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**Title:**  
**ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB**

**Character of Case:**  
**SPECIAL INQUIRY**

**Synopsis of Facts:**

JOSEPH P. BIEBEL, Miami, Florida, has no information concerning ANNA M. ROSENBERG.

---RUC---

**Details:**

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Mr. JOSEPH P. BIEBEL, 312 North 4th Road, South Miami, Florida, a former member of the Communist Party in Chicago, advised that he never heard of a JOHN REED Club of the Communist Party in Chicago. Mr. BIEBEL also stated he is not acquainted with ANNA M. ROSENBERG and never heard her name mentioned in connection with the Communist Party.

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to her but she feels that all of her information is not being laid
before the committee. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO HAVE TWO THOROUGHLY
EXPERIENCED AGENTS INTERVIEt MRS. DE TOLEDANO. SHE SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY
ASKED IF SHE HAD ANY INFORMATION BEARING ON THE LOYALTY OF MRS.
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IT WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE COMMUNISTS. HE ALSO FURNISHED INFO CONCERNING EIGHTY THREE OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE NAMES WHICH APPEARED ON THE PETITION OF THE JOHN REED CLUB IN THE "NY TIMES" OF MAY NINETEEN, FIFTY. THIS INFO WILL BE SET OUT IN REPORT FORM. HE ADVISED THAT HE HAD NEVER BEEN A MEMBER OF THE CP.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. TODAY TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT HE HAD PREPARED AND SENT A TELEGRAM TO THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE PROTESTING THE METHOD OF THEIR INVESTIGATION OF THIS MATTER AND OFFERING TO SUBMIT HIMSELF TO A LIE DETECTOR TEST PROVIDING MC GRAW, ROSENBERG, AND WINNER ALL SUBMITTED TO THE SAME TEST. HE ALSO PROTESTED THE FACT THAT THE COMMITTEE WAS INVESTIGATING ANTI SEMITISM RATHER THAN THE QUESTION OF WHETHER MRS. ROSENBERG WAS OR WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB. HE ALSO MENTIONED THAT HE WAS NOW DISILLUSIONED WITH BEN FREEDMAN AND WISHED TO HAVE NOTHING FURTHER TO DO WITH HIM, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT MENTION THE DEC. FOURTEENTH NY WORLD TELEGRAM NEWSPAPER ARTICLE BY WOLTMAN. RE JAMES MC GRAW. NORA DE TOLEDOANO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT HOWARD RUSHMORE, A REPORTER ON THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN, WHO IS KNOWN TO BUREAU, HAD TOLD HER THAT HE COULD DEFINITELY PLACE JAMES MC GRAW AS A MEMBER OF THE CP IN THE PAST. HE SAID THAT RUSHMORE FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE HAD NOT KNOWN THAT MC GRAW HAD EVER DENIED MEMBERSHIP IN THE CP, AND THAT RUSHMORE HAD INDICATED THAT RUSHMORE WOULD BE WILLING TO GO TO WASHINGTON AND TESTIFY THAT JAMES MC GRAW HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF THE CP IN THE PAST.
PAST AND THAT RUSHMORE HAD SEEN HIM AT CP MEETINGS. SHE SAID FURTHER THAT RUSHMORE HAD INDICATED THAT MAURICE MALKIN, WHO HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED BY THIS OFFICE IN THE PAST ALTHOUGH NOT IN THIS MATTER, ALSO COULD DEFINITELY PLACE JAMES MCGRAW AS A MEMBER OF THE CP IN THE PAST. UACB THIS OFFICE WILL INTERVIEW MAURICE MALKIN. BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE AS TO WHETHER BUREAU DESIRES THAT HOWARD RUSHMORE BE INTERVIEWED.

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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 29 14 6-06P

DIRECTOR URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SI.

ATTENTION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN.

FOR INFO OF NEW HAVEN, [REDACTED] HAS FurnISHED A SIGNED STATEMENT WHEREIN HE STATES THAT ONE JAMES MAGRAW, WHOM [REDACTED] SAID WAS A CP MEMBER IN MID NINETEEN THIRTY-S AND SUPERVISOR OF WRITERS PROJECT, WPA, IN THE FALL OF NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR, TOOK [REDACTED] TO A MEETING OF THE JOHN REED CLUB AT NYC WHERE MAGRAW POINTED OUT ANNA ROSENBERG TO [REDACTED] MAGRAW SAID ROSENBERG WAS A MEMBER OF THE CP. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID THAT HE SAW ANNA ROSENBERG AT THREE OR FOUR OTHER MEETINGS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB IN THE PERIOD OF FALL NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR TO FALL NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE. [REDACTED] IDENTIFIED THIS ANNA ROSENBERG AS ANNA M. ROSENBERG, PRESENTLY ASSISTANT TO SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, US GOVERNMENT. ONE WALTER SNOW ADVISED THIS OFFICE IN NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT THAT HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, JOHN REED CLUB, NYC, NINETEEN THIRTY-THREE TO THIRTY FOUR, AND THAT HE HAD BEEN IN REGULAR MONTHLY ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS OF JOHN REED CLUB. SNOW ADVISED HE WAS MEMBER OF "CP" NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE TO FORTY WHEN HE LEFT PARTY. SNOW BELIEVED TO BE RESIDING TWENTY FIVE BANE STREET, WILLIMANTIC, CONNECTICUT. LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SNOW RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF ALLEGATIONS MADE BY...
CONCERNING ANNA M. ROSENBERG, OR KNOWLEDGE HE MAY HAVE OF ANY
ANNA ROSENBERG BELONGING TO OR ATTENDING MEETINGS OF JOHN REED CLUB.
ALSO INTERVIEW RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF CP ACTIVITIES OF JAMES MAGRAW
AND JOHN REED CLUB ACTIVITIES OF JAMES MAGRAW, AND ANY OTHER INDIV-
IDUALS WHO MAY FURNISH INFO RE ABOVE ALLEGATION. EXPEDITE. SUTEL.
SUREP.

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NEW HAVEN ADVISED

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. FOR BUREAU INFORMATION, MRS HELEN MCALLISTER, KCMO, TODAY ADVISED SHE HAD LEARNED THROUGH SIDNEY LAWRENCE, DIRECTOR, JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS BUREAU, KCMO, CAMPAIGN BEING CONDUCTED BY ALL JEWISH GROUPS TO SEND TELEGRAMS TO CONGRESS URGING IMMEDIATE CONFIRMATION OF ANNA ROSENBERG. LAWRENCE INDICATED THESE GROUPS HAVE REPRESENTATIVE ON SENATOR RUSSELL'S STAFF WHO CAN OBSERVE ALL TELEGRAMS RECEIVED IN CAMPAIGN. LAWRENCE SUBJECT OF CLOSED SECURITY MATTER - C CASE THIS OFFICE IN WHICH GENERAL ALLEGATIONS OF CP MEMBERSHIP AND SYMPATHY UNSUBSTANTIATED.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE CHICAGO TEL THIRTEENTH LAST. CARMEN S. LEE, GOVERNESS, WILTON, CONNECTICUT, DISCLAIMED ACQUAINTANCE WITH OR KNOWLEDGE OF ROSENBERG OR JOHN REED CLUB. ADVISED THAT DR. WILLIAM DOHM, VETERINARIAN, FIFTY-FIVE BRYANT ST., ROSLYN, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK, MAY HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ROSENBERG. DOCTOR DOHM ALSO ACQUAINTED WITH UNIDENTIFIED HUNGARIAN WOMAN WHOM ROSENBERG AIDED IN OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT WITH NRA DURING MID THIRTIES. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SI. RE NYTEL TWELVE DASH ELEVEN DASH FIFTY TO BUREAU, BALTIMORE, AND NEWARK. CHECK OF TRENTON PD RECORDS REFLECTS NO ARREST OF ANNA ROSENBERG DURING NINETEEN THIRTY. SECOND PRECINCT STATION TRENTON REFLECTS ARREST OF ESTHER ROSENBERG ON JULY TWENTYFIVE THIRTY TOGETHER WITH JOHN SODESKERY BY SGT. WILLIAM STANLEY ON CHARGE OF DISORDERLY PERSONS. ESTHER DESCRIBED AS THIRTYFIVE, BORN RUSSIA, RESIDING TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST., TRENTON, CHARGE DISMISSED. SODESKERY BORN USA, OCCUPATION SEAMAN, RESIDENCE THREE EIGHT SIX EIGHT GIRARD ST., PHILADELPHIA, FINED THIRTYFIVE DOLLARS. THERE IS NO OTHER ARREST OR IDENTIFICATION RECORD CONCERNING THE ABOVE. ALL RECORDS TRENTON PD CHECKED FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR NINETEEN THIRTY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS ON ANNA ROSENBERG.

OFFICER WHO MADE ABOVE ARRESTS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED THAT HE RECALLS THE ABOVE INCIDENT CLEARLY AND IS POSITIVE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL ARRESTED WAS ESTHER ROSENBERG WITH WHOM HE WAS ACQUAINTED EVEN BEFORE THE ARREST. HE KNEW ALSO THAT SHE RESIDED AT TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST., TRENTON AND WAS THE WIFE OF JACOB ROSENBERG OF THE SAME ADDRESS. HE STATED THAT A GROUP REGARDED AS COMMUNISTIC APPLIED FOR A STREET PERMIT WHICH WAS DENIED AND HE WAS ASSIGNED TO COVER THE MEETING PLACE SINCE IT WAS INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD MEET WITHOUT THE PERMIT AS IN FACT THEY DID. STANLEY ARRESTED SODESKERY WHO ATTEMPTED TO SPEAK WITHOUT THE PERMIT AND ANOTHER END OF PAGE ONE.
OFFICER PRESENT ARRESTED ESTHER ROSENBERG WHO ATTEMPTED TO INTERFERE WITH THE ARREST. LOUIS MC GLONE, TWO SIX TWO CLAY ST., PLUMBER, PROMINENT POLITICAL LEADER IN TRENTON WAS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED THAT HE HAS KNOWN ESTHER ROSENBERG FOR THE PAST THIRTY YEARS DURING THE TIME SHE RESIDED AT TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST., ACROSS THE STREET FROM HIM. HE DISTINCTLY REMEMBERED THAT SHE WAS ARRESTED FOR STRIKING A POLICE OFFICER IN CONNECTION WITH A POLITICAL MEETING ABOUT TWENTY YEARS AGO. HE STATED THAT ESTHER ROSENBERG WAS AN OUTSPoken COMMUNIST PARTY SYmpATHIZER AND HAS HAD THAT REPUTATION FOR A GREAT MANY YEARS. HE STATED FURTHER THAT NO ONE BY THE NAME OF ANNA ROSENBERG HAS EVER LIVED AT TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST. TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. HE ADVISED THAT ESTHER ROSENBERG'S HUSBAND JACOB ROSENBERG, DIED APPROXIMATELY A YEAR AND ONE HALF AGO. THE RESIDENCE AT TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST. HAS BEEN DESTROYED AND MC GLONE BELIEVES THAT ESTHER ROSENBERG LIVES WITH HER SON MILTON AT EIGHT FOUR BEECHWOOD AVENUE, TRENTON. ALL TRENTON CITY DIRECTORIES WERE CHECKED FROM THE YEAR NINETEEN THIRTY-SIX TO DATE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS ON THE NAME ANNA OR ESTHER ROSENBERG. JACOB ROSENBERG, TAILOR IS LISTED IN NINETEEN THIRTY-SIX AS RESIDING AT TWO SIX ONE CLAY ST. THERE IS NO EARLIER CITY DIRECTORY. RUC.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA H. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. HAS STATED BEFORE SENATE ARMED FORCES COMMITTEE THAT ANNA H. ROSENBERG, RECENTLY NOMINATED AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, ATTENDED MEETINGS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB IN NYC DURING NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR AND WAS POINTED OUT TO HIM BY JAMES MC GRAW AS MEMBER OF CP AND JOHN REED CLUB. STATES THAT IN ADDITION TO MC GRAW, LOUELLA HENKLE, HELEN WINNER DE SOLA, AND IVAN BLACK ALL ATTENDED CP UNIT MEETINGS OF TOP SUPERVISORS OF BOTH REPORTERS PROJECT AND WRITERS PROJECT, WPA, NYC, DURING NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR. ANNA H. ROSENBERG AT THAT TIME WAS ASSOCIATED WITH NY STATE NRA. HENKLE WAS ASSISTANT TO JAMES MC GRAW AT WRITERS PROJECT WPA NY, SUBSEQUENTLY SET UP YOUTH HOSTELS IN CALIFORNIA, AND AT SAID HOSTELS LECTURED YOUNG BOYS AND GIRLS IN USE OF CONTRACEPTIVES. THEREAFTER HENKLE RECEIVED ADVERSE PUBLICITY IN NEWSPAPERS FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS OF PARENTS. HENKLE ALLEGEDLY CITED IN REPORTS OF CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE ON UNAMERICAN ACTIVITIES. MC GRAW BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE DENIED MEMBERSHIP IN CP AND DENIED IDENTIFYING ANNA H. ROSENBERG TO AS CP MEMBER OR MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB. LOUELLA HENKLE ALLEGEDLY NOW RESIDING IN LOS ANGELES, CALIF., AREA, ADDRESS UNKNOWN.
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LA LOCATE AND INTERVIEW HENKLE FOR ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ANN M. ROSENBERG ATTENDING MEETINGS OF JOHN REED CLUB. ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY ANN ROSENBERG ATTENDED MEETINGS JOHN REED CLUB. DETERMINE JAMES MC GRAU, ALSO SPELLED MAGRAU, ALLEGED CP ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS. MC GRAU NOW FREE LANCE WRITER AND PUBLICITY MAN, NY. VERIFY WHETHER HENKLE ATTENDS CP MEETINGS WITH MC GRAU AND ASCERTAIN PRESENT CP AFFILIATIONS OF HENKLE. SUTEL, SUREP BUREAU AND NY IMMEDIATELY, ATTENTION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN.

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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 73 14 10-22P
DIRECTOR URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN
REED CLUB. SI. ________ADvised today that the following individuals might be in a position to furnish info concerning this matter.

HAROLD BUCKLES, STEPHEN W. BIRMINGHAM, BOTH FORMER INVESTIGATORS FOR
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEES IN WASH., DC AND WHO CONDUCTED INVESTIGATIONS
OF COMMUNISM IN WPA. ED LEAVITT, A CP MEMBER WITH _______ ON THE WRITERS PROJECT AND NOW DEFECTED FROM PARTY. JOE BARRETT, WHOSE POSITION
IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF LEAVITT. FLORENCE WELLS, A NEGRESS MARRIED
TO A CP ORGANIZER WHO MAY HAVE DEFECTED. THIS LATTER FACT CAN BE
VERIFIED THROUGH TED POSTON, NEGRO REPORTER NOW EITHER IN NY OR
WASHINGTON. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER ABOVE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD
BE LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED.

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ALEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB., SI. ATTENTION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN. RE. NYTEL DECEMBER FOURTEEN, FIFTY REFLECTING INFORMATION FROM NORÁ DE TOLEDANO INCLUDING ALLEGATION THAT ANNA M. ROSENBERG MAY HAVE REGISTERED FOR ELECTIONS IN THE PAST AS A COMMUNIST. RECORDS OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS, NY, RECHECKED RE. REGISTRATION OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG FOR THE YEARS FROM NINETEEN FORTY NINE TO NINETEEN TWENTY INCLUSIVE. DURING ALL THOSE YEARS ANNA M. ROSENBERG REGISTERED FOR ELECTIONS WITH ONE OF THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES, WITH EXCEPTION OF YEAR NINETEEN FORTY THREE. IN THAT YEAR NO RECORD OF REGISTRATION FOR ANNA M. ROSENBERG COULD BE LOCATED. RECORDS REFLECT NINETEEN TWENTY WAS THE FIRST VOTE FOR ANNA M. ROSENBERG.

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cc: Mr. Rosen
ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. ADVISED THAT JOE ZACK WAS A MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB AND MAY HAVE INFO RE ANNA M. ROSENBERG. ZACK BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH JOSEPH KORNFEDER, WA JOSEPH ZACK, DESCRIBED IN SAC LETTER MAY FOURTH, NINETEEN FIFTY. DETROIT REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW KORNFEDER RE HIS MEMBERSHIP IN JOHN REED CLUB, WHETHER MRS. ANNA M. ROSENBERG WAS MEMBER OR ATTENDED MEETINGS, OR WHETHER ANY OTHER ANNA ROSENBERG WAS MEMBER OR ATTENDED MEETINGS, FOR IDENTITIES OF OTHER MEMBERS OF JOHN REED CLUB WHO MAY HAVE INFO RE ABOVE, AND FOR ALL INFO RE JAMES MC GRAW WHO ALLEGEDLY POINTED OUT MRS. ANNA M. ROSENBERG TO AT A MEETING OF JOHN REED CLUB. EXPEDITE, SUTEL, SUREP IMMEDIATELY.

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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 31 14 6-12P

DIRECTOR URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SI. HAS TESTIFIED BEFORE THE SENATE AND WAR APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE THAT HE SAW ANNA M. ROSENBERG AT MEETINGS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB IN NYC IN THIRTYFOUR AND THIRTYFIVE. AMONG THOSE WHO, HE STATED, SHOULD BE ABLE TO TESTIFY THAT ANNA M. ROSENBERG ATTENDED THESE MEETINGS WAS BRADLEY CUTLER AND HIS WIFE VILLA CUTLER. INVESTIGATION HAS REVEALED THAT VILLA CUTLER WAS MERELY THE MISTRESS OF BRADLEY CUTLER AND SHE LEFT HIM IN THIRTYFIVE. SHE RECENTLY RESIDED AT TWO SIX GROVE ST., NYC, UNDER THE NAME VILLA STILES. INQUIRY AT THIS ADDRESS REVEALED THAT SHE COULD BE REACHED CARE OF THE STRAND THEATER, JOHNSTOWN, NY, UNDER THE NAME OF ZALA. SHE MAY BE MARRIED TO OR THE MISTRESS OF A MR. ZALA. ACCORDING TO VILLA CUTLER WAS A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB AND ATTENDED VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THIS CLUB IN THIRTYFOUR AND THIRTYFIVE. THE ALBANY OFFICE WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW VILLA STILES, ALSO KNOWN AS VILLA CUTLER AND VILLA ZALA, AND QUESTION HER CONCERNING HER KNOWLEDGE OF END PAGE ONE

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THE ATTENDANCE OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG AT ANY OF THE MEETINGS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB. WILL ALSO QUESTION HER AS TO WHETHER OR NOT SHE KNEW ANY OTHER ANNA ROSENBERG WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB. IT IS NOTED THAT AN ANNA ROSENBERG'S NAME APPEARED ON A PETITION OF THE JOHN REED CLUB WHICH WAS PRINTED IN THE NY "TIMES" ON MAY NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTY. SUTEL.

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CC: Mr. Rosen
FBI BUFFALO 12-14-50 7-33 PM EST

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC NYC

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RETEL CLEVELAND DEC. THIRTEEN, FIFTY. MRS. AUSTIN G. BURT. FIFTY NINE BENNETT VILLAGE TERRACE, BUFFALO, NY INTERVIEWED TODAY BY SA GEORGE LANKES. SHE STATED THAT IN ABOUT NINETEEN FORTY THREE, ANNA ROSENBERG, WHOM SHE RECALLED AS HAVING BEEN WITH THE LABOR DEPT. OR WMC. CAME TO DR. EDGAR BECK FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. BURT WAS EMPLOYED AS LABORATORY TECHNICIAN BY DR. BECK AT TIME.

INFORMANT RECALLED THAT WHILE IN CONVERSATION WITH ROSENBERG DURING COURSE OF A LABORATORY TEST, LATTER MADE SOME REMARKS WHICH WERE DEROGATORY TO US GOVT. BURT TRIED BUT COULD NOT RECALL THE SPECIFIC STATEMENT. HOWEVER SHE REMEMBERED THAT IT SHOCKED HER AT THE TIME AND SHE IMMEDIATELY ASKED ROSENBERG IF SHE WERE BORN IN THE US. ROSENBERG REPLIED THAT SHE WAS BORN IN RUSSIA. BURT THEN TOLD ROSENBERG THAT SHE HAD FIVE GENERATIONS BEHIND HER IN THE US AND THAT SHE FAVORED A "CAPITALISTIC CONTROLLED SOCIETY." ROSENBERG QUERIED HER IF SHE DID NOT FAVOR "MORE BENEFITS FOR MORE OF THE PEOPLE." BURT TOLD HER THAT IT WAS ONLY UNDER THE CAPITALISTIC SYSTEM THAT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES WERE AVAILABLE TO ALL THE PEOPLE. BURT SAID THAT ROSENBERG CAME TO DR. BECK TO THE BEST OF HER RECOLLECTION, WITH A SISTER WHOSE NAME SHE COULD NOT RECALL. ONLY BURT AND ROSENBERG WERE PRESENT DURING DISCUSSION. BURT STATED THAT SHE WAS CERTAIN THAT THIS
PERSON WAS IDENTICAL WITH ANNA M. ROSENBERG UNDER CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY BECAUSE OF THE LABOR BACKGROUND, PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND HER FAMILIARITY WITH WASHINGTON, DC AND NYC. BURT SAID THAT DR. BECK KNEW NOTHING OF THE INCIDENT AND THAT HE COULD ONLY SERVE TO ESTABLISH DATE OF CONTACT AND IDENTITY. DR. BECK WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED UACB.

