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9-8 (Rev. 2-27-81) UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION VASHINGTON 25, D. C. In Reply, Please Refer to File No. Date: 4/18/61 SAC Birningham To: From: John Edgar Hoover, Director KLINIHER MEGIU: MEXIMILIAN VAI BULK: -W.- 114136 Subject: MAI FILEHAU VAN BALN WERNHER MAGNUS AEAA MAXIMILIAN FREIHERR VON BROUN. You are requested to conduct an investigation of the above-named individual in accordance with the instructions contained in Section 19, Volume 2 of the Manual of Instructions and Chapter 78, Part 3 of the FBI Handbook. This case is to be assigned immediately and reports of the completed investigation must be submitted Airmail, Special Delivery, where proper, to reach the Bureau by 5/16/61. Birth date and Birthplace: 3/23/12. Mireltz, Germany 1516 Hig Cove Road, f.E., Huntsville, Ala. Present Address: 065-30-2991 Social Security Number: Lirector, M. FC. No. A. Muntaville, Ala. Firm to employ and position involved: HICLO UIL (BIC) fre I-MACHINGTON FILLD (DIC: 3) 1-4-1-1-Lu-forter (77-554) L-balliane 1<del>-hi- Niv. (62-</del>9604) 1- mil Hortel I (a) letein IT form 79 cont to W. ALL INFURMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 2/30/85 BY 9145 (TRU

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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

5/29/61

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D. C.

Attention: Personnel Clearance Branch

Re: WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN-

WA-114136

Dear Sir:

ABAA

This is to advise that investigation required under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 on the subject of the attached reports has been completed.

These reports and their contents are loaned to you by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and are not to be distributed outside your agency. It is also required that the information contained therein be given minimum dissemination within your organization.

Also attached are copies of an investigation conducted on the applicant in 1948.

Investigation has been brought up to date.

Agency checks outstanding.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal letter becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)

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Applicant born 3/23/12, Wirsitz, Germany. Presently Director, Geo. C. Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville, Ala.

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Rebulet 4/18/61. BUDED: 5/18/61.

General Services Administration, St. Louis, Mo., advised on 5/2/61 that the Official Personnel Folder for VON BRAUN, covering his employment as listed on the PSQ, should be located at his place of current employment.

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WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN

VON BRAUN - WA - 114136

Character: ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis:

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DETAILS:

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advised he has known VON BRAUN

he had frequent and prolonged

contact with VON BRAUN.

he would conclude that they are strongly anticommunist. He stated he does not feel that VON BRAUN was ever a strong patriot of Germany and that he is anti-Nazi. He advised that VON BRAUN is dedicated to rocketry and has expressed his gratitude in having the opportunity to be in the United States and to be working in rocketry, and believes him to be non-political.

von BRAUN for any position requiring trust and confidence.

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Character:

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Synopsis:

Credit and arrest checks
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Details:

Credit and arrest checks were made at the request of IC

CREDIT

On April 26, 1961.

advised that the records of that agency do not contain any information identifiable with WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN, also known as Freiherr Von Braun, Wernher Magnus Maximilian Freiherr Von Braun.

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On April 26, 1961.

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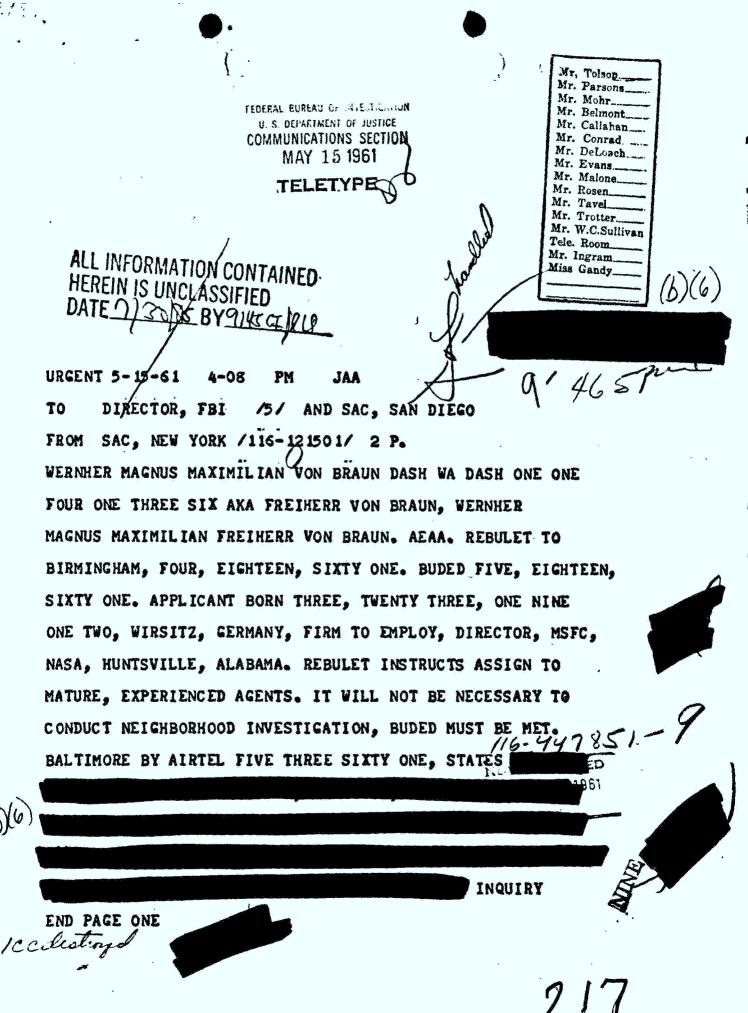
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WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN WA 114136

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis

San Diego, California, commented favorably and recommended applicant for any position in his field.

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DETAILS: AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

advised that he considers applicant to be of superior character and reputation. He stated he considers applicant's loyalty to be above question and also commented that applicant's associates have been the finest individuals. stated he worked with applicant from

He also noted that he has seen applicant on numerous occasions other than during the aforementioned two employments, but stated the above two occasions were the only times he actually worked with applicant.

In closing, stated he would consider it an honor to be employed with applicant at any time. He recommended applicant for any position in his field. The first was at the first was at

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Applicant lists on his Statement of Personal History, executed and signed by him on 11/25/47 membership in the following German organizations: 1-1(1) 14

- (1) NSF National Socialist Air Corps.
- NSDAP German National Socialists Worker Party, Nazi Party.
- SS Schutzstaffel, elite bodyguards black shirts. (3)
- The NSV National Socialists Welfare Organization. (4)
- Verein Deutscher Ingerieure Association of German Engineers, Berlin.
  - Lilienthal Gesellschaff Fur Luftsahrtsorschung - Lilienthal Society for Aviation Research, Berlin.

G-2 representatives in their investigation of applicant interviewed the following associates of applicant to determine the degree of relationship between applicant and the NSDAP and SS. G-2 made available autostat copies of these interviews and are enclosed for all offices for interview in your respective territories:

#### ALBANY:

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G-2 Agent Report dated 4/9/53 re interview with

G-2 Agent Report, dated 4/10/53 re interview with

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G-2 Agent Report, dated 4/1/53, re interview with Redstone Arsenal, Huntaville, Alabama. 5-1 1

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G-2 Agent Report dated 4/20/55, re check of Naturalization Records, U. S. District Court, Birmingham, Ala. re applicant. S-1(1)

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G-2 Agent Report, dated 4/21/53 re interview with

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Enclosed herewith are copies of the 10 interviews reflected above as well as following:

- (1) G-2 Agent Report, dated 4/1/53 re interview of applicant concerning his political and professional activities in Germany during World War II. S-1人以
- (2) Affidavit of membership of the applicant in the NSDAP (copy) dated 6/18/47. 5-1 (5) \( \)
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  Memo of Military Government of Germany, dated
  4/23/47 re check of Nazi Party files Berlin Document
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G-2 Indices reflect that information re one
WERNHER VONBRAUN, not further identified, is located at
the Intelligence Document Library Division, ACSI,
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All offices conduct appropriate investigation.

Baltimore will document the NSDAP and the SS in its report and will also include copies of the above described (3) documents as exhibits in its report and the additional pertinent information as having been utilized.

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WERHNER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN

WA-114136

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis:

Applicant employed, Research and Development Division, Sub Office (Rocket), as Project Director, Fort Bliss, Texas, October, 1945, to May, 1950, and on latter date applicant transferred to Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama.

advised was at Fort Bliss, Texas,

and he recalls applicant was Project Director at that time at Fort Bliss in Research and Development Division. not personally acquainted with applicant and could furnish no additional information. Stated no one else presently at Fort Bliss who would recall applicant. No arrest record located

CIC and CID, Fort Bliss.

negative.

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AT EL PASO, TEXAS:

**Employment** 

On May 12, 1961

United States Army, Fort

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Bliss, Texas, advised that he was stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas

He stated that he recalls that the applicant was at Fort Bliss, Texas, as the Project Director of the Research and Development Division, Sub Office (Rocket), at that time. He further stated that he recalls that the applicant had been at Fort Bliss since 1945 in this stated capacity.

advised that he hadno personal acquaintance with the applicant and could, therefore, furnish no additional information concerning him. He advised, however, that he recalls that in the late Spring or early Summer of 1950 the applicant and his crew of scientists were transferred from Fort Bliss, Texas, to assume a new duty station at the Redstone Arsenal at Huntsville, Alabama.

The Redstone Arsenal at the recalls that there is no one presently at Fort Bliss who was there during the period of 1945 to 1950 that to his knowledge was working in such a capacity as to have been cognizant of the applicant's employment at Fort Bliss or to have been acquainted with the applicant.

### Credit and Arrests

At Fort Bliss, Texas:

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On May 3, 1961,
the records of the 48th MP Detachment,
Criminal Investigation Division, were checked but no
data pertaining to the applicant was located.

On May 8, 1961, Special Agent, CIC, advised that his records reflected no information pertaining to the applicant.

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advised that there was no record of an arrest concerning the applicant in their respective files.

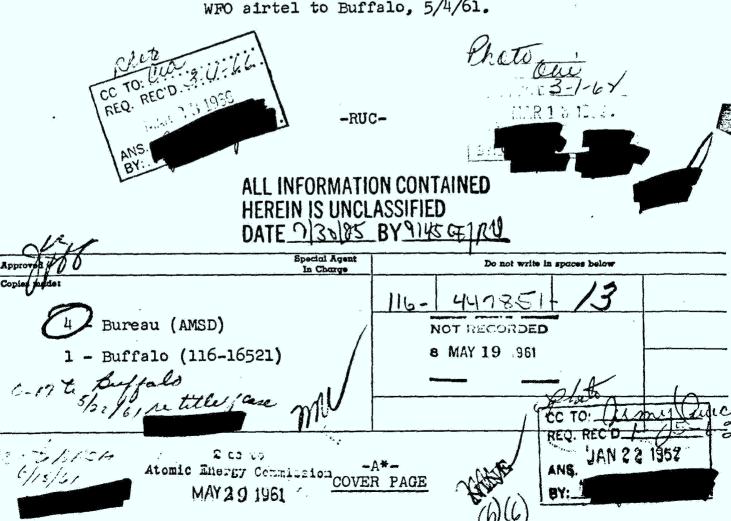
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He advised applicant was a scientist assigned to the German Missile Program. He stated that applicant agreed to surrender the German missile data to the United States at the end of World War II and to come to the U.S. applicant presently in charge of U.S. Missile Program. advised applicant loyal to the U.S. and possesses

excellent character, reputation, and associates. Would recommend applicant for position of trust and confidence with the U. S. Government.

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On May 15, 1961;

advised he has known the

applicant since

He stated that the applicant in this capacity served as a close associate and the applicant was directly responsible for 17,000 people engaged in the project.



cant and other German scientists, surrendered himself to United States forces in Switzerland and subsequently came to the United States. He stated that the applicant then went to White Sands, New Mexico, to demonstrate German missiles the United States had confiscated along with the missile reports to the United States Government officials. Later applicant was sent to Huntsville, Alabama, where he is now the scientist in charge of all United States missile programs.

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advised that his association with the applicant has been somewhat limited, consisting principally of periodic business and social contacts.

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very loyal to the United States and it is his firm belief that he is not connected with the Communist Party or any other subversive organization. He stated that from remarks made by the applicant to him, the applicant does not want any part of a dictatorship as HITLER had proven to him what happens to a country which is governed in this manner. He stated that the applicant is very conscientious about the security of his work

he never discusses any of his missile programs which are of a classified nature. He said the applicant will do the best job he possibly can for the United States.

described the applicant as one of the outstanding scientists in the world and a very able administrator. He stated that when the applicant sets his sights on a particular goal, he will not be distracted from that goal until he has successfully completed it.

advised that the applicant possesses an excellent character and reputation and he knows of nothing which would reflect unfavorably upon any of his associates. He stated he would recommend the applicant for any position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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- i. G-2 Agent Report dated April 1, 1953 reflecting inerview set applicant. S-100(U)
- 2. Affidavit of Applicant for Membership in the NSDAP dated
  SEE EXHIBIT B.
- 3. Memo of Office of the Military Government of Germany reflecting the check of Nazi Party Records, Berlin, Germany, dated April 23, 1947.

#### DETAILS

### AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

The files of G-2, U.S. Army Counterintelligence
Records Facility, Fort Holabird, Maryland, made available
by a representative of that agency, were reviewed on
May 10-15, 1961. These files reveal that applicant was
the subject of a National Agency check completed on December
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Also, according to G-2 files, the SS are the ADOLPH HITLER's notorious "elite troops"

Pertinet information developed by G-2 during the course of their investigations is contained in the following G-2 documents, copies of which were made available by G-2 officials and are enclosed herewith: J-1 (1)

- reflecting interview with applicant. P. SEE EXHIBIT
- 2. Affidavit of Applicant for Membership in the NSDAP dated June 18, 1947. SEE EXHIBIT B.
- Germany reflecting the check of Nazi Party
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  SEE EXHIBIT C.

G-2 files concerning the applicant has been utilized by the special Bureau of Investigation in conducting this investigation.



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No personnel file located NASA. No additional pertinent information files of CSC or ARC Security. HCUA negative. Passport issued December, 1956, and October, 1960.

Acquaintance recommends.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

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National Aeronauties and Space Administration (NASA)

On May 16, 1961, Personnel Office, 801 19th Street, N. W., advised SA JR., that her files contain no personnel record on the applicant. She stated that this file would be located at his current place of employment.

On May 16, 1961. Security
Office, NASA, advised SA that his files reflect the applicant was granted a "Top Secret" clearance by the Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama, based on a background investigation by the Third Army, completed December 29, 1954.

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On June 27, 1960, NASA granted the applicant a "Top Secret" clearance based on the foregoing investigation which clearance he currently holds.

On May 11, 1961, Personnel Office, National Academy of Sciences - National Research Council (NAS - NRC), advised SA that her records reflect the applicant is not a member of NAS - NRC.

Security Office, NAS - NRC, advised SA her files contain no record on the applicant.

stated that during this period he was certain the applicant was not politically active and that he only did what his position required him to do as part of the government insofar as political matters were concerned. He stated there is no question whatsoever in his mind concerning the applicant's character, associates, reputation or loyalty and that he would recommend him, without hesitation, for a position of trust and confidence.

advised SA that he had briefly met the applicant whom he described as a great man, however, he did not know him well enough to furnish any additional comments or make any recommendation.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

The files of the Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, as reviewed on May 1, 1961, by IC contain no additional pertinent information on the applicant.

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Activities as checked on May 4, 1961, by IC contain no record on the applicant.

On May 2, 1961, Security Files, Washington Area Security Operations Office, Germantown, Maryland, advised SA that the applicant's security file WA-114136 contains no additional pertinent information.

The files of the Passport Office, Department of State, reviewed on May 11, 1961, by SE reflect the applicant was issued Passport Number 261392 on December 7, 1956, for a two-week trip to Puerto Rico and possibly the Virgin Islands, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, and other Caribbean Islands on official business for the United States Navy in San Juan. He listed his birth date as March 23, 1912, at Wirsitz, Germany.

On August 20, 1959, the above passport was renewed for travel to France, Germany, and England on official business for the Army Ballistic Missile Agency.

On July 20, 1960, the above passport was amended to show the applicant as proceeding abroad on official business for NASA.

On October 17, 1960, the applicant was issued Passport Number 2462083 for travel to Germany, Austria, France, England, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy, and Norway for pleasure. The file contained no additional pertinent information.

