the savings account No. 2192 in the name of EDNA ROGERS BREEN of New Hope, Pa.
4. Membership card issued by the National Geographic Society to an unknown person upon the nomination of Dr. V. STEFANSSON.
5. Atlantic City, N. J. Department of Health birth record of URSULA BREEN.
6. Passport application, undated, partially filled out in the name of DAVID BREEN.
7. New York birth certificate for DAVID BREEN.

8. Small sheet of white paper with the following typed thereon:

"All details here such as Fathers Date of birth, PLACE etc., all Mothers is listed as given in county record and is filed also with state...."

"Rivera Apts., is the actual Residence at the time of birth and the Supertenant of Bldg wjo has died since then remembers Mr. B quite well....The child is also listed as at the age of a couple of weeks as having a little cold and cough....It is best that illness of health be recorded in New York....Such as teething.... Measles etc..etc.."

"In 3 to 6 months you will receive exemplified copy of the Se'y of State...."

It would appear possible that #8 above constitutes instructions to someone contemplating application for a passport. The possibility exists that these instructions might have been received by Mr. CHAMBERS from ALGER HISS in view of the fact that HISS was employed by the State Department and might have obtained such information from the State Department for CHAMBERS' direction in applying for an illegal passport.

By letter to the Bureau and New York Office dated November 18, 1949, the contents of the envelope obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND were set out and item #8 above was forwarded to the Bureau with the suggestion that this document be compared by the Laboratory, not only with the typing of the Baltimore documents involved in this case, but also with instant specimens originating from the HISS Woodstock typewriter. By copy of this same letter, it was suggested that the New York Office question Mr. CHAMBERS regarding his recollection of how item #8 came into his possession and the meaning thereof, if any. It was suggested that the Bureau advise the New York and Baltimore Offices regarding the results of such examinations and, if no identification was effected, to return item #8 to the Baltimore Office so that it could be returned to Mr. CHAMBERS with his other personal papers. Laboratory report 11/21/49 negative on above examination.

The Baltimore Office on November 19, 1949, received a telephonic request from Supervisor ROBERT GRANVILLE of the New York Office to forward the above listed items of CHAMBERS' personal property which had been obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND to the New York Office immediately by special messenger.

In compliance with this request, items #1 through #7, listed above, were forwarded by special messenger on November 20, 1949, to the

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New York Office with Baltimore cover letter to the Bureau dated November 19, 1949.

RE: ALGER HISS

Investigation Regarding Information  
Furnished 11/1/49, by CHAMBERS Regarding  
his Trip with ALGER HISS During the  
Easter Week-end of Probably 1935, to  
Erwinna, Pa., Probably to Visit JOHN  
HERRMANN and his Wife, JOSEPHINE HERBST,  
Involving Overnight Stay at a Tourist  
Home Near Center Square, Pa.

By letter dated November 14, 1949, the Philadelphia Office forwarded to the Baltimore Office a detailed map of Montgomery County, Pa., the map bearing inked notations of landmarks along U. S. Route 202 in the vicinity of Center Square, Pa., many of which were present during the period 1934-35. It was requested that this map be exhibited to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS for the purpose of refreshing his recollection in an effort to narrow the search by the Philadelphia Office for the tourist home at which ALGER HISS and CHAMBERS stopped during the Easter week-end of probably 1935.

In view of the fact that Mr. CHAMBERS was scheduled to be in attendance at the retrial of this case in New York City subsequent to the receipt of the above letter from the Philadelphia Office, the above-mentioned map and the request pertaining thereto made by the Philadelphia Office were forwarded to the New York Office by Baltimore letter dated November 15, 1949. The New York Office was also furnished a copy of the above-mentioned letter from the Philadelphia Office dated November 14, 1949.

RE: NEGOTIATIONS OF EDWARD W. CASE, REAL ESTATE  
AGENT OF WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND, WITH THE  
HISSES AND THE CHAMBERS FOR THE T. ESTELLE  
SHAW PROPERTY, LOCATED NEAR WESTMINSTER, MD.

By teletype dated November 15, 1949, the New York Office furnished the following to the Bureau, Washington Field and Baltimore Offices:

"JAHAM. Re WFO letter September 12, 1949 enclosing photostatic copies of letters and agreements of sale of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and ESTHER and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in connection with the purchase of a farm in Maryland. This letter refers to report of SA LAMBERT ZANDER at Washington, D. C.