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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ANNA ROSENBERG, ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. INTERVIEW FRANZ DANIEL, STATE DIRECTOR, CIO ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, ONE TWO ONE EAST THIRD ST, CHARLOTTE, N.C. FOR INFO OF CHARLOTTE, INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO SUBSTANTIATE ALLEGATION THAT ANNA ROSENBERG WAS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST DOMINATED JOHN REED CLUB, NY, DURING NINETEEN THIRTY-S. FRANZ DANIEL BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN MEMBER OF THIS CLUB DURING NINETEEN THIRTY-S. INTERVIEW DANIEL RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF ROSENBERG-S MEMBERSHIP IN THIS CLUB, ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS, ALSO ANY INFO RE ROSENBERG-S CONNECTIONS WITH CP. EXPEDITE.

CHARLOTTE ADVISED

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52 JAN 13 1951
To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

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NEW YORK

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NEW YORK TEL THIRTEENTH INSTANT. AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR DETROIT TO INTERVIEW NATHAN KAPLAN MENTIONED IN RETEL. EXPEDITE, SUTEL, AND SUREP.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNIA H. ROSENBERG IN THE
JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NEW YORK TEL THIRTEENTH INSTANT.
AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR DETROIT TO INTERVIEW NATHAN KAPLAN MENTIONED
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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB - SPECIAL INQUIRY. ATTENTION ASSIST. DIRECTOR ROSEN.

RE NEW YORK TEL DEC. THIRTEEN, LAST. NAT KAPLAN, ALIAS NAT LANLEY, IS TOP FUNCTIONARY IN CP ACTIVITIES, DISTRICT SEVEN. UNTIL RECENTLY HAS BEEN MANAGING EDITOR OF MICHIGAN EDITION OF THE WORKER, AND HAS BEEN NAMED BY INFORMANTS AS OFFICIAL PARTY SPOKESMAN PARENTHESIS PUBLICITY DIRECTOR END PARENTHESIS HERE. HIS WIFE, ANNA, IS PRESENTLY FIGHTING DEPORTATION PROCEEDINGS BY INS. BOTH LANLEY AND WIFE ARE LONG-TIME MILITANT CP MEMBERS. SUGGEST NO INTERVIEW OF LANLEY AS IT IS EXPECTED TO BE NON PRODUCTIVE, WHILE PROBABLY RESULTING IN CONSIDERABLE UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB DASH SI. RE NY TELS DECEMBER ELEVEN AND BUTEL DECEMBER THIRTEEN. INQUIRY AT NATIONAL PRESS BLDG AND NATIONAL PRESS CLUB DISCLOSES NO RUTH CRAWFORD KNOWN WITH THESE SOURCES. THE CURRENT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY LISTS A RUTH A. CRAWFORD AT NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING. A TELEPHONIC INQUIRY AT THIS LISTING REVEALS THAT A RUTH A. CRAWFORD WAS A FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE TRUCK TRAILER MFG ASSN. MR. JOHN HULSE, MANAGING DIRECTOR REPORTS KNOWLEDGE OF THIS CRAWFORD FROM JANUARY NINETEEN FORTYFOUR TO MAY NINETEEN FORTYSIX. HE REPORTS SHE IS AT PRESENT APPROXIMATELY THIRTY YEARS OF AGE AND THAT HE IS QUITE CERTAIN SHE WAS NEVER EMPLOYED BY WPA. HE REPORTS HER ONLY NY EMPLOYMENT WAS WITH HARPER'S MAGAZINE FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. HE REPORTS SHE IS AT PRESENT MARRIED, IDENTIFYING HER AS MRS. D. MAC PHERSON, BOX SEVENTY-THREE DASH B, ROUTE FOUR, CORVALLIS, OREGON. THE NY OFFICE

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WILL DETERMINE WHETHER THIS PERSON SHOULD BE CONTACTED. THE WPA MICROFILM RECORDS REFLECT THAT RUTH CRAWFORD, MARRIED, AGE THIRTYFOUR, RESIDING AT ONE ONE ONE EAST EIGHTYEIGHTH STREET, MANHATTAN, NY, APARTMENT TWO W, WAS EMPLOYED ON THE FEDERAL MUSIC PROJECT AS A CONSULTANT AND AS A COMPOSER FROM NOVEMBER SIX THIRTY-FIVE TO MARCH ONE THIRTY-SIX. NY WILL CONSIDER CONTACTING THIS PERSON. RE CHICAGO TELETYPED DECEMBER THIRTEEN. □ REPORTS NO KNOWLEDGE RE ANNA M. ROSENBERG, □ AND JAMES MAGRAW. RE BUREAU TELEPHONIC INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTACT MRS. FRANCES NEWMAN AT WARDMAN PARK HOTEL. A TELEPHONIC INQUIRY AT GENERAL JAMES B. NEWMAN AND MRS. FRANCES NEWMAN'S APARTMENT DISCLOSES THEY ARE ABSENT FROM THE CITY AND THAT THEIR PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND DATE OF RETURN ARE UNKNOWN.

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DIRECTOR URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. ATT... ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN.

TELEPHONED THIS OFFICE LATE THIS AFTERNOON AND STATED THAT NORA DE TOLEDANO, WHO IS KNOWN TO THE BUREAU, TELEPHONED NIGHT OF DEC FOURTEENTH, AT WHICH TIME NORA DE TOLEDANO SAID THAT SHE COULD ARRANGE A LIE DETECTOR TEST THROUGH PROFESSOR KUBIS OF FORDHAM UNIVERSITY. SHE TOLD THAT SHE EITHER HEARD OR KNEW THAT PROFESSOR KUBIS WAS UTILIZED BY THIS OFFICE ON SUCH LIE DETECTOR TESTS. SHE TOLD THAT SUCH A LIE DETECTOR TEST, TAKEN BY JAMES MC GRAW, HELEN WINNER DE SOLA, AND ANNA M. ROSENBERG, COULD POSSIBLY BRING OUT THE TRUTH IN THIS MATTER. ASKED IF SUCH A LIE DETECTOR TEST COULD BE TAKEN, UNDER BUREAU SUPERVISION, BY HIMSELF AND THE OTHER THREE INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED ABOVE. HE WAS ADVISED THAT IT IS NOT THE PRACTICE OF THIS BUREAU TO UTILIZE LIE DETECTOR TESTS, AND THAT THEREFORE THIS OFFICE WOULD NOT ARRANGE SUCH A LIE DETECTOR TEST UNDER BUREAU SUPERVISION FOR HIM, BUT THAT HE COULD PERSONALLY MAKE ANY ARRANGEMENTS THAT HE WANTED ON HIS OWN. HE THEN MADE A SPECIFIC REQUEST THAT THIS OFFICE REQUEST THE BUREAU TO ADVISE AS TO WHETHER THE BUREAU WOULD ARRANGE FOR A LIE DETECTOR TEST TO BE CONDUCTED BY ANY PERSON THAT THE BUREAU

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MIGHT NAME, BUT TO BE UNDER BUREAU SUPERVISION, WHICH LIE DETECTOR TEST WOULD BE TAKEN BY JAMES MC GRAW, HELEN WINNER DE SOLA, AND ANNA M. ROSENBERG. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD WELCOME THE CHANCE TO TAKE SUCH A LIE DETECTOR TEST IF IT WAS CONDUCTED UNDER BUREAU SUPERVISION, AND THAT HE FELT SUCH A TEST WOULD SHOW THAT HE WAS TELLING THE TRUTH IN HIS ALLEGATIONS IN THIS MATTER. HE SAID THAT IF THE OTHER THREE INDIVIDUALS WOULD REFUSE TO TAKE SUCH A LIE DETECTOR TEST, UNDER BUREAU SUPERVISION, HE HIMSELF WOULD TAKE A LIE DETECTOR TEST ALONE, IF THE BUREAU SO DESIRED. HE WAS TOLD THAT THE BUREAU WOULD NOT REQUEST HIM TO TAKE ANY LIE DETECTOR TEST. HOWEVER, AT HIS REPEATED REQUEST HE WAS TOLD THE BUREAU WOULD BE NOTIFIED OF HIS STATEMENTS AS SET OUT ABOVE. HE REQUESTED A SPECIFIC ANSWER ON THIS AND WAS ADVISED THAT UPON RECEIPT OF AN ANSWER FROM THE BUREAU THE BUREAUS OPINION ON THIS WOULD BE COMMUNICATED TO HIM.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. ATTN. ASST. DIRECTOR ROSEN. RE NY TEL TO NH DEC. FOURTEEN. WALTER SNOW INTERVIEWED AT WILLIMANTIC, CONN. TODAY. KNEW NO PERSON BEARING NAME ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB.

RECENT NEWS PHOTO OF ANNA ROSENBERG RECALLED NO ONE KNOWN TO SNOW. JAMES MAGRAW WAS UNKNOWN TO SNOW. WILLIAM PHILLIPS AND PHILLIP RAHV, OF PUBLICATION PARTISAN REVIEW, ONE FIVE FOUR FIVE BROADWAY, NYC, WERE FORMERLY JOHN REED CLUB MEMBERS WHO LATER BROKE WITH CP. EITHER MIGHT BE IN POSITION TO FURNISH INFO RE ROSENBERG IF SHE WAS AFFILIATED WITH JOHN REED CLUB. CLINTON SIMPSON ALSO FORMER MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB AND EDITOR OF PARTISAN REVIEW, IS NOW WITH ALFERD KNOPF, INC., NYC. SNOW HAS NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO WHETHER SIMPSON BROKE WITH CP AND THEREFORE UNFAMILIAR WITH PRESENT ATTITUDE, BUT IF WILLING SIMPSON COULD FURNISH INFO RE JOHN REED CLUB ACTIVITIES IN NINETEEN THIRTY. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANN M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NYTEL TWELVE INSTANT. JOHN DOS PASSOS NOW RESIDING SNEDENS LANDING, PALISADES, NEW YORK. MAX EASTMAN RESIDING EIGHT WEST THIRTEENTH ST., NYC. GRANVILLE HICKS LAST KNOWN RESIDING WITHIN ALBANY FO. ALBANY BEING ADVISED SEPARATELY. INQUIRY BEING CONDUCTED HERE TO LOCATE JUDSON CUTFLER.

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ATTENTION ASST. DIR. A. ROSEN

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NEW YORK TEL DECEMBER FOURTEEN LAST.

CHECK OF USUAL SOURCES AND INFORMANTS FAILED TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION ON LOUELLA HENKLE OR ON LUella HENKEL WHICH LATTER NAME APPEARS IN DIES COMMITTEE REPORTS, NINETEEN THIRTY-EIGHT. NEW YORK CHECK INDICES AND STUEL ALL AVAILABLE IDENTIFICATION DATA ON LOUELLA HENKLE, AKA LUella HENKEL. SAN DIEGO BEING REQUESTED BY SEPARATE TELETYPE TO CHECK INDICES.

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9 JAN 13 1951
ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. REURTEL DEC. FOURTEEN LAST. MRS. NORA DE TOLEDOANO IN A SIGNED STATEMENT FURNISHED THIS DATE, ADVISED SHE HAS NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE BEARING ON THE LOYALTY OR POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG. SHE STATED SHE HAS NO FIRSTHAND INFORMATION CONCERNING JAMES MCGRAW NOR HAD SHE EVER HEARD HIS NAME BEFORE THIS INVESTIGATION. STATED THAT HOWARD RUSHMORE TOLD HER THAT MAURICE MALKIN WOULD TESTIFY THAT HE HAD KNOWN MCGRAW AS A COMMUNIST FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS. RUSHMORE ALSO TOLD HER THAT HE HIMSELF COULD TESTIFY THAT MCGRAW WAS A COMMUNIST IN THE NINETEEN THIRTIES. MRS. TOLEDOANO STATED THAT FRED WOLTMAN TOLD HER THAT JAMES MCGRAW HAD BEEN KNOWN TO HIM AS A COMMUNIST AND THAT HE HAD KNOWN MCGRAW "TO DO THEIR WORK". MRS. DE TOLEDOANO WISHED TO INCLUDE IN HER STATEMENT THE FOLLOWING REMARKS. NEWSPAPER REPORTS SEEM TO INDICATE THAT THE COMMITTEE WAS NOT PASSING ON EVERY ASPECT OF THE CASE. IMPORTANT LEADS WERE STILL BEING CHECKED WHEN THE MATTER WAS CLOSED BY THE COMMITTEE. THAT NO PERSON BE CLEARED OF A CHARGE SIMPLY BECAUSE HE IS PROMINENT OR HAS INFLUENTIAL FRIENDS. THAT NO EX-COMMUNIST BE PENALIZED FOR REVEALING HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE PARTY AND ITS WORKS. AT THE CONCLUSION OF HER STATEMENT MRS. TOLEDOANO WROTE THAT SHE HAD ADVISED THE FBI OF ALL INFO THAT HAD COME TO HER.

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END OF STATEMENT. DURING THE COURSE OF THE INTERVIEW MRS. DE TOLEDANO ADVISED THAT SHE FELT SHOULD BE REPRESENTED BY COÜNSEl AND IN THIS REGARD PAID A VISIT TO MORRIS L. ERNST. AFTER SHE FURNISHED THE FACTS OF THE CASE TO ERNST, HE OFFERED TO CONVEY SAME TO BUREAU AND SHE STATED THIS HAD BEEN DONE. SHE POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT SHE FELT THE COMMITTEE HAD NOT PROPERLY INVESTIGATED ALL THE EVIDENCE, AND ERNST VOLUNTEERED TO CONTACT THE COMMITTEE. ERNST REPORTEDLY REMARKED TO MRS. TOLEDANO THAT DAVID DUBINSKY AND THE R. H. MACY PEOPLE WERE IN BACK OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG. ERNST OFFERED TO FIND COUNSEL FOR AND SAID HE WOULD CONTACT MRS. TOLEDANO, TO DATE HE HAS NOT DONE THIS. MRS. TOLEDANO WAS ASKED WHETHER SHE HAD EVER STATED THAT SHE THOUGHT ALL HER EVIDENCE WAS NOT BEING INVESTIGATED BY THE FBI. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE HAD NEVER MADE SUCH A REMARK CONCERNING THE FBI, BUT THAT SHE HAD INFORMED MORRIS ERNST THAT SHE FELT THE COMMITTEE WAS NOT PASSING ON EVERY ASPECT OF THE CASE. INTERVIEWING AGENTS DID NOT DIVULGE NAME OF MORRIS ERNST. MRS. TOLEDANO SUGGESTED MORRIS ERNST WAS THE SOURCE OF INCORRECT STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT ALL HER INFORMATION WAS NOT BEING INVESTIGATED BY THE BUREAU. INTERVIEWING AGENTS DID NOT CONFIRM OR DENY THIS IMPRESSION.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, DETROIT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RETELS. AUTHORIZATION STILL APPLIES. HAVE TWO THOROUGH EXPERIENCED AGENTS INTERVIEW KAPLAN IN ACCORDANCE NEW YORK TEL THIRTEENTH INSTANT.

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FBI DETROIT 12-14-50 8-48PM EST

DIRECTOR FBI U R G E N T

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB. SPECIAL INQUIRY. REURTEL SEVEN TWENTYSIX PM THIS DATE GRANTING AUTHORITY TO INTERVIEW NATHAN KAPLAN.

REMYTEL ELEVEN NAUGHT ONE A.M. THIS DATE, IDENTIFYING KAPLAN AND SUGGESTING KAPLAN NOT BE INTERVIEWED. PLEASE ADVISE IF AUTHORIZATION STILL APPLIES.

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59 JAN 13 1951
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DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC ATLANTA URGENT

ANNA ROSENBERG, ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M.

ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. NY TEL THIS

DATE REQUESTED INTERVIEW OF FRANZ DANIEL, STATE DIRECTOR CIO

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, CHARLOTTE. FOR INFORMATION OF ATLANTA,

INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO SUBSTANTIATE ALLEGATION THAT

ANNA ROSENBERG WAS A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST DOMINATED JOHN

REED CLUB, NY, DURING NINETEEN THIRTIES. FRANZ DANIEL BELIEVED

TO HAVE BEEN MEMBER OF THIS CLUB DURING NINETEEN THIRTIES. INTER-

VIEW DANIEL RE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF ROSENBERG'S MEMBERSHIP IN THIS

CLUB, ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS, ALSO ANY INFO RE ROSENBERG'S CONNEC-

TION WITH CP. BUTEL TODAY AUTHORIZED INTERVIEW WITH DANIEL WITH

REQUEST TO SUTEL AND SUREP. DANIEL PRESENTLY ATTENDING CIO

CONVENTION AT CIO ORGANIZING COMMITTEE HEADQUARTERS, TELEPHONE

CY Press FIVE NAUGHT SIX FIVE AND STAYING ATLANTAN HOTEL UNTIL

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RETEL. AUTHORIZATION GRANTED TO INTERVIEW FRANZ DANIEL. SUTEL AND SUREP.

DECEMBER 15, 1950

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EX-123
ANNA ROSENBERG, ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NYC TEL TO CHARLOTTE DECEMBER FOURTEEN, LAST. FRANZ DANIEL PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED IN CONNECTION WITH WALTER REMINGTON CASE AND APPEARED COOPERATIVE. IN VIEW OF ALLEGATIONS DANIEL IS MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB, BUREAU PERMISSION TO INTERVIEW HIM REQUESTED.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE

JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RETEL. AUTHORIZATION GRANTED

TO INTERVIEW FRANZ DANIEL. SUTEL AND SUREP.

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OK FBI CE BJB
Mr. D. M. Ladd

TO: Mr. D. M. Ladd
FROM: A. Rosen
SUBJECT: ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG
     SPECIAL INQUIRY

The Washington Field Office has advised that in connection with another investigation they had occasion to review records pertaining to the WPA which are in storage at the HCUA. It was stated that these stored records contain a great mass of unindexed and unclassified material in four packing cases concerning the WPA activities in New York City. This material is alleged to be identical with the material subpoenaed by the Dies Committee in 1940 and 1941 during their investigation of subversive activities of the WPA in New York City. This material contains some 700 case folders containing allegations against employees of different projects of the WPA in New York City. It was also stated that there is nothing in the HCUA indices which makes any reference to this material and that it is therefore not known whether there are any references to Anna Rosenberg contained therein.

A teletype has also been received from the Philadelphia office to the effect that SA Robert W. Holmes of that office has advised that he is a classmate and personal friend of Hugh F. McKenna, who worked directly under Rosenberg when she was director of Region No. 2, New York State of the Social Security Board in the late 30's and early 40's. It was suggested that McKenna might be interviewed for information concerning Rosenberg.

Recommendations:

With reference to the HCUA material above, it is recommended that it not be reviewed at this time; first, as there has been no allegation or indication that there is information in these files pertaining to Anna M. Rosenberg; secondly, as such a review would be strictly in the nature of a fishing expedition and would consume considerable agent time; and thirdly, as these files were presumably reviewed by the Dies Committee at the time they were subpoenaed and records of those proceedings have been previously reviewed without any reference to Anna M. Rosenberg.

With reference to the suggestion of the Philadelphia office concerning an interview with McKenna, it is not believed necessary to talk to him at this time as his association with Rosenberg is alleged to have been in the late 30's and early 40's, which is after the pertinent period of her alleged association with the John Reed Club.

Mrs. VILLI ZALLA, 17 East State Street, Johnstown, New York, wife of the owner of the Strand Theater in Johnstown, advised she does not recall ever having met or seen the applicant. She said she has read newspaper and magazine articles concerning the applicant and therefore believes she would remember having met her. Mrs. ZALLA advised that she cannot remember having met anyone by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG.

She stated that she had never belonged to the John Reed Club and to her knowledge never attended any meetings of the club. She advised, however, that about 1934 or 1935 she had attended political discussions at a hall on Fourteenth Street near Sixth Avenue in New York City. She attended with her husband, at that time BRADLEY CUTLER. Mrs. ZALLA stated this might possibly have been the John Reed Club.

Mrs. ZALLA stated that the people at these discussions were merely faces to her and that she does not recall the names of any of the people who attended.

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cc: New York
Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Mr. Tolson

FROM: L. B. Nichols

DATE: December 15, 1950

SUBJECT: Mr. Ernest Cuneo called me from New York on December 11th and pointed out that he felt a very delicate situation was developing in connection with the Anna Rosenberg case. He felt that a very shrewd move was under way to make the FBI the goat and to put the FBI in the position of the accuser. As a matter of fact, he knew the big forces were being moved into action and there was a move under way to investigate the investigator.