The files of the Office of Security, Central Intelligence Agency, as caused to be checked on May 9, 1961, by SA

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ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

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Raturalization records and employment records reflect applicant born 3/23/12, Wirsitz, Germany. Filed petition #7888 for naturalization, USDC, Birmingham, Alabama, 1/18/55. Naturalized Huntsville, Alabama, 4/14/55, issued Certificate of Citizenship #7297683. Employment records MSFC, RASA, Huntsville, reflect applicant employed 9/13/45, Department of Army, 48 Project Director, Research and Development Division. Pt. Bliss, Texas. In May, 1950, transferred to Guided Missile Development Group, REDSTONE ARSENAL, Huntsville, Alabama, Effective 7/1/52, transferred to Civil Service status. Effective 2/14/56, transferred from Ordnance Missile Laboratory, RSA, to ABMA as Director, Development Operations Division. Effective 7/1/60, named Director, MSFC, MASA. Access to top secret granted 9/19/55, extended by MSFC. Security file, MSFC, reflects applicant was member of Hazi Party in Germany and SS Major in German Army. Never active in either. No adverse information developed by MASA Security Office. Associates, MSFC, comment favorably and recommend. Credit and criminal negative.

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DETAILS: AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

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U. S. District Court Clerk's Office, advised that the records of that office reflect WERNHER VON BRAUN, 907 McClung Street, Huntsville, Alabama, filed petition #7888 on January 18, 1955, at Birmingham, Alabama, for the purpose of becoming naturalized. She further advised the records reflect he was naturalized in Huntsville, Alabama, on April 14, 1955, and was issued Certificate of Citizenship No. 7297683.

further advised that WERNHER VON BRAUN was born March 23, 1912, in Wirsitz, Ponsen, Germany, His wife, MARIA LOUISE VON BRAUN, was born in Berlin, Germany, and they were married February 1, 1947, in Landshut, Germany, and have two children, IRIS CAREEN VON BRAUN, born and MARGURITE CECILE VON BRAUN, born at Huntsville, Alabama.

The records of U. S. District Court Clerk's Office further reflect that WERNHER VON BRAUN had lawful admission for permanent residence; that he was at El Paso, Texas, on November 2, 1949, and his Citizenship Certificate #7297683 was signed by DAN STRONG, Deputy Clerk, U. S. District Court, Northern District of Alabama.

#### AT HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

Personnel Office, GEORGE C. MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER (MSFC), NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA), made available for review applicant's personnel file maintained at the Personnel Office of MSFC. This file reflects that WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN was born March 23, 1912, at Wirsitz, Germany. This file reflects that from May, 1930, to November, 1932, applicant was employed by the Rocket Field Reinickendorf, Berlin, Germany; from November, 1932, to April, 1937, he was employed at the Army Proving Ground, German Ordnance Department, Kummersdarf, Germany; from April, 1937, to May, 1945, by the Army Rocket



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Center, German Army Ordnance Department, as Technical Director, at Peenemuende, Germany; from September, 1945, to May, 1950, employed as Project Director, Research and Development Division, Sub-Office (Rocket), for the U.S. Army, Fort Bliss, Texas. From May, 1950, to February, 1956, he was employed by the U.S. Army as Technical Director at REDSTONE ARSENAL, Huntsville, Alabama, assigned to the Guided Missile Development Group. Effective February 14, 1956, he was transferred from the Ordnance Missile Laboratory, REDSTONE ARSENAL, to the Army Ballistics Missile Agency (ABMA) as Director of Development Operations Division. On July 1, 1960, he was transferred from ABMA, as Director of Development Operations Division, to MSFC as Director of MSFC. He is still employed by NASA as Director of MSFC. This file reflects that as of July 1, 1952, applicant was appointed as an Aeronautical Research, Development and Design Engineer under Civil Service status. All employment prior to that time was under a contract basis.

This file reflects that a background investigation was completed by the U.S. Third Army on December 29, 1954, and that secret clearance was granted on July 11, 1955.

Applicant's personnel file contains no derogatory information but does contain numerous letters of commendation for outstanding performance of duties.

On May 12, 1961,
Security Section, MSFC, advised that a resume of applicant's security file maintained by the Security Section, MSFC, reflects that applicant received his U. S. Citizenship on April 14, 1955. Final clearance (security) was granted by REDSTONE ARSENAL, Intelligence and Security Division, on July 26, 1955, based upon a favorable background investigation completed in December, 1954, by U. S. Army. Access to top secret information was granted on September 19, 1955, and was extended by MSFC on July 1, 1960.

Applicant's security file reflects that he was a member of the SS Horseback Riding School in Germany from 1933 to 1934. He was a D.L.V. pilot in 1933; was a member of the



from 1934 to 1935, and member of KSDAP (Nazi Party) from 1939 - 1945. He was an SS Major in the German Army, 1940 to 1945. His service in the SS was not active, but rather an honorary commission. He was arrested in March, 1944, and jailed for two weeks for Anti-Nazi utterances. He was released for lack of proof and necessity of his con timing on the job with B2 Rockets for the German Army!

This file reflects that a security evaluation the Director of Intelligence, Department of Army, did not consider applicant a war criminal, nor did evidence exist that he was an ardent Nazi. The only derogatory information developed was that he had been a member of the MSDAP and a Major in the 88 Group. No evidence of political activity or an active member of the SS was developed. The SS Commission was an honorary commission and accepted upon the advice of his superior. During the investigation of applicant, fiftyeight sources reported favorably and no information was developed reflecting adversely upon applicant's character, integrity, discretion or loyalty.

stated he is personally acquainted with applicant and had been employed under applicant for several commented favorably concerning applicant character, reputation, associates and loyalty, and stated be considers applicant to be a man of the highest integrity an completely loyal to the United States. 1000 mm 
May 12, 1961. advised that he had known in Germany and been associated with applicant Stated he considers applicant to be one of the finest men he has ever had the pleasure of being associated with. His comments concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty were favorable, and he highly recommended him for a position involving trust

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that he has known and been associated with applicant since He stated he worked with him in Germany prior to their entrance to the United States and has been associated with him since they came to the United States from Germany.

applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty were favorable and he highly recommended applicant.

On May 12, 1961,

MSFC, advised that he has been associated with applicant on both a professional and social basis since stated that from his association with applicant he considers the United States to be extremely fortunate to have such a man as applicant in their service. His comments concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty were favorable, and he highly recommended applicant.

On May 12, 1961,

MSFC, advised that he has been associated with applicant since He stated that in his estimation he has found applicant to be the most security minded man that it has been his pleasure to work under. His comments concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty were favorable and he highly recommended applicant.

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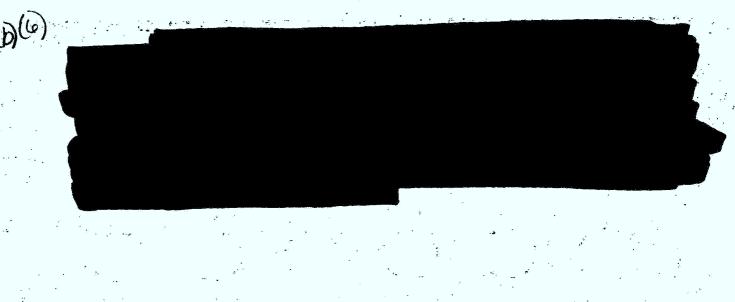
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Title

WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis:

Reference recommends.

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DETAILS:

SA that he has been acquainted with the applicant since

added that in his opinion the applicant is 100% loyal to America and would in no instance violate the security of the United States.

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Bureau File No.:

WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN - 114136

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis worked closely with applicant from at the Army Ordnance Guided Missle Center, Fort Bliss, Texas. Applicant highly thought of in his field and is of good character and reputation and believes in the American way of life. states he does not know if applicant was a Nazi sympathizer but said many states he does of the German engineers joined the Nazi Party because they had no alternative if they wanted to provide for their families would recommend applicant and continue with their work. even though he feels the United States should be cautious and constantly aware of the German scientists actions.

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advised that he worked closely with the applicant from at the Army Ordnance Guided Missile Center at Fort Bliss. Texas.

He advised that the project was moved from work Hiss to Huntsville, Alabama in April, 1950

He advised that the applicant became the technical director of the Army Ordnance Guided Missile Center at Huntsville, subsequent to the project's moving from Fort Bliss, Texas.

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in his riero, is an individual of good character and reputation and one who believes in the American way of life.

the applicant received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Institute of Technology in Berlin, Germany in 1932, and that during a period in 1931, the applicant attended the Technical Institute in Switzerland. the applicant received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics from the University of Berlin in 1934. during the time applicant was studying at the Institute of Technology in 1931, the applicant assisted Professor OBERTH in writing a book concerning the possibilities of constructing liquid-fired rockets. He said applicant shortly thereafter founded his own private rocket development business in Berlin and that among his experiments was a 25 pound rocket fired by gasoline and liquid oxygen. in 1932, the applicant was connected with the German Army, his duties having been concerned with basic missile research and weather data experimentation. He said the German Government financed the applicant's building of test stands and facilities for experimentation in Darmstadt, Germany. said that in 1939, applicant became a technical advisor at Peenemunde Proving Ground located on the Baltic Sea, adding that the Commanding Officer at Peenemunde was

the applicant continued his guided missile work throughout the war and met with ADOLPH HITLER on several occasions, being decorated by HITLER twice. He said one of applicant's decorations consisted of the Iron Cross. He said he had seen pictures of the applicant receiving this Iron Cross decoration from HITLER.

learned that HITLER had instructed the SS Troops to gas all the technical men concerned with the rocket development. He said upon hearing this the applicant commendeered a train and along with other technical men fled to some location in the mountains located in South Germany. He said the applicant, along with many others, chose to leave this location in the mountains and flee to the American lines.

the applicant, like many other German engineers, was an opportunist. He said the applicant has stated that he was not interested in politics but was an engineer, and

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that this was his life. he did not know if the applicant was a Nazi sympathizer or not but stated that in his associations with many German scientists while at Fort Bliss, Texas, he learned that many of these German scientists and engineers had joined the Nazi Party because they had had no alternative if they desired to provide for their families and continue on with their work.

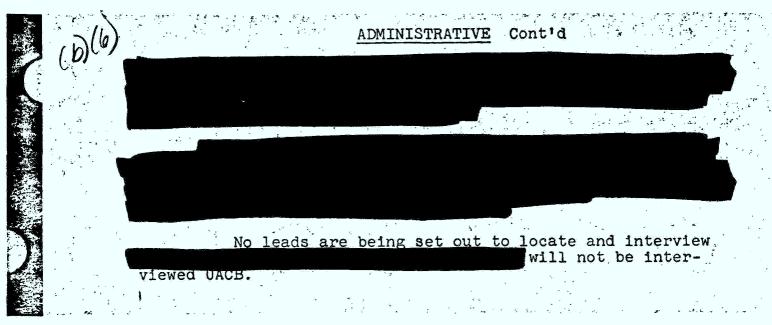
the applicant was hypercritical of the slowness of the United States development of guided missiles. He said the applicant was disturbed because they were never able to get sufficient funds to go on with this program as well as the fact that when it came to working on airborne vehicles they were unable to get skilled people in the Fort Bliss area. Under the circumstances they merely did the best they could.

he would recommend the applicant for a position of trust with the Government. He advised that even though he would recommend applicant, he feels that the United States should be cautious and constantly aware of the German scientists actions. He advised that he would always be an American, and native-born Germans would also always be Germans.

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Title

WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis:

Former associates of applicant in Germany prior to his entry into the United States, advised applicant was member of NSDAP in Germany through necessity, was never active in Party; was also officer in SS, but more in nature of honorary commission; was never active in either SS or NSDAP. All commented favorably concerning applicant and highly recommended him.

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DETAILS:

At Huntsville, Alabama

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The following investigation was conducted on May 23, 1961, by SA

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), advised he has known and been acquainted with applicant since approximately when applicant was in charge of the V-2 Rocket Center in Peenemuende, Germany. He stated he worked for applicant at the Peenemuende Center. He said that during the time they were together in Germany, applicant was, in all probability, a member of the German National Socialist Workers Party (NSDAP) (Nazi Party), but he was never active in the Nazi Party and his membership was through necessity rather than by choice. He was also a member of the Schutzstaffel (SS) and held a commission in the SS. advised applicant was not active in the SS and his commission was more of an honorary commission than an actual commission.

stated applicant's primary interest was in the field of scientific work and because of his position as a leader in rocket research, the Nazi Party and SS more or less left him alone; however, at one time applicant was arrested by the Gestapo and held for several weeks, but was subsequently released.

advised he considered applicant to be completely loyal to the United States Government and a man whose character, reputation and associates were above reproach. He stated he highly recommended him for a position involving trust and confidence.

MSFC, NASA, advised he has known and been associated with applicant since He stated he worked under applicant's supervision at the V-2 Rocket Center, Peenemuende, Germany. He said that although applicant was probably a member of the Nazi Party in Germany and also held a commission in the SS, he was never active in either. He advised he never knew applicant to make any political speeches

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or to engage in politics in any way. He stated applicant was a devoted scientist and his membership in the Party (Nazi) was merely so he could continue his scientific work at the V-2 Center.

said applicant, in fact, was the driving force in moving the group of scientists from the Peenemuende Center to the West, rather than to the Eastern Zone of Germany immediately after World War II. He stated applicant realized the effects of working for the Russian Government and was extremely instrumental in causing the group of scientists who came to the West rather than remain in Peenemuende and be taken over by the Russians, to do so.

commented favorably concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty to the United States Government, and stated he would highly recommend him for a position of trust and confidence.

WISFC, NASA, advised he has known and been associated with applicant since at which time he went to work under applicant's supervision at the Rocket Center, Peenemuende, Germany. He stated applicant was a member of the Nazi Party in Germany and was also an officer in the SS; however, he was never active in either. He said although applicant was the Director of the Rocket Center, he never encouraged the employees to attend Party meetings and never issued any memorandums or orders suggesting any of the employees attend Party meetings. He said applicant appeared to be completely divorced from all political activities and was only interested in his scientific work. He advised he only saw applicant in uniform on one occasion and that was on a special day when everyone had to appear in uniform if they were a member of the SS.

applicant was extremely instrumental in steering a number of the employees of the Peenemuende Rocket Center to the Western Zone at the end of World War II, rather than allowing them to remain at the Rocket Center and be absorbed into the Russian Zone. He stated applicant realized what would happen to them if they remained in Peenemuende and their only opportunity would be to move into the Western Zone. As a result, a number of the

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scientists from the Peenemuende Center moved into the Western Zone and were subsequently brought to the United States.

cant since he has been in the United States and considers him to be a man of the highest type. His comments concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty were entirely favorable and he highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

MSFC, NASA, advised he has known and associated with applicant both in Germany and the United States since He stated he worked under applicant at the V-2 Rocket tenter, Peenemuende, Germany, during World War II, at which time applicant was chief of the rocket center. He said that although applicant was a member of the Nazi Party and also an officer in the SS, applicant was active in neither. He advised that to his knowledge he never saw applicant in his SS uniform. He stated applicant never engaged in political speeches for the Nazi Party and had no interest in Party work. He said applicant was strictly a scientist and devoted his entire thinking to science rather than to any activity in the Nazi Party.

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WERNHER MAGNUS MAXIMILIAN VON BRAUN - WA - 114136

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Synopsis:

recommends applicant.
States he is aware that applicant was a member of the Nazi Party and an officer in the SS in Germany. States he would be cautious of the applicant if sometime in the future the US again became involved in a conflict with Germany.

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VON BRAUN was very cooperative with his group and they were successful in getting the scientists and their families away from the Russians.

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VON BRAUN was an officer in the German SS troops. While VON BRAUN was technical director of the German guided missile program, he had received several invitations to become an SS officer. He declined the offer. but was advised eventually that it would be wise for him to join the SS, which VON BRAUN did. VON BRAUN related this to him at one time who now lives in the United States, confirmed this. Because of VON BRAUN's high position in Germany at the time, it was expected of him to join the SS. It is his estimation that VON BRAUN was a member of the SS for about 18 months to two years. He does not believe that VON BRAUN was active or had any interest in the SS.

did he see VON

BRAUN in the uniform of an SS officer

Concerning VON BRAUN's membership in the Nazi Party, he is aware that VON BRAUN was a member of this Party and he assumes that he was a member for a long time. All individuals who were in a position of responsibility in Germany, with very few exceptions, were expected to be members of the Nazi Party. Membership in this Party, as well as membership in the SS, was necessary to further their professional careers.