"October 7, 1948. This office presently in possession of 'Case Letters' signed by ALGER HISS on April 3, 1916 and May 5, 1936. According to photostatic copies received with the above-mentioned letter, there also appears a letter dated November 5, 1936 signed by PRISCILLA HISS and a photostatic copy of an agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW, and ALGER HISS. Also attached to above letter was photostatic copy of letter dated October 30, 1939 of EDWARD CASE signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS and letters dated July 3, 1937, November 1 and 6; 1937, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS directed to CASE. There was also attached a photostatic copy of an agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKY and ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS. AUSA T. F. MURPHY has indicated he will attempt to introduce the attempted purchase by HISS and the actual purchase by CHAMBERS of the above-mentioned property at retrial of this case. It is necessary that this office be supplied with the original of the letter dated November 5, 1935 signed by PRISCILLA HISS as well as the agreement of sale entered into between HISS and CHAMBERS and the original of the above-mentioned letters signed by Mrs. CHAMBERS and the agreement of sale between CASE and Mrs. CHAMBERS. The Baltimore Office is requested to determine if the requested documents are presently in the possession of EDWARD CASE and if it will be necessary to serve him with a subpoena before obtaining same. If so, subpoena will be sent to him at an early date. Sutel. SCHEIDT."

For the information of the New York Office, previous data concerning the captioned subject has been furnished in the following communications from the Baltimore Office: Report of SA WILLIAM C. PFEIFFER dated 1/28/49 at Baltimore, pages 18-22; Baltimore teletype to the Bureau and New York Office dated 2/15/49; Baltimore teletype to the Bureau, New York, Washington Field and Philadelphia Offices dated 2/18/49. Since the above communications, the original of the three "Case Letters" signed by ALGER HISS dated 4/13/36, 4/16/36, and 5/5/36, all addressed "Dear Mr. CASE" have been forwarded by Baltimore to the New York Office, and are presently in possession of the New York Office per the above quoted teletype.

It will be noted by review that the cited portions of the report of SA PFEIFFER reflect that Agents of the Baltimore Office have contacted Mr. EDWARD W. CASE at Westminster, Maryland during 1949 and have been advised that Mr. CASE no longer has in his possession any papers or documents pertinent to this situation. Complying with the request made in the above quoted teletype from the New York Office dated November 15, 1949, SA EDWARD G. GOUGH and the writer again contacted Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Baltimore attorney for CHAMBERS, 2500 Mathieson Building, Baltimore, Maryland on November 18, 1949, to obtain any papers belonging to EDWARD W. CASE which CLEVELAND had

in his possession and which pertain to negotiations between CASE and HISS, and between CASE and the CHAMBERS family for the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property.

Mr. CLEVELAND repeated the following history of the custody and disposition of the "CASE Papers" which information has been previously reported in various Baltimore communications as set out above:

On August 27, 1948, Mr. CASE turned over to Mr. DONALD T. APPELL, Investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities what CASE thought was his complete file. Subsequently during the fall of 1948 NICK VEZZANA, a private investigator from New York City, who was then working in CHAMBERS' behalf in connection with the HISS-CHAMBERS libel suit under the employ of the New York Law Firm of CRAVATH, SWAINE, and MOORE, representing "Time, Inc.", obtained this file from the HCUA, and later turned same over to Mr. CLEVELAND, who has had it in his possession ever since. At the time VEZZANA obtained this correspondence file of CASE from the HCUA, Mr. CLEVELAND stated that he and his assisting legal counsel for CHAMBERS were conducting a private investigation for the purpose of obtaining evidence in connection with the defense of CHAMBERS in the HISS-CHAMBERS libel suit. Mr. CLEVELAND mentioned that he had already turned over three letters from this file to Agents of the Baltimore Office, the three letters from ALGER HISS mentioned supra, and the New York Office acknowledges that these three letters are already in the possession of that office. Mr. CLEVELAND turned over to the Agents GOUGH and JOHNSTONE the balance of his "CASE File." Agents furnished Mr. CLEVELAND with a receipt for this file but no detailed description of the papers and documents contained therein was made in the receipt. Accordingly, all the papers and documents in this file were examined in the Baltimore Office and an inventory memo was prepared listing all of the papers and documents obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on this occasion.