He further said he had this from the "horse's mouth:" General Marshall is burned up over the Anna Rosenberg situation; that a pilot committee is active on behalf of Anna Rosenberg and is coaching different individuals to help out, and that he has learned from them of their opposition. He felt we should be very cautious to be certain the record is objective and let the record speak for itself because that will be the best answer. I thanked him for calling.

LBN: CMC
TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, New York

DATE: December 15, 1950

SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF
ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB;
SPECIAL INQUIRY


The Bureau is requested to insert the word PENDING at the bottom
of page 24. New York copies will be corrected accordingly.

TJMCA: RAA
62-10641
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI

GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: December 15, 1950

SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB SPECIAL INQUIRY

Reference is made to the communication from Dr. MARJORIE SHEARON to the Bureau dated December 14, 1950.

This is to advise that Dr. MARJORIE SHEARON, 9127 Jones Mill Road, Chevy Chase, Maryland, appeared at the Washington Field Office on the afternoon of December 15, 1950, and turned over another copy of her "Challenge to Socialism" together with photostatic copies of a newspaper ad sponsoring President Truman's Health Plan, published in 1945, a letter to Senator FORREST C. CONWELL, dated April 12, 1946, on the letterhead of the Committee for the Nations Health, and a letter on the same letterhead dated August 1, 1949. The photostatic material is to support the information which she has set forth in her paper "Challenge To Socialism".

During her visit Dr. SHEARON furnished no new information and indicated that she has no personal knowledge of Dr. ANNA ROSENBERG, but that her information has been obtained from her research on the matter from other sources. She pointed out that the Armed Services Committee went astray in its hearings in trying to prove that ANNA ROSENBERG is a Communist. Dr. SHEARON feels that from her association with individuals of "Red" taint that she could not help but be a Communist. She informed that when she tried to show this association to the Armed Services Committee it did not go across because the members of the Committee were not familiar with the names of individuals whom she mentioned and who have been known in the past to have Communist sympathies.

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau.

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Enclosure

CC: New York
ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU

RE: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP
OF ANNA ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN DEED CLUB
SPECIAL INQUIRY

PHOTOSTATS TURNED OVER BY MARJORIE SHEARON ON 12-15-50

CHALLENGE TO SOCIALISM
NEWSPAPER AD SUPPORTING PRESIDENT'S TRUMAN'S HEALTH PLAN
LETTER TO SENATOR CONRELL, DATED 4-12-50
LETTER DATED 8-1-49

ENCLOSURE
Hush-Hush Hearings on Defense Appointment of Anna M. Rosenberg Continue This Week

We shall continue to report on the action of the Senate Armed Services Committee regarding the appointment of Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg as Assistant Secretary of Defense on the staff of General Marshall.

Witnesses opposing Mrs. Rosenberg's appointment were heard all day December 8, 11, and 12. Mr. Ralph De Sola, a former Communist, testified for three and one-half hours that he had met Mrs. Rosenberg at Communist meetings. Subsequent witnesses either did not support Mr. De Sola's testimony or contradicted it. The net result, at this time, appears to be a draw. Mr. Freedman, a retired businessman of New York, testified at length against Mrs. Rosenberg after a prolonged effort on the part of some Committee members to prove that Mr. Freedman is Anti-Semitic. He himself is Jewish, but he has opposed Marxist Jews and Communism. Witnesses from Counter-Attack, the anti-Communist paper published in New York City, testified on December 15.

Press and public have been excluded from all hearings. The veil of secrecy has hung heavy around the Armed Services Committee room out of respect for Mrs. Rosenberg. The public interest might have been better served had the press been admitted.

Mrs. Rosenberg has made a great point about mistaken identity, but has proved nothing. When she was given a transcript of her testimony, prior to publication, she took it to the Adjutant General's Office in National Defense, according to a reliable source, doctored her sworn statement, handed it in, and it was printed. When the committee discovered this, they restored the original wording and had the testimony reprinted. Nice gal, Anna! See her alibi, p. 10 of testimony.

Star Chamber Actions in Armed Services Committee Strike New Low With Morse's Aid

On December 7, 1950, the Editor requested to be heard by the Senate Armed Services Committee. She testified on December 12 after spending 5 solid weeks collating documentary material relating to the appointment of Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg. The Editor needed 2 hours for her presentation. Before she could get into her testimony, Senator Morse began his attack, obviously in retaliation for the Editor's release of May 11, 1950, on the Senator's political career. Behind closed doors, with the press excluded, Senator Morse endeavored by questions and innuendo to imply that the Editor was unreliable, mentally unbalanced, and professionally incompetent. The slanderous material which Senator Morse, hiding behind his Senatorial immunity, read into the record smacks of the writings of William G. Reidy, formerly on the staff of the Committee for the Nation's Health. It was presumably expected the Editor would attack the CNH, as she did, and therefore a barrage of innuendo was laid down in advance to discredit her. Reidy is on Labor Committee staff.

Senator Morse asked further if the Editor had ever had a nervous breakdown, been in a mental institution, consulted a psychiatrist, or been "rescued" by two patrolmen (presumably in 1934) after an attempt to commit suicide. To each of these questions the Editor answered under oath with an emphatic "No!" She refused, however, to defend herself. It is an old and obvious technique to attack a witness outrageously in order to elicit a defense and cut off testimony. The Editor netted 35-40 minutes and was then stopped. She was told she might submit additional material before December 14 at 10:00 a.m., which is too short a time for preparation.
Most Solid Evidence
In Rosenberg Case is
Interlocking of CNH
And Red Front Groups

The Rosenberg appointment will be fought out on the Senate floor, sometime before the Christmas recess. It is a tremendous appointment because it gives into the hands of one person extraordinary authority over the Nation's manpower—including professional personnel, such as physicians and atomic scientists.

We do not make our major case against Mrs. Rosenberg on the ground of whether or not she was a member of the John Reed Club. We believe there is far stronger evidence against Mrs. Rosenberg to be found in the associations she had through the Committee for the Nation's Health. This evidence can be documented and there is no alibing out of it. We proceed to give it for the benefit of the members of the Senate.

Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, now holding the interim appointment as Assistant Secretary of Defense, was a charter member of the Committee for the Nation's Health, which was incorporated on February 23, 1946. The Editor has not finished her analysis of the subversive organizations to which the Committee for the Nation's Health, Inc., was linked via interlocking directorates. Thus far we can report 26 interlocked subversive fronts:

American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born
American Council for a Democratic Greece
American Labor Party
American Slav Congress
American League Against War
California Labor School
China Aid Society
Civil Rights Committee
Closer Cooperation with Soviet Russia
Committee for Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Independent Citizens Committee for Arts, Sciences, etc.
International Workers Order
Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spain
National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions (N.Y.C., Mar. 25-27, 1949)
National Council of American-Soviet Friendship
National Conference on American Policy in China and the Far East
National Federation for Constitutional Liberties
Open Letter for Harry Bridges
Progressive-Citizens of America
Soviet Russia Today
Supporters of Communist Bookshops
The Slavic American
Voice of Freedom
Wallace Supports
Win the Peace Conference

Subversive Citations
For Members of CNH

We have previously pointed out that the charter membership of the Committee for the Nation's Health, Inc., comprised 166 persons. Of these, at least 92, or 55 per cent, had subversive records. That is, they were cited by the House Un-American Activities Committee for subversive actions or connections. The following members of the Committee for the Nation's Health, Inc., have been affiliated with the specified number of Communist-front organizations, according to the House Un-American Activities Committee Review of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace Arranged by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions and Held in New York City, March 25, 26, and 27, 1949. (Union Calendar No. 731, House Report No. 1954, 81st Congress, 2nd Sess., 1950)

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Mrs. Rosenberg should be cross-examined regarding her activities and associations, especially in the 1930's. We believe she would not have been so surrounded with Reds and Red sympathizers if she had not some sympathy with their philosophy. She should be questioned about her friendship with Sidney Hillman, the NC-PAC chairman who in the 1920's had Lenin's blessing. What of Michael J. Quill and Julius Emspak? What of Communist Richard O. Boyer, p. 4 below?
House Un-American Activities Committee
Citations on Board
And Other CNH Officers

For at least 3 years—1947, 1948, and 1949—Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg was a member of the Board of Directors of the Committee for the Nation’s Health, Inc. During part of that period, according to the 1950-51 Who’s Who in America, she was a member of the Executive Committee of CNH. She presumably knew and was brought into close contact with the 9 honorary vice-chairmen and the 34 other board members. We believe the number of persons in this total of 43 CNH officials who have been cited by the House Un-American Activities Committee for subversive connections or activities (indicated below by *) is exceptionally high.

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*Samuel I. Rosenman
*Theodore Sanders, M.D.
*Max Seham, M.D.
*Robert E. Sherwood
*R. F. Wagner, Jr.
*R. M. Walls, D.D.S.
*Hubert Will
*Matthew Woll
*Mistaken Identity?

It is perfectly true that a person may be listed by the House Un-American Activities Committee without there being any sinister implication. Citations must be analyzed, for they are of varying significance. In the case of the members of the Committee for the Nation’s Health, Inc., it seems to us there is significance in the fact that 35 per cent of the charter members and 50 per cent of the officials have been cited by the House Un-American Activities Committee. At least 17 members of Hillman’s 1944 Communist-front NCPAC were CNH members.

Rosenberg Testimony
On Consumers National Federation
Fantastic
And Incredulous

In the light of the composition of the Committee for the Nation’s Health, the following facts take on new significance. Mrs. Rosenberg testified under oath she could not remember belonging to the Consumers National Federation which had been identified by Earl Browder in 1939 as a “transmission belt.” The organization was controlled by 5 known Communists. In December, 1937, this organization arranged a conference. Among the sponsors were listed the names of 12 persons who later became members of CNH, namely:

Roger Baldwin
Stuart Chase
Evans Clark
Mary Dublin (Keyserling)
Herman A. Gray
Helen Hall
Paul U. Kellogg
Arthur F. McNulty
Lillian Poses
Kingsley Roberts
Anna M. Rosenberg
Mary K. Simkovitch

Now it is interesting to note that Lillian Poses later became Mrs. Rosenberg’s legal assistant at the New York regional office of the Social Security Board. It is also interesting to note that in 1947 Mary Dublin-Keyserling, Lillian Poses, and Anna M. Rosenberg were members of the Board of Directors of the Committee for the Nation’s Health, Inc. On the board at that time was Mr. Samuel I. Rosenman. Yet in the face of all these facts, Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, present Assistant Secretary of Defense, has stated under oath it was some other Anna M. Rosenberg who sponsored the conference of the Red Consumers National Federation. A dozen of her friends were sponsors, but some other Anna M. Rosenberg not herself, was with her friends, according to Mrs. Rosenberg’s sworn testimony.

Also present among the sponsors was Jacob Fisher who was singled out by the Harness subcommittee of the House because of his alleged subversive activities. He has for years been on the staff of I. S. Falk in the Social Security Administration working on social security legislation. Fisher has his own series of subversive citations but was white-washed by the SSA.

Pity America! Members of the Armed Services Committee seemed totally unfamiliar with names of notorious communists and fronters. The committee has concentrated on trying to prove Mrs. Rosenberg was not a Communist. Is that the only question to be answered about a candidate for high office? The committee has missed the boat. Sitting as judge and jury it is in a fix.
Infamous Communist Wrote Laudatory Article on Anna M.

In the New Yorker Magazine of April 23, 1938; there was an article on Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg entitled “Middlewoman.” It was written by Richard O. Boyer, an infamous Communist. The article was highly laudatory. He referred to her as “one of Hillman’s best friends” (p. 29). He also spoke of “... Anna, who worked with the [American Labor] Party in the last campaign ...” (p. 29).

The House Un-American Activities Committee in its Review of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace cited above, p. 2, col. 2, cites Boyer 20 times. It says:

“A member of the Communist Party struck the main chord of the Conference in his outright advocacy of civil disobedience. Chosen for this role was Richard Boyer, who spoke openly as a member of the Communist Party.” (P. 12.)

In the same document we find this statement:

“Of the over 500 sponsors of the Scientific and Cultural Conference, at least 22 are either avowed members of the Communist Party, United States of America, or their membership cards or party affiliations have been made part of a sworn public record.” In this list of 22 Communists is included the name of Richard O. Boyer, p. 36.

What was the woman who now aspires to be Assistant Secretary of Defense doing with Richard O. Boyer? Did she furnish an interview as the basis of the article? Is this article of any significance? Consider, for instance, whether you were having a Communist writer publish a laudatory article about you in 1938? Were Communists writing laudatory articles about members of the U. S. Senate in 1938? Why was Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg selected for this “honor”?

If it is true she worked for the American Labor Party in 1937, what conclusion can be drawn? The House Un-American Activities Committee in Appendix IX, 1944, states:

“In New York City the initiative of the movement for the establishment of the American Labor Party was supplied by Sidney Hillman ... (New York Times, July 6, pp. 1, 3; August 22, 1938, p. 16)”. Hillman it will be recalled, went to Russia in 1922 to organize the clothing industry of that country with Lenin’s backing. He has been accused repeatedly of having been a Communist.

Communist Reported Working for American Labor Party in 1937

Anna M. Rosenberg, who was a candidate for the Working for American Labor Party in 1937, was reported to have been selected by the Communist Party, as such was never invited to join this movement, the Communists were represented therein ... and the Communist Party gave its open support.” (App. IX, p. 1495.)

Israel Antler, State Chairman and Charles Krumbein, New York State Secretary of the Communist Party, stated in the Daily Worker Oct. 6, 1939, p. 6, that “The Communist Party as an organization has supported A.L.P. candidates in the elections.”

In the pamphlet The Crisis in the Communist Party, it is stated: “The whole membership [of the Communist Party] has been instructed to join the American Labor Party as a body. This enrollment, members had been told, was to be completed by the first week of March 1937.” (P. 14.)

Communist Boyer states Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg worked with the ALP at this time.

Did Anna M. Arrange Appointment of Julius Emspak, Communist, to FRD Labor War Board?

The New York Times of February 5, 1942, page 30, column 6, reported that President Roosevelt had appointed a 6-man “Labor War Board,” with 3 representatives from the AFL and 3 from the CIO. One of the CIO representatives was Julius Emspak, sec.-treasurer of the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers Union. Emspak has been cited as a dangerous Communist.

The writer Josef Israels II in an article on Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg entitled “Mrs. Fix-It” in the Saturday Evening Post of October 16, 1943, stated that this Labor Committee was set up partly at the suggestion of Mrs. Rosenberg. She was named secretary of the committee by President Roosevelt. It would be interesting to know whether she played a part in selecting Communist Emspak for the “Labor War Board.” (See House Un-American Activities Committee Hearings Regarding Infiltration of Labor Unions, pts. 1 and 2, for August 9, 10, and 11, 1949, and December 5 and 6, 1949. Also list of Communist officers of labor unions, showing Julius Emspak, UERMWA-CIO, (100 Things You Should Know About Communism and Labor, 1948, p. 17. Also Com. Report 1311, 1944.)
COMMITTEE FOR THE NATION'S HEALTH

KELLOGG BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D.C.

1416 F STREET, N.W.
TELEPHONE: EX. 8156

August 1, 1949

Dear Friend:

This is an urgent appeal for immediate action. We ask you to send letters and telegrams to your Senators and Congressman today to meet a sudden emergency.

Congress is about to vote on the proposal to establish a U.S. Department of Welfare -- that is, to give the existing Federal Security Agency the full status of a Federal department. This is proposed by President Truman on the recommendation of the Hoover Commission, and has long been needed. Mr. Hoover has personally advocated it.

The American Medical Association is all-out to kill this measure. Its $5,500,000 lobby has thrown its full weight into this issue. Reason: Oscar Ewing, head of Federal Security Agency, is the chief administration spokesman in favor of national health insurance. AMA's strategy is to mark up a first-inning score of one to nothing against national health insurance by defeating the Welfare Department proposal. AMA hopes it will swing many doubtful or borderline votes when the main issue comes up.

AMA is willing to sacrifice a needed Department of Welfare for the sake of defeating national health insurance. It is up to us -- up to YOU -- to do everything possible to prevent an AMA victory in this first round.

You can come through with your part by sending wires or letters to your Senators and Congressman today, urging them to vote for the President's Reorganization Plan Number One, to establish the Department of Welfare. Tell them if they favor a separate Department of Health, they can take that up later. The Department of Welfare need not and should not hinge on this question.

The Department of Welfare proposal is supported by the Administration, the American Public Health Association, Council on Education, A.F.L., C.I.O., Machinists, Railroad Brotherhoods and almost all groups except organized medicine. Join forces with us. Send those telegrams or letters today! The opposition is formidable. The measure needs a strong demonstration of support from across the country. There is not a day to lose!

Sincerely yours,

Chat Paterson
Executive Director

America needs "a system of pre-paid medical insurance which will enable every American to afford good medical care ... without further delay." —President Harry S. Truman, January 5, 1949.
April 12, 1946

Dear Senator:

We should like to acquaint you with the COMMITTEE FOR THE NATION’S HEALTH established to promote a comprehensive health program. The physicians and laymen who joined in organizing this Committee are convinced that the urgent unmet medical needs of the people of this country must be met by a national health insurance system, supplemented by payments from general revenues. We believe that there should be decentralized administration of services, free choice of doctors by patients and professional freedom for physicians.

The enclosed endorsement of the President’s health program was prepared and published last December. Its signers have since formed themselves into this Committee.

The Committee endorses the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill (S.1606) as incorporating most of the essential features of this proposal.

We shall be glad to furnish more information if desired about the Committee and the health program.

Very truly yours,

Channing Frothingham
Chairman

Michael M. Davis
Chairman, Executive Committee
From Dr. Marjorie Shearer
9127 Jones Mill Road
Arlington, VA 22215, MD.
12/5/56
Reverse of Committee for Nation's Health, Inc.
dated letter with letter to Senator Connell
Dated April 12, 1946.

From Marjorie Shearon
9127 Jodie Park Road
Chatsworth, Md.
12/15/50
President Truman's HEALTH PLAN

would increase productivity, reduce disease, save lives.

We have read his message to Congress. We endorse it.

A National Health Plan
We have read and strongly approve President Truman's message proposing a national health program. Many messages have been sent by President "as the call of the nation," but this is a message to the ears of the people of the nation. His first full-length presidential message on health was submitted to Congress.

To be administered locally
We commend this plan for national health insurance to be administered locally, with the choice of doctors and hospitals for the people and professional freedom for physicians. This is a thoroughly democratic plan, consistent with our tradition of using government to aid the people in doing things for themselves. We agree with the President that voluntary health insurance will not "mean more than a fraction of an epsilon's worth."

Not "socialized" medicine
We agree with the statement that "The American people are the most successful people in the world. They will not be frightened off from health insurance because opponents have maintained it 'socialized' medicine."

Federal aid through States
We support the recommendation of the message for federal aid through the States, for the construction of hospitals, for medical research and education, for the care of the needy, and for the extension of needed preventive, maternal and child health services to every part of the country.

Legislation by Congress
We would like to see the recommendation of the message promptly acted on by Congress through legislation. This plan will increase productivity, reduce disease and save lives. It will mean the professional faculties of the average physician will be improved. The benefits to the health of the American people are well within the means. In fact, most of the costs are already the responsibility of existing occupancies.

We are glad that many groups, including organized labor, have already approved the principle supported by the Pres. We urge the endorsement of individuals.

WE URGE CONGRESS TO PROMPT ACTION
Signers of the Endorsement

...
Anna M. Rosenberg
Appointment

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947 West 11th Street
Oakland, CA 15, Md.
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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB.

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

On reinterview, ______ states again that he has never been a member of CP and says never knowingly attended any supervisors' meetings, ______ which were Communist meetings. Recalls JAMES MC GRAW worked at same project, but could not recall attending any meetings with MC GRAW. Cannot recall ______ HAROLD ROSENBERG and BURTON RASCOE say they never attended JOHN REED Club and are not personally acquainted with ANNA M. ROSENBERG. BURTON A. ZORM, acquainted with ANNA M. ROSENBERG since 1933, advises no knowledge of any Communist sympathies or attendance at Communist front organizations by ANNA M. ROSENBERG.