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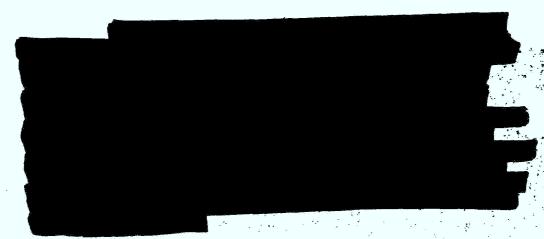
VON BRAUN has never indicated that he is interested in political matters and he does not believe that VON BRAUN was concerned with political philosophy. His main interest in life has always been his work in guided missiles and any political activity he may have engaged in was a means to an end to provide him with the necessary freedom to conduct his experiments.

He believes VON BRAUN mentioned at one time that the SS had put him in jail for a short time because he had expressed the view that he was interested in rockets only for space purposes and not for military use.

VON BRAUN is truly grateful for the opportunities this country has given him to continue his professional interests and VON BRAUN feels that he has been exceedingly well treated in the United States. VON BRAUN returned to Germany in 1947 to get married, returned to this country, and is now naturalized.

He considers VON BRAUN to be a person of excellent moral character and habits and a good family man. VON BRAUN is a loyal American and he recommends VON BRAUN for a position of responsibility associated with the Government. His only concern about VON BRAUN is that if sometime in the future a powerful and militant Germany should again come in conflict with the United States, he does not know to what side VON BRAUN would throw his allegiance. He said VON BRAUN is a German and will always remain so. This opinion concerning VON BRAUN is true of any German. In view of the current international situation, he has no reason to question VON BRAUN. He is certain VON BRAUN has no interests in Communism and would never do business with the Russians.

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VON BRAUNsassociates in this country are mainly Army officials.

VON BRAUN was formerly called Professor VON BRAUN; however, this is not a recognized title and only one bestowed upon him by ADOLF HITLER.

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The files of the Office of Security, Central

(b) Intelligence Agency, as caused to be checked on May 23, 1961,
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the following pertinent information on one SIGISMUND (FREIHERR)

von BRAUN who appears to be identical with the applicant's

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. A report dated 6 January 1945

one Baron Siegesmund von BRAUN, believed to be identifiable with Subject, was German Secretary of the Legation to the Holy See. According to the report, he was a diplomat of the old school and not likely to have engaged in SD (German Security Police) activities. However, other sources had

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suggested that von BRAUN, or someone else having a similar name, had been actively connected with German intelligence activities in Rome, Italy.

"2. The report continued as follows: 'Von BRAUN was a frequent visitor at the Japanese Embassy. During the fall of 1943, there were indications that WEISZAECKER (German Ambassador to the Holy See) was attempting to form a Vatican information service under the direction of von BRAUN and that von BRAUN may have been involved in certain fifth column activities in Rome. It is possible that both WEISZAECKER and von KESSEL (German First Secretary to the Holy See), or at least von KESSEL, regarded von BRAUN as a member of the SD whose duty it was to checker the activities of other members of the Embassy, as well as on the other German services in Rome. It may be that von BRAUN did carry out such activities at some other point in his career when he was serving in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia).

"3. This office wishes to note that, according to the above report, General WEISZAECKER and Colonel von KESSEL were, at the time of the report, actively engaged in attempting to make an arrangement with the Allies under which Generals GUDERIAN and von RUNDSTEDT might have surrendered their armies to the Allies, or that assistance might have been given to the German Army by the Allies to help the German Army liquidate the Nazis in Italy. As such, WEISZAECKER and von KESSEL were acting at this time as strong anti-Nazis."

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Mr. Tolson Mr. Mohr ... United States Senate Mr. Parsons. Mr. Belmont. WASHINGTON, D.C. fr. Calladar June 6, 1960 Mr. Pollon Mr. Malbae Mr. H. Suire Mr. Resen The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Mr. Tamm Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Testter. U. S. Department of Justice Mr. W.C.Su Washington 25, D. C. Tele. Room Mr. lngram Miss Gandy. Dear Friend: You and your lady are cordially invited to a special Congressional preview of I AIM AT THE STARS to be shown at 5:30 p. m., Tuesday, June 21, in the New Senate Office Building auditorium. We are privileged to co-host this movie produced by Columbia Pictures Corporation with Army cooperation. It is based on the life and achievements of Dr. Wernher von Braun who led the development of America's first successful space satellite at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama. Our guest of honor will be Dr. von Braun and Victoria Shaw, the beautiful actress who portrays his wife in this motion picture. We hope you may be able to attend this showingREC- 53 Cordially JUN 17 1960 **EX** 109 R.S.V.P. NOTO

UNITED STATES GOVE lemorandum DENTIAL DATE: September 14, 1961 C. Sullivan (0) 0. L'Allier FROM ALLEGED TECHNICAL SABOTAGE OF U.S. SPACE PROGRAM Attached is a letter from Mr. S. Wesley Reynolds, Director of Security, National Security Agency (NSA), Fort Meade, Maryland, containing charges leveled against the administration of U.S. space (D)(3) (p)(o) programs by (b)(A) Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) have been involved in decisions concerning our space effort which are so erroneous, in (a) Och. eyes, as to indicate subversion and possible sabotage. most of the responsibility for this obstructionism with Dr. Wernher Von Braun and other first-generation German rocket scientists at claims they are jealously guarding Huntsville, Alabama. claims they are jealously guarding their perogatives to the extent of rejecting worthwhile ideas developed Huntsville. Alabama. by American companies. told WSA representatives that and has also told the whole story to his Congressman, James Koosevelt (Democrat-California). Roosevelt indicated an interest in bringing this matter up on the floor of the House of Representatives to ask for a full investigation? material to NASA, contact was made with the Security Office at MSA relative to the requests for confidentiality on the part of the source. SSA investigator Jeremy Lynch who interviewed the stated that definitely did not want dentity made known to NASA at this time & Accordingly, an appropriate dissemination memorandum has been prepared attributing the data to a confidential source concerning whom the Bureau has no information relative to reliability or Classified by 2/25/7/Field motivations. Declassify our CADE Enclosure 1 " Mr. Haynes o. 1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Liaison 1 - Mr. Conrad 1 % Mr. Emond 1 - Mr. Sullivan : REC- 79 (7) ENCLOSURE HEREIN SCHOLASSIFIE B SEP 18 1961 EX 101 EXCEPT WHERE SHOWS OTHERWISE" CONFINENTIA

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and other officials at NSA that interest stems from desire to sell company's equipment to the Government. In any event, there appears to be no information here upon which the FBI could base an inquiry, and NSA has been so advised.

ACTION:

Upon approval of the attached memorandum for dissemination, it is recommended it be made available to appropriate officials at NASA.)

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Mr. Belmont CONTIDENTIAL - Mr. Conrad 1 - Mr. Sullivan BROD - Mr. Haynes September 14, 1961 (D A MINDO SIDE FOR CLASSIVICAT e occupied in private toward in the field of rectet propulsion has ation available to an employee of another Cother ental agency with the request that it be appropriately to interested authorities. This individual requested EXCEPT WHERE S OTHERWISE To information is available identity not be disclosed. I relative to the reliability According to the source, the missile industry that Vernher von Brann and other firstgeneration German recket scientists at Bentsville, Alaber are not on good terms with their American counterparts. had so information that they are "working for the Russ Spinion that their stabborn and superior caused them to reject valuable ideas and equipment developed t alleged that their obstinacy amounted to technic The American missile effort. perfer to exemplify Charges, experienced by two companies in advancia the V.S. All Force in the According to the course. late 1950's had been given an assignment to develop a recket engine capable of space flight. In an effort to sequire at engine of sufficient thrust, the ilr force allegedly award portain research contracts to the Rocket Byne Corporation source alleged that this company vas espability approaching 450,000 pounds of the 1953 and required eaty a പ് .അഭി mloos ellivon rvel urnished MASA Original and one otter Mier to Sullivan re same TO PELETYPE UNIT CON ble. Roc caption and date, prepared NSURE

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According to the source, the Air Porce budget for the development of this engine was out off in 1958 when the responsibility for space efforts was given to the Estimal Aeronautics and Space Administration (EASA).

The source commented that until recently Yes Braus and his associates refused to have saything to do with the "gi" recket engine and desired to go along with the equipment they developed.

## CAL-VAL MESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

According to the source, the CAL-VAL company developed a sound suppressor device recently which amounted to a unjer advance in combating vibrations and heat emanated by a rocket at the time of take-off. Source alleged that CAL-VAL has been at the transfer arranging for appropriate tests of this sound hard pressor by EASA as a result of the obstructionism of Yen Brune group at Euntaville, Alabama.

The source alleged that CAL-VAL was resented in Huntsville and that their arguments concerning the petential value of a sound suppressor were first refused by the Germans who later reluctantly agreed to test the device. It was alleged that although proliminary procedures have been undertaken, it is evident that CAL-VAL is "getting the run around" from its evident that CAL-VAL is "getting the run around" from Huntsville in spite of the fact that approval of this device was given at MAIA headquarters in Washington. While alleged that was given at MAIA headquarters in Washington. While alleged that in so many words "MASA does not have control over Huntsville," in so many words "MASA does not have control over Huntsville," to belp CAL-VAL test their sound suppressor.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ATTN: FBI Limison Section

SUBJECT: Alleged Possible Technical Sabotage of United States Space Programs

- 1. On 10 August 1961, telephonically advised Mr. S. Wesley Keynolds, Director, Office of Security, NSA, that a friend of the was visiting in Washington and desired to volunteer some information. At this time gave no indication as to what the information was concerned with other than that his friend desired to talk about missiles.
- 2. On the morning of 11 August 1961, a representative of this Office met with in a Washington hotel at which time introduced his friend as

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maintains an office in Washington, D. C. at

3. stated that there were two separate problems involving the missile and space programs of the United States Government which have bothered for some time and which now desired to make known to responsible high authority in the Nation's Capitol. continued by stating that had given the two matters serious thought and after learning of the space achievement of Soviet Maj Gherman S. Titov on Sunday, 6 August 1961, felt obligated as an American citizen to bring this information to the right people in Washington.

had obligations to employees and the stockholders of the security position because felt possibly that the best interests of the security of the United States were involved. Further indicated that he had related these problems of concern to long time personal friend who in turn had suggested that hr. Reynolds. Director of who in turn had suggested that hr. Reynolds. Director of interjected security at the National Security Agency be advised. Interjected at this point that Mr. Reynolds would probably feel that he matter be turned over to the FBL for proper channeling.

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the missile "business" that Dr. Wernher von Braun and the other first generation German rocket scientists at Euntsville, Alabama, are not on good speaking terms with their American counterparts.

personally discussed the aforementioned that in the fall of personally discussed the aforementioned point with the editor (name not offered) of the leading trade journal in the missile field and that the editor had concurred on that point and had said that won Braun's group in Euntsville were "prima domnas."

the second generation group of Germans are more advanced in their thinking than you Braun's group.

- then stated that it was necessary to relate some historical background information in order to fully grasp the signifilate 1970 s the United States Air Force han been given a space assignfirst point of contention. ment to develop a rocket engine capable of space flight. According to the Air Force soon realized that they needed a rocket engine with a bigger booster to get out into space - a rocket engine more powerful than any engine then in existence for weapon missiles. Therefore, added, the Air Force came up with the requirement of an "El" rocket engine which was developed by the Rocket Dyne Corporation of Conoga Park, California. Stated that sunderstood from various sources in the missile "business that the El rocket engine developed by Rocket Dyne was capable of 450,000 pounds of thrust. personally did not have first hand facts and figures concerning the El" rocket engine developed by Rocket Dyne, but mew has discussed for a fact that the "Ki" existed. the "El" rocket engine with the editor of the trade journal previously mentioned and that the editor indicated to that he also knew of its existence and potential, but because of the sensitivity of the question involved he didn't dare print anything about it in his trade journal.
  - German missile scientists now employed at actually worked on the "El" rocket engine at Rocket Dyne and know something of its capabilities "El" rocket engine at Rocket Dyne and know something of its capabilities first hand. Identified these German scientists as Max Huber, sind Horst Wichman, also an wice-President and Chief Engineer at subsequently telephoned Max Huber in engineer at subsequently telephoned Max Huber in Ellifornia during instant interview and according to Rocket Dyne in 1956, advised that the "El" rocket engine was started by Rocket Dyne in 1956, and was tested very successfully over one-hundred times through 1958, and needed only a few refinements for final acceptance. Further stated that Huber informed that the "El" rocket engine could have



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produced upwards of 435,000 pounds of thrust. Advised that the significance of the "El" rocket engine was that it represented in 1958 approximately 50,000 more pounds of thrust than the engine used by Soviet Maj Titov in the latest Russian space achievement of Sunday, 6 August 1961.

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- development of the "El" rocket engine at Rocket Dyne, during the period from 1956 to 1958, advised that Gen Maderas had lost his assignment as the head of ARPA as ARPA was abolished and MASA came into being. Maderas refused to go to MASA and retired from According to Maderas refused to go to MASA and retired from the Service. Further stated that von Braun and his followers reluctantly went over to MASA in a "T'ed off" frame of mind. At the same time the Air Force was taken out of the space business and was kept strictly to military missiles. Added that as the Air Force budget was chopped the "El" rocket engine, an Air Force space assignment, was cut off. According to the "El" rocket engine was built and was within one month of final completion at Rocket Dyne in Conoga Park, California in 1958.
  - 8. Continuing, stated that it was understanding that the Air Force then offered the "RI" rocket engine, "a hell of a good engine," to won Braun and won Braun refused it. added that does not know why won Braun refused to accept the "RI" rocket engine. Further stated that feels that the full story of the "EI" rocket engine can still be obtained from Rocket Dyne in California. Sadded that believes that a report on the "RI" engine was made and was given to MASA.
  - who is a high official at Rocket Dyne, about one month ago and that this official indicated knowledge of the existence of the suppressed "Kl" rocket engine. I declined to identify the aforementioned employee of Rocket Dyne and indicated that intended to pursue him as a further source of information regarding the "Kl." later, during instant interview, referred to this Rocket Dyne official as (IN not mentioned) and advised that the had told that the "Kl" is now sitting on the loading platform at Rocket Dyne in Conoga Park and further that had verified everything had heard about the "Kl" rocket engine.

    Sagain emphasized that if the facts surrounding the "Kl" were again emphasized that if the facts surrounding the "Kl" were accomplished on last Sunday (i.e., 6 August 1961).
  - 10. Then commented that Max Enber "really stirred it up in me" in discussing the "El" engine and Huber told that won Braun didn't want anything to do with the "El" rocket engine and desired to go along with the rocket engines he had.



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vent cut to Rocket Dyne in California to inspect the "El" engine.

ttated that worked at one time with the Douglas Company
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had met many MASA people and had found out from the MASA
personnel that they had experienced trouble in dealing with von Braun
and his German followers.

12. stated that does not believe that you Braun and his German scientists at Huntsville are working for the Russians, but rather that they are "pig headed and stubborn."