A copy of this inventory memo was enclosed with copies of the letter to the Bureau, New York and Washington Field Offices. Upon the telephonic request on November 19, 1949, of Supervisor ROBERT GRANVILLE of the New York Office, the entire "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on November 18, 1949 was forwarded to the New York Office via special messenger on November 20, 1949, so same may be available when the second trial of ALGER HISS was resumed at New York on November 21, 1949.

The following items requested in New York teletype quoted above were found in the "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND on November 18, 1949:

1. Agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and ALGER HISS.
2. Letter dated 10/30/39 to EDWARD CASE, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
3. Letter dated 6/3/37 (not 7/3/37) to CASE, signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
4. Letter dated 11/1/37, addressed to CASE and signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
5. Letter dated 11/16/37 (not 11/6/37) to CASE and signed by ESTHER CHAMBERS.
6. Agreement of sale between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY and ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS.

The only communication requested which was not obtained was a letter dated 11/5/35 signed by PRISCILLA HISS. The whereabouts of this letter are unknown to the Baltimore Office, but it is noted that in the "CASE File" obtained from Mr. CLEVELAND there was found a carbon copy of a typewritten letter apparently addressed by CASE to Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS which apparently was in answer to the 11/5/35 letter of PRISCILLA HISS.

Evidently at the time Mr. CASE turned over all his correspondence to the HCUA Investigator, he overlooked two letters directed by ALGER HISS to him, one a handwritten letter dated 5/13/36 and one a typewritten letter dated 5/28/36. The originals of these two letters were at one time in the possession of the Baltimore Office and were forwarded to the Bureau but returned subsequently to Mr. CASE as reflected in the report of SA H. EDGAR LENTZ, dated 9/10/48 at Baltimore, Maryland in the case entitled "J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, wa; ALGER HISS; PERJURY", Baltimore file 74-6.

Mr. CLEVELAND believes that subsequently during the latter part of 1948 representatives of Mr. WILLIAM L. MARBURY obtained these two letters from Mr. CASE. As reflected in the report of SA PFEIFFER dated 1/28/49 at Baltimore, Agents of the Baltimore Office made a subsequent effort to obtain these two letters from Mr. MARBURY, together with any other CASE letters or correspondence in his possession. On 1/26/48, Mr. MARBURY advised that all such letters had been forwarded by him to Mr. EDWARD C. McLEAN, New York attorney for ALGER HISS, associated with the law firm of DEBEVOISE, POIMPTON and McLEAN. Photostatic copies of these two letters dated 5/13 and 5/28/36 are presently available in the files of the Bureau, as well as in the files of the Washington Field and Baltimore Offices.

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Mr. CLEVELAND stated that he did not know whether the HCUA had turned over its entire "CASE File" to Mr. VEZZANA but suggested that it might be worthwhile to check with the HCUA in Washington, D. C. if any necessary papers or documents were missing.

The Washington Field Office was requested to check with the HCUA immediately to ascertain if any further correspondence of Mr. EDWARD W. CASE is still in their files or in the possession of any of the committee investigators.

In view of the rather complete file of papers, correspondence and documents which are now available to the New York Office for the assistance of AUSA THOMAS F. MURPHY in introducing the attempted purchase by HISS and the actual purchase by CHAMBERS of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property, during the retrial of this case, no further efforts will be made by the Baltimore Office to obtain additional papers pertaining thereto unless advised to the contrary by the New York Office.

For purposes of any subpoena which may be issued subsequently, it should be noted that Mr. EDWARD W. CASE maintains both his office and residence at 211 E. Main Street, Westminster, Maryland, telephone Westminster 122.

All of the papers and documents enclosed with the letter dated November 19, 1949, to the New York Office have been appropriately marked for subsequent identification by the writer.

The above information was furnished to the Bureau, New York and Washington Field Offices by letter dated November 19, 1949.

So that other offices may have a detailed record of the papers and documents turned over to Baltimore Agents by Mr. CLEVELAND, the inventory memo mentioned above, prepared for the files of the Baltimore Office, is set out below.