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NY 62-106hl

DETAILS: At New York, New York

INTERVIEWS OF PERSONS MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Re: Reinterview of

The following investigation was conducted by SA DANIEL H. LUCKING and SA RUDOLPH V. GLINIAK:

who previously advised on December 8, 1950 that he, at one time, was reinterviewed on December 14, 1950.

during the interview of December 8, 1950, advised that the one and only time he met ANNA M. ROSENBERG was during the middle 1930's when he was which called upon General HUGH JOHNSON, then head of the NRA, with regard to a ten percent pay cut, which was being put into effect throughout the WPA. stated that the WPA committee, which called upon General JOHNSON, included representatives of what he characterized as the professional group within the WPA; that he was the only representative from the WPA Writers Project on this committee; and that JAMES MC GRAW was not a member of this committee and was not present during the visit to General JOHNSON'S office at New York City.

stated that he could not specifically recall JAMES MC GRAW, personally, but remembered that an individual with an Irish face was on the Writers Project and was known to him as JIMMIE MC GRAW. stated that he could recall no one who used the name JAMES MAGRAW.

stated that he had no knowledge of JIMMIE MC GRAW'S past activities, present whereabouts or possible affiliation with the Communist Party or the John Reed Club.

stated that while he was employed he knowingly never attended
any supervisors' meetings, which were in any respect meetings of any alleged Communist cliques within the Writers Project of the WPA. _______ stated that he could never recall having attended any supervisors' meetings of any sort which included JAMES MC GRAW. _______ stated that the WPA did have a supervisors' council, which was affiliated with the CIO, and that this council did hold meetings relative to problems concerning the activities of the various supervisors connected with the projects of the WPA. _______ stated that these meetings pertained to the affairs of the WPA and that they did not discuss Communist Party matters or Communist Party strategy at any of the meetings that he ever attended. He further stated that to the best of his knowledge the members of the supervisors' council were not Communist Party members although he admitted that he was not familiar with the political background of each individual of the council and that it is possible that some members of the council were either members of the Communist Party or somewhat affiliated with the Communist Party.

_________ was asked whether or not he ever attended meetings composed of individuals which were known to him as Communist Party members. _______ stated that as

_________ which affairs were called relative to union activities. He stated that some of these meetings were attended by supervisors of various projects of the WPA. He said that he did not know whether or not any of these individuals were Communist Party members and said that to the best of his knowledge, these meetings were not Communist Party meetings. He emphasized that they were meetings of various committees and units of the union.

______ stated that the majority of the members of the American Writers Union were employed by the WPA and that many of the meetings were held in various homes of the members of this union. He advised that to the best of his knowledge he cannot recall that JAMES MC GRAW ever attended any of these meetings.

______ stated he was
stated that he could not recall knowing anyone by the name of RUTH CRAWFORD and he was not in a position to state whether or not an individual by this name might have been an officer of the writers' union. stated that since reading newspaper articles regarding he has been attempting to recall any information pertaining to and the Writers Project. stated that to the best of his recollection he does not know and never attended any meetings at which was present.

Regarding his own association with the advised that he first became affiliated with the He said that about a year and a half later the CWA was changed to the WPA and that the Writers Project was started in the fall of 1935. He advised that he remained with the He stated that he remained with the

further related that the Unemployed Writers Union was first started with the CWA and that this union later changed its name to the American Writers Union since some of the members of this union were not regularly working for the WPA but were employed writers who had joined the organization in order to give it prestige. He advised that he became

He said that the American Writers Union was dissolved about the time that the WPA projects were terminated.

further stated that he never attended any Marxist study groups at any time and to the best of his recollection, he never attended any meetings of any sort at the residence of BRADLY and VILLA CUTLER and that he cannot recall ever having known these two individuals.
stated that he does not know LOU ELL HENKLE but that he was a friend of the late ORRICK JOHNS, who was director of the Writers Project of the WPA, New York City, during the time that he, was employed there.

stated that he cannot recall having known any individual by the name of LOU SQUIY; that he cannot recall every having heard that an individual by that name was employed on the Writers Project.

further stated that to the best of his recollection, there was no individual by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG, ANNA M. ROSENBERG or ANN ROSENBERG employed in any capacity on the Writers Project of the WPA.

further stated that he cannot recall that any individual by the name ANN ROSENBERG or ANNA M. ROSENBERG ever attended any meetings of the John Reed Club which he attended.

stated that to the best of his knowledge, no individual by any name similar to this or an individual who may have had some other married name and who may have been known by her maiden name as ANNA ROSENBERG, ever attended any meetings of the John Reed Club which he attended or was ever an employee of the WPA.

stated that the only individual, to the best of his recollection, that he ever met who used the name, ANNA ROSENBERG, was the ANNA M. ROSENBERG, whom he met on only one occasion when she was Assistant to General HUGH JOHNSON of the NRA.

stated that he has known HENRY ALSBERG for the last 22 years. He identified ALSBERG as supervisor in the Writers Project of the WPA.

stated that he never attended any WPA supervisors' meetings with HENRY ALSBERG which, in any way, related to the activities of the Communist Party.

stated that he had no information regarding the personal activities of HENRY ALSBERG.

stated that he is not a Communist and never belonged to the Communist Party and never knowingly
attended any Communist Party meetings and he never knowingly signed Communist Party petition and he never registered to vote as a member of the Communist Party. [_____] stated that during the depression many petitions were circulated and that he signed some of them and that it is possible that some of these petitions were "bad" but that he did not recall that any of the petitions that he signed were Communist Party petitions.
NY 62-10641

Re: __________ who resides at __________ and who is employed by the __________ was interviewed by SAS JOHN B. SIMMONS and WILLIAM G. O'DONNELL, on December 14, 1950.

__________ advised that he was never a member of the John Reed Club or of the Communist Party, but that he had __________ to the "Partisan Review", which, according to him, prior to his association therewith, was the official organ of the John Reed Club.

__________ stated that he did not have any relatives named ANNA ROSENBERG, nor was he acquainted with anyone by that name. He said that his __________ but that the latter is presently ill and in the Bellevue Hospital. He further stated that DAVID ROSENBERG has been in a coma for the past several weeks, and in his opinion, would not be available for interview. He added that he did not believe DAVID ROSENBERG would have been a member of the John Reed Club, and that he was definitely in Paris, France, during 1930.
The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JAMES W. RYAN and HAROLD V. CATES:

On December 11, 1950, 

For a magazine entitled, "Plain Talk." The editor of this magazine was G. D. BATON and it is not identical with "Plain Talk" which was edited by ISAAC DON LEVINE. He stated that during the period 1932-1940 he was literary critic for the "New York Sun" and wrote articles for "Newsweek" and "Esquire" magazines.

stated that he has always been opposed to Communism and that he has never knowingly authorized the use of his name by any Communist or Communist front organization.

He stated that many years ago he met JOHN REED but never again saw or had any contact with him. related that he never attended a JOHN REED Club meeting or a JOHN REED Club sponsored meeting. He at no time has ever authorized the said club to use his name in connection with any of its activities. On being advised that his name, along with the name of one ANNA ROSENBERG and numerous other individuals, appeared in the May 19, 1930 issue of the "New York Times" in connection with a statement of the JOHN REED Club, expressed surprise. He stated that he is not acquainted with ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG or any other ANNA ROSENBERG. recalled recently having observed in the newspapers that ANNA M. ROSENBERG had been appointed to a defense position. He stated that he saw the photograph of ANNA M. ROSENBERG in the newspapers and feels quite sure he has never had personal contact with the said individual.

Further related that he recognizes the names of many of the individuals set forth in the aforementioned May 19, 1930 newspaper article as belonging to known Communists. Many other names in this article belong to individuals who feels quite sure have always been anti-Communist and who would definitely not knowingly permit the JOHN REED Club to use their names.
The following investigation was conducted by SA GERALD J. DRISCOLL.

[Redacted]

advised that he has been of ANNA ROSENBERG since the early thirties.

[Redacted]
said that his recollection of dates may be at variance with the actual times involved, but as nearly as he could recall, he first became associated with ANNA ROSENBERG in 1933 when she was Executive Assistant to NATHAN STPAUS, Regional Director of NRA in the New York City area. [Redacted] said that he was connected with the NRA as nearly as he could recall, the NRA was abandoned in 1934 and was immediately followed by the WPA, headed by HUGH JOHNSON.

[Redacted] said that ANNA ROSENBERG was appointed JOHNSON's Executive Assistant, and he himself was again [Redacted]

In late 1934 or early 1935, [Redacted] said that ANNA ROSENBERG was made Regional Director of the Social Security Board. [Redacted] said that he was not associated with her in this agency and at that time [Redacted]

Early in 1937, he said that Mayor LA GUARDIA of New York City established the Industrial Labor Relations Board and placed at its head ANNA ROSENBERG, ARTHUR MEYER, and KARL LLEWELLYN, a professor of law at Columbia University. [Redacted] said that he himself was the
stated that ANNA ROSENBERG retained her position with the Social Security Board while she was associated with LA GUARDIA's Industrial Labor Relations Board.

In 1942, [redacted] said that ANNA ROSENBERG was appointed Regional Director of the War Manpower Commission and remained in that capacity until some time in 1944. [redacted] said that he was associated again with ANNA ROSENBERG. Since the dissolution of the War Manpower Commission, [redacted] said he has been engaged in the

[redacted] said that he considers Mrs. ROSENBERG and feels that he enjoys her complete confidence. He said that at no time during his several associations with her in the governmental agencies described did he ever get even the slightest intimation that ANNA ROSENBERG was associated with any Communist front group or even had sympathies in that direction.

He recalled specifically that during ANNA ROSENBERG's tenure with the Industrial Labor Relations Board set up by Mayor LA GUARDIA and again while she was with the WPA, she was thoroughly castigated by avowed Communists and Communist sympathizers particularly those associated with the latter agency.

He recalled also that during the WPA days, HUGH JOHNSON and ANNA ROSENBERG were subjected to a number of demonstrations put on by Communist elements associated with the WPA.

[redacted] said in conclusion that in enjoying ANNA ROSENBERG's confidence as he did, he feels reasonably certain that any Communist affiliations or sympathies that she might have had would have become known to him, if in fact she had such feelings or connections.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA RUDOLPH V. GLINIAK and SA DANIEL H. LUCKING:

when interviewed on December 8, 1950, advised that he during the early and middle 1930's.

stated that the only organization aside from the and which, to his knowledge is included in the list of organizations declared subversive by the United States Attorney General, was the

that he became interested in this group during the early stages of the Spanish Civil War;

enlisted in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade; and that one or two of them had been killed in Spain. He stated that he became aware of the fact that numerous famous Spanish writers, and artists had been driven out of Spain by FRANCO and that they had become political refugees and needed help.

stated that as an he became interested in the plight of the exiled Spanish writers and artists.

stated during the interview of December 8, 1950 that he was brought into the one EMANUEL SACOES and that he became definitely interested in the activities of the group after learning that one of RING LARDNER'S sons, a writer and friend of his, had been killed in the Spanish Civil War. stated on December 8, 1950 that he belonged to the during the Spanish Civil War; that he was no longer connected with this group; and that he had not been connected with it for several years.
stated during the interview on December 8, 1950, that he did not actually participate in the work of this group for any particular reason; that he did not actually participate in the work because his time and interests were fully consumed by business activities and other interests.

stated during the interview of December 8, 1950 that he was primarily because of his desire to help Spanish refugees, whom he felt actually needed help in rehabilitating themselves. stated he is opposed to FRANCO and Fascism and that he felt that the "Spanish Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee" offered a means of helping Spanish refugees who had lost everything during the Spanish Civil War.

Stated during the interview of December 8, 1950 that he could not recall specifically, primarily because of the lapse of time, any details regarding aside from the fact that at a benefit held at Carnegie Hall to help raise funds for the group.

During the interview of December 14, 1950, stated that he was possibly in error in referring to the organization as the "Spanish Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee"; that this might have been the name when he joined the organization but that the organization is presently known to him as the "Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee".

stated that he was never a member of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade because he was not eligible to join that organization inasmuch as he had never fought in Spain. stated that he attended a "couple" of benefits run by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, at which clients of his appeared but that he never performed any publicity work for this group.
stated that he never furnished a list of sponsors for any affairs of either the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade or the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, but he admitted that possibly some of his clients may have acted as sponsors for these organizations. Stated that to the best of his recollection he was never asked to furnish any list of sponsors for either the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade or the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee or any other organization which might be considered a Communist front.

Further stated that to the best of his knowledge none of his clients whose names may have appeared as sponsors of any such group objected to their names appearing on any such lists. Further stated that he personally never objected to the name of any of his clients ever appearing on any such lists.

Was asked specifically just when he dropped his affiliation or his connection in anyway with the stated during the interview of December 14, 1950, that his connection or activities with the to the best of his knowledge.

Stated that his last stated that he received an invitation from an "old friend" to visit his friend's home at Woodstock, New York. Claimed that he took this as a personal invitation and that he

He stated that when he learned that a number of other people had also been invited and that the guest of honor was Helen Bryan, an official of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee whom he
had known for many years. stated that Miss BRYAN was then either under subpoena of the House Committee on Un-American Activities or had been convicted of contempt of Congress; that she was supposed to "be going to jail"; and that her conviction was being appealed. stated that a collection for the defense of HELEN BRYAN was taken up at this gathering at Woodstock, New York, and that 

stated that he has known HELEN BRYAN for a number of years; that HELEN BRYAN is a capable and sincere woman who has "worked for peanuts" in a serious effort to help Spanish refugees; that she has done an awful lot of good; and that he does not think she is a Communist. stated that he was aware of the fact that the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee is on the list of organizations declared subversive by the Attorney General; that he personally did not think that the organization was subversive; but that apparently the Department of Justice had more information regarding the activities of the organization than he had and were in a better position to determine whether or not the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee should be considered a subversive organization. 

stated that at one time he was which he thought were owned by BARNEY JOSEPHSON. stated that he was born and raised in and that he has known the JOSEPHSON brothers for many years. stated that he could recall that LEON JOSEPHSON in those days made fun of such organizations as the 

stated he never liked LEON JOSEPHSON and that this dislike for LEON JOSEPHSON was formulated many years ago when he was stated that BARNEY JOSEPHSON, for reasons unknown to him, looked up to his brother, LEON, and was easily influenced by LEON JOSEPHSON.
On one occasion, around the middle of 1939 he visited "Cafe Society Downtown" with a client and there ran into BARNEY JOSEPHSON. He stated that he was unaware of the fact that BARNEY JOSEPHSON was a proprietor of Cafe Society Downtown since he had heard rumors to the effect that the club was allegedly sponsored by the Communist Party. He stated that this rumor seemed almost absurd to him.

He further stated that during this period, LEON JOSEPHSON, who at one time had been an attorney for Amalgamated, was continually out of work and was relying upon his brother for funds. At one time, according to BARNEY JOSEPHSON discussed the plight of his brother with him. He stated that BARNEY JOSEPHSON suggested that he, he, give LEON JOSEPHSON a publicity job. He stated that he told BARNEY JOSEPHSON that he give his brother a few dollars a week with the understanding that LEON JOSEPHSON stay away from Cafe Society Uptown and Cafe Society Downtown because of his "pro-Communist" reputation.

He stated that BARNEY JOSEPHSON did not heed this advice but much to his surprise appointed LEON JOSEPHSON office manager of Cafe Society Uptown. He stated that this appointment was the beginning of

stated that LEON JOSEPHSON was unqualified to operate a night club and that his lack of ability, his public reputation and the fact that he could not get along with LEON JOSEPHSON, eventually led him to drop the public relations account he had with Cafe Society Uptown and Cafe Society Downtown around 1945.
and that this hard work of his over a period of years was practically ruined by the presence of LEON JOSEPHSON.

stated that he did not believe and never believed that BARNEY JOSEPHSON was in anyway affiliated with the Communist Party. stated that he has never been questioned by any government agency regarding

with LEON JOSEPHSON.
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EMMANUEL JACOBS was asked whether or not his name ever appeared in the "Daily Worker." He stated that in connection with publicity releases his name had appeared in the "Daily Worker" on numerous occasions but that he had no control over this. He stated that if any articles relating to the League of American Writers appeared in the "Daily Worker" with his name as the signer of any such announcement, his name was added to such a release without his knowledge or permission.

EMMANUEL JACOBS stated that the League of American Writers was against war and Fascism and he also was against war and Fascism. He stated that he could not recall whether or not the League of American Writers' foreign policy followed what could be considered the Communist Party line around 1940 and 1941. He stated that he personally never followed the Communist Party line.

EMMANUEL JACOBS stated that he could not recall having ever heard the name BEN RISKIN and that to the best of his recollection he did not know of anyone by the name of LOU GODY. He stated that he could not recall ever hearing of an individual named GENE FRANKEL or EUGENE FRANKEL and that he had never heard of any theatrical group known as "Stage For Action."

EMMANUEL JACOBS stated that his residences for the past several years were as follows:

From 1942 to present
It is to be noted that the now defunct "Cafe Society Uptown" was located at 128 East 58th Street, New York City. "Cafe Society Downtown" is located at 2 Sheridan Square, Greenwich Village, New York City.

He stated that the name he is known by is his true name and that he has never used any other name and he does not know of any individual whose name is identical to his. He stated that he is not related to anyone named HELEN BLACK and that HELEN BLACK is not the name of his wife. He stated that he does not know of any individual named HELEN BLACK. He stated that he was never considered as being pro-Communist by anyone. He said that the profession or occupation of a

stated that to his knowledge he has never been considered as being pro-Communist by anyone. He said that the profession or occupation of an individual so engaged in this type of work. He stated that he has excellent contacts with all the large publications in the New York area and that many of these publications, like the "New York Herald Tribune and Soh" and the Hirsch publications, would have absolutely nothing to do with him if they felt that he was in any way connected with any phase of the Communist movement.
reiterated his statement that he is not a member of the Communist Party and that he never belonged to the Communist and that he never knowingly participated in any group activity which was controlled by the Communist Party.

stated that he did not know of any individuals who were Communists or whose activities he felt would be of interest to the FBI.
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Re: ___________
during the course of the interview, indicated that he had knowledge concerning the John Reed Club of a general nature, which knowledge consisted of its background and general activities.

He stated that he had been accused by ___________ of being a Communist, during the time that ___________ in Washington, D. C., and prior to the time he had become ___________ said that he did not know ___________ personally and could not understand why ___________ had named him as a Communist. However, he stated that a friend of his, ___________ who knew ___________ had told him that this man had a record of being nearly always right in naming people as such, and that this friend of ___________ had talked with ___________ telling him he was mistaken in regard to ___________. After a great deal of investigation ___________ had admitted to authorities that he was mistaken.

___________ said that he was not personally acquainted with JAMES MAGRAW, but that when he was in ___________ he had known MR. MAGRAW, who was Supervisor of the Writers' Project, by reputation, and from what he had heard concerning MAGRAW he had always considered him to be non-Communist.

___________ was questioned concerning the names of his female relatives and acquaintances, but steadily maintained that he did not know anyone by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG.
The following additional information concerning
whose interview is set out in the body of this report, is set out
as being of possible future investigative value.

The name of one along with the names of some of the other individuals listed in the May 19, 1950
issue of the "New York Times" in connection with a statement
issued by the John Reed Club, appear on an official letter of
the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners
dated April 16, 1934. name was listed below the
officers of the said committee among a group which appear to
be members of the said committee. (100-3632-70)

During the course of the aforementioned interview,
stated that he was never a member of the afore-
mentioned committee. He further said it is within his
personal knowledge that SHERWOOD ANDERSON, deceased, whose
name appeared in the above referred to "Times" article,
violelly disliked JOHN REED. He also said that H. L.
MENCKEN, FRANZ BOAS and MARK VAN DOREN would not knowingly
have permitted their names to be published in the "Times"
in connection with the aforementioned statement of the
John Reed Club.

further mentioned that he is well
acquainted with NELSON FRANK, reporter, "World Telegram and
Sun."

was interviewed by SAS JAMES W.
RYAN and HAROLD V. CATES.
As set forth in the Administrative Page of the report of SA J. M. MARTIN, dated December 11, 1950, at New York, on August 16, 1950, stated he had been

was interviewed by SA WILLIAM E. NUMMERY on December 13, 1950.

advised he did not know ANNA M. ROSENBERG and if he ever met her he could not recall the occasion. He stated that he has many unfinished manuscripts and had gone over all his old papers but did not find anything pertaining to ANNA M. ROSENBERG or the John Reed Club.

With respect to the ANNA ROSENBERG reputed to have been a clerk-typist employed by the Federal Workers Project, WPA, advised he did not have much to do with the personnel of that branch and has no recollection of her or anyone else employed there by name.
He stated __________and JAMES MAGRAW. His comment of their recent testimonies was that of the two __________is the more __________He considers MAGRAW to be __________

To his knowledge there were a number of people who, about 1935, were more or less closely associated either socially, politically or in the various WPA projects with either MAGRAW or __________They are set forth with __________comments concerning them as follows:

ABE SAVAGE

ABE SAVAGE's present whereabouts are not known but he was a public relations man of the War Manpower Commission at the time Mrs. ROSENBERG was directing its activities in New York. He may have some knowledge of her reputed activities in connection with the JOHN REED Club.

HELEN WINNER

HELEN WINNER is the only close associate of __________who is known to __________. He said that __________who was, in his opinion, somewhat "neurotic," in that he was moody at times but otherwise normal.