13. then commented that another friend of

is aware of the "Fi" situation and is willing to furnish information about it.

added that seems to keep abreast of

14. reiterated that did not have the "bare facts" of the El", but "it should be investigated." and he should be an Air Force representative there and he should have the ("El") reports."

then stated "I'm mad about what the Russians did last added that he told "Jimmy" Roosevelt (Congressman James Roosevelt of California) the same story regarding the "El" rocket engine at lunch last week. According to Roosevelt stated that he could bring the "El" matter up on the floor of the House of Representatives and ask for a full investigation, but that yet as wanted to go back to mocket Dyne and "find out more" about opined the people at Rocket Dyne would be willing intends to keep indicated that to talk about the "El" engine. in touch with Roosevelt. further stated that would be willing to relate the aforementioned story regarding the "El" engine to Adm Frost, would be willing the Director of MSA, Mr. Allen Dulles, the Director of CIA, or Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, the Director of the FRI, if any of these officials would desire to do so.

dealt with a sound suppressor device for rocket engines that has developed. Explained briefly in laymen's terminology that a sound suppressor is a device utilized on the launching pad which reduces the terrific heat and shock vibrations which always accompany the firing of a missile. Further indicated that the more effective a



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sound suppressor device is the greater is the chance of a successful firing from the launching pad. Sound suppressor he wished to talk about has reduced heat temperatures from 6000°F to only 250°F.

advised that Dr. Max Huber, Chief Engineer -had developed a sound suppressor which he has unsuccessfully 17. Continuing. attempted to have tested by the people both at MASA Headquarters in explained further that U. S. Navy sound suppressor and Washington and in Huntsville officials eventually became interested in did in fact test it on a small rocket engine in California and the tests added that the Mavy published were "very good and convincing." a report on the sound suppressor tests and the reports both to won Braun's group in Huntsville and to Gen Ostrander's office at NASA Headquarters in Washington. According to Gen Ostrander was interested in the results of the Mavy report and about they would test it on a full scale rocket added that Ostrander's office felt that the five weeks ago asked sound suppressor could best be tested on the J2 test stand in Buntsville. Dr. Naubert in Huntsville was subsequently contacted by Gen Ostrander and Col Heaton at NASA Headquarters and an appointto discuss the sound suppressor ment was at that time made for stated that when sequently went down to Huntsville one of the officials there told with the Germans in Huntsville. he did not appreciate going to MASA Headquarters in Washington with their device and why didn't go directly to Huntsville with go directly to Huntsville with replied that could perceive that Huntsville official that added that

was resented in Huntsville and further that their discussions of the potential value of the sound sumpressor were at first refuted by the German scientists, but finally by the Huntsville agreed to test the device.

added that General Ostrander later told that if could complete preparations for the Huntsville testing of the sound suppressor within five months, could have the green light. Then stated that at the request of Gen Ostrander at NASA went back to California and worked around the clock for two weeks to complete their preparations on the device for the test in Huntsville. Sadvised that then then took their results back to Huntsville and you Braun's deputy members, took their results back to Huntsville and you Braun's deputy members, took their results back to Huntsville and you Braun's deputy members, took their results back to Huntsville and you Braun's deputy members,



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know in one week about Huntsville's plans for testing the sound suppressor. According to sound suppressor sppeared of, but as of instant date Huntsville has done nothing further.

question whatsoever that it is getting the run around by the Germans at Huntsville. Then cautioned that the dissemination of remarks regarding instant discussion must be carefully controlled or may never get any business from MASA again. Then reiterated that one must remember that despite the satisfactory USN report on sound suppressor and the UK given it at MASA report on sound suppressor and the UK given it at MASA the Headquarters in Washington, still got the run around on it by the Germans in Huntsville. Saided that in other words MASA headquarters in Washington has told in so many words that MASA does not have control over Huntsville.

20. Continuing, then stated that the Air Force has now advised the Martin Company in Denver that the Air Force has funded to help test their sound suppressor and further that Col Heaton at NASA told on 10 August 1961 that NASA would also help with funds. According to Heaton also told that he would see funds to it that the Germans in Huntsville would see future reports on sound suppressor device.

a situation that (NASA) Headquarters here in Washington does not control Huntsville. And added that it was likewise unfortunate that President Kennedy and the new Administration has not caught up with this situation. Kennedy and the new Administration has not caught up with this situation. Further stated that officials at MASA also told on 10 August further stated that officials at MASA also told on 10 August sound suppressor), but before the tests were completed by the sound suppressor), but before the tests were completed by the opined that felt that Hiemberg, won Braun's deputy, should be investigated. Added that did not know if Hiemberg ever passed on to you Braun the reports of sound suppressor.

22. Contimuing, indicated that the continues to get the had other means of creating pressures if the continues to get the "run around" on their sound suppressor.

scientists today are covering up their past mistakes. After completing long distance telephone call to Dr. Max Huber in California during instant interview, and the "Fl" rocket engine for three years which von Braun had refused to use the "Fl" rocket engine for three years which von Braun has now used since November 1960.



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was asked what security classification comments given during instant interview In conclusion, comments could be unclassified, but added that

that they would be treated confidentially.

25. This information is being forwarded to your Bureau for whatever action deemed necessary.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

Director of Security

UNITED STATES G ERNMENT 1emorandum 9/15/61 Mr Rosen DATE: MR. HOOVER PERSONAL ATTENTION SAC MILNES NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION UBJECT: I was talking to Galen Willis, former SAC, who is currently with the Boeing Company in Seattle. He said that he had before him a publication of the "Current Intelligence Pipeline," which is published by the Weapons Industry Consultants, Inc., 7928 Ivanhoe Avenue, La Jolla, California. Mr. Willis said that the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is currently negotiating with various airplane companies to build the "Saturn Rocket."; Apparently NASA is interested in this being built at the Michoud Ordnance Plant, east of New Orleans, Louisiana. As a result of the intense interest on the part of the various companies to obtain this contract, those qualified

to build this rocket are endeavoring to obtain control of this ordnance plant since apparently NASA wants the rocket built there. The article referred to by Mr. Willis indicates that

Wernher Von Braun at Huntsville, Alabama, who heads up NASA there, has offered this contract to J. R Dempsey, President of General Dynamics, Inc. if Dempsey is successful in obtaining ontrol of the Michoud Ordnance Plant.

According to Mr. Willis, the Boeing officials are quite perturbed over this article since it would appear that possibly Von Braun would be interceding on behalf of General Dynamics when as a government employee he would have no authority to do so. Mr. Willis pointed out that the knowledge which they have at Boeing indicates that the contract for this construction has not been let. Should I receive any more information about this I will let you know.

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Mr. Ingram. Miss Gandy.

Mr. Thank Mr. Malone

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UNSUB : ANONYMOUS THREAT TO PRESIDENT AND DOCTOR WERNHER VON BRAUN . THREATS AGAINST THE PRESIDENT .

PRESIDENT RICHARD M. NIXON

AT EIGHT THIRTYSEVEN PM ON FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN, INSTANT.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA). ADVISED

THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM SECRETARY TO DOCTOR WERNHER YOU BRAUN, TELEPHONE GOVERNMENT CODE ONE THREE DASH TWO FOUR NINE THREE EIGHT. SHE ADVISED THAT AT SEVEN FIFTY PM A MALE CALLER STATED. "UNLESS ANGELA DAVIS WAS RELEASED WITHIN TWENTYFOUR HOURS, DOCTOR VON BRAUN. AND THE PRESIDENT WOULD BE ASSASSINATED . SHE STATED THAT SHE BELIEVED THE CALL WAS FROM DETROIT.

STATED THAT HE HAD CONTACTED THE METROPOLITAN

POLICE DEPARTMENT (MPD) REGARDING THIS CALL AND THEY WERE

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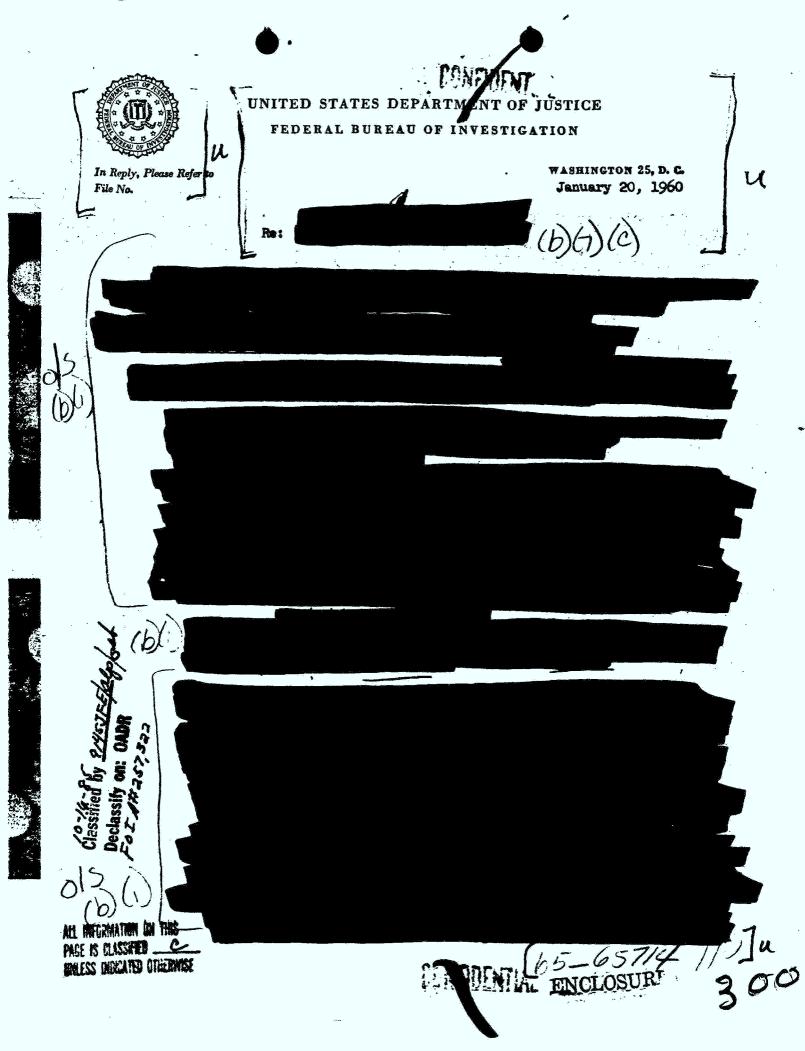
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### Office Memorandum . United States Government

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Director, FBI

DATE: July 29, 1960

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SAC, Birmingham (65-1276)

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On July 26, 1960, this matter was discussed with Senior Resident Agent Huntsville, Alabama. Said that there are approximately 130 scientists on the research team at Redstone Arsenal. These men are members of the group who came to the United States with Dr. WERNHER YON BRAUN and have remained as a group since that time. Said that he is personally and well-acquainted with about thirty of these people, and from having worked in the area for a number of years knows that many of them have close associates and relatives remaining in Germany, and many of these contacts are in the Russian-dominated zone.

He said further many of the scientists make trips to Europe to confer concerning missiles and, therefore, would be possible subjects for this type of a program. According to VON BRAUN himself has become very Americanized and in the past has mentioned that he would try to find out about anything that is desired and would cooperate completely insofar as assisting in setting up anyone who would possibly be considered for such a program. Mentioned this specifically inasmuch as the scientists under VON BRAUN are completely under the control of VON BRAUN and generally look to him for guidance and control. They would probably consult with him regarding any such assignment, and he would, therefore, be in a very strategic position insofar as helping and guiding in the implementation.

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In conclusion, it is felt that this program certainly has considerable merit and possibilities of contacts are rather numerous although confined to the VON BRAUN team of scientists. The Bureau is assured that we will keep this program foremost in our attention and will inform the Bureau of any pertinent developments.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/26/60

CAC, SAN DIEGO (65-2055)

SUBJECT:

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Enclosed herewith is the original and four copies of a memorandum suitable for dissemination concerning the above captioned individual.

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### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Diego 1, California September 26, 1960

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nautics, a division of the General Dynamics Corporation, San Diego, California, on September 15, 1960, advised that his office had been given a letter addressed to Dr. WERNER VON BRAUN, in care of Convair Astronautics, San Diego, California. This letter carried a postmark of September 7, 1960, at Escondido, California. Stated that Dr. VON BRAUN is not employed at Convair Astronautics and the letter was forwarded to Dr. VON BRAUN in care of the Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama, September 9, 1960. The letter was written in German and carried the return address of Escondido, California.

stated that Dr. VON BRAUN forwarded the letter from Huntsville, Alabama, to the Security Office, Convair Astronautics, San Diego, California, on September 14, 1960, and also enclosed a translation of the letter which states as follows:

"From:

7 September 1960

Escondido, California Phone:

To:
Dr. Werhner von Braun
Director of Convair Aeronautics
San Diego, California

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Dear Dr. von Braun:

Since as far as I know you came from Germany and I do not have perfect command of the English language, I hope you will forgive me for writing to you in my native tongue.

The reason for writing to you is a case that might

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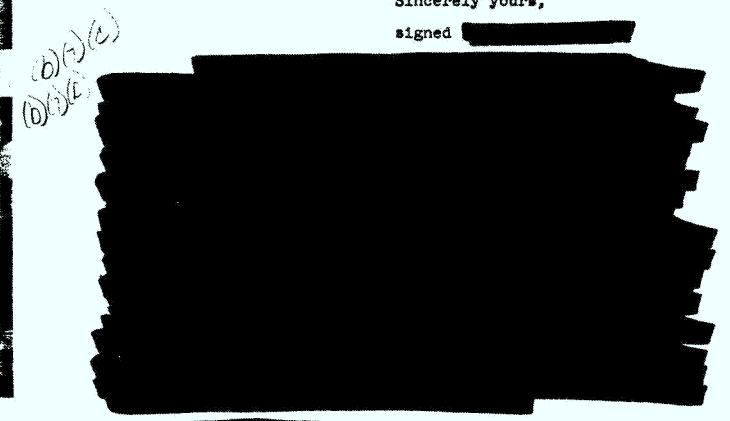
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possibly create a similar incident as the one published in the newspapers regarding the two defectors to Russia (or"traitors" as President Eisenhower called them), Bernon F. Mitchell, 31, and William H. Martin, 29.

I do not have a car, but would like to discuss with you a matter concerning a person working in your Missile Department.

I presume that this matter will be of interest to you and perhaps of importance. Please let me know by long distance call whether and when you can come to Escondido so that I shall be at home and you won't lose any time. Any hour during the day or in the evening would be all right.

Sincerely yours,

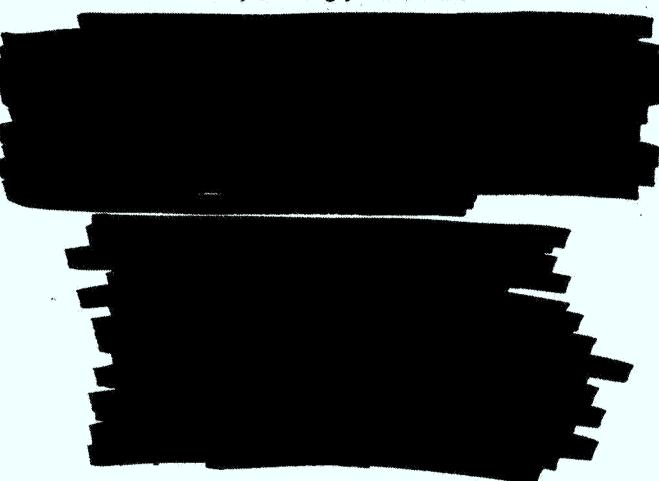


the reason he contacted Dr. VON BRAUN was because he knew Dr. VON BRAUN to be a prominent engineer

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in the United States missile field. Admitted that he did not know that Dr. VON BRAUN was not employed at Convair Astronautics, San Diego, California.





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Enclosed for Pittsburgh are two Photostats of each of the above letters and enclosed for WFO is one Photostat of each of the above letters.

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letter shortly after VPI had a space conference held from 8/13 - 17/62 at which the guest speaker was Dr. WERNHER VON BRAUN and had written an article about Dr. WERNHER VON BRAUN and the space conference in the Montgomery News Messenger being somewhat critical of the utilization of Dr. WERNHER VON BRAUN in the space program since Dr. VON BRAUN was one of the originators of the German V-2 Rocket used in latter stages of World War II.

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Dott, West Virginia, August 27, 1962

Monigonery News Hessenger Christiansburg, Virginia

Dear

Thank you many times for your card and compliment. It arrived at the same time as the <u>hessenger</u>, and I can say that my hand was almost as shaky as Dr. von Braun's when I read it!

I gather from your last two columns that you know German a bit, or probably may even know it very well, and it happens that I know German fairly well myself, as I often write overseas to West German electronic engineers or scientists about technical papers or other work. I have at times sent some of them snapshots of my activities at white Sands Proving Ground in New Mexico with the German V-2 rocket and only one of them ever bothered to mertion them. The North German Radio in Hamburg found them very interesting and did me several favors. But I have hever in Hamburg found them very interesting and did me several favors. But I have hever been able to get any comment from others. Hence it was important to me to read that you had found from a native German that the West German people aren't outling Or. von Graum on a pedestal.

Speaking along this line further, I am enclosing a copy of an editorial from

Speaking along this line further, I am enclosing a copy or an editorial from the local paper a out a Dil. N. E. Toftoy. My first cousin is office manager and a distant relative is editor of the Sunset News-Observer. How they got onto Col. Toftoy is beyond me, but I think they may have ran him off. There wasn't any news about Dol. Toftoy kinself in the paper, and he isn't exactly important to the area either. I think my cousin may have seen some security correspondence receipts I sither. I think my cousin may have seen some security correspondence receipts I have here at home from Col. Toftoy while he was in the Pentagon and I was in Schenectary and Syracuse, N.Y. in 1946-1950.