On November 18, 1949, Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Baltimore attorney for CHAMBERS, 2500 Mathieson Building, Baltimore, Maryland, turned over to SA EDWARD G. GOUGH and the writer all of the papers of CASE pertaining to the above-mentioned transactions which were still in his possession. Agents furnished Mr. CLEVELAND with a receipt for these papers, but such receipt was not detailed. Accordingly, it was deemed advisable to make a detailed inventory of the papers received from Mr. CLEVELAND on this occasion. The papers were reviewed by the writer, and the contents have

been classified into seven groups as set out below, all papers having been properly marked for identification by SA JOHNSTONE:

Group #1 -- Papers pertaining to Negotiations between ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS and EDWARD W. CASE, all dated in 1935 and 1936, for the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property located near Westminster, Maryland consisting of the following:

1. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 11/8/35 to PRISCILLA HISS, evidently from CASE.
2. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/9/35 to Mr. ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
3. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/14/36 to ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
4. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/18/36 to ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
5. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/22/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.
6. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 4/25/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.
7. Typewritten carbon copy of a letter dated 5/2/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.
8. Typewritten partial carbon copy of a letter dated 5/11/36 to Mr. HISS, probably from CASE.
9. Typewritten partial carbon copy of a letter dated 5/20/36 to Mr. ALGER HISS, probably from CASE.
10. Typewritten receipt dated 4/4/36, Westminster, Maryland for \$20 cash deposit, received from Mr. ALGER HISS on the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property.
11. Handwritten notations in ink on odd piece of white paper, headed "For Mr. HISS," evidently outlining requests made by Mr. HISS in connection with the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property, probably in the handwriting of EDWARD W. CASE.

12. Brown paper envelope addressed to EDWARD W. CASE, Esq., 211 E. Main Street, Westminster, Md. with the return address, ALGER HISS, 2905 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., envelope postmarked 4/13/36 at Washington, D. C., contents evidently removed, also bearing a handwritten notation in ink, probably by CASE.
13. Original, signed agreement of sale dated 4/13/36 between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and JOSEPHINE AMELANG, her sister, deceased, and ALGER HISS, 2905 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., agreement witnessed by E. LEE ERB and PRISCILLA HISS.

Group #2 - Papers pertaining to negotiations between J. W. CHAMBERS and ESTHER CHAMBERS and EDWARD W. CASE dated from 2/3/36 through 10/30/39 for the purchase of the T. ESTELLE SHAW property located near Westminster, Maryland, consisting of the following:

1. Photographic copy of a typewritten letter dated 2/3/36 to Mr. E. W. CASE from J. W. CHAMBERS.
2. Carbon copy of a letter dated 2/4/36 to J. W. CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
3. Original typewritten letter dated 6/3/37 to Mr. CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
4. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 6/12/37 to Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
5. Original of a typewritten letter dated 11/1/37 to Mr. EDWARD CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
6. Original of a typewritten letter dated 11/16/37 to EDWARD CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.
7. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/20/37 to ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
8. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 7/10/37 to Mrs. CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
9. Original of a letter handwritten in ink dated 10/30/39 to Mr. EDWARD W. CASE from ESTHER CHAMBERS.

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10. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/21/39 to Mrs. ESTHER CHAMBERS, probably from CASE.
11. Original, signed agreement of sale dated 3/12/37 between EDWARD W. CASE, acting agent for Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY, she the executrix for the estate of her sister, T. ESTELLE SHAW, deceased, and the Party of the Second Part, ESTHER CHAMBERS, wife of JAY CHAMBERS, this agreement being witnessed by CHRISTINE P. CASE.

Group #3 - Correspondence during the period April, 1936 to August, 1938 between EDWARD W. CASE and various heirs of T. ESTELLE SHAW concerning the T. ESTELLE SHAW property located near Westminster, Maryland and the proposed sale of same to the HISSES and the CHAMBERS, consisting of the following:

1. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 4/11/36 to Mr. CHARLES A. AMELANG, 1615 Darley Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, probably from CASE.
2. Carbon copy of a two page typewritten letter dated 4/18/36 to Mrs. CHARLES SHIRKEY, Fairfield, Pa., RD #2, probably from CASE.
3. Original of a letter handwritten in pencil dated 4/21/36 to Mr. CASE from Mrs. SHIRKEY.
4. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 4/22/36 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.
5. Original of a letter handwritten in ink dated 5/16/36 to Mr. CASE from DAISY A. SHIRKEY.
6. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 5/18/36 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.
7. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 11/19/37 to Mrs. DAISY A. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.
8. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 8/19/38 to Mrs. SHIRKEY, probably from CASE.