JAMES MAGRAW

JAMES MAGRAW had numerous close friends who were in a position to know of his activities during the time MAGRAW was employed at the Federal Writers Project, WPA, New York. He said that some of these persons who would know MAGRAW are the following:

GENEVIEVE-PITOT lived with MAGRAW in Greenwich Village at about the pertinent period. She will know if MAGRAW was a Communist and any connection he had with ANNA M. ROSENBERG. Her cooperation is questionable. However, she may talk as a result of their break-up.
In 1935 PITOT was a concert pianist and also wrote music for the legitimate theatre. It is to be noted that there is a GENEVIEVA PITOT listed in the current New York Telephone Company Directory for Manhattan at 343 Bleecker Street, New York, Chelsea 2-2784.

HENRY ALSBERG was the former National Director of the Federal Writers Project, WPA, whose office was in Washington, D.C., but he frequented New York City.

ALSBERG was an associate of MAGRAW and in the Federal Writers Project and of the people who belonged to the JOHN REED Club, of which he could have been a member. In any case, he was responsible for many of them holding the jobs they held. ALSBERG recently put out a book, the approximate title of which is "The United States Guide" which was probably published by the Hastings House Publishers.

LOUHELAA HENKLE was a very close friend of MAGRAW. She was also the secretary of ORRICK JOHNS (deceased) the New York City Director of the Federal Writers Project. She knows much about MAGRAW and lived with a TOM SPENCER (who may be deceased) who had a connection with the Federal Writers Project.

During the same period, there was an associated project, the Federal Newspaper Writers Project as well as a Federal Art Project, all of which came under the WPA.

He is almost certain to have a knowledge of MAGRAW. However, he will probably prove to be uncooperative.

MAGRAW told about two or three years ago that he discharged

This would have been very unusual for a Communist to do and expressed the opinion MAGRAW was either lying about it or had done so to create a cover for his pro-Communist inclinations.
EVE EVANTOFF, now Mrs. IRA M. SEDWITZ, who resides in the Columbus Circle area, knew MAGRAW and lived in his neighborhood. At that time (about 1935) she did not know much about Communist front organizations. She was then being recruited into Party activities by means of economic assistance. She later became active in Communist front fund raising activities. In recent years she has been active in the American Labor Party.

EVANTOFF was associated with the social set of MAGRAW. She has since shown indications of concern over the possibility of being identified as a Communist and might prove to be cooperative in order to avoid it.

Her husband is an engineer who is not regularly employed and apparently has an independent source of income. It is to be noted that the current New York Telephone Directory reflects an IRA M. SEDWITZ at 101 West 60th Street, Columbus 5-5135. This is in the area described by the informant.

BEN RISKIN at about 1935 was a genuine “Communist.” He left the Federal Newspaper Writers Project about 1935 or 1936 to become an editor of the United Electrical Workers, CIO publication at the union national headquarters.

He may know a great deal about this matter but probably will not talk about it unless he has had a change of ideology.

VINCENT MC HUGH is a novelist of current reputation and had many friends in the Federal Writers Project at Washington, D. C. He would have known many of the people concerned with the JOHN REED Club and knows much about it if he can be induced to talk.

According to he is suspect in his activities and may still be at least pro-Communist. He recently the title of which is not known.
LOU GODY, although not known to [REDACTED] as an associate of MACRAW, was with the Federal Writers Project and admitted Communist Party membership. He also exhibited to [REDACTED] a card which was considered by [REDACTED] to be GODY's Communist Party membership card. [REDACTED] has tried for years without success to locate LOU GODY.

JIM REED worked with GODY at the Federal Writers Project until it was discontinued. REED may know if there was an ANNA ROSENBERG working under GODY and he may be able to recall the names of some of the other Federal Writers Project employees who did.

He presently resides at 1263 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, PR 4-6586 and works for the United States Department of Agriculture, New York Office for Marketing at 90 Church Street, New York City, RE 2-9100.

(It is noted that [REDACTED] prior to the above-mentioned interview on December 13, 1950, stated that he would furnish the information, which has been set out above, to this Bureau but requested that same not be disseminated to any other agency.)
Confidential Informant T-9, of unknown reliability, advised February 3, 1941, that he was acquainted with one PERCY WINNER, who was a member of the Association of Foreign Press Correspondents, and the informant stated that he recalled WINNER as a brilliant professional newspaperman with an extremely bad reputation as a habitual trouble-maker. T-9 stated that WINNER was very close to the Communists for awhile, but because of his erratic behavior at the present time, (1941), the informant did not know whether he was for or against the Communists. T-9 advised that PERCY WINNER had once been employed as a columnist for the "New York Journal American."

Confidential Informant T-9 further advised that he believed WINNER'S real name had been WEINBERGER or WEINTAL at some time in the past.

On May 22, 1942, Confidential Informant T-9 described PERCY WINNER as a member of the Foreign Press Association from 1933 to 1935 while he was employed at the New York Office of the Havas News Agency. The informant described WINNER as a very talkative person who gets along well with people and he is an excellent reporter with a brilliant mind. T-9 recalled that in the late 1920s, WINNER was mixed up with the Communists. The informant further stated that WINNER had been employed by the National Broadcasting Company in the International Division at one time.

It is noted that T-9 gave the above information in 1942 at the request of the Office of Naval Intelligence, who had advised that PERCY WINNER was being considered for a commission at the Office of Naval Intelligence at that time.

Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability, advised in February of 1943 that one PERCY WINNER of New York City, who is employed by the Office of War Information, was
in October, 1934, listed on the letterhead of the American League Against War and Fascism. The informant stated that he was reported to be a

It is noted that the American League Against War and Fascism has been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

The files of this office reflect that one PERCY WINNER, United States Special Passport No. 11991, issued October 23, 1941, at Washington, D. C., born October 16, 1899, at Brooklyn, New York, a Deputy Director of the Office of War Information who had been operating in the United Kingdom and Spain, arrived at New York aboard Pan American Clipper No. NC 18609 on October 8, 1943. The files do not reflect any further information concerning the above matter.

The files of this office fail to reflect any information concerning HELEN WINNER or HELEN WINNER-DEJOLA which is believed to be pertinent to instant investigation.
BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING ANNA M. ROSENBERG AS WELL AS OTHER PERSONS NAMED ANNA ROSENBERG

The Washington Field Office on September 11, 1950 further advised that JULIUS ROSENBERG of 2100 Creston Avenue, Bronx, New York, and JULIUS ROSENBERG, 4639 47th Street, Queens, signed the 1939-1940 New York City Communist Party petitions.

Investigation at the above two residences indicated that these JULIUS ROSENBERGS have resided at their respective addresses during the past ten or more years.

Records of the Board of Elections, Borough of Manhattan, indicated that ANNA M. ROSENBERG and her husband, JULIUS ROSENBERG, have registered as being affiliated with one of the major political parties since 1933. Prior to 1936, they registered from their address at 210 West 78th Street, New York City; from 1936 through 1939, they registered from 49 East 96th Street, New York City, and from 1940 through 1949, they registered from 1136 5th Avenue, New York City.

On September 8, 1950, the Washington Field Office advised that the records of the Civil Service Commission reflected "JULIUS ROSENBERG, not otherwise identified, Communist Party of the USA, 1940 membership, #6603, New York District #2, New York City, N.Y., A.D. or Ward Eight Branch. Issued on December 12, 1939."

The Washington Field Office further advised that the Civil Service Commission reports a clipping from the "Daily Worker" for September 21, 1942, states that Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG, Regional Manpower Director, spoke at a farewell party which was given for DANIEL ALLEN, New York District Secretary-Treasurer of the State, County
and Municipal Workers of America, CIO, a "local allegedly controlled by the Communist Party members", at the time he was inducted into the United States Army. At this meeting a demand was made by the persons present for a second front in the then present conflict.

Reference is also made to the "Daily Worker" for January 21, 1943 regarding ROSENBERG.

During the course of the aforementioned applicant type investigation conducted during August and September, 1950, Mr. WILLIAM SCANLAN, Investigator of the Civil Service Commission, Second Regional Office, New York City, advised SA CHARLES W. MILLER that a complete and thorough check of all records failed to indicate any record of JULIUS ROSENBERG or ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG.

Mr. SCANLAN stated that several years ago, the files which were maintained in the New York Office were all forwarded to the Washington Office of the Civil Service Commission and no records were retained at New York City.

In reference to the above January 21, 1943, issue of the "Daily Worker" regarding ROSENBERG, it is noted that an article is reflected therein entitled, "Rally to Hit Ban on F.E.P.C. Hearing". This article stated that a protest meeting against the cancellation by the War Manpower Commissioner, PAUL V. McNUTT of the public hearings on employment discrimination in the railroad industry, was being called by the Negro Labor Victory Committee and the Peoples Committee of Greater New York.

This article further indicated that telegrams of invitations to attend the meeting were sent to several prominent people in New York City, inclusive of Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG, Regional Director of the War Manpower Commission, (New York file 126-253).
The Transport Bulletin of the Transport Workers Union dated March, 1946, reflects that Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, ARTHUR S. MEYER, THEODORE H. KHEEL, and SAMUEL I. ROSENMAN were appointed by Mayor O'DWYER as members of a special transit committee. It was indicated that the purpose of the committee was to consider "working conditions, wages and labor relations between the workers and the Board of Directors of the City of New York", and means of avoiding the recurring crisis caused by the absence of genuine collective bargaining.

Alongside the photograph of Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, it is reflected that she was formerly advisor on manpower problems to Presidents TRUMAN and ROOSEVELT and that for six years she was New York Regional Director of the Social Security Board.
New York letter to the Bureau, dated May 1, 1942, reflects that Confidential Informant New York City T-1, of known reliability, had advised that LEW, of unknown identity, had contacted ROY HUDSON at the National Headquarters of the Communist Party, and advised HUDSON that he has talked with HER, and the question of the FBI and BIDDLE was taken up, and that it was not unfavorable.

Relative to the above, additional information was received from Confidential Informant T-1, and through additional investigation it was definitely ascertained that the LEW referred to above is identical with LEWIS MERRIL, President of the United Office and Professional Workers of America—CIO, and that the individual referred to as HER is identical with ANNA ROSENBERG of Washington, D.C. It was further ascertained that on April 9, 1942 a call was made from the office of LEWIS MERRIL, telephone number Lackawana 48392 by a party using the name of LOUIS NOEL. The source furnishing this information advised that this was probably a phonetic spelling and was actually LEWIS MERRIL. This call was made to ANNA ROSENBERG at the Department of Commerce, Room 3898, with negative results, and an attempt was made to reach her at National 1414, which is the telephone number of the White House. (New York file 100-4931, serials 1944 and 1945).

The "New York Times", dated May 6, 1942, reflects an article entitled "Mrs. ROSENBERG In Two Federal Jobs While Making $22,500.00 On The Side". In part captioned article reflected that ARTHUR J. ALTMEYER, Chairman of the Social Security Board, revealed that when the original directorship was offered to Mrs. ROSENBERG six years ago, she made it a condition that she be permitted to continue her work as Labor Consultant for private concerns. It was indicated that Mrs. ROSENBERG has carried out important assignments on labor matters for President ROOSEVELT and Mayor LaGUARDIA. She is secretary of the President’s combined National Labor War Board comprised of AFL-CIO officers. (New York file 100-4931, serial 1979).

The aforementioned Confidential Informant T-1 advised that, on October 31, 1942, ROY HUDSON, Communist Party official, conferred with ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG relative to the appearance of one BROWN at a luncheon on Saturday, and an...
elaborate panel on Sunday morning. It was mentioned by
TRACHTENBERG that ISAACS of New York would act as the mediator.
AUDSON mentioned ANNA ROSENBERG, but TRACHTENBERG stated that
he did not like her. (New York file 100-M-31, serial 2557, page c).

The "New York World Telegram", dated September 13, 1942, reflects an article entitled, "ANNA ROSENBERG Gives Up
Three Jobs To Take A Government War Post". In part, this article
reflected that Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG, with offices at the Social
Security Board, 11 West 42nd Street, had since early New Deal
days frequently been called to the White House by the President
for consultation. This article further reflected that when
Mrs. ROSENBERG'S appointment to the War Man Power Commission
was announced she held six posts. It was indicated that she was
Regional Director of the Social Security Board and of the Office
of Defense, Health, and Welfare Services; member of the State
War Council; Secretary of the combined War Labor Board, and on
the Policy Committee of the New York City Defense Recreation
Committee. In the last job she was responsible for organizing
recreation centers for defense workers and service men.

It was further indicated that she was Labor
Advisor to NELSON ROGERS, the Macy-Bamberger Stores,
and I. Miller Shoe Company. Mrs. ROSENBERG'S photograph
was reflected in connection with the foregoing article.
(New York file 100-13515, serial 201).

In July of 1941 an Internal Security - C case
was opened on one YOLANDA ANDREANOTI, with aliases:
Jolana Foti, Mrs. Jolanta Foti, Yolanda A. Foti, Yolanda
Andrew Foti, Yolanda Foti, Mrs. Louis Foti, nee Sacskai.

The basis of this investigation, in part, was
information received to the effect that subject was suspected
of being engaged in subversive activities, and that she was
suspected of pro-Nazi activities.

The files of the New York Office reflect that
the foregoing allegation was not substantiated during the course
of investigation.

In connection with the above, during the course
of an Immigration and Naturalization Service hearing at
Washington, D.C. on February 6, 1942, above FOTI, in part, advised
that she was 100 percent Hungarian Jewish. FOTI indicated that she was sent to the United States by the Hungarian Red Cross; that on arrival she could not speak English, so she lived with her cousin, Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG for six or seven months.

Information received from a confidential source at New Haven, who is not further identified, indicated that FOTI was born April 17, 1899, Budapest, Hungary, and that her destination in the United States was ANNA M. ROSENBERG, 49 East 96th Street, New York City. The foregoing source also advised that FOTI'S other cousin, Mrs. CLARIE VON ARNOLD resided at 1150 Park Avenue, New York City. (This Mrs. VON ARNOLD appears to be ANNA M. ROSENBERG'S sister).
Investigation conducted at Niantic, Connecticut, reflects that ELIZABETH MUNGER, Superintendent of the State Farm for Women, advised that the aforementioned YOLANDA FOTI came to her on recommendation of Judge KROSS of New York, as a volunteer from Hudson, New York, where she had been studying American Penal Institution management for several years. In part, Miss MUNGER related that FOTI, who was flighty and neurotic, had remarked that she would marry an American if she had to pick a bum off the street. FOTI indicated to Miss MUNGER that she did not want to go back to Hungary, as they would "shoot" her on sight.

The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Ellis Island, New York, contained a letter from Senator ROBERT F. WAGNER dated August 18, 1941. This letter in part advised that FOTI, who at this time was doing volunteer social service work at the State Farm for Women, Goochland, Virginia, was a cousin of Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, Regional Director of the Social Security Board, 11 West 42nd Street, and that Mrs. ROSENBERG had sponsored FOTI.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, as of December 5, 1941, reflected that ANNA M. ROSENBERG, wife of JULIUS ROSENBERG, at this time was residing at 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City. Her former residences were given as 49 East 96th Street and 210 West 88th Street, New York City. This report further indicated that Mrs. ROSENBERG had formerly been an assistant to General HUGH JOHNSON of the NRA.

Mr. GEORGE MATRAY, Manager of the Hotel located at 10 Park Avenue, advised that Mrs. CHARLOTTE LEDERER of the above address, was the mother of ANNA M. ROSENBERG, who holds a high position in the Federal Government. He also said that Mrs. LEDERER was the mother of another daughter, Mrs. CLAIRE LANG, aka, Claire Von Arnold, a stylist at Franklin Simon Department Store. (NY File 100-13430).

When interviewed during July of 1945, by Special Agent THOMAS J. McSHANE, in connection with Passengers, ATC Plane #2940 - arrived LaGuardia Airport June 25, 1945, Foreign Travel Control, Mrs. ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG stated as follows:
Mrs. ROSENBERG described herself as Regional Director for the War Manpower Commission, and said she had been abroad on a special mission for the President of the United States. She gave her residence address as 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and she was traveling on Diplomatic Passport #37851, which showed that she was born in Hungary in 1901.

It should be noted that JAMES A. ROE was also among the passengers of the aforementioned plane. He indicated that he was a Congressman from the State of New York; that he was born on July 9, 1896 at Flushing, New York; that he had been abroad in connection with a survey as a member of the Military and Naval Affairs Committee for the House of Representatives. His residence address was given as 3562-167th Street, Flushing, Long Island. (NY File 108-2592, Serial 3).
In 1943, during the course of an applicant type investigation conducted concerning ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG, nee LEBER, the following was ascertained:

A circular dated January 15, 1938, which was distributed throughout New York City, announced a meeting on June 10, 1938 at Styvesant under the auspices of the National Federal Workers of America, CIO. The meeting was to be addressed by Congressman WILLIAM I. SERVOICH, author of the Federal Arts Bill; ANNA ROSENBERG, Regional Director of Social Security; CHARLES A. BUCKLEY, United States Congressman; CHARLES BELOUS, City Councilman; ALLAN HAYWOOD, Regional Director, CIO; JOSEPH BALDWIN, City Councilman; SALVATORE NONFO, American Labor Party, and other labor organizers. The purpose of the meeting was to stimulate interest in pay increase and a five-day week and other matters including the extension of the Civil Service among workers.

The Dies Committee indices reflected the following:

1. A. ROSENBERG, 1320 West Farms Road, Bronx, New York.

2. A. ROSENBERG, 1675 Park Place, Kings, New York.

3. ANNA ROSENBERG, 901 Avenue H, Brooklyn, New York, all signed Communist Party Petition 1939, and 1940 State and City Elections for the five New York boroughs.

4. ANNA ROSENBERG, 3091 Brighton Fifth Street, Brooklyn, New York.

5. ANNA ROSENBERG, 270 East 92nd Street.

6. ANNA ROSENBERG, 1075 Longfellow Avenue, Bronx, New York, all signed 1940 Nominating Petition, Communist Party, State of New York.
7. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, New York City, was sponsor of a conference called by the Consumers National Federation in 1937.

8. ANNA ROSENBERG was a member of the John Reed Club of New York City.

Investigation during the course of the aforementioned investigation by SA RICHARD A. VAN WINKLE determined that the aforementioned ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG was not identical with the above names reflected in the Dies Committee indices. This determination was based on the following:

1. A check of the register of voters for the 29th Election District, 5th Assembly District, Bronx County, New York, showed that an ANNA and HARRY ROSENBERG registered as being affiliated with one of the major political parties in 1940. At this time, their address was given as 1320 West Farms Road, Apartment 2B. ANNA was described as thirty-two years of age, born in Poland, naturalized in 1922, and as having resided at the foregoing address for the past eight years.

2. The register of voters for the 98th Election District, 18th Assembly District, for 1940 shows an ANNA ROSENBERG at 1675 Park Place as an enrolled voter of the American Labor Party. She is described as married to ABE ROSENBERG of the same address, born in Russia, naturalized in 1929. ABE ROSENBERG's employment during the past eight years is given as the Corporation Baking Company in Brooklyn, New York.

3. A check of the register of voters for the 2nd Assembly District in the State of New York shows an ANNA ROSENBERG registered as an enrolled voter of one of the major political parties in 1940. Her address is given as 901 Avenue H, Brooklyn, New York. She is described as a native citizen, forty-five years of age, claims to have lived in New York State her entire life, married to one MOE ROSENBERG.
The register of voters for the 98th Election District, 18th Assembly District, for 1940 shows an ANNA ROSENBERG at 270 East 92nd Street as an enrolled voter of the American Labor Party. She is described as being forty-six years of age, born in Russia, resident in Brooklyn during the past twenty-six years, married to SAUL ROSENBERG of the same address.

The register of voters for the 66th Election District, 2nd Assembly District, was made with negative results.

Mrs. JACK ROSENBERG, 3091 Brighton Fifth Street, who was interviewed under pretext, stated that her mother, ANNA ROSENBERG, had resided at this address for the past three years and had come to this country from Russia about five years previous.

Mr. H. RODSKY, superintendent at 1075 Longfellow Avenue, advised that a Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG had resided in Apartment 1E during the past five years. (NY File 77-6010, serial 4)

The following was ascertained during the course of an applicant type investigation conducted in September, 1950 concerning ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG, nee LEDERER:

The House Committee on Un-American Activities file reflects that the January, 1941 issue of "Social Work Today" listed an ANNA M. ROSENBERG of New York City, not further identified, as contributing $5 to "Social Work Today."

The February, 1942 issue of "Social Work Today" listed an ANNA M. ROSENBERG as a cooperator in 1941.

In a list of citations by official government agencies of organizations and publications found to be Communist or Communist fronts, dated December 13, 1948, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., the following appears:
"Social Work Today"

1. "A Communist magazine"  
   (Special Committee on Un-American Activities report, 1948, page 225.)

2. "This Communist periodical is published at 112 East 19th Street, New York City."  
   (California Committee on Un-American Activities report, 1948, page 375.)

3. Cited as a Communist front.  
   (Pennsylvania Commonwealth Counsel before the Reviewing Board of the Philadelphia County Board of Assistance, January, 1942.)