I have a first cousin working for Dr. von Braun's assistant at Huntsville. His mother makes out that he is important and works near Dr. von Braun, yet has no formal education and is an electronics amateur.

Often in this area I have been asked "if I was going to be a German (sic)!"

This was about my being able to read it and getting technical journals and photographic material from Dusseltorf. This puzzles me very much at times, as there must be some well-grounded and deep anti-German sentiment around in political circles.

He have years ago, the Messenger was pro-Pascist itself when Mussolini was in Mithopia.

Times should have not changed this much, it would seem.

I hope that the attached outline of the early Hernes Project would give you and idea about what I meant by a "clique" running the present day missile business, and while I know you are not in this business yourself. I hope you would be better able to handle these conferences at VPI.

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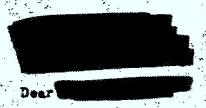
### Going Fishing

One of the U.S. Army's top missile experts is retirmng after 25 years of service with plans so different from those of prejecessors that they merit notice.

Maj. Ger. h. Exercise to the U. 3. and oversaw much of their research. He has been closely associated with missile development since its inception and should be able to write volumes about events and people. He says he is not mad at anybody and will do no lambasting or writing of books.

He is going flabing. This won't get him headlines or royalities, but it is certain to have other compensations.

Dott, West Virginia, Pebruary 11, 198



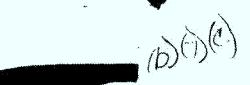
In reply to your very kind letter of February 10, I wish to affire that I had expected a reply from you as to certain other columns and editorials that had appeared in this area about the edientists and engineers that had been a part of the original team of experts that established the German V-2 rocket and Dr. Wersher von Braum and his group in this country.

Nou do not often get the sort of letters that I have written to you, and neither do you get the viewpoints that I manage. Hence, from this stand I have been most anxious to press you again for an explanation of your ideas and continued silence towards my other letters.

I simply do not have to remember which exact words you used in the column that appeared under your name in the Montgomery News Messenger, as I certainly do not take offense at what is printed. I simply do not, and I repeat, not, take on about shy remarks you made about Dr. von Brann. I do not know Dr. von Brann in person, I have never met him, I have never even seen him from a distance, I have not had enything to de with him in the past, since 1945 or so, when he came to this country.

Weither de I care thether Dr. von Braun hears of any comments I may have made, as I am always eager and glad to demonstrate my viewpoints. It would interest you to know that I have a latter in the files of The Honoralde Mrs. Misabeth Kee, Member of Congress from West Virginia, protesting against letting so much of our space and missile business be run by Dr. von Brasm and a Dr. Willard H. Pickering, she runs the jet Propulsion Laboratories of the California Institute of Technology. This JFL group was founded by the late Dr. Th. von Karmen, a Natural e mathematican in Pasadena, and is now a government facility, as is the Marshall Space Center of Huntaville. I also have another letter in Mrs. Ree's files, which she sent off to the House Space Committee last fall while was halok and suffering from empurion, in which I had protested against letting the I ferred Venue probe, the Mariner Project, be run by a Jack M. James. Mr. James 1s E & Project Manager of that experiment, and used to work for me in Scheneckady. His first try caused a \$18,500,000 flop at Cape Canaveral last summer, and not only was I angry about it, I was also angry that I had never known that Mr. James had landed such a lucrative position, as he had just called me on the 'phone two years earlier about some sort of errand I had set him to that he refused to do for me out there in Pasadena. I have other friends at work at JPL, and my first cousin is under Dr. von Braun at Humtsville, and has been since 1971.

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all rocket research, development and production work for those rockets that were to have a range of 500 miles or more, and that the Army and the Navy groups were limited thusky to rocket development for ranges under 500 miles, and that perhaps, which are my own sentiments, we were to remain at white Sands and would not get to the promised lulu-land of Banana River in Florida.

Some of us were scared of flying so much. One year I flow 25,000 miles on American Airlines between New York, El Paso, Buffalo, and return. Some insurance companies draw a line at it somewhere. To be able to get down to a furing at vallops Island, Va. or even at Canaveral, was a dream. Sometimes our crates of equipment were reported in Los Angeles by mistake (probably there to be pried open and apied on by Howard Hughes).

In all this time, and from every standpoint, nothing what no ever was heard from Dr. von Brain and group at Pt. Eliss. We never saw any reports from him, neither did we see him around. Nothing was heard of him. Sometimes I think that he may have functioned on a very high level inside the Federal government laboratorical the time. If he did, we had a mess from him on liquid fueled engines.

I have never seen any reports written by the Eades group at VPI. I have never heard of any important developments at VPI. I have no reason to see thy there should be any space meetings at VPI either.

It has been a good many years since Hiss, Oppositeiner, Chambers, and even Mussolini. Do you know that the Montgomery News Messenger used to be pro-Fascist?

I repeat, that I have letters on file in Mrs. Kee's office protesting against letting Dr. von Braum and Br. Pickering rum so much of our space business. I fergot to mention that Dr. Pickering is a naturalized New Zeel ander, that Dr. von Braum is a naturalized German. I see no reason for this, and I simply den't care what I say about it, it is on record in the government. I believe I am sensible enough to get much recognition from West German engineers, and as you say, or did you, that the German people aren't putting Dr. von Braum on a pedestal.

You said that.

In summary, it is often noted that large corporations have been known to add retired military men to their staffs for obvious reasons when defense contrasts are involved, for other reasons when sentimental notions are at play. There is nothing that can be done about it, and the only effect that it has is to continue the policies and politics that were in effect at war time. Nothing succeeds in a war except victory, though, and we can't win any war with the kind of military planning we have had. We have had three complete changes in our weapons systems since the Korean War, which did not go so well with us, and led to the dismissal of Gen. Macarthur.

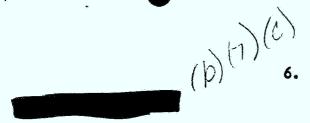
The planning that has led to the successes of the Morgan Jews under Macarthur, Hower, McCarthy, Mundt, Goldwater, Taft, and so on has been exposed as nothing but the wretched hotel gang of the streets of New York City. This panie in the country over the inept leadership of McR roy, Roy Johnson, Medaris, etc. is real, it is not so enjoyable either. Everywhere you turn you can see the Lioned Train Co., Medaris, Cohn, Shine, Goldwater, Sokolsky, Herbert Hoover, Macarthur, etc. If we have to be led by this sensational bunch of Morgan Jews, how can we win a

war, or a victory?

Each time there is unrest and uncertainty among the very poor in West Virginia, it can be traced to the GOP leadership, which does not function under its own ideas of what is good for business, it takes orders from the Mundt or Taft headquarters in Cincinatti as to what to say. West Virginia will continue its very own desperate economic plight until it is able to throw off and choke the grip of the Air Force planners, who were given credit by many writers for Oeckl Underwood's emashing vistory 6 years ago. These Air Force planners wrecked the Army Ordance rocket business, our office was runied by the formys of Howard Hughes from Jamo-Hughes-Whinnery-Woodridge. Hughes gave money to Michard Nixon, so did aften W. Jones. Underwood was Kixon's choice for a running mate at first. New how does this gos

Bichard Himon was shummed by Eisenhower. All Mixon did was do
the Hies case. They can't keep Hies down. Insierann worked on
in our offices long after he was disclosed by the deader's Digest.
Himon couldn't convince snybody he was sincere. The press smeared
Nimon, and he lost. Pearson even says Himon ran arms against this
country for Cuba. Summerfield supported Harry Hoffa, who strikes
missile bases. Why isn't Mixon in jail? Why didn't Insiermann het
fired when he was disclosed? Why didn't Porter do anything about
it? Was he too afraid already? Why was Porter scared after the
Vanguard failures in 1957-1958. Why does you Braim keep on hammering
at the theme that we would be first if we had used the Jupiter for
estellite launchings in 1956?

It would indeed be very nice if we would return to a level of reason in this country that was so aptly described by West Germany's Gesternmaier, who may get to be the next German Kanzler, who said: "...a return to a level of reason where hate, racial feelings, treason are denounced as lunacy as they once were in normal times."



Each time there has been a space meeting at VPI, there have been corresponding space feats by the Soviets at the exact time. This has the effect of making those on the ground feel and look silly.

There has been nothing more or less silly them the sensation of reading about learned presentations of learned papers by learned engineers while forist engineers roar overhead on 24-hour trips around the world or learned not one, but two satellites at one time.

Nothing has been more or less silly, and nothing can be mose or less silly than have it happen again in 1965.

In other words, after you get your senses fecused on it, it is exactly silly that the present space program is silly too. It is not unlikely that the next space meeting will be attended by Soviet launchings of a large satellite with a dairy cow on board to provide fresh milk for the Russian astronauts on board too.

Thu also made reference to something like "lunetics," or "luneties" in your column. I do not take offense at your remarks at these coinages, but they may not please my good friend Gliff Cummings, who is Head of the Lunar Explaratory Program of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. That is to say, this would not please Mr. Cummings if I attempted to alight him by indiscriminate use of such words without making certain that I had not intended to alight him personally.

You did not make clear to all of us concerned that you were quoting from smother column, that you felt encouraged to attack Dr. von Braum for the reason that others had done so, that you were just fooling around, that you didn't care one way or another that you said.

I do not care one way or another what you said about Dr. von Brain, and I have said more than you have, I suppose, though I have never said snything about him in such disparaging terms. I do not use them, and I am glad I don't. When I say something, it is because I resent having to stay up all night in a blinding snowsterm in Schenectady just to fix up the German V-2 antenna radio system in a hurry for the Whire ands group, and catch cold.

I should think that you would draw much comfort from my advice that if you are going to say something and mean it, be sure you have had the experience in it, so people will know that you're sincere and not looking for a plaudit for your writing.

Mever mind about Dr. von Braun. They're all mad because my cousin got married and she had \$50.000,000 a year coming in through the Outter Labs, as she is I'm working on the thalidomide scandal through West German translators in Aulendorf, and Sen. H. Humphrey. They say that Mixon-Hisa was "dog eats dog." You can eat Dr. von Braum, as I don't care.

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Yours very truly.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINSTRATION George C. Marshall Space Flight Center Huntsville, Alabama

In reply refer to:

Jan. 28, 1965

15tt, West Virginia

I have your kind letter telling of your work on the radio antenna system on the V-2 rocket when you were with Dr. Rochard Porter's project in Schenectady from 1946 to 1950.

I am not familiar with the scurrilous statements to which you allude in the particular newspaper to which you refer. I agree with you that I have no idea as to the basis of any such statements if they were made, and I am thick-skinned enough to say that I really don't care, even if they were made. Years of direct exposure to the Hitler regime and its excesses taught me a few unforgettable lessons and made me solidly opposed to any form of government which would deprive man of human dignity. I think it is quite fitting that the envelope of your letter bore stamps with a wonderful quotation from Abraham Lincoln: Those who damy freedom to others deserve it not for themselves.

Concerning the space feats of the Soviets with regard to conferences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, I can only say that based upon the laws of chance and probability, they would be absolute coincidences.

Please know that I appreciate your letter and interest.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

ges.

Wernher von Braun Director Dott, West Virginia, February 4, 1965

Montgomery News Messenger Oristainsburg, Virginia

Dear

You may recall that I had written to you several times last fall in regard to your comments about the missile scientist Dr. Wermher von Braum from Huntsville, Alabama, who was on a scientific program at Virginia Polytechnic Institute at that time. I also explained that I myself was on the German V-2 rocket research and development program in this country, and that the first rocket ever fired from Cape Canaveral was one that carried radio antennas designed and developed by me for it.

I also explained that I had been familiar with the work of Gen. H. N. Toftoy of the Ordnance Department, who had gone to Europe and brought back Dr. won Braum and his staff with him to this country and installed them in research facilities located at Pt. Bliss, Texas, which is just north of El Paso, Texas, and not far from the White Sands Proving Ground in New Mexico.

I have not ever been even remotely successful in getting a statement from you as to why you made such surcastic remarks about Dr. von Braum personally. I dipped your columns from the newspaper and sent them up to the office of Dr. Richard V. Porter of the General Electric Company at 570 Lexington Avenue. New York, N. Y., who was active with Gen. H. N. Toftoy in Germany, and whe later headed much of this country's original rocket research activity. He replied that he did not know much about it, I am afraid I would have to state, though he did not refer directly to them in his reply.

Lately I took up this matter with Dr. von Braun himself, who wrote me the reply that is copied and attached to this letter. After reading it, you can see that I am advised that I can admire a thick skin.

I trust that you will make some sort of reply to my letter.

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Dear

the Montgomery News Messenger,
though I do not know.

that you read his column some also. He also mentioned that you had much to do with the space conferences in Blacksburg, like the one last summer that was addressed by Dr. Wernher von Braum from Marshall Space Center in Huntsville.

appeared with several biting comments about Dr. von Braun, and I do not exactly disagree with at this or any other time. The next column of also had certain references to Dr. von Braun, which were hardly ones that would be called praising, but still I simply do not care to say that I have disagreed with either.

I was one of the original research engineers on the German V-2 rocket itself from 1946-1950, while I was in Schenectady with the General Electric Company, which firm I worked for from 1943-1950. Many of the leaders in the space field, like Dr. von Braum, Dr. V. H. Pickering, Dr. R. V. Porter, Dr. Simon Ramo, and many, many others are actually old friends of mine. The first rocket ever fired at Cape Canaveral was a V-2 with certain antennas developed by me for it. I was on the development of radar, telemetry, command and guidance equipment, chiefly antennas, for the Hermes A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, B-1, the Honest John and VAC Corporal missiles. Most of the antennas at White Sands from 1946-1953 approximately were built by myself.

From this considered viewpoint, I was desirous of finding out just exactly what lay behind titude towards Dr. von Braum personally, and after some time had gone by and I was not able to draw a reply from I sent a scanty recollection of his column to Dr. von Braum himself - as I have a first cousin on Dr. von Braum's personal staff in Huntsville - and drew Dr. von Braum's ire on the column.

First of all, you must realize that there are 450 organizations throughout the world that are devoted to a revival of a Fascist state inside Germany, and these are known to the present government of Germany located in Bonn. Secondly, there are some of these in Virginia, probably around Arlington, and some of these have received open support from the state government of Virginia until recently. It is not my desire to quarrel with these pro-German groups, who are interested in a nationalistic socialist state, since they are rather Fascist in nature, and inclined towards dissolution of the small town local governments inside Virginia. Probably nothing interests these people more than to get rid of the Christainsburg Police Department, for an example, since it did much to catch and precipitate the Elucfield, W. Va. police scandals by a fortunate

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February 12, 1965

However, it does not remain fruitful to pursue these Fascist groups at this time, not to attempt to write history with this it on of Mr. Owen a. I was actually more interested in the space conferences themselves, which Mr. Owen relates that you arranged.

The most interesting fast shout them was that each of the past two conferences at Hacksburg has been attended by astounding Soviet space feats at exactly the same time and indeed, at almost the same hour. These space feats had the notable affect of making everyone on the ground feel and look completely silly in the eyes of other observers. My foremost and complete experience and achievement in the space research field cannot let me believe anything else. There is no way of convincing me that the 1961 conference on re-entry problems looked absolutely and fully silly to all concerned when the Soviets went by overhead on a 24-bour trip. Likewise, the 1962 conference was attended by a similiar Soviet feat, a two-man launching.

To anyone in the least way familiar and acquainted with geophysical espionage and stage plays, this timing is not pure themse and coincidence as Br. von Braun recently wished me to believe. I am not swayed by Dr. von Braun's charm and German manners. I know German better than most Germans, and I have even been denounced for my personal acheming inside Germany at the present time, which was done merely to get a 35mm. film photo enlarger at a wholesale discount!

I have had snapshots on display in the lobby of the Broadcast House in Hamburg, and in a photo club in Dusseldorf. I maintain a huge correspondence with West German radio engineers and acceptists in the antenna field.

Geeing that I am not overhelmed by Dr. von Braum, I wish to state that these conferences may be stages against which the Boviets demonstrated their space might in the best and mest powerful way that they could, by actual timing and coincidence. Who ever they sought to convince, I do not know. There are ways of getting only a partial convinction across whenever they do not have complete control. Only is one example, there are others in Bouth America, and their attendance at these conferences and subsequent belief that the Soviets were better could not have had a more telling success when the Bussian satellites went by on a 24-hour trip. From the American side nothing but papers, papers, etc. Then when the actual Glenn nose cone was built, it was built by Dr. E. U. Condon, whose wife had gotten him and herself in trouble with the FBI over a Yugo alavian embassy party dinner remark in Washington, and from all accounts in the press, and these are all I have to go by, the work of Dr. Condon was postic justice against his accusers in Washington.