Group #4 - Miscellaneous papers pertaining to the T. ESTELLE SHAW property located near Westminster, Maryland:

1. Original and carbon copy on onionskin paper, evidently an inventory list, headed "Westminster, Md. Oct. 28, 1936 Goods Included with the Mrs. T. ESTELLA SHAW Property of ten acres."
2. Two odd sheets of paper handwritten in pencil, evidently a rough draft listing of the same inventory in 1, above.
3. Original of tax bill addressed to ESTELLA T. SHAW by the Collector of State and County Taxes for Carroll County, Maryland showing taxes in arrears of \$8.24.
4. Document issued by the Register of Wills for Carroll County, Md. dated 11/23/37, appointing DAISY A. SHIRKEY administratrix for the estate of TILLIE ESTELLE SHAW.
5. Invoice in the amount of \$9.90 dated 11/23/37, addressed to DAISY A. SHIRKEY, Admx. TILLIE ESTELLE SHAW, decd. by HARRY G. BERWAGER, Register of Wills for Carroll County, Westminster, Maryland.

Group #5 - Fifteen pieces of paper of assorted sizes and types bearing miscellaneous notations and figures, probably all made by EDWARD W. CASE, pertaining to the settlement of the estate of T. ESTELLE SHAW and the partition of that estate between her various heirs, also bearing the name CHAMBERS on several pieces of paper.

Note: As these fifteen pieces of paper are rather non-descript, no effort is being made to describe them further in any detail.

Group #6 - Four pieces of paper of assorted sizes and shapes bearing miscellaneous figures and notations, probably made by EDWARD W. CASE, the significance of which is unknown and not apparent.

Note: As these four pieces of paper are rather non-descript, no effort is being made to describe them further in any detail.

Group #7 - Papers of EDWARD W. CASE which have no apparent pertinence to the T. ESTELLE SHAW property located near Westminster, Maryland or to the efforts of CASE to sell same to either the HISSES or CHAMBERS, consisting of the following:

1. Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated 3/1/37 to Mr. M. T. CHAMBERS, 3103 Milford Avenue, Baltimore, Md., probably from CASE.

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Note: This may be a misfiled item or a communication by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS with CASE under another name.

2. Carbon copy of a typewritten list of items and figures on a sheet of yellow paper, evidently an inventory of livestock and farm equipment items totaling \$2,066.45.

RE: FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO

Resignation from the Employ of  
Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

The Baltimore Office received a letter dated November 10, 1949, from Headquarters of the Second Army at Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, advising that FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO had resigned from his position at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, effective October 22, 1949. RENO directed a telegram to the authorities at Aberdeen Proving Ground at the expiration of one year of approved leave without pay, stating, "I think I should not attempt return Aberdeen at present. Believe planning should proceed assumption I cannot resume work Aberdeen."

For information, the above was furnished to the Bureau, New York and Denver Offices by teletype dated November 16, 1949.

RE: HISS-CHAMBERS LIBEL SUIT PRESENTLY  
PENDING IN FEDERAL COURT AT BALTIMORE, MD.

During a conversation with Mr. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND, Baltimore attorney for CHAMBERS, 2500 Mathieson Building, Baltimore, Mr. CLEVELAND advised the writer that there has been no action whatsoever in the HISS-CHAMBERS libel suit presently pending in Federal Court at Baltimore since the completion of the first trial of ALGER HISS in the Southern District of New York.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

NOTE: It is being left to the discretion of the New York Office as to whether or not any of the information furnished in the Administrative Section of this report should be passed along to Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY and Special Assistant to the Attorney General T. J. DONEGAN.

RE: RELATIONS OF ALGER HISS WITH NEW YORK LAW  
FIRM OF WHICH LLOYD GARRISON IS SENIOR PARTNER  
AND LOUIS WEISS IS A JUNIOR PARTNER

By teletype to the Bureau and New York Office dated November 15, 1949, the Baltimore Office furnished the following information:

CHAMBERS furnished following information during interview yesterday. During early days of this case, possibly latter part of 1948, ALGER HISS contacted a NYC law firm asking that firm to represent him in either the NY criminal case or the Baltimore civil case, probably the former. CHAMBERS does not know name of law firm but states LLOYD GARRISON is the senior partner and LOUIS WEISS is a junior partner. HISS was turned down because CAROL KING is sister of WEISS and it was felt this fact might prejudice HISS' case. Daughter of LLOYD GARRISON, CLARINDA GARRISON, is now Mrs. BINGER, wife of the defense psychiatrist who observed CHAMBERS during first trial and who was not permitted to testify. Mrs. BINGER is also an official at the Dalton School in NYC where PRISCILLA HISS teaches. Although above law firm declined to represent HISS in his best interests, it has worked for HISS covertly on investigative chores primarily from the outset and is still working for him. Newspaper "PM", now "The Compass", is also a client of this same law firm and the staff of this newspaper has been used continuously to assist in investigations pertinent to the defense of HISS. Above information furnished to CHAMBERS confidentially on November 12 by a member of the above law firm who is a friend of CHAMBERS and who came to Westminster from NYC last Saturday just to furnish the information to CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS declined to identify his informant, but stated the informant is not a partner in the firm but is believed to be employed on a salary basis with the firm and is doing quite well financially. CHAMBERS wanted MURPHY and DONEGAN to have the above information for guidance and background and whatever other action they might devise.

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RE: VISIT TO CHAMBERS' FARM AT WESTMINSTER,  
MARYLAND ON 11/19/49, OF TWO UNIDENTIFIED  
MEN DEMANDING PASSPORT DOCUMENTS

By teletype to the Bureau and New York Office dated November 19, 1949, Baltimore furnished the following for information only:

CHAMBERS telephoned the Baltimore Office today and advised that about 2 PM today two men judged to be in their late thirties and both strangers, came to the CHAMBERS farm near Westminster, Maryland in a gray Plymouth car. Mr. CHAMBERS was not in the house at the time and the men confronted Mrs. CHAMBERS and the children, demanding CHAMBERS' passport and everything pertaining thereto. These men did not state who they represented nor cite any authority or present any credentials to authenticate their demand. Mrs. CHAMBERS told them Mr. CHAMBERS was not around and advised the men that she did not have the documents they sought. They acted rather sheepishly and departed rather hurriedly without any effort at duress or physical force. Mrs. CHAMBERS recalled that one of the men said his name was WEBB and that he was from the Eastern Shore of Maryland and described him as nearly 6', slender, black hair, brown eyes. Mrs. CHAMBERS could not recall the name given by the other man, who also said he was from the Eastern Shore of Maryland, but described him as about 5' 7", red hair, slender, wearing glasses. Young JOHN CHAMBERS thought the license number on the car was Maryland 707-608, but is not certain of the first three digits. Above license registered to JAMES H. BRAMBLE, Millington, Kent County, Maryland, which is located on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Baltimore files reflect a 116 case on Professor CHARLES CLINTON BRAMBLE, applicant for position of Director of Computation and Ballistics, U. S. Naval Proving Ground, Dahlgren, Virginia, Bureau file 116-11390, who has a 19 year old son, JAMES HENRY BRAMBLE, also residing at Dahlgren, Va. Investigation of BRAMBLE occasioned by allegations of pro-Nazi sentiments during World War II and he originated at Centerville on Eastern Shore of Maryland. Above submitted for information of New York, as CHAMBERS will probably mention the incident next Monday, and Baltimore will take no further action regarding the matter in the absence of instructions to the contrary. CHAMBERS did not seem perturbed but promised to call immediately if anything else happened.

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LEADS

NOTE: In view of the expeditious nature of this investigation and the fact that all leads for other offices indicated herein have been previously set out by teletype, no leads for other offices are being restated in this report in view of the fact that they will probably have been covered and reported by the time auxiliary offices receive this report.

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE, BOSTON, NEWARK AND PHILADELPHIA

Copies of this report are furnished to these offices for information in view of the fact that these offices have been continuously active in the investigation of this case and may subsequently be requested to conduct additional investigation based on information set out in this report.

THE BALTIMORE OFFICE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

\* Inasmuch as GEORGE RAYMOND WILLIAMS, janitor employed in the vicinity of the former CHAMBERS' residence at 3310 Auchentoroly Terrace for the past 25 years, stated upon interview that the CHAMBERS formerly resided at three different locations on Auchentoroly Terrace and gave conflicting information concerning tips given to him for services performed for the CHAMBERS, the Baltimore Office will attempt to ascertain through WILLIAMS' employers and other sources his reputation for veracity. (This lead initially set out in referenced report.)