The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities also reflected that one JULIUS ROSENBERG, 13 Hegeman Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, signed the 1939-1940 New York City Communist Party Petition.

The records of the Board of Elections, Brooklyn, New York, contained no record of a JULIUS ROSENBERG at 13 Hegeman Avenue.

Investigation reflected that there was no such address as 13 Hegeman Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. JACK BOGATZ, 14 Hegeman Avenue; Mrs. JOSEPH FIDEL, 14 Hegeman Avenue; Mr. L. WEISBERG, 10 Hegeman Avenue, and Mr. AARON SCHWARTZ, proprietor of a luncheonette at 8 Hegeman Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, advised that they have never known anyone by the name of JULIUS ROSENBERG who resided in this neighborhood.

On September 11, 1950, the Washington Field Office advised that the records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities showed that ANN ROSENBERG, 1190 Shakespeare Avenue, Bronx, New York, and one ANNA ROSENBERG, 2830 Olinville Avenue, Bronx, New York, signed the Communist Party Petition of New York State in 1942.
Investigation at the above two residences indicated that ANNA ROSENBERG and ANN ROSENBERG are still residing at their respective addresses and have resided there for the past ten years.

The Washington Field Office further advised that ANNA ROSENBERG, 1921 Stillwell Avenue, Kings, signed the Communist Party Petition in 1942.

The records of the Board of Elections of Kings County indicated that in 1942 Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG, 1921 Stillwell Avenue, registered as a voter. She was described as thirty-one years of age, married, twenty years a resident of New York City, born in Poland, naturalized July, 1936 in the Eastern District of New York.

The Washington Field Office further advised that JULIUS ROSENBERG, 133 Ellery Street, Kings, signed the Communist Party Petition of New York State in 1942.

The records of the Board of Elections, Kings County, reflect that in 1942 JULIUS ROSENBERG registered from 133 Ellery Street. He was described as fifty years of age, married, New York City resident during past three years, naturalized June, 1935 in the Eastern District of New York.
NEW YORK

At New York

Will attempt to locate and interview the following individuals who do not appear to be identical with ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG but who may be identical with the ANNA ROSENBERG whose name appears in the May 19, 1930 issue of the New York "Times" as a member of the John Reed Club. When located these individuals should be questioned as to whether or not they were ever connected with or associated with the John Reed Club.

A. ROSENBERG
1320 West Farms Road
Bronx, New York

A. ROSENBERG
1675 Park Place
Kings, New York

ANNA ROSENBERG
901 Avenue H
Brooklyn, New York

ANNA ROSENBERG
3091 Brighton 5th Street
Brooklyn, New York

ANNA ROSENBERG
270 East 92nd Street
New York, New York

ANNA ROSENBERG
1070 Longfellow Avenue
Bronx, New York
NEW YORK

ANN ROSENBERG
1190 Shakespeare Avenue
Bronx, New York

ANNA ROSENBERG
2830 Olinville Avenue
Bronx, New York

Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG
1921 Stillwell Avenue
Kings, New York

Will interview JULIUS ROSENBERG, 2100 Creston Avenue, Bronx, New York, for any information he can furnish concerning the identity of ANNA ROSENBERG who is reported to have been a member of the John Reed Club.

Will interview JULIUS ROSENBERG, 4839 47th Street, Queens, New York, for any information he can furnish concerning the identity of ANNA ROSENBERG who is reported to have been a member of the John Reed Club.

(All of the above individuals have been reported as signers of Communist Party election petitions).
At New York, New York

Will locate and interview Mrs. EVE SEDWITZ, also known as EVE EVANOFF for her knowledge of JAMES MAGRAW and his associates. She is reputed to have travelled in his social circle about 1935. She is reputed to have engaged in Communist front organizations fund drives and the activities of the American Labor Party. (Address 101 West 60th Street)

Will locate and interview VINCENT McHUGH for his knowledge of JAMES MAGRAW, the John Reed Club, and ANNA M. ROSENBERG. He is a successful novelist, and is reported to know many of the John Reed Club members.

Will locate and interview JIM REED for any knowledge he may have regarding the ANNA ROSENBERG alleged to have been a clerk-typist of the Federal Writers' Project, WPA. REED worked with LOU GODY in the Federal Writers' Project. He presently resides at 1263 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, PR 4-6536, and is employed by the United States Department of Agriculture, New York Office for Marketing at 90 Church Street, New York, RE 2-9100.
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA JAMES P. MARTIN dated December 15, 1950 at New York are as follows:

T-1 [ ]

T-9 [ ] , formerly an informant of the New York Office, whose identity is known to the Bureau.

T-10 ONI, Third Naval District, in report dated February 24, 1943.

It is noted that symbols T-2 through T-8 inclusive were not utilized in this report.

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA H. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB SPECIAL INQUIRY

DATE: December 16, 1950

This is to advise that Mr. ASHLEY J. NICHOLAS, Assistant Chief, Passport Division, State Department, reports that in the early 1930's the State Department investigated a passport fraud ring case in New York City which was known as the Rubin Robinson case. NICHOLAS stated his personal recollections concerning this matter was that the purpose of their activity was to fake United States passports for use by Soviet Agents aboard. NICHOLAS stated that he assisted in the investigation of this matter and came to the conclusion that communist party members constituted the group in this movement. NICHOLAS further reports that during the course of the investigation the name of LOUIS L. SCHWARTZ was connected with the case.

NICHOLAS stated that in a recent check of the Passport Division files it was determined that LOUIS LASZLO SCHWARTZ, born June 11, 1905, Budapest, Hungary, applied for and was issued a passport on July 21, 1933, for travel to Germany, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic on a pleasure trip. SCHWARTZ's passport file further reflects that on May 31, 1935, he requested an amendment to include ANNA ROSENBERG, whom he identified as being born January 1, 1907, South Bend, Indiana, and listed as his wife. In his petition SCHWARTZ indicated his wife's maiden name as ANNA ROSENBERG and reported that they had been married April 5, 1935, at Greenwich, Connecticut. At the time of SCHWARTZ'S request and application for amendment of his passport, he indicated his wife's address as 207 West 11th Street, New York City. SCHWARTZ at that time further indicated that she had been previously married to CHANDRAKANT G. KULKARNI on May 4, 1929, at Toledo, Ohio. SCHWARTZ indicated that his wife's divorce from KULKARNI took place in June, 1930, at Ann Arbor, Michigan. An examination of the passport reflects that in 1933 SCHWARTZ listed his address as 42 Jane Street, New York City, c/o Dr. G. R. BROWN and listed his office address as One Union Square, New York. His profession was listed as a Dentist. The file further reflects that in connection with the passport issued in July, 1933, that SCHWARTZ made a trip to England, France, Germany, and Russia during the period August 11, 1933, to October 5, 1933. There was no indication of what trip SCHWARTZ might have made in connection with his request for amendment in May, 1935.

NICHOLAS stated that because of recent publicity given to ANNA H. ROSENBERG, he particularly noted the maiden name of SCHWARTZ in her file.
MICHOL S stated that based on the above information it would appear that SMARTZ'S wife was known as ANNA ROSENBERG from date of her divorce to the date of her marriage to SMARTZ. He also noted that the marriage had been performed in Greenwich Village, which would seem to indicate that SMARTZ'S wife prior to her marriage was located in the New York City area. MICHOLS further specified that it is very possible that SMARTZ'S wife was active in the Communist party circles and that it is further possible that inasmuch as she was known as ANNA ROSENBERG she might have been the person affiliated with the John Reed Club.

The photograph of ANNA SMARTZ, nee ROSENBERG was secured from the Passport Division. Copies are being furnished the Bureau and New York City. The Bureau will consider the advisability of having the enclosed photograph presented to the FBI and POLA to determine if it is possible that there was a mistake in identity. The Bureau will accordingly advise the New York Office.
ANNA SCHWARTZ nee ROSENBERG

Born January 4, 1907, South Bend Indiana.
## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

### FORM No. 1

**THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT:** NEW YORK  
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**CHARACTER OF CASE:** SPECIAL INQUIRY

### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Reports that Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG made derogatory remarks concerning U. S. Government in about 1943. She could not recall specific statements but knows that ROSENBERG proclaimed her Russian birth and defended "Capitalistic controlled society". CNDI reported in 1945 friendly acts on part of ROSENBERG toward "Communists".

### DETAILS:

**AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK**

Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG was interviewed on December 14, 1950. She requested that her name be kept confidential. She said that she would be willing to be of service to the United States Government if such was desired.

She stated that she was employed by In this capacity, she frequently.

She stated that in about 1943, Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG came to She was of the opinion that a sister of Mrs. ROSENBERG, whose name she could not recall, brought her to the office and that this sister was also.

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said that she on Mrs. ROSENBERG and during the course of it, talked with her informally as was her custom. She remembered that Mrs. ROSENBERG made a remark which shocked her at the time because it was definitely derogatory to the United States Government. She said that the remark "got under my skin" to such a degree that she asked Mrs. ROSENBERG if she was born in the United States. Mrs. ROSENBERG told her that she was not born in this country and was actually born in Russia.

explained that she informed Mrs. ROSENBERG that she had five generations behind her in the United States and that she was very favorably impressed by the "Capitalistic controlled society" which existed in this country. Mrs. ROSENBERG then allegedly queried her as to whether or not she was disposed toward "more benefits for more of the people". To this question, said that she replied that it was only under the Capitalistic system that equal opportunities were available to all the people.

stated that she was quite certain that this professional acquaintance was identical with Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG, who is presently under Congressional inquiry. She based her certitude on the fact that the professional acquaintance was connected with the Labor Department of the War Manpower Commission at the time, was familiar with Washington and New York City, and was of the same general physical description.

said that did not know about this incident. She and Mrs. ROSENBERG were alone at the time. She added that Dr. BECK could not furnish any further data other than to establish the date of contact and further verify identity. Dr. BECK was accordingly not interviewed.

of known reliability, reported to Special Agent LEO J. KENNEDY on January 25, 1945, in connection with another investigation being conducted by this office at the time, the following facts.

The informant said that SAN COLEMAN, Chairman, Niagara Frontier Communist Political Association, held a discussion with CLARA JAMES, a CPA functionary, at CPA Headquarters, 752 West Chippewa Street. During this discussion, COLEMAN told JAMES that ANNA ROSENBERG would be in town on January 26, 1945 and would "raise hell" about the manpower situation. COLEMAN said that he was going to have ANNA JAMES, a CPA member, contact ANNA ROSENBERG about a job. He said that he realized that it was a "politically bad move" but he was so anxious to get rid of JAMES that he was willing to risk it. He said that he used to work for ANNA ROSENBERG and said that she was "terrific". He claimed that she once offered him a $10,000 a year job in Washington. He added that she made it a practice to surround herself with "bright young men". He said that ANNA ROSENBERG had a slight Hungarian accent. This information was received on January 25, 1945.

reported to Special Agent LEO J. KENNEDY, in connection
with the aforementioned investigation, that on January 26, 1945, SAM COLEMAN met with MAIA JAMES at CPA Headquarters, 751 West Chippewa Street, and told her that HUGH THOMPSON, President, Greater Buffalo Industrial Union Conference, CIO, was going to have ANNA ROSENBERG of the War Manpower Commission call her about 4:00 P.M. that day. He told JAMES that she should be at UE Headquarters to receive the call at that time. This information was received on June 26, 1945.

____ of known reliability, reported to Special Agent RALPH F. MILLER on January 27, 1945, in connection with another investigation being conducted by the Buffalo Office at the time, the following facts.

The informant stated that on January 27, 1945, SAM COLEMAN discussed with LEO LEVISON, UERMWA-CIO Organizer, a meeting of the various labor representatives from the Buffalo area which was held with ANNA ROSENBERG, Regional Director, War Manpower Commission. COLEMAN said that at this meeting, HUGH THOMPSON was made a fool of mainly by THOMPSON himself, with the able assistance of ANNA ROSENBERG and LYLE GORDINER, UERMWA-CIO Organizer. COLEMAN said that THOMPSON was now angry, particularly with GORDINER. COLEMAN explained that after two-and-a-half hours of bickering at the meeting, GORDINER finally got up and stated his union position. COLEMAN stated it was true that GORDINER was a little in advance of his union position but it was good and cleared the atmosphere. This information was received on January 27, 1945.

____ reported to Special Agent EDWARD R. NEAHER, in connection with another investigation being conducted by the Buffalo Office at the time, that on February 7, 1945, the staff of the Niagara Frontier CPA met at CPA Headquarters on that same date. The informant reported that SAM COLEMAN discussed the local manpower situation and mentioned the War Manpower Commission Conference held in Buffalo by ANNA ROSENBERG. COLEMAN stated that bungling on the manpower situation was responsible for the bottleneck in fuel which was closing other cities like Syracuse, New York. He referred to the May-Bailey Bill as a possible solution. COLEMAN said that not a single union in the United States was supporting it. He explained that the bill had the support of the CPA because:

1. Of actual manpower shortage in heavy industry.
2. It was a means of mobilizing people for victory.
3. It solidified feelings between civilians and soldiers.

In connection with the recent War Manpower Commission Conference in Buffalo with ANNA ROSENBERG, COLEMAN said that a decision had been made to borrow workers from non-essential shops for temporary work in critical industries. COLEMAN stated that HUGH THOMPSON was present at this meeting and denounced employers for hoarding labor. He added that THOMPSON was supported by the AFL Representatives and the USA-CIO Representatives. COLEMAN stated that he was present at this meeting and was ashamed of labor's representation. He added that LYLE GORDINER felt that way also. COLEMAN said that during the meeting,
ANNA ROSENBERG called on GORDINIER who took the correct position. He said that finally, THOMPSON and the others went along with the exception of one labor representative who noted "No", describing the situation as amounting to slavery. COLEMAN added that a compromise was reached for an investigation of labor hoarding. He explained that to date, out of fifteen examples cited by THOMPSON, three had blown up in his face.

COLEMAN stated that ANNA ROSENBERG recognized GORDINIER as a Communist because he was a UE Staff Representative. COLEMAN explained that the results indicated that "we" have to understand labor so that THOMPSON can't pull anything like this again. This information was received on February 7, 1945.

reported in connection with the aforementioned investigation, to Special Agent EDWARD R. NEATHER, on February 5, 1945, that SAM COLEMAN told him that when he had just finished Columbia University and was working as a Labor Relations man in 1938, ANNA ROSENBERG offered him a $10,000 a year job in some new agency as a Labor Relations man. COLEMAN stated that ROSENBERG had at the time one of her |

COLEMAN said that ANNA ROSENBERG made a practice of getting young men into key political positions in the government at the time. This information was received on February 5, 1945.

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**TITLE**

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Miss CARMEN S. LEE, Governess, Wilton, Conn.,
disclaimed being acquainted with or having any
information concerning ROSENBERG or JOHN REED
CLUB. WALTER SNOW, Willimantic, Connecticut,
member, JOHN REED CLUB 1933 and 1934, knew no
person bearing name ROSENBERG in JOHN REED CLUB.
JAMES MAGRAW also unknown to SNOW.

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**DETAILS:**

Miss CARMEN S. LEE, Governess, Chestnut Hill Road, Wilton, Conn.,
advised that she has never met Mrs. ANNA M. ROSENBERG and has no
knowledge concerning her or the JOHN REED CLUB.
Miss LEE went on to explain that while she was employed as a dental assistant in
New York City during the mid-thirties, she became acquainted with
a Dr. WILLIAM DOHM, a veterinarian, who was specializing in dog
dentistry. She went on to say that through Dr. DOHM she met a
Hungarian woman, whose name she does not recall, but who was very
friendly with Mrs. ROSENBERG and was aided by the latter in obtaining
a job as translator with the NRA or some such New Deal Agency
during the mid-thirties. Miss LEE continued by saying that this
Hungarian woman was a very talented linguist and had recently been
divorced from a rather wealthy individual, whose name she also
does not recall. Miss LEE further stated that during that period
she heard nothing derogatory concerning Mrs. ROSENBERG and abso-
lutely nothing concerning the existence of the JOHN REED CLUB.
She suggested that Dr. DOHM be contacted inasmuch as he may have
knowledge concerning Mrs. ROSENBERG and certainly could identify
the unknown Hungarian woman.
The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent EDWARD R. WHALEN:

Mr. WALTER SNOW, 25 Bain St., Willimantic, Connecticut, advised that he was a member of the JOHN REED CLUB at New York City in 1933 and 1934 and regularly attended meetings of the organization. He stated that there were a relatively small percentage of women who held membership in the club and added that the only female persons whom he could recall at meetings of the organization were LILLIAN HELLMAN, who is currently engaged in radio work; JOY DAVIDMAN of the staff of "New Masses"; and FANYA MARINOFF (Ph), who subsequently went to Hollywood as a script writer. He added that others held membership in the JOHN REED CLUB, but seldom appeared at meetings except for log-rolling purposes when a vote was to be taken on some topic on which the Communist element of the membership desired an affirmative vote. In these instances, SNOW stated members of the JOHN REED CLUB who were employed on the "Daily Worker", the "Morning Freiheit", the "New Masses" and similar publications, would appear at the meetings and vote in accordance with the Communist line. SNOW also advised that the JOHN REED CLUB was directed by an Executive Board. He related that WILLIAM PHILLIPS, aka WALLACE-PHELPS, and PHILIP-RAHV, were both members of the Executive Board and editors of the Club publication "Partisan Review And Anvil". SNOW stated that PHILLIPS and RAHV subsequently broke with the CP and to the best of his knowledge are still associated with "Partisan Review", the offices of which are located at 1345 Broadway, New York City. He related that either or both of these individuals could furnish pertinent information concerning activities of the JOHN REED CLUB in the 1930's.

SNOW related also that one CLINTON SIMPSON was a member of the JOHN REED CLUB and an editor of "Partisan Review" in the 1930's. SIMPSON, according to SNOW, is currently employed by ALFRED KNOFF, INC., the New York Publishing house. SNOW had no knowledge as to whether SIMPSON had ever dissociated himself from the Communist Party and, therefore, was uncertain as to whether SIMPSON would be willing to furnish information concerning activities of the JOHN REED CLUB. Mr. SNOW stated that he knew of no person bearing the surname of ROSENBERG who held membership in the JOHN REED CLUB during the period in which SNOW held membership in 1933 and 1934. He stated that recent news photos of ANNA ROSENBERG recalled no one who was familiar to SNOW.

SNOW also stated that the name JAMES MAGRAW was completely unfamiliar to him and he knew of no person who bore that name.
Reference is made to report of SA HUGO P. BLANDORI dated 12/16/50 at New Haven, Connecticut, entitled, "ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB—SPECIAL INQUIRY".

REFERENCE: Chicago teletype dated 12/13/50.
**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Villa Zalla advises she does not recall ever having met or seen the applicant; states she has read newspaper and magazine articles regarding the applicant and believes she would remember applicant for this reason. Zalla states she, Villa Zalla, never belonged to John Reed Club and to her knowledge never attended any meetings of the club. States she did attend political discussions about 1934 or 1935 at a hall on 14th Street near Sixth Avenue, New York City. Attended with her then husband, Bradley Cutler.

States she does not recall having met anyone by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG. Advises people she met and saw at these discussions were merely faces to her and that she did not recall the names of any of the people who attended.

- JHC -

**DETAILS:**

**AT JOHNSTOWN, NEW YORK**

Mrs. Villa Zalla, 17 East State Street, wife of the owner of the Strand Theater in Johnstown, advised she does not recall ever having met or seen the applicant. She said she has read newspaper and magazine articles concerning the applicant and therefore believes she would remember having met her. Mrs. Zalla advised she cannot remember having met anyone by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG.
She stated that she had never belonged to the John Reed Club and to her knowledge never attended any meetings of the club. She advised, however, that about 1934 or 1935 she had attended political discussions at a hall on Fourteenth Street near Sixth Avenue in New York City. She attended with her then husband, BRADLEY CUTLER. Mrs. ZALLA stated this might possibly have been the John Reed Club.

Mrs. ZALLA stated that the people at these discussions were merely faces to her and that she does not recall the names of any of the people who attended.
ADMINISTRATIVE

It is to be noted that referenced teletypes from New York City and from Albany to New York City bear the caption "Allegation of Alleged Membership of ANNA K. FOSBREG in the John Reed Club". Investigation was previously conducted by the Albany office as an applicant for position with the National Resources Board.

Teletype from the Director to Albany dated 12-16-50.
To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.  12/16/50

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DIRECTOR, FBI........URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE BOSTON TELETYPETO ALBANY YESTERDAY.

INTERVIEW WITH GRANVILLE HICKS WILL BE DELAYED SINCE STORM CONDITIONS MAKE ROADS IMPASSABLE TO HICKS HOME AT GRAFTON, NY. REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

December 16, 1950

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URGENT December 16, 1950

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DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW YORK........URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN
REED CLUB, SI. REFERENCE NYC TELETYPe DATED DEC. FOURTEEN LAST.