I cannot pursue this line of debate and speculation very far without much further encouragement. I hope that you will speculate on it some, and lend your support to the no-ocincidence theory in opposition to Dr. von Braum's dismissal of it as pure chance. Of course, if it happened again in 1965, we could get him fired for it.

I built the antennas for the first layout of the radio guidance system used to put Col. Glenn into orbit last year, which was the Mod III and Mistrem system built up later on by my old friends Richard Shetler and Dr. L. J. Neel ands. The Telstar and other satellites used the 960 megacycle band I opened for this work in 1947 with W2XUF and AMEN/2/3 in Schenectady. I am a direct descendant of the Textors. Pliotts. Howes, Shufflebargers, stc. from Shawsville. Yours very truly,

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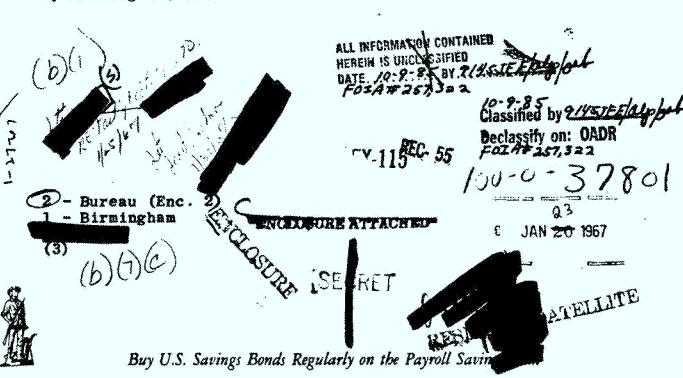
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# THE PLOT

Everyone is agreed that after the assassination of the much-loved young President, an official report was hurriedly pushed through for the purpose of white-washing the incident in the minds of the world public.

What no one has said or suggested perhaps because they are afraid to do so is — who exactly is the report white-washing? Why did RSJ personally order a special airlift to carry and distribute throughout the world this quickly prepared official judgment on what had happened?

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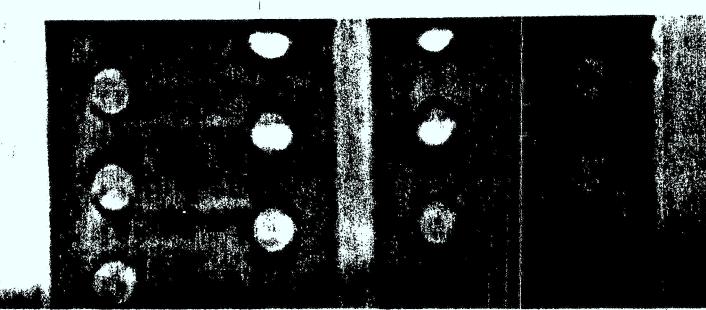
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- 2 Who stood to benefit most by the assassination?
- 3 In whose mind did the idea originate?
- 4 Was it RSJ himself who instigated the proposal?
- 5 What precautions did RSJ take to make sure that no one would ever discover that he was an accomplice?
- 6 Who were the individuals who had a great deal to gain if RSJ became President?

# THIS BOOK GIVES YOU THE ANSWERS

- 7 Who were the politicians who were already dissatisfied with the policies of the young President and who wanted to see him replaced by a man with a more ruthless disposition?
- 8 Did RSI ever discuss the proposal with his ambitious wife, Amy Butterfly?
- 9 What was the relationship between RSJ and the young President?

- 10 Who fired the shot that killed the young President?
- 11 Why did RSJ take the Presidential oath immediately after the assassination? Was it because he knew that once proclaimed President, no one would dare to point a finger at him?
- 12 How did RSJ get over the guilt of killing one man? Did he salve his conscience by killing thousands more in a needless war?



FROM THE NOVEL

"I am the Vice President
of the United States of America
and it is my intention
to become Mr President"

RANDALL S. JACKSON
Vice President 1972

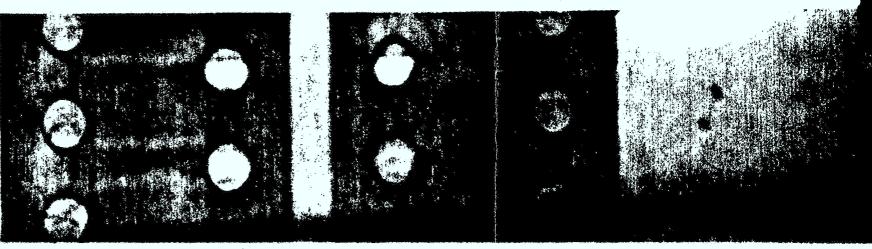
"I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute
the office of the President of the United States and will
to the best of my ability preserve, protect and defend
the Constitution of the United States"

RANDALL S. JACKSON

President 1973

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# More FACTS

INTERNATIONAL

1967 Greater indirect Chinese participation in Vietnam end of 1966. Direct Chinese participation in March. USA promotes new World Trade financing agreement. Plan linked with price of gold to create greater liquidity. Soviet Union enjoys technological successes in space travel. US President promotes gigantic new campaign in the Far East. Launches military and political manoeuvres in attempt to combat Chinese activity.

Women begin new era—achieve political prominence.
Common Market negotiations reach advanced stage.

New gas/oil discoveries in the Middle East.

Japan enjoys wave of prosperity.

Another successful US space flight in June.

Autumn Election USA bitterly fought.

Johnson defeated by Republicans.

Peace in Vietnam. Victory for Vietcong and China. Russians land first man on the moon.

Outstanding economic and industrial development in China. Heightened prestige for China — admitted to United Nations. Acute political and economic stresses in USA all year. France adversely affected economically by British Revolution. Moves rapidly leftward from de Gaulle. Commonwealth continues to break up.

Canada, Australia and New Zealand take up close military and economic link with USA in October. British territories in danger of take-over — Gibraltar, Aden, Hong Kong and Falkland Islands. Slump in South Africa. Proposed Federation with Rhodesia. Increased agitation — political and racial disturbances.

Australia becomes a Republic.
USA catches up in space race.
Successful moon flight. Period of improved prestige for USA.
South Africa's political difficulties increase
because of failure of sterling.
Gold and diamond markets transferred to Continent --- Paris.
Common Market reorganised. France's position strengthened.
Middle East oil treaties revised with British Companies.
Marine agriculture and mining starts on a large scale.
Sea water used for massive world-wide irrigation projects.

US becomes involved in another war. General anti-government movement develops. USA sailing into period of difficult and prolonged crisis. British political and economic events adversely affect American economy. This produces political difficulties and trade recession. Political demonstrations sympathetic to new Left-Wing British nation. Acute race riots throughout USA. Power of coloured people incressing steadily. Resurgence of Negro organisations. Scene set for Civil War in 1980s. South American States revolt against continued US economic domination. US citizens repatriated and military situation is tense. Significant year for Soviet Union which takes the political and technical initiative away from US. Also makes further amazing breakthroughs in space travel. Russia's productivity and prosperity catch up with USA. Franco régime ends in Spain. Powerful awing to Lest with Russian help.

Exciting technological advances touch our everyday lives.

Change-over from petrol engines to electric units.

Major scientific breakthrough into the processes
of the human brain.

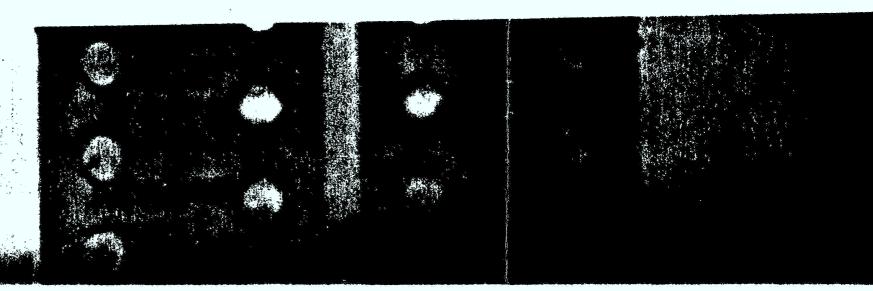
Significant strides taken in the communication of thought.

New treatments are evolved for mental illnesses.

At UN major shift of power. US loses dominating position.

Transfer of UNO headquarters to Europe under consideration.

Economic upswing on a world-wide scale. World Trade flourishes. Calmer political atmosphere generally. But in the USA continued political stresses including political violence. Acute colour problem. Negroes gain tremendous atrength and greater confidence. General withdrawal from overseas of US military and political commitments. America again becomes isolationist. Canada experiences acute economic péoblems as a result of this policy and the withdrawal of American capital. A movement starts which results in unified Germany 1977. Beginning of Federation of South American States due to political stresses and events of 1971. The Established Churches of the world fall spart. They make way for a new spiritual movement. Amazing new archaeological discoveries are made. Many technical advances achieved. Printing processes become fully automated. New breakthroughs occur in all communications media. Long-distance intercom suspersedes the long-distance telephone call.



# Some FACTS From the book

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IN BRITAIN

Unmistakable signs of a Revolution in Britain. Political, economic, industrial agitation. Anti-Government activity by young people increases. Legal wage restraint results in continuous labour disputes. Strikes in early February, early April, early August. Government measures flaunted. Trade Unionists imprisoned. Government passes emergency legislation in April and June. Political crisis for PM as Cabinet revolt develops in April. Government discusses creating Labour Corps because of unemployment but this is not acceptable to the unions. British Forces go into action in the Far East. Cabinet reshuffle in November. PM injured in accident. Also involved in political violence in December. Political and industrial agitation grow. Public resentment mounts against increased controls, increased taxation, lower standards of living. The capitalist system in Britain is soon to be shattered.

Fall in Government's authority.
Chaos throughout nation.

New Year begins with major strikes. More strikes in May.
PM continually under attack and suffers political eclipse.
Signs of the Commonwealth beginning to break up.
Economic situation deteriorates. Increasing controls.
Parliamentary power moves to the Left with impact.
New Left-Wing Prime Minister emerges in September.
Committed to massive social and industrial reform.
The removal of wage restrictions brings drastic inflation.
Alarm develops over repayment of 1965 US/European loans.
Political tension increases as radical policies
are put into practice.
Revolution on the way. Nothing can stop it coming now.

Left-Wing measures prove indigestible to
American and Continental capitalists.

Financial support withdrawn—creating state of
acute national crisis. Rationing begins.

Trade Unionists struggle with Parliamentary idealists.

Final outcome in August—Revolution in Britain.

Emergence of group called Trade Union Revolutionary Council.

Phase of non-parliamentary rule till May 1972.

British troops in the Far East desert and return home
in massive numbers.

Prince Charles comes of age but UK declared a Republic.

Buckingham Palace becomes passional museum.

- Buckingham Palace becomes national museum. Entrance 6d.
  Queen unwilling to go abroad. Demand for her departure.
  Queen forced to leave for New Zealand December 1969.
  Major reform of legal system brings much greater equality.
  Press censorship enforced. Newspapers requisitioned by TURC.
  Former Right-Wing Labour Prime Minister on Trial
  with others for anti-socialist policies.
- First year after Revolution.
  Period of national distress.

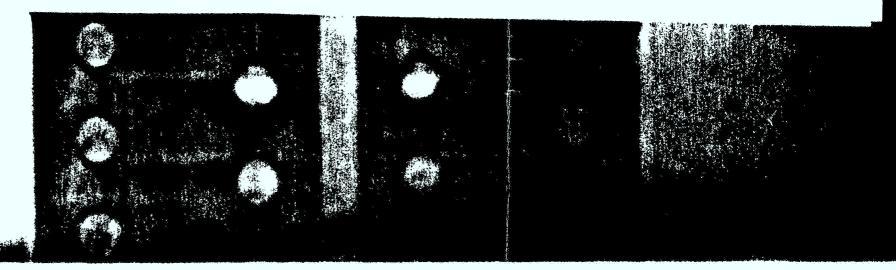
  Massive reorganisation as new social order is created.
  Political and economic stress as US/Europe apply pressures.
  Greater rationing, tighter controls, heavy unemployment.
  Large-scale emigration. Crippling taxation for the rich.
  City finally capitulates. Stock Exchange closed down.
  The wealthy struggle for survival.
  Attempt to transfer goods, money and buy property abroad.
  TURC puts ruthless stop to outflow of capital assets.
  Church of England disestablished under new system.
  All church assets confiscated.
  Final break-up of Commonwealth. End of very difficult year.

Britain is finally through her period of national crisis.

Everyone adjusting to new and enlightened social order. Far-reaching changes inaugurated in the educational system. New curricula evolved. New automated teaching systems. Good-bye to the public school tie for ever.

Equal educational opportunities now for everyone. Fleet Street reorganised to serve the new Britain. Press take-overs. Some national newspapers closed down. Acute crises in transport leads to new era in travel. Concord and Jumbo change way of life on this planet. Distant travel now at a cost everyone can afford. End of year — things looking up, brighter prospects all round.

A Happy New Year for the nation. New energies released. Long-awaited people's prosperity is here at last. Britain enjoys great political and economic resurgence. Automation. Positive changes in working conditions. Standard 4-day week. One month's paid holiday for everyone. Vast improvement for pensioners and retired workers. Greater social security and benefits for all. Building expansion proceeds on gigantic scale. Prefabrication methods meet everybody's requirements. Enormous, unprecedented improvement in housing conditions. Construction begins on Covent Garden Centre for world peace. TURC tasks accomplished. New status for workers. One-party representatives elected. End of year - beginning to prosperity in 1973, 1974, 1975. The Revolution now a success. The old days gone for ever. The New Britain is here. Times have changed for the better.



# Revolution in three stages

### 1 The crack-up 1967

The Establishment, the Tories and the old order continue to lose influence and authority. Right-Wing Labour also becomes 'old hat'. British public resent repressive legislation. Wage Freeze results in dissatisfaction, unemployment, strikes, labour disputes. Trade Unionists are imprisoned. Conscription of men for Vietnam. Right-Wing Labour loses support and cannot regain it.

### 2 Growing chaos 1968

More controls, more squeeze, growing resentment. Prime Minister fights for survival and loses battle. Labour Left take over Parliamentary Party. New Prime Minister announces radical policies.

- Nationalisation of land, banks, insurance
  and major industries takes place.
  Growing struggle between:
  Whitehall and Government, City and Government.
  Labour Left Government suffocated
- by economic difficulties, Whitehall and City.

### 3 Workers Revolution 1969

Trade Union realists dissatisfied and impatient with Labour Left idealists. Struggle for power within Labour Movement begins. Labour Left Government unable to enforce their will and to break power of Whitehall and City. Rationing of food, clothing and essential materials. Frequent organised marches on London by unemployed and strikers. One hundred thousand from Midlands and the North descend on Parliament Square. Sudden clash with police sparks violence in crowd. Westminster, Whitehall, Downing Street and City taken over by workers unexpectedly. Trade Union Revolutionary Council established in power. TURC gains control of the whole country. Capital frozen, dividends stopped, class distinctions and uncarned privileges disappear. Nation reorganised along new social order.

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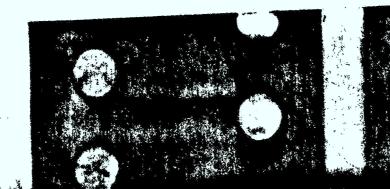
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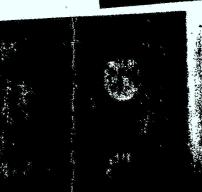
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Few people know it is coming . . .

# REVOLUTION IN BRITAIN 1969-70









# WHAT HAPPENED IN THE YEAR BETWEEN?

Political assassinations are part of our history and our lives today. What were the motives of Randall S. Jackson when he became an accomplice to the plot to assassinate the young President?

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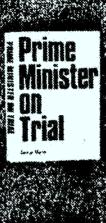


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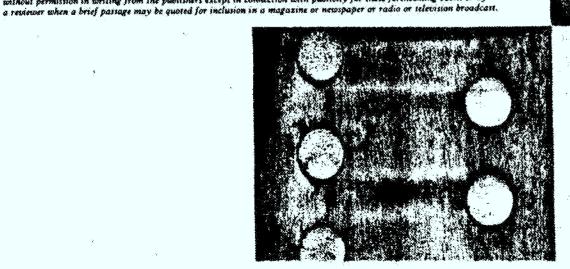
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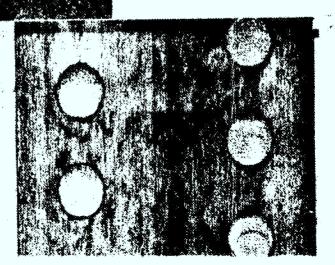
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"Don't you think it is somepert, who commented that what tragic that because of people must have the courage political considerations, the country has been deprived of the services of Dr. Oppenheimer?" Thompson asked.