\* Will continue to follow and report any developments in the libel suit instituted by ALGER HISS against WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and presently pending in the U. S. District Court for the District of Maryland at Baltimore.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

FROM : L. W. R. OBERNDORF, Supervisor

SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: November 25, 1949

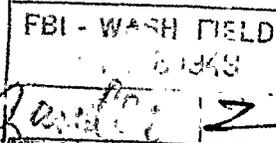
At 2:10 P. M. on this date, I was in telephonic communication with Supervisor TUOHY of the New York Office, to whom I furnished information to the effect that Mrs. DICKEY, who is desired by the government as a witness in this case, presently resides in Cleveland, Ohio. I also told Mr. TUOHY that the State Department had expressed some concern at the latitude of a request it had received from AUSA MURPHY to furnish the latter with all available information in State Department files concerning NOEL FIELD. I told Mr. TUOHY that if possible, an effort should be made to have Mr. MURPHY qualify his request in view of the fact that much of the information available in State Department files consists of material in connection with a pending investigation as well as of exchanges of diplomatic notes between this government and various governments in Europe.

Further details concerning the matter of the Bryn Mawr Club of Washington, D. C. were discussed with Mr. TUOHY by Special Agent JOHN J. WALSH, who subsequently told me that Mr. TUOHY had stated he would recontact this office on the basis of the information which we had furnished.

At 3:28 P. M., Special Agent THOMAS C. SPENCER of the New York Office advised me that the outstanding subpoena for Mrs. ABBOTT would be cancelled and that a subpoena would be issued instead for Mrs. DICKEY in Cleveland, Ohio, whose address I furnished to Mr. SPENCER.

With respect to the matter of AUSA MURPHY's request of the State Department concerning the NOEL FIELD records, Mr. SPENCER suggested that the State Department communicate directly with Mr. MURPHY on this problem and that he felt an amicable settlement could be arranged. He advised me that it had come to the attention of the government in New York that apparently the defendant has had access to much information concerning NOEL FIELD from State Department files and that the government, in the person of Mr. MURPHY, apparently desires to be fully aware of any information which the defense may attempt to introduce in connection with NOEL FIELD.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

Nov. 29, 1949

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

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Re NY tel November 29, 1949, requesting that all available prints of photographs of 1000 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C., be submitted to the New York Office.

Transmitted herewith are twelve prints reflecting views of the above address. It is observed that on June 27, 1949, two enlarged courtroom-sized photographs of 1000 Connecticut Avenue were delivered by an agent of this office to AUSA THOMAS F. MURPHY and SAAG THOMAS G. DONEGAN. One of these enlargements was identified in court by HENRI R. HENRY, employee of Randall H. Hagner Company, Washington realtor, who in his testimony on June 30, 1949, during the first HISS trial identified this address as having housed the Woodstock Typewriter Agency from September 15, 1938, and remaining there for two years.

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cc: New York (enc.)(reg. mail) *sent 11/29/49*

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.**

To: SAC, New York

November 25, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination requested by your office on November 21 and November 23, 1949.

Re: **JAHAK**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.  
FBI FILE NO. **74-1333**  
LAB. NO. **D-108918 BU**

Examination requested by: **New York**

Reference: **Teletype dated November 21 and  
Telephone call of November 23, 1949.**

Examination requested: **Document**

Specimens:

Requesting that the paper making up Q6 through Q69 be compared with all the paper containing known typewriting emanating from the HISS household which is presently retained in the Bureau's files and in the files of the New York Office.

**RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:**

An examination was made in the New York Office November 25, 1949, of all the paper containing known typewriting specimens emanating from the HISS household that are presently retained in the Bureau's files and in the New York Office, but none was found to be similar to specimens Q6 through Q69 from the standpoint of a comparison of the physical characteristics.

- 1 - Philadelphia
- 1 - Baltimore
- 1 - Washington Field

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

FROM : EDWARD F. HUMMER, Special Agent

SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: November 30, 1949

There are attached herewith for the file, two photographic copies of a certificate of Title No. 245647 for a 1929 used Ford, Motor No. A-2188811, issued to ALGER HISS September 19, 1933. The original is on file at the Department of Motor Vehicles. The photographic copies attached were obtained by the writer from the Veterans Administration, Identification and Detection Division, who made the copies.

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