VILLA ZOLLA ADVISES SHE DOES NOT RECALL EVER HAVING MET OR SEEN THE
APPLICANT. STATES SHE HAS READ NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES RE
APPLICANT AND BELIEVES SHE WOULD RECALL HAVING MET APPLICANT FOR THIS
REASON. ZALLA STATES SHE, ZALa, NEVER BELONGED TO JOHN REED CLUB AND
TO HER KNOWLEDGE NEVER ATTENDED ANY MEETINGS OF THE CLUB. STATED SHE
DID ATTEND POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR OR THIRTY
FIVE AT A HALL ON FOURTEENTH STREET NEAR SIXTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.
ATTENDED WITH HER THEN HUSBAND, BRADLEY CUTLER. STATES SHE DOES NOT
RECALL EVER HAVING MET ANYONE BY NAME OF ANNA ROSENBERG. LETTER
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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN
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SPECIALIST, US CHILDRENS BUREAU, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,
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BE IDENTICAL WITH CRAWFORD OF INTEREST TO CAPTIONED CASE WORKED AT
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ANNAN ROSENBERG, ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. FRANZ DANIEL, CIO DIRECTOR FOR NORTH CAROLINA, INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AT HOTEL ATLANTAN, ATLANTA, GA. DANIEL ADVISED FIRST MET ROSENBERG IN NINETEEN THIRTY-SIX Socially in apartment of SIDNEY HILLMAN, NOW DECEASED IN NYC. STATED RENEWED ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH ROSENBERG DURING WORLD WAR TWO WHEN HE WAS GENERAL ORGANIZER FOR AMALGAMATED CLOTHING WORKERS OF AMERICA WITH OFFICES IN NY. ALL CONTACTS WITH ROSENBERG WERE OF SOCIAL NATURE. DANIEL ADVISED THAT DURING NINETEEN THIRTY TO THIRTY-SIX HE WAS IN AND OUT OF NY AS A LABOR ORGANIZER AND WAS AT THAT TIME ACQUAINTED WITH VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB, NAMES OF WHOM HE CANNOT RECALL. DANIEL STATED HE CONSIDERED REED CLUB TO BE COMMUNIST DOMINATED. DANIEL STATED THAT AT NO TIME DID HE EVER HEAR THE NAME OF ROSENBERG ASSOCIATED WITH JOHN REED CLUB OR ITS MEMBERS, NOR HAD HE HEARD OF OR KNOWN PERSONALLY THAT ROSENBERG EVER ATTENDED MEETINGS OF THE REED CLUB. DANIEL STATED HE WAS NEVER A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB, ADVISING THAT HE WAS A SOCIALIST AT THAT TIME AND FOUGHT ACTIVELY AGAINST CP. STATES HE WAS A MEMBER OF A SOCIALIST CLUB QUOTE REBEL ARTS UNQUOTE FORMED TO COMBAT JOHN REED MEMBERSHIP. DANIEL REMARKED FURTHER THAT DAVE DUBINSKY, PRESIDENT, ILGWU IN NEW YORK WAS CLOSEST FRIEND OF ROSENBERG AND DEFINITELY ANTICOMMUNISTIC AND WOULD NOT HAVE ASSOCIATED WITH ROSENBERG IF HE FELT SHE WAS ASSOCIATING IN ANY WAY WITH 50 JAN 18 951
CP MEMBERS OR ACTIVE IN CP AFFAIRS. DANIEL FURTHER STATED THAT ONE J. B. MATTHEWS WHO HE THOUGHT TO BE CONDUCTING A PRIVATE INFORMATION BUREAU EITHER IN WASHINGTON, D. C. OR NEW YORK, IS ACQUAINTED WITH FORMER MEMBERS OF THE JOHN REED CLUB WHICH WAS ACTIVE IN NEW YORK. DANIEL BELIEVES MATTHEWS HAS TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF ROSENBERG RECENTLY. DANIEL CONCLUDED BY STATING THAT BECAUSE OF HER DYNAMIC PERSONALITY IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE THAT ROSENBERG COULD BE MISTAKEN FOR ANOTHER PERSON OF SIMILAR NAME. BELIEVES IT QUOTE SHEER NONSENSE UNQUOTE TO ASSOCIATE ROSENBERG WITH CP OR FOR ANYONE TO ACCUSE HER OF SUCH ASSOCIATIONS.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC NYC URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NY TELS DEC THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN, AND BUTEL DEC FIFTEEN, LAST. JOSEPH ZACK KORNFEDER ADVISED HE WAS NEVER A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB, NOR DOES HE KNOW ANNA M. ROSENBERG OR JAMES MC GRAW. HE STATED HE ASSOCIATED WITH QUOTE INTELLECTUALS UNQUOTE WHO BELONGED TO THE JOHN REED CLUB OR WHO ASSOCIATED WITH MEMBERS OF THE CLUB. HE DOES NOT RECALL ANY OTHER ANNA ROSENBERG, NOR DOES HE RECALL NAMES OR ADDRESSES OF ANY MEMBERS OF THE CLUB. KORNFEDER BELIEVES THAT LISTON OAKS, BERT WOLFE, JAY LOVESTONE, LOUIS C. FRAINA AND BEN GITLOW WILL BE ABLE TO FURNISH DESIRED INFO AS THEY ASSOCIATED WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO IN THE MIDDLE THIRTIES WERE CONNECTED WITH THE JOHN REED CLUB. NATHAN KAPLAN, WAS, NAT CANLEY, UPON INTERVIEW ADVISED QUOTE I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT UNQUOTE. REPORT WILL FOLLOW. NO LEADS SET OUT.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. REBUTEL DECEMBER FOURTEEN LAST. ESTHER ROSENBERG LOCATED AT EIGHTFOUR BEECHWOOD AVE., TRENTON, NJ WHERE SHE RESIDES WITH ESTHER ROSENBERG ADMITS AN ARREST IN NINETEEN THIRTY AT TRENTON, NJ ON A CHARGE OF DISTURBING THE PEACE AND STATES THAT SHE WAS ARRESTED UNDER THE NAME OF ESTHER ROSENBERG. SHE CLAIMS THAT SHE DOES NOT KNOW ANY PERSON BY THE NAME OF ANNA ROSENBERG AND NEVER USED THE NAME OF ANNA ROSENBERG AT ANY TIME. ESTHER ROSENBERG REFUSED TO GIVE A SIGNED STATEMENT UNTIL SECURING PERMISSION FROM HER ATTORNEY.

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59 JAN 13 1951
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DIRECTOR URGENT

ATTENTION--ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SI. TELETYPE SUMMARY.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS INTERVIEWED BUT COULD FURNISH NO PERTINENT INFO--HENRY K. MORITZ, HELEN MAY GOULD, PHILIP RAHV, AVRAHM YARMOLINSKY, KENNETH FEARING, WALTER LANGSDORF, GRACE GOSELLYN AND GENEVIEVE PITOT, AKA., GENEVIEVE PITO. RE JAMES MC GRAW--ATTENTION OF BUREAU CALLED TO REPORT OF SA WILLIAM H. BURKE DATED DEC. ELEVEN, FIFTY AT NEW YORK IN CASE CAPTIONED, "SARAH SHAPIRO BACHMAN, AKA., LGE."

SAID REPORT REFLECTS SIGNED STATEMENT DATED NOV. EIGHTEEN, FIFTY FROM ARTHUR D. GORDON, IN WHICH GORDON SAYS THAT ABOUT SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN THIRTY THREE HE WAS IN A UNIT OF THE CP IN MANHATTAN, NYC, WHICH HE, GORDON, FORMED HIMSELF, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS OF PARTY OFFICIALS.

HE SAYS, "I RECALL THAT A JIMMY MC GRAW, A WRITER WHO LIVED ON PERRY OR BANK STREETS IN MANHATTAN, WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNIT." IT IS

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BELIEVED THAT THE JAMES MC GRAW MENTIONED BY GORDON IS THE SAME JAMES MC GRAW PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED IN THIS CASE WHO HAS DENIED CP MEMBERSHIP. ARTHUR D. GORDON WILL BE REINTERVIEWED BY THIS OFFICE CONCERNING HIS KNOWLEDGE OF CP MEMBERSHIP OF JAMES MC GRAW AND FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH GORDON CAN SUPPLY.

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CC Mr. Rosen
ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, S.I. NEWARK WILL INTERVIEW LOUIS LOZOWICK, AN ARTIST, WHO IN JUNE FORTY NINE REPORTEDLY RESIDED AT SIX TWO MASSEL TERRACE, SOUTH ORANGE, NJ. LOZOWICIK REPORTEDLY PREVIOUSLY RESIDED AT ONE ZERO FOUR LEXINGTON AVE., NYC. IT IS BELIEVED HE IS IDENTICAL WITH LOUIS LOZOWICK, AN ARTIST LISTED AS A MEMBER OF THE JOHN REED CLUB, NYC, IN EARLY NINETEEN THIRTIES AND WHO ALSO IS ASSOCIATED WITH VARIOUS COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS AS WELL AS BEING MEMBER OF CP. NEWARK WILL QUESTION LOZOWICK RE THE ANNA ROSENBERG WHO SIGNED THE JOHN REED CLUB PROTEST AGAINST ANTI-RED PROPAGANDA PUBLISHED IN NY "TIMES" ON MAY NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTY, IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS PERSON IS IDENTICAL WITH THE ANNA M. ROSENBERG, THE SUBJECT. IT IS NOTED ONE LOUIS LOZOWICK IS ALSO LISTED AS A SIGNER IN AFOREMENTIONED PROTEST.

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52 JAN 13 1951
Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE MY TELS SIXTEENTH INSTANT. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INTERVIEW LOZOWICK. EXPEDITE. SUTEL AND SUREP.

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Locowick's name appeared on the petition in the New York Times in 1930 on which the name of Anna Rosenberg also appeared. It would be pertinent to find out from him, if possible who that Anna Rosenberg was.
SAC-S

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NY TELS SIXTEENTH INSTANT. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INTERVIEW LOZOWICK. EXPEDITE. SUTEL AND SUREP.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE NY REPORT OF SA J. P. MARTIN DEC THIRTEEN LAST, REFLECTING DATA FROM "RED NETWORK" AND "NEW MASSES," INDICATING JOHN REED CLUB MEMBERSHIP OF LOUIS LOZOWICK. THIS INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH SUBJ OF NEWARK SECURITY MATTER - C CASE AND BELIEVED TO BE LIVING AT SIXTYTWO MASSEL TERRACE, SOUTH ORANGE, NJ. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH SIX FIVE TWO TWO TWO RELATES TO LOZOWICK WHO APPARENTLY WAS EMPLOYEE OF WPA ART PROJECT, NYC, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE DASH FORTY.

BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED FOR NEWARK TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW LOZOWICK CONCERNING IDENTITY OF ANY ANNA ROSENBERG WHO WAS A MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB OR WHO ATTENDED ANY JOHN REED CLUB MEETINGS AND ANY PERTINENT DATA RELATING TO POSSIBILITY JAMES MC GRAW, AKA MAGRAW, AND HELEN WINNER OF WRITERS PROJECT, WPA, BELONGED TO WPA WRITERS PROJECT COMMUNIST CELL. SUTEL.

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59 JAN-13 1951
December 16, 1950

MEMORANDUM TO MR. NICHOLS

ASAC Whelan called this morning and in your absence talked to the writer. He stated he wished to furnish you information which he has received during the course of the Anna Rosenberg investigation.

Mrs. Ralph De Toledano, wife of Ralph De Toldeano co-author of the book "Seeds of Treason," has made the statement that Victor Laskey, Co-author of the book "Seeds of Treason," had been making statements in New York to the effect the Bureau was out to get [redacted] Laskey is also alleged to have stated that Fred Woltman gets information directly from you and that you were also out to get [redacted] She is also alleged to have stated that her husband, Ralph De Toledano, has talked to Laskey concerning his statements but that he has not been deterred.

ASAC Whelan states he is not completely satisfied that the above is true and correct. He mentioned that she had attempted to engage the support of Morris Ernst to represent [redacted] and that Ernst was supposed to have called the Bureau and reported that Mrs. De Toledano has stated the information she had given to the Bureau had not been fully exploited. Whelan states that Mrs. De Toledano has denied telling Ernst this.

Whelan also advises that Mrs. De Toledano thinks has been getting a raw deal.

Whelan advises that Laskey is on the staff of the New York World Telegram and that the World Telegram had taken a pro-Rosenberg policy, and that Fred Woltman has supported Rosenberg and claims she is in the middle of a smear campaign.

ASAC Whelan merely wanted to furnish you with this data as you might want to ask Victor Laskey concerning it. He stated if you do talk to Laskey that you should use your own discretion as to revealing where the information came from that is, Mrs. Ralph De Toledano.
WASH 69 BOSTON 5 FROM NEW YORK

DIRECTOR AND SAC

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ALLEGATION OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY.

ATTENTION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN.

LOCATE AND INTERVIEW EDMOND WILSON, AUTHOR, RESIDES WELLS FLEET, CAPE COD, MASSACHUSETTS, FOR ANY INFORMATION REGARDING ANNA M. ROSENBERG’S MEMBERSHIP IN THE JOHN REED CLUB OR ATTENDANCE AT CLUB MEETINGS MIDDLE NINETEEN THIRTIES OR IDENTITY OF THE ANNA ROSENBERG WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THAT CLUB. SUTEL. SUREP.

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN JOHN REED CLUB, SPECIAL INQUIRY. RE BOSTON TEL TO ALBANY DEC. FIFTEEN LAST AND ALBANY TEL TO DIRECTOR DEC. SIXTEEN, LAST. GRANVILLE HICKS ADVISED DID NOT KNOW ANY MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB NAMED ROSENBERG. EXPLAINED HIS MEMBERSHIP THAT ORGANIZATION WAS DURING PERIOD OF RESIDENCE OUTSIDE NYC SO THAT HE ATTENDED ONLY ABOUT THREE MEETINGS, AT EACH OF WHICH HE WAS A SPEAKER. HICKS EXPRESSED OPINION THAT [REDACTED] WHOM HE KNOWS BY REPUTATION ONLY, IS A QUOTE SCREWBALL UNQUOTE. HICKS SUGGESTED THAT PHILLIP RAHV AND WALLACE PHELPS, NOW KNOWN AS WALLACE PHILLIPS, CONNECTED WITH EDITORIAL BOARD OF PARTISAN REVIEW, MIGHT KNOW ANNA M. ROSENBERG AS MEMBER OF JOHN REED CLUB. HE EXPLAINED PARTISAN REVIEW IN EARLY THIRTIES WAS PUBLICATION OF JOHN REED CLUB, BUT THAT RAHV AND PHELPS/PHILLIPS/HAD SPLIT WITH CP AND THAT PARTISAN REVIEW IS NOW RESPECTABLE, HIGH-BROW LITERARY PUBLICATION. HICKS ALSO STATED THAT JOSEPH FREEMAN, WHO DEFECTED FROM CP ABOUT NINETEEN/THIRTY NINE WHEN HICKS DID, PROBABLY KNOWS MORE MEMBERS OF JOHN REED CLUB AND HAS MORE INFO RE CP IN GENERAL THAN HICKS POSSESSES. RAHV, PHELPS/PHILLIPS/AND FREEMAN ALL LAST KNOWN TO HICKS TO BE RESIDING OR WORKING, NYC. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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JAN 13 1951
WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD

DIRECTOR AND SAC

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ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA M. ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB SPECIAL INQUIRY. BUFILE ONE TWO SIX DASH FOUR EIGHT SIX.

WHO IS BEING LISTED BY WFC UNDER T Symbol, ________

THAT HE HAS HEARD THROUGH INFORMANT THAT LOUIS

GOLDSTEIN, OPERATOR OF A WHOLESALE JEWELRY BUSINESS IN NEW YORK CITY AND RESIDING ON MONOR AVE. OR MANOR AVE., PARKWAY, BRONX, NEW YORK, REPORTED THAT HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN SETTLING A STRIKE OF ALL WASHINGTON HOTELS IN FORTY SEVEN AND ALSO, THE SETTLEMENT OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANYS STRIKE IN FORTY EIGHT. GOLDSTEIN IS REPORTED TO BE A CONTACT MAN OR A QUOTE FIXER UNQUOTE AND DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS A PERSON WITH MANY POLITICAL CONNECTIONS.

IN A RECENT REPORTING ON THE ABOVE STRIKES OF FORTY SEVEN TO ________ INFORMANT, GOLDSTEIN IS REPORTED TO HAVE HINTED THAT BOTH UNIONS INVOLVED WERE COMMUNIST INFILTRATED AND THAT THOSE UNIONS HAD TO BE APPROACHED AND DEALT WITH. GOLDSTEIN REPORTS THAT BECAUSE ANNA M. ROSENBERG WAS INDEBTED TO HIM FINANCIALLY SHE APPROACHED THE UNIONS AND AS A RESULT THE STRIKES WERE SETTLED. GOLDSTEIN IS FURTHER REPORTED TO HAVE STATED THAT IT WAS HIS FIRM OPINION THAT ROSENBERG WAS A COMMUNIST. GOLDSTEIN IS ALSO REPORTED AS HAVING SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO PRESENT THE ABOVE MATTERS TO SOME OF HIS REPUBLICAN FRIENDS IN CONGRESS. ________ PREFERS THAT HIS NAME NOT BE USED IN THE

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INVESTIGATION AT THIS TIME AND PREFERENCES THAT HIS INFORMANT, NOT BE CONTACTED AT THIS TIME BECAUSE THEIR CONVERSATION RE THIS MATTER WAS CONFIDENTIAL. SUGGESTS THAT GOLDSMITH COULD BE CONTACTED ON THE BASIS THAT IT IS REPORTED THAT HE KNOWS ANNA M. ROSENBERG AND ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT HE HAS HAD SOME PRIOR CONTACTS WITH HER. DESCRIBES GOLDSMITH AS NOT TOO RELIABLE INDICATING GOLDSMITH IS INCLINED TO OVERRATE HIS CONTACTS. IS CERTAIN HOWEVER THAT GOLDSMITH HAS NO SYMPATHY FOR COMMUNISM AND SUGGESTS IT IS POSSIBLE GOLDSMITH RESENTS THE ROSENBERG APPOINTMENT. REPORTS FURTHER THAT HE NEVER HAD ANY CONTACTS WITH ROSENBERG AND IS CERTAIN CONNOR DOES NOT KNOW HER. NEW YORK WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE GOLDSMITH AND INTERVIEW. GOLDSMITH POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH LOUIS JULIUS GOLDSTEIN SUBJECT OF NEW YORK FILE SIX TWO DASH EIGHT NINE SEVEN TWO.

NEW YORK HOTEL

DF: ih 77-15072
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM:  SAC GUY HOTTEL, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: December 18, 1950

SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA MARIE ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB SPECIAL INQUIRY

Reference is made to the communication from Dr. MARJORIE SHEARON to the Bureau dated December 11, 1950.

This is to advise that Dr. SHEARON telephonically advised that a reliable newspaperwoman who is authority on the Far East and Eastern Europe received information from a friend of the newspaperwoman that a Hungarian Catholic Priest in Ohio reported that the present Hungarian Dictator MATOSS RAKOSI is a cousin of ANNA ROSENBERG. Dr. SHEARON, who would not identify her informant, reports this information has not been verified.

Dr. SHEARON also reported that she has a photostat furnished to her by a Congressman which reflects that on September 20, 1944, a testimonial was given to FERDINAND C. SMITH, whom she identified as a 'Negro Communist associated with the Maritime Union', at the Hotel Commodore in New York City. She reports that included in a listing of the sponsors were ALBERT D. LASKER and FREDERICK V. FIELD whom she identified as the 'Editor in the Amerasia Case.' Dr. SHEARON further reports that in her testimony before the Senate Investigating Committee, Mrs. ROSENBERG admitted that MARY and ALBERT D. LASKER were clients of hers. Dr. SHEARON also reports the LASKERS are on the Board of Directors of the Committee for the Nations Health.

No action is being taken by this office concerning the above information.

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TO: Mr. Ladd  
FROM: Mr. Rosen  
SUBJECT: ALLEGATION OF ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP OF ANNA ROSENBERG IN THE JOHN REED CLUB SPECIAL INQUIRY  

DATE: December 18, 1950  

At 12:10 p.m. today ASAC Whelan of the New York Office advised that Nora DeToledaro had contacted the New York Office telephonically and stated that she had heard rumors to the effect that Ed Neller, a leg man for Fulton Lewis who was well known in Washington newspaper circles, had located the Anna Rosenberg whose name appeared on a John Reed Club petition in the New York Times in 1930 and that Neller was now dickering with Benjamin Freedman for the $10,000 which Freedman had allegedly offered for the production of this woman.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

None. This is recorded as a matter of information.

Neller says not.