"Very much so, very much so," von Braun replied. "Particularly the circumstances under which he was dismissed hurt the whole scientific community very badly."
"I agree," Thompson said.

"I think it has been an out-

rage."
"Yes, the way the whole thing was handled," van Braun said.

He added that he was not in a position to comment on "security aspects," but: "I think the British would have knighted him."

Oppenheimer, who headed the World War II atomic bomb project, was found loyal, but labeled a security risk by a special panel of the Atomic Energy Commission in 1954. President Eisenhower indicated at a recent news conference that the case was closed as far as he was concerned.

Oppenheimer now is director of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N. J.

Van Braun, who testified before two House Education subcommittees, called for Federal aid "for the support of an adequate educational system." But he said any legislation to bolster the school system would have "very little effect on the guided-missile and satellite programs for the next ave years."

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## Eggheads, Take Heart

Any egghead has the sympathy of Dr. Werkner Von Braun, who holds that it takes a lot of "drive" and sheer courage to be one.

The "father" of the Explor-er satellite said eggheads must have courage to be different.

"The greatest thinkers all over the world are singleminded and poorly adjusted socially," Dr. Von Braun told two House education sub-committees yesterday.

In a two-hour dissertation supporting Federal aid for an "adequate" educational system, the missile development director of the Army's Redstone Arsenal also touched on child discipline, genises and Dr. Robert Oppenheiter,

#### **OPPENHEIMER**

He said it was tragic that the nation is not using the brainpower of Dr. Oppen-heimer, the atomic physicist whose security clearance was withdrawn four years ago.

An egghead also needs time for isolated concentration, he said. As for scientists, they will "never become great" without "drive," he added.

Dr. Von Braun said any legislation to bolster scientific and mathematics educa-tion will have long-range benefits, but will do "very little" to speed missile and satellite programs in the near future. For the next five years, he said, "we have to work with what we have."

#### OTHER SUGGESTIONS

As for schools, Dr. Von Braun had plenty of suggest-ions, including:

fessional recognition and per-haps even prize competitions for teachers.

 More attention to bright students. He said a two-level educational system, with stif-fer classes for bright pupils. might be the answer.

He said one problem is that some children develop ver late.

"I flunked classes in math and physics when I was 12 or 13," he admitted.

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cur adopted home, in the highest respect and would not consider it ill of the President if he tried to turn the tide of world defense with prayer but would also resort to the somewhat stronger medium of cursing his godless common enemies." This is a quotation from the Hungarian Day speech of a reactionary minister carried in a reactionary newspaper. Only the continual stupidity of this newspaper made it possible for them to admit that DULLES dictated the "schedule" which was not kept by the "Freedom Fighters." Now all debate is useless and we know who and what was back of the October Revolution. Should anyone want further insight into the brain work of the Reformed Federation then they should be aware of the fact that this ordained minister berated President EISENHOWER because the latter tried to better the world by prayer instead of by cursing. At the time of going to press we had no information as to whether our President took time out from his golfing to accept the good-willed advice of the Hungarian Servant of the Lord.

THE SUCCESSFUL ANNIVERSARY OF "A TENY". Although we did not publish a tenth anniversary issue of this newspaper, we would like to reflect the love, sacrifice, and the enthusiasm which was evident at the anniversary banquet of our newspaper. The small size of our newspaper makes it impossible for us to list the names of all those who sent congratulatory letters and telegrams. However, we would like to carry an excert from the letter of our 81-year-old friend HEDVIG MOINAR of Elsinore which she sent along with ten red roses: "I am a poor old lady and in spite of my sickness I send you my love....We are celebrating and it pains me to realize that our leader is not present. Our respected and beloved AUREL LEITNER is no longer with us; may his memory forever be blessed. Tears dim my eyes and I can hardly see these lines I am writing. We who knew him will find it hard to forget him. I press this dear little paper to my breast." Such love, such enthusiasm is characteristic of the other letters...

FOR WHOM THE GERMAN SCIENTISTS WORK? Certain Western "experts" are trying to discredit Soviet scientists and their success with the artificial moon by alleging that the manufacture of the rocket is in reality a credit of former Nazi scientists who are presently held as prisoners in the Soviet Union. Allegedly they were taken from the Peenemunde Research

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Laboratories. In the interest of truth, it would be better to clarify the actual whereabouts of the scientists who had worked at Peenemunde: General WAINTER DORNBERGER was commander of the Peenemunde project from 1943 to 1945 and since that time has been working in the U.S. as counselor in rocket matters." WERNER VON BRAUN developed the V-2 rocket and was the planner and the chief constructor of the Hitler Rocket Research Headquarters.

He is presently working in the United States in the same capacity.

According to informa-HUNGARIAN HERO IN LOS ANGELES. tion received, a new Hungarian-American walked the corner of Broadway and Sixth Street in Los Angeles with the following sign: "Deport me back to Hungary. I don't want to starve in the U. S. We request anyone knowing this compatriot to give us his name and address. Presently on one has to starve in our adopted country and we would like to prove to this individual that we can get him employment.

FREEDOM FIGHTERS ARE BEING DEPORTED. Hungarian gatherings in Los Angeles talk about deportations. Some of our compatriots are beginning to find out the truth about the Walter-McCarran law. The new arrivals in our city who had been screened in the Austrian camps are learning that they are being held in a suspended state and it is not enough to work honorably and live a sober life in order to express gratitude to the guest country. Now they are aware that the boys from the FBI will knock on their door some early morning hour and tell them to "pack and get going." This is the present situation and this can only be relieved by the repeal of the Walter-McCarran Act. According to our information, 149 "freedom fighters" have been deported from America and another 1,200 compatriots are being kept on a "not desirable" list. The deportations are also aggravated by those The earn their daily bread by being stooges; for example, LEO ROSZKOVSZKY, our professional stooge who hides behind the alias op RETHY ABED. We call the attention of our newly arrived compatitions to this dark character who is in the employ of the local "Californiai Magyarsag" and also is an officer of the local Reformed Church. According to our information, he has recently been holding out in MacArthur Park and secretly listening to the conversations of the innocent new Americans, some of whom later he chooses as his victims. He has to show "results" for his Judas-dollars and thus innocent ones land in jail or are deported.

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Informant advised in December, 1958, that the translated pertinent items appearing in the following past issues of "A Teny" can be summarized as follows:

"A Teny" ("The Fact") February 15, 1958

IT IS A FACT that a small ship unfurled its sails in San Pedro Bay and departed with its four passengers toward the Island of Death. Its goal is Eniwetok Island in the Pacific Ocean and its plans to serve mankind and peace. Above it flies man made moons and airplanes loaded with atomic bombs; scattered over the ocean waves dread battle ships are firing their cannons. The little sailboat bearing the name "Golden Rule" sails on undauntedly. Captain BIGELOW said, "We protest atomic explosins with our lives because we know that these explosions are immoral attacks on mankind. We are going ahead and, if necessary, sacrificing our lives in order to promote faith and goodwill among the people." Our Government has planned even more terrifying atomic bomb explosions around Eniwetok Island for April. murderous radiations will fatally affect all life in a The winds and the fish, the clouds thousand mile radius. and the waves will carry the deadly radiation to all parts of the world but still the apostle of peace heads for the island. Neither the storms or the sea nor the awaiting deadly radiation nor our atomic exploding Government frightens them. They say to the world: "The time for words is past. The time for deeds is here." President EISENHOWER again comforts us. Now he is acting as an economic expert and prognosticator. He said, "Unemployment has ended and the upswing will begin in March." He adds that he makes such a statement not only on the basis of information from his advisors but also on the facts that he has studied personally. Is there room for doubt after all this? It seems that there is. GYULA BOGEN, New York University Professor, sayd, "Our economy has been weakened by the slow return of the upswing and by the growth of debts." YZEIMOEK, small business expert, alleges that

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his report. He stated that legal order has been established and assured in Hungary. The proof is two fold: The citizenry as well as established authority guard the carrying out of all laws. The Peoples Army was reorganized. State affairs have been improved: sixty-six thousand not occupied in direct production have been released from the Government. The 1957 production has surpassed the 1955 production. Wheat harvests in the state cooperatives have shown better results than that of the individual peasants. The new free system of purchase has been a success. standard of living of workers has risen fifteen per cent. More buildings were erected than in previous years. Government carried out its promise of building ten thousand new homes for miners. KADAR said that the economic circumstances of the nation demand more productive work in the future. The goal for 1958 is to raise industrial production by six per cent and to decrease expenditures by three per cent. Probably the most interesting part of the Government report to us (from an American viewpoint) is the part which deals with Hungarian culture. Those who believed that Hungarian culture would suffer after the unsuccessful counter revolution are very much disappointed. Twenty-four daily papers are published in one and one-half million copies. Sixteen weekly newspapers, fifteen culture magazines, one hundred-twenty-eight trade magazines appeared in more than one-million copies. More than three thousand literary books appeared in thirty-two million copies last year. New achievements were gained by Hungarian artists and athletes in the international field of sports and music. The teachers, writers, scientists, and artists participated by the hundreds in discussions which deepened the roots of socialistic thinking. The nation's independence and interests in the principles of peace were strengthened by the Government report as well as the comments concerning this report.

THE UNITED STATES NEEDS five years to overtake the Soviet Union in the field of artificial moons. The Associated Press carried a report concerning an interview on the subject of artificial moons. WERNHER VON BRAUN, a German scientist, said, "We do not intend to change our estimate"

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that the United States needs five years to overtake the Soviet Union in the field of artificial moons and rockets. We must remember that the second artificial moon of the Soviet Union weighed 1,126 pounds. The one we just launched can vie with the Sputnik in spirit only. If we were to progress twenty per cent faster than the Russians we would still need five years to pass them." The scientist stated that the American artificial moon will not take a course over the Soviet Union. Its radio signals, however, may be received in the southern part of the Soviet union. Two leading American scientists in Boulder, Colorado, reported that they do not count on receiving as much information from the American Explorer as the Russians are getting from the Sputnik. One of the radios of the Explorer has already Its reports thus far are top secret. Moscow failed. continues to show interest in the first American artificial moon. As is well known, the Academy of Sciences of the Soviet Union sent congratulatory messages to the American scientists on the occasion of the successful launching of the artificial moon. In scientific circles, it is being pointed out that the Soviet Union is preparing to launch even a larger artificial moon and their experiments are much further ahead.

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WORLD FRAUD? The uncrowned kings of fraud are now beginning to talk about world fraud in conjunction with the plans for the summit meeting. JOSEPH ALSOP, one of the best how washington commentators, writes the following in last Wednesday's "New York Herald Tribune": "It is apparent that all those conferences with which everyone is seriously occupied, the Bulganin Garden Party Plan (it is thus that AISOP refers to the Soviet suggestion relative to the summit meeting), the Rapacki Plan, Atom-Free Zone in Central Europe and the Kellogg Pact with MacMILLAN recommended changes (a nonaggression agreement between the East and the West) are nothing more than world frauds. Every responsible Western leader and every responsible Soviet leader knows that they are world frauds. according to ALSOP, everyone is a deceiver. According to him, the Soviet Government tirelessly and continuously tries to find newer recommendations to prepare for the



The Lionel Corporation 28 Sager Place Irvington 11. New Jersey Dear Your letter of July 25, 1961, with enclosure, has been received. I appreciate your interest in forwarding this matter to the FBL If you have other information which you believe to be of interest to us, send it to me at the address indicated on the extensee. dress Sincerely yours, J. Edgar Hoover ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED MAILED 25 DATE 14:9-85 BY 9/ 95 JÜL 3 1 1961 COMM-FBI NOTE: Bufile 105-0-6201 reflects that CI Demingham, submitted information to the Bureau Regarding correspondence with Dr. Wernher Von Braug and Major General John B. Madaris when General Madaris was in charge of the Army Ordnance Missi Command. Redstone Alabama, These communications from reflected that she had put herself under Dr. Von Braun's care that she had supersonic brain power and that she wanted to go to the moon Belmont Mohr. with Dr. Von Braun. She also assumed the name of Blanche Von Braun. Collaban Bufiles reflect no record of correspondent. Conrad DeLoach Evans Malone Rosen Sullivan Tavel Trotter Tele. Room Ingram Gandy

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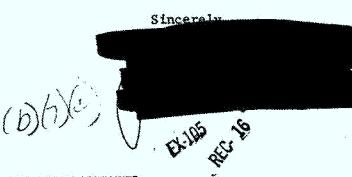
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Gentlemen:

General J. B. Medaris asked that I forward the enclosed letter to you.

As he recalls, its writer is a mental patient whom you once investigated because of a series of her letters to Dr. Wernher von Braun and to the General when he was Commanding General, U.S. Army Ordnance Missile Command.

If you desire that such things be addressed to a more specific address in the future, please acknowledge receipt of this and so advise me.



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1. Wernher on Braun is the man named Wernher von Fritch in the movie Mein Kampf, a former Nazi Hitler Aide then pro-Communist- who with yourself and other American Generals and American Secret Service have suppressed and discriminated against me alone as an American Woman under first American press(and having served and benefitted by EST in a coyly named Mercyville where mechanisms are simultaneously used for mental progress alleviation and Espionage Strategic tools of isolated hidden space maneuvres of ray stunning and isolation of information of space sterilization long ago in published volumes by reputable publishing houses of America) and the lest I years theman, american, & Sound tuchell.

2. Refused aid by every agency from village to Federal and persons (individuals within them able to aid me to at least find sustaining employment) I don't find any reason not to again appeal to the USSR or any other country which might have decent employment for me.

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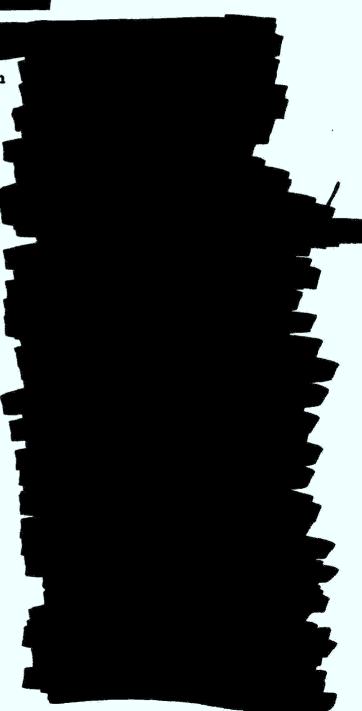
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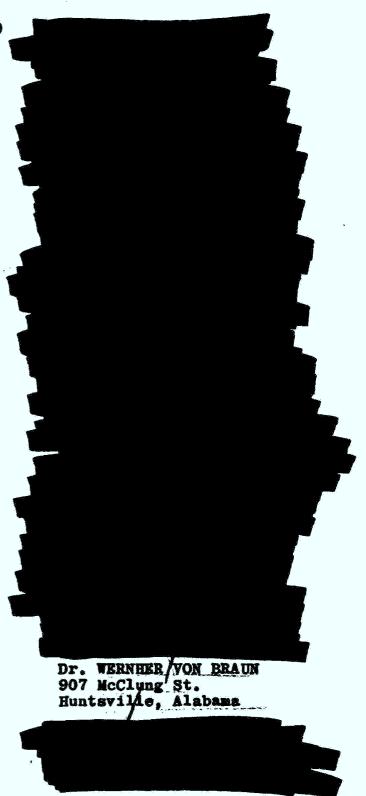
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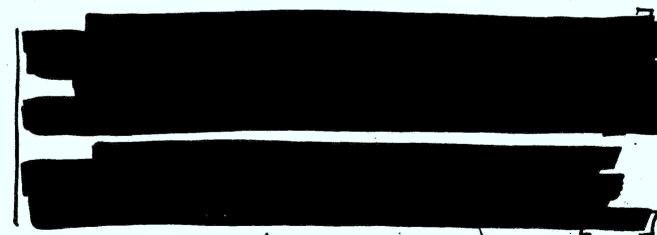
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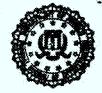
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National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Huntsville, Alabama

On July 13, 1964, Mr. James K. Levie, Jr., Chief, Personnel Security Branch, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Huntsville, Alabama, advised that he would attempt to identify the unknown individual who visited the Farshall Space Flight Center of the National Aeronautics and pace Administration on April 13 and 14, 1964, from the University of Berlin and who might possibly have been in contact with Dr. Harry Ruppe on those dates.