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12-16-18-50

**REPORT MADE BY**
ALEXANDER L. GUCKER

**FILE NO.** 126-75

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**
GRANVILLE HICKS, admitted former CP member, who defected in 1939, states was member of John Reed Club, New York City, but not active in its operation. HICKS said he knew no John Reed Club member named ROSEBERG.

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**Details:**

**AT GRAFTON, NEW YORK:**

GRANVILLE HICKS, admitted former Communist Party member, who defected from it in 1939, advised that he was a member of the John Reed Club, New York City, in the early 1930's. Hicks stated that at this time he was residing outside of New York City, so that his participation in John Reed Club activities was limited to attendance at approximately three meetings in 1932 and 1933, at each of which he was the speaker. He said that he knew only the leading members of the Club and recalled no member of it named ROSEBERG.

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GRANVILLE HICKS stated that he believes he met [REDACTED] on one occasion and is fairly well acquainted with [REDACTED]. He said he knew [REDACTED] by reputation and based on that knowledge considered him to be "a screwball".

Mr. HICKS said that he believed PHILLIP RAHV and WALLACE PHELPS, now going under the name of WALLACE PHILLIPS, both on the editorial board of the "Partisan Review", published at New York City, might know whether ANNA M. ROSENBERG had been a member of the John Reed Club in New York City. Mr. HICKS explained that the "Partisan Review" had started as the official publication of the John Reed Club and that RAHV and PHELPS (PHILLIPS) had been members of its editorial board from the outset. He remarked that RAHV and PHELPS (PHILLIPS) had broken with the Communist Party about the middle 1930's, according to his recollection, and had taken the "Partisan Review" away from the sponsorship of the John Reed Club. He said that it was still published as a "respectable high-brow" literary magazine of no known political tinge.

Mr. HICKS also advised that JOSEPH FREEMAN, who defected from the Communist Party at about the same time that he, HICKS, did, knows considerably more about Communist Party matters than he. He said that FREEMAN should know more about the John Reed Club than HICKS and believed that if he would furnish the information, it would be entirely reliable.

Mr. HICKS reviewed his file on the John Reed Club of New York City and stated that it had been located at the following addresses at these dates:

November 2, 1932 -- 63 West 15th Street, New York City
February 28, 1933 -- 450 Sixth Avenue, New York City
May 11, 1933 -- 583 Sixth Avenue, New York City (a temporary address due to the Club’s eviction from 450 Sixth Avenue)
November 22, 1933 -- 430 Sixth Avenue.
### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

#### FORM NO. 1

**THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT** NEW YORK

**REPORT MADE AT** KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

**DATE WHEN MADE** 12/18/50

**PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE** 12/11-15/50

**REPORT MADE BY** ROBERT T. McIVER

**CHARACTER OF CASE** SPECIAL INQUIRY

### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

JAMES T. JENNING, KCNO attorney, wrote letter to Senator McCARTHY, alleging that ANNA ROSENBERG is "very Red." On interview JENNING stated he has no first-hand information and was repeating statement of a woman Communist of KCNO. This woman, who requested identity be concealed, states she does not know ANNA ROSENBERG but expressed opinion to JENNING that she is a Communist on basis of vague recollections of hearing ANNA ROSENBERG's name mentioned "in Communist circles in Chicago and Cleveland." Believes one HENRY H. KLEIN mentioned ANNA ROSENBERG in Detroit in 1944 as a Communist.

### DETAILS

By teletype dated December 11, 1950 from the Director to Kansas City, it was stated that it had been alleged that ANNA M. ROSENBERG, who is awaiting confirmation as Assistant Secretary of Defense, attended meetings of the John Reed Club of New York City in the middle thirties and was also a Communist Party member at that time. The teletype also stated that an investigator in the employ of Senator McCARTHY furnished information that Senator McCARTHY received a letter from an attorney, JAMES T. JENNING, 1200 Oak, Kansas City, Missouri, in which JENNING allegedly stated that a Communist told him that "HARRIMAN is in charge of putting Reds in the Government" and further that ANNA ROSENBERG is "very Red."

JAMES T. JENNING, Attorney, 1200 Oak, Kansas City, Missouri, stated he had written a letter to Senator McCARTHY recently in which he stated that a Communist in Kansas City had told him ANNA ROSENBERG is a "Red." Mr.

### APPROVED AND FORWARD:

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JENNINGS said he had no first-hand information in this regard and was merely forwarding information which he had received from a woman whose Communist card he has seen and who has been active in numerous Communist groups in Kansas City for a number of years. Mr. JENNINGS said as to the reliability of his informant that "sometimes you can believe her and sometimes you can't". He said she is somewhat unstable but in the instant case because of the gravity of the charge and the high position in the Government involved, he felt it his duty to forward this information where it would be investigated. Mr. JENNINGS furnished the name of his informant who will hereafter be designated as T-1, of unknown reliability, in view of her request that her name be withheld.

T-1 stated she has been a member of the Communist Party and has met with Communists in various cities of the United States. T-1 has never met or seen ANNA ROSENBERG and has no first-hand information about her. T-1 said she recalled, however, hearing the name mentioned in "Communist circles in Chicago and Cleveland" and the references to ANNA ROSENBERG were always favorable from the Communist point of view. It was on this basis that T-1 expressed the opinion to Mr. JENNINGS that ANNA ROSENBERG was a Communist.

T-1 could not remember the names of any Communists who had mentioned ANNA ROSENBERG but vaguely recalled that the name had been mentioned in Chicago in 1947 and probably in Cleveland in 1943. T-1 said she had been in these cities on business during these times and had been in contact with Communists, the names of whom she could not recall. T-1 said that in 1944, while in Detroit, Michigan at a meeting of a Michigan mothers' group, she recalls that one HENRY H. KLEIN, whom T-1 described as "a renegade Jew who recently has been writing for "Women's Voice", an anti-Semitic paper, published in Chicago", named ANNA ROSENBERG as "a Jewish Communist". T-1 could furnish no additional information.
T-1, mentioned in the body of the report, was formerly an informant of this office but was discontinued as her reliability was questioned. She continues to frequently contact this office by phone and occasionally supplies information of value. She has been, until recently, which has been cited as being within the purview of Executive Order 9835 by the Attorney General. T-1 is very prone to make statements which are not completely factual and to make generalities which cannot be run down. She was very upset with Mr. JENNING for having written the letter to Senator McCARTHY as he did, but said it was still her opinion that ANNA M. ROSENBERG is a Communist sympathizer.

T-1 recontacted this office by letter dated December 12, 1950, listing a number of individuals who would know whether or not ANNA ROSENBERG is a Communist. The following individuals were named:

JOHANNES STEELE
Ex-radio commentator and writer,
New York City

VERA BOUDIN, National Lawyers' Guild

DOROTHY BREWSTER, Columbia University

GENE WELLFISH, Columbia University

RICHARD CROSSCUP, Director of I.W.O.

IRENE McCoy GAINES, Chicago Council Negro Org.

JUNE GORDON, National Director of Emma Lazarus

FRANK HERBST, United Public Workers, Local #1

REV. WILLIAM H. MELLISH, Holy Trinity Church,
Brooklyn, New York

HALOIS (ineligible) MOORHEAD, Business Agent
Building Service Employees Union

BERNARD SIEGEL, Executive Director, Local 19,
Social Service Employees, U.O.P.W.A.
T-1 was recontacted regarding her letter and she said she
is not personally acquainted with any of the above individuals, has never
discussed ANNA ROSENBERG with any of them, and furnished these names because
it is her opinion these individuals might be able to supply information
regarding ANNA ROSENBERG.

No leads were set out to have these individuals contacted
because of the non-specific nature of the allegation that they might have
information.

On December 13, 1950, T-1 again addressed a letter to this
office indicating that she had been told by SID LAWRENCE, Director of
the Jewish Community Relations Bureau, Kansas City, Missouri, that all of
the Jewish agencies were sending telegrams to the Senate Committee headed
by Senator RUSSELL urging the confirmation of ANNA M. ROSENBERG. Non-specific
information has been received regarding SID LAWRENCE being a Communist but
this has never been verified.

Leads were set out by teletype, dated December 11, 1950, to
Cleveland and Chicago to contact confidential informants and for Chicago to
contact HENRY H. KLEIN at "Women's Voice Magazine", Room 803, 537 S. Dearborn,
Chicago, Illinois.
INFORMANT PAGE

T-1 ______________________ whose identity is concealed
at her request.

REFERENCE: Bureau teletypes to Kansas City 12/11/50 and 12/16/50.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
This Case Originated at NEW YORK

REPORT MADE AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  DATE WHEN MADE 12/18/50  PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/11-15/50
REPORT MADE BY ROBERT T. McIVER mch

FILE NO. 100-8955

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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DETAILS: AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI:

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Nils P. Rody states he was member of John Reed Club from July, 1933 until the club disbanded in June, 1935. Does not recall any Anna Rosenberg associated with John Reed Club, and does not recall James Mc Graw or ever attending meetings of said club. Genevieve Pitot, aka Pito, denies ever being member of CP or John Reed Club and says that while she knew James Mc Graw for a number of years, she does not know whether or not James Mc Graw ever was member of John Reed Club or of CP. Says visited Cutler's home, but not for Marxist studies, and says does not know personally know any Anna Rosenberg. Kenneth Fearing advises he was one of original members of John Reed Club, but cannot recall any Anna Rosenberg ever associated with said club. Walter Langsdorf and Grace Gosselyn do not recall whether or not Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg was present when Orin Johns was interviewed in regard to Johns' application for position with Writers Project, WPA. Arvahm Yarmolinsky knows of no Anna Rosenberg connected with John Reed Club and says that he himself was never associated with.
said club. Records of Board of Elections, N.Y.C., reflect that ANNA M. ROSENBERG registered as affiliated with one of two major political parties during the years from 1920 to 1949, inclusive, with exceptions of years 1943 and 1921 when no record of registration of ANNA M. ROSENBERG could be located.

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DETAILS: AT NEW YORK, N.Y.
INTERVIEWS WITH PERSONS MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE SOURCES OF PERTINENT INFORMATION

On December 15, 1950, [Person] was interviewed at SAS Francis J. Gallant and Donald E. Shannon. [Person] advised that he was a member of the John Reed Club from and according to his own statement, he said the meetings were held at 430 Sixth Avenue, and that there were fifty to one hundred people present at the meetings.

[Person] also advised that he was connected with JAMES MAGRAW. He said that he knew and MAGRAW at the time they were all working on the and stated that he just did not remember ever seeing or JAMES MAGRAW at any. He said it was possible they may have attended a meeting or so without him being aware of their presence but that he was certain that they never played any major part in any functions of the club and that neither one of them had been on the Executive Committee of this club.

[Person] was asked specifically if he had ever seen ANNA ROSENBERG at any or if he had ever heard that she had any connection with the. He stated that he was positive that from the time she had never attended a meeting of this club and that further he had never heard from any other member or from anybody that she had any connection with the.

[Person] is presently one of the. He advised that the changed its policy sometime around 1937 and turned away from the Communists and became an anti-Communist. He stated that he, himself, and that since that time he has been The
Re: was interviewed on December 14, 1950 by SAS Lawrence H. Bracken and Thomas E. O'Brien.

She advised that she had never been a member of the Communist Party. It was pointed out that the records of the Board of Elections in New York City showed that and again stated that she had never belonged to the Communist Party.

Regarding JAMES MAGRAW, stated that she was informed that for the
She replied that this was true but that

She stated that she did not know whether JAMES MAGRAW had ever been a member of the Communist Party or the John Reed Club. She said that she had never been a member of the John Reed Club and that she had never heard of the Club or knew anyone who was a member.

admitted knowing BRADLEY and VILLA CUTLER and with MAGRAW but She stated she never knew and did not recall of the CUTLERS.

Photographs of ANNA M. ROSENBERG were shown to and she stated that she did not know her, had never met her and knew no one else by the name of ANNA ROSENBERG.
Re: [Blank]

was interviewed at [Blank] by Special Agents JOHN B. SIMMONS and WILLIAM G. O'DONNELL on December 15, 1950. He advised that he had been

He said that at the time the

than there were members attending meetings of the Club towards the end.

stated that he did not know an ANNA ROSENBERG and never heard of such an individual in connection with the Club. He said that about

He could furnish no information concerning where this list could be located at the present time.

Although stated that in 1934 and 1935 only about 15 or 20 members
he said that at between 100 and 200 people would often attend.

He also said that
NY 62-10641

Re: 

was interviewed on December 14, 1950 by SA Thomas E. O'Brien.

It is noted the name appeared in the

stated that he had never been a member of the John Reed Club and that he does not recall ever having met or seen ANNA M. ROSENBERG, and knows of no ANNA ROSENBERG who was ever associated with the John Reed Club. He explained that the only connection he ever had with the collected by JOHN REED in 1917-1918. He said he thought this

with either JOHN REED or his wife, LOUISE BRYANT, regarding it. He displayed this collection which is bound together in a single volume and bears the inscription "Presented to the Library in 1935 by the Harvard alumni of the John Reed Club".

With the exception of the above incident, stated he has never had any dealings with the John Reed Club and is at a loss to explain how

He advised that he has been
RE: NY 62-10641

It will be recalled that consisting of GRACE GOSSELYN and Mrs. ANNA ROSENBERG. However, he was not specific in stating whether or not ROSENBERG was present during this interview.

_________ was interviewed by SAS Lawrence H. Bracken and Thomas E. O'Brien at his on December 14, 1950. At this time stated that he faintly recalled but it was his belief that at the time JOHNS had stated that he was up while Mrs. ROSENBERG was present. He said it was quite possible that JOHNS was called in and He stated that the time was too far past for him to remember whether or not ROSENBERG _____ on JOHNS' _________

Concerning Mrs. ROSENBERG, _______ stated that he did not believe the charges that have been made against her although he did state that in those days it was a common thing for members of the WPA to be extremely liberal in their thinking. _______ could not elaborate any further on this statement.

RE: _______ was interviewed by SA Lawrence H. Bracken at her on December 14, 1950. At this time with Mrs. ROSENBERG on the under General HUGH L. JOHNSON. Concerning the incident relative to

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She added that it was the custom during that period that an 
and each one would pass on 
his own individual decision. She stated that this was not 
done necessarily whereby all three persons would be present 
at the same time.

Concerning Mrs. Anna M. Rosenberg, it was her opinion that the charges concerning Mrs. Rosenberg 
were not true and it was her belief that the loyalty of 
Mrs. Rosenberg to this country could not be questioned.
INFORMATION REFLECTING THAT ANNA M. ROSENBERG
OR ONE OF SIMILAR NAME, RESIDING SAME DISTRICT
AS ANNA M. ROSENBERG, MAY HAVE REGISTERED AS
COMMUNIST DURING PERIOD 1932-1936.

Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability, advised on December 14, 1950 that this Informant had received information to the effect that some newspaperman, name not furnished by this Informant, had received a letter mailed in New York with information to the following effect:

The Board of Election records in the district which ANNA ROSENBERG resided from 1932 to 1936 would show that ANN or ANNA/ROSENBERG or A or ANNA/ROSENBERG or A was registered as a Communist.

This Informant possessed no further information on the above.

Accordingly, the records of the Board of Elections were rechecked concerning ANNA M. ROSENBERG, residing 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York, with the following results:

The records of the Board of Elections for the City of New York reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG, residing 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York, registered as affiliated with one of the two major political parties in the years from 1949 to 1940 inclusive, with the exception of the year 1943, when no record of registration for ANNA M. ROSENBERG, 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York, could be located. When registering in 1940, this ANNA M. ROSENBERG of 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York, furnished the information to the Election Board that she had registered last in 1939 from the address 49 East 96th Street, New York City, New York.

The records of the Board of Elections of the City of New York, reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG registered as affiliated with one of the two major political parties, furnishing her address as 49 East 96th Street, New York City, New York, in the years 1939 to 1936 inclusive. When registering in 1936 this ANNA M. ROSENBERG advised that she had previously registered in
the year 1935 from her residence at that time, 210 West 78th Street, New York City, New York.

The records of the Board of Elections reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG, residing 210 West 78th Street, New York City, registered as affiliated with one of the two major political parties in the years 1935 to 1929 inclusive. When registering in 1929, ANNA M. ROSENBERG advised the Board of Elections that she had previously registered in 1928 from her residence at that time 312 West 71st Street, New York City, New York.

The records of the Board of Elections of the City of New York reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG, residing 312 West 71st Street, New York City, New York, had registered as affiliated with one of the two major political parties during the years from 1928 to 1923 inclusive. When registering in 1923, this ANNA M. ROSENBERG advised the Board of Elections that she had previously registered in 1922 from the address 61 West 71st Street, New York City, New York.

The records of the Board of Elections of the City of New York reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG had registered in the year 1922 as affiliated with one of the two major political parties. When registering in 1922 this ANNA M. ROSENBERG advised the Board of Elections that she had previously registered in 1920 from the address 109 East 19th Street, New York City, New York.

The records of the Board of Elections of the City of New York reflect that one ANNA M. ROSENBERG, residing at 109 East 19th Street, New York City, New York, had registered as affiliated with one of the two major political parties. At that time this ANNA M. ROSENBERG indicated to the Board of Elections that this was her first vote.

It is noted that information set out above furnished by Confidential Informant T-1 indicates that possibly another ANNA, ANN, or ANNE ROSENBERG may have registered as a Communist in the district in which ANNA M. ROSENBERG resided from 1932 to 1936.
The records of the Board of Elections of the City of New York for the district covering the address 49 East 96th Street, New York City, New York, wherein ANNA M. ROSENBERG resided in 1936, and for the registration district covering the address 210 West 78th Street, New York City, New York, wherein ANNA M. ROSENBERG resided in 1935, 1934, 1933 and 1932, reflected no registration for ANNA or ANNE LEDEERER ROSENBERG or ANN or ANNE RACSKER or RASKER ROSENBERG. The only ANNA ROSENBERG with any middle name or initial who was registered, from these districts covering the above addresses, in the years 1932 to 1936, according to the records of the Board of Elections, was ANNA M. ROSENBERG, concerning whom information has been set out above.

PENDING
A check of the records of the Board of Elections mentioned in instant report was conducted by Special Employee CLINTON E. POLLOCK.
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT T-1, on December 14, 1950, furnished the following information concerning JAMES McGRRAW:

This Informant said that HOWARD RUSHMORE, a reporter for the New York Journal American, had advised this Informant that he had known JAMES McGRRAW in the past as a member of the Communist Party, and further, that RUSHMORE told this Informant that he, RUSHMORE, could not believe that McGRRAW would not admit membership in the Communist Party when he testified before the Armed Services Committee at Washington, D.C. Further, this Informant said that HOWARD RUSHMORE had related to the Informant that he, RUSHMORE, could definitely place JAMES McGRRAW as a member of the Communist Party in the past, at the time RUSHMORE was in the Communist Party. This Informant said that RUSHMORE had related to the Informant that if McGRRAW had denied membership in the Communist Party when testifying before the Armed Services Committee, he, RUSHMORE, would be willing to go to Washington, D.C., and testify before that Committee to the effect that he, RUSHMORE, had known JAMES McGRRAW as a Communist Party member and had seen JAMES McGRRAW at meetings of the Communist Party in the past.

This Informant said that HOWARD RUSHMORE had related to the Informant that MAURICE MALKEN was another person who had been a member of the Communist Party in the past, and that MALKEN could definitely place JAMES McGRRAW as a member of the Communist Party in the past.

This Informant said that it was the Informant's recollection that MAURICE MALKEN has had some connection with Immigration and Naturalization Service in the past and had furnished information concerning Communist Party activities to the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Informant said that it was Informant's opinion, therefore, that MALKEN would prove to be cooperative if interviewed concerning his knowledge of McGRRAW's alleged membership in the past in the Communist Party.
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ADMINISTRATIVE (continued)

Re: KENNETH FEARING

KENNETH FEARING stated during the course of the interview with him that he had become a "fellow traveler" in 1933 and that prior to that time he had not been very interested in the meetings of the John Reed Club due to the fact that he was not interested in the politics discussed at all the meetings.

He said that he was acquainted with HAROLD and DAVID ROSENBERG and that he did not see how either of them could have failed to have been members of the John Reed Club. He said that in about 1936 HAROLD became a Trotskyite while DAVID was a Communist. DAVID, according to him, was a drunk and still is to the best of his knowledge.
At New York, N.Y.

Will conduct investigation and report the results of same investigation on leads now outstanding for this office, which leads may logically prove or disprove the point in issue in this matter, namely whether instant ANNA M. ROSENBERG was connected with the Communist Party or the JOHN REED Club, and also as to ascertain the identity of the ANNA ROSENBERG whose name appeared on the JOHN REED Club petition in 1930.
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA JAMES P. MARTIN, dated December 18, 1950, at New York, are identified as follows:

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It is noted that the information furnished by [redacted] mentioned in the investigative section of this report was furnished in a telephone call made by her to SA DONALD E. SHANNON. It is noted further that the information furnished by [redacted] mentioned in the administrative section of this report was furnished by her in a telephone call made to SA JAMES P. MARTIN.