On July 28, 1964, Mr. Levie advised that he had Obeen unable to identify these individuals.

On September 18, 1964, Mr. Robert H. Labbe, Chief, Security Operations Section, Marshall Space Flight Center. Mational Aeronautics and Space Administration, Huntsville, Alabama, advised that he had determined that on April 14, 1964, one Dr. Heinrich Hertell, Professor, Technical University, Berlin, Germany, had visited Marshall Space Flight Center on a one-day technical visit and a two-day personal visit with Dr. Wernher Von Braun. Mr. Labbe advised on the technical part of this visit, Dr. Hertell would, in all probability, have talked to Dr. Ruppe. Mr. Labbe also advised that this is the only record of any German National visiting April, 1964, at National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Mr. Labbe further stated that Marshall Space Flight Center is in possession of no information reflecting that Dr. Ruppe will return to Berlin to take a professorship in the Technical University.

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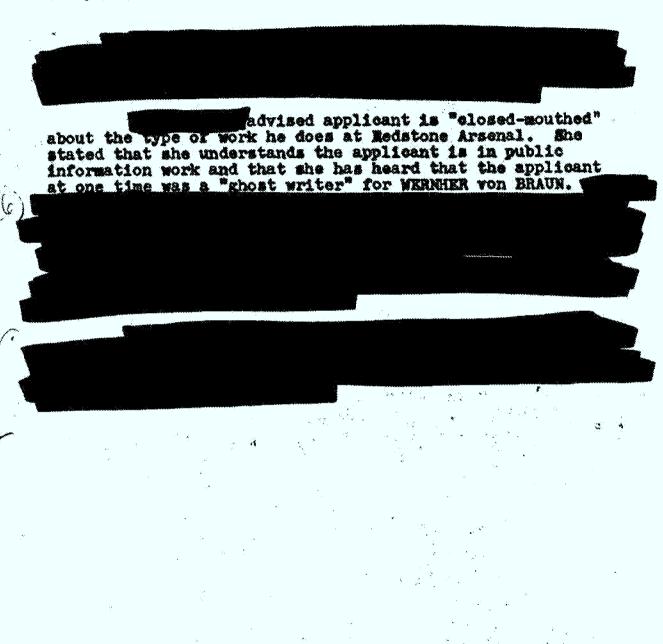
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Also contained in applicant's Personnel File is a letter of reprimand, dated March 11, 1958, to applicant from Dr. WERNHER VON BRAUN, Director, MSFC, NASA, which called applicant's attention to his conduct while off duty from May, 1956, to January, 1958, and the falsification of an official Redstone Arsenal time card on January 15, 1958. This letter specifically advised applicant that his conduct was unbecoming of a federal employee while off duty

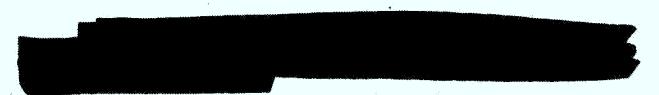
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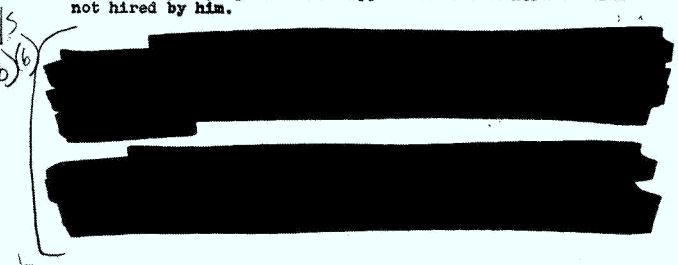
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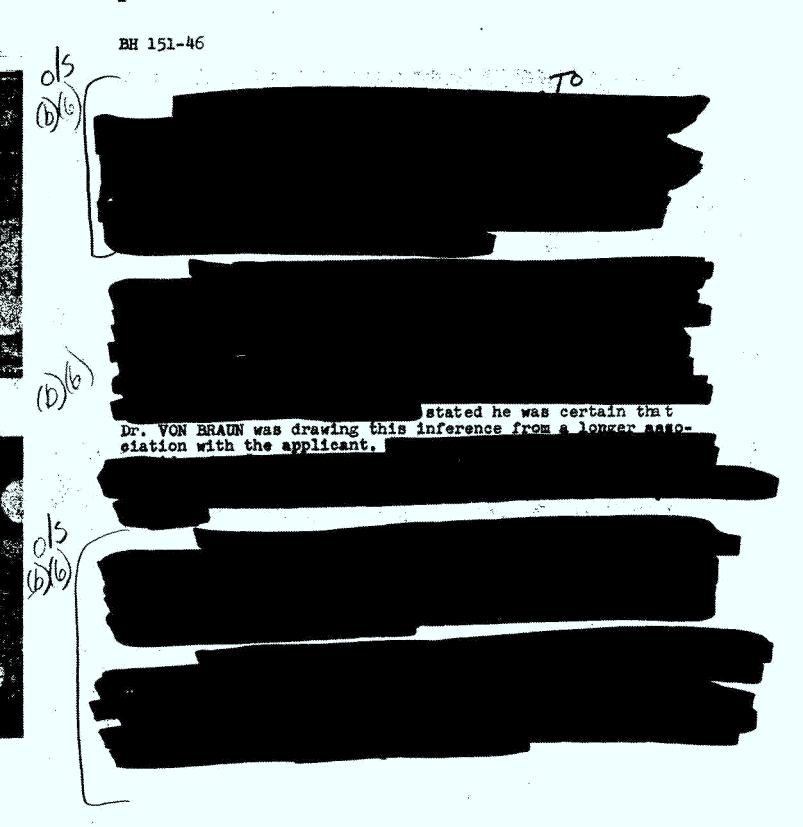
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He advised that he is the applicant's supervisor and that the applicant is employed as a writer. He explained that the applicant is a brilliant, well read writer, and was most talented with words, but is the type individual who is hard to keep at the typewriter. He explained that the aglicant prepares many articles for the agency, and answers Dr. WERNHER VON BRAUNS"fan mail" He stated that the applicant deals through him with Dr. VON BRAUN, in that Dr. VON BRAUN considered the applicant needed direction and preferred this method of channelization. stated that he has known the applicant since august, 1960, and that his relationship with him has been limited to that of a supervisor. He stated that the applicant was an assistant to Dr. VON BRAUN prior to August, 1960, and prepared correspondence for Dr. VON BRAUN. He said Dr. VON BRAUN asked him if he would take the applicant into his staff, and that prior to this request, he had heard that the applicant was not productive as an employee. he could best explain the applicant's presence in his department by saying that the applicant was "inherited" and

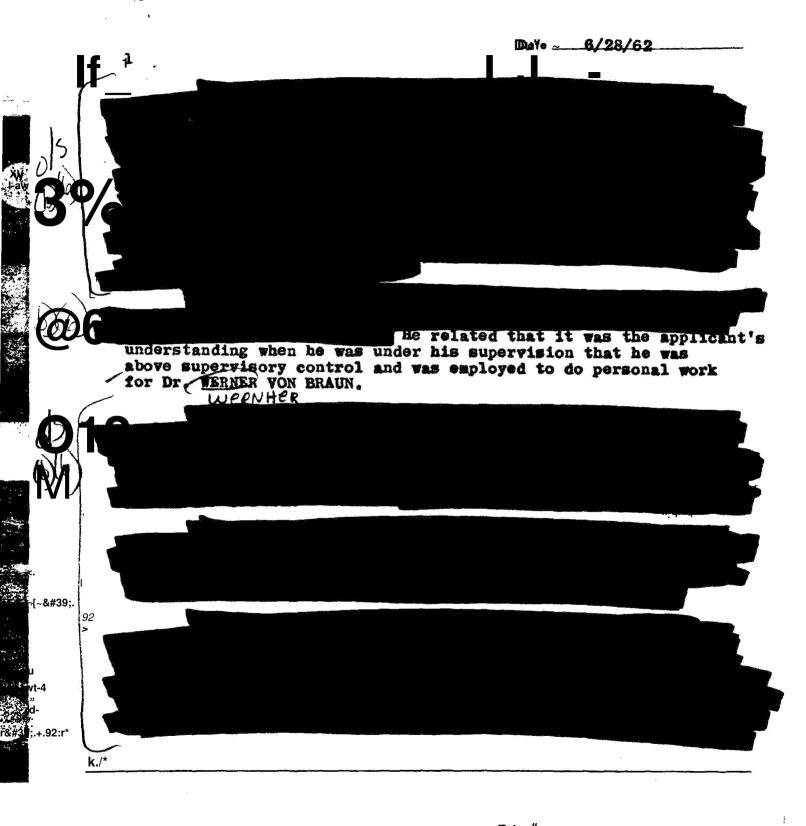


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Your letter deted February 4, 1961, addressed to the Attorney General of the United States has been referred to this Bureau for reply. 

In regard to your statement concerning your surprise that the FBI does not employ scientists with whom individuals could discuss scientific matters, it is pointed out that this Bureau does employ scientists in many different scientific fields. These scientists are necessarily, for the most part, assigned to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D. C. In addition, the various divisions of the FBI located throughout the United States are staffed with trained investigative personnel who are competent to act on specificate mation relating to violations of laws over which the Jurisdiction. In view of this, you should led completely free to furnish our local office any detailed, specific 5 information which you may have pertaining to possible ubversive activities or other violations.

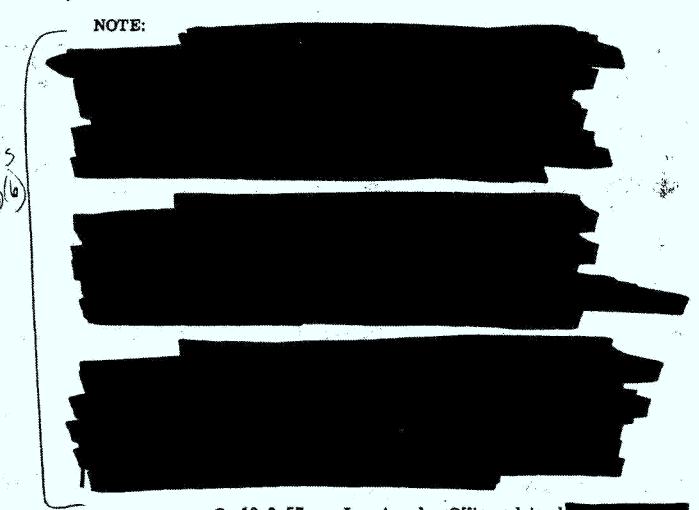
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On 12-3-57 our Los Angeles Office advised stated on interview that Dr. Wernher von Braun and Walter Dornberger were presently still Nazis and requested Bureau assistance in arranging an introduction to Information concerning this contact was made available to the Department of Army on 12-9-57.

February 4,

Hon. Robert Kenhedy U. S. Attorney General Suite 520 261 Constitution Avenue, N. W. Washington 1, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

The enclosed elipping from a recent issue of Aviation Week seems to reflect the same thoughts I expressed in my letter of November 12, 1960-In said letter I also expressed the desire that you be appointed Secretary of Defense. At that time I gave as my reason the fact that the industrialists were too overbearing ... I did not then mention another equally important reason.

In the past two years I have been associated with Dr. Jean Fiesard (the famous balloonist) in an invention. Because of this association, and also because Pissard thought a great deal of the idea, I had an opportunity to meet many engineers in the defense industry. The nature of many separate incidents with ex-German engineers (brought over here after World War II) aroused suspicion; with time I have become convinced that there is some question as to their loyalty to the U.S. From a talk I had with a friend (also a former German) of Von Braun, it seems to me that Von Braun and this scientist are withholding important information from the U. S. missile program.

From what I gathered, the Russians are able to place large payloads into space by using a different system of launching; this system, based upon the Synergie Curve theory of Dr. Hermann Oberth, enables the Russians to use less fuel for each pound (or ton) of payload. With this system, concealment of the Russian bases from the air is possible, and these bases cannot be bombed even with a direct hit. I spoke to seven American engineers at the U.S.A.F. Ballistic Missile Center in Inglewood concerning this launching system. All seven thought that the theory is sound; however, it is evident that someone higher up has put a veto on it. I believe to know who is responsible (German-born and a close friend of Von Braun) ....

The whole story being so fantasti: (in World War II the espionage feats of Admiral Canaris were even more ineredible), I could not wholly depend upon my sole judgment. I sounded out a number of American engineers and found that, while these men do not voluntarily bring up the subject, if someone firmly states that he believes Von Braun is not to be trusted, they readily agree. All the engineers I know deplore the fact that President Eisenhower received Von Braun at the White Mouse and presented him with a medal. Many "What's the use? Why jeopardize American engineers have taken the attitude: my job?"

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As a lone inventor, I can stick my neck out; they cannot do so. The logical thing for me to do, in my opinion, was to contact the FBI. I sought to see the local head with the hope that he would be better informed than a simple agent. But many attempts failed; I had to see the first man behind a desk.

This agent had never heard of Dr. Piecard (or of his brother, the equally-famous Prof. Auguste Piecard), nor did he know anything of the art of missilery. He finally told me that his job was mainly to apprehend ear thieves, forgers, and murderers. It was surprising to find that the FBI does not employ scientists to whom one can speak on matters concerning a particular field. In former times, I presume, the police had to employ a fingerprint expert from the outside. (Sir Charles Percy Snow, in his article "Whether We Live Or Die," published in Life of February 3, 1961, advocates utilization of scientists at all levels of Government. Is the FBI not a part of the government?)

I have made some research on Von Braun and found most informative the book "The Rocket Pioneers" by Beril Williams and Samuel Epstein (Library of Congress Catalogue Card No. 55-6921), which also gives the biography of Dr. Hermann Oberth, the Rumanian-born inventor of the modern rocket (with whom Von Braun had a great deal to do). I wrote to Dr. Oberth. He replied. What he said of Von Braun is far from complimentary. Ironically, the man who detested Germans and hated to live in Germany today lives in Germany through the intervention of Von Braun. He wrote to me that he would like to come to the U. S. "very much and as soon as possible." I believe that Dr. Oberth has been prevented from securing a position in the U. S. by Von Braun and his group (whose members can be found in key positions in every major company-mainly aircraft and missile-in the U. S.).

I believe that this matter should be of interest to the Secretary of Defense and even more to the U. S. Attorney General.

I might add at this point that I recently read that a very close friend of Von Braun (and German-born) has become a close friend of President Kennedy.

In the near future I expect to visit Washington (I am currently resuperating from a recent auto assident). Because a story, when repeated, is too often distorted, I would very much prefer to tell my unique experiences to you personally.

My most sincere congratulations on your appointment, and best wishes for a successful future.

Sineerely,

clipping from Aviation Week
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#### Office Memorandum . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/14/59

FROM

AG, NEW YORK (105-35244)

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Re printing letter. 3/10/59, enclosing copy of letter written by 26, NY., to Dr. WERNER-VON ERAUN, U.S. Army, duided Missile Development Center, Redstone Arsenal, 11 22, dated 2/27/59, and requesting background information regarding subject.

In his letter the subject claimed that he had been boycotted by various top officials of the US Govt., who were controlled by Murder Inc. He said he was penniless, as a result, and had sent registered letters to Moscow and Warszawa to open commercial relations. The subject stated that a trailer should be parked in front of the Justice Dept. in Wash, DC., bearing the monkey trio, "Hear no evil, see no evil, speak no evil", and that a quiz show should be conducted with prizes going to those who could identify the top officials of the Justice Dept., who were controlled by and who collaborated with Murder Inc. The subject also suggested that Dr. VON BRAUN develop a "laugh gas" which would be released from the trailer if anyone touched it.

The subject also sent Dr. VON BRAUN a copy of a letter which he had written on 2/9/59, to Fund for the Republic, 60 R. 42nd St., NYC. In this letter subject identified himself as a broker who in 1957 was involved in the sale of the liberty ship "SS Hai Shuan" in Singapore. Subject claimed that in connection with this transaction he was told by the organization called "Crusade Against Communism", 50 Broad St., Room 1514, NYC, to put up three ampints of money; \$200,000 for the US Govt, \$25,000 for officials of the Justice Dept, and \$20,000 to pay off Red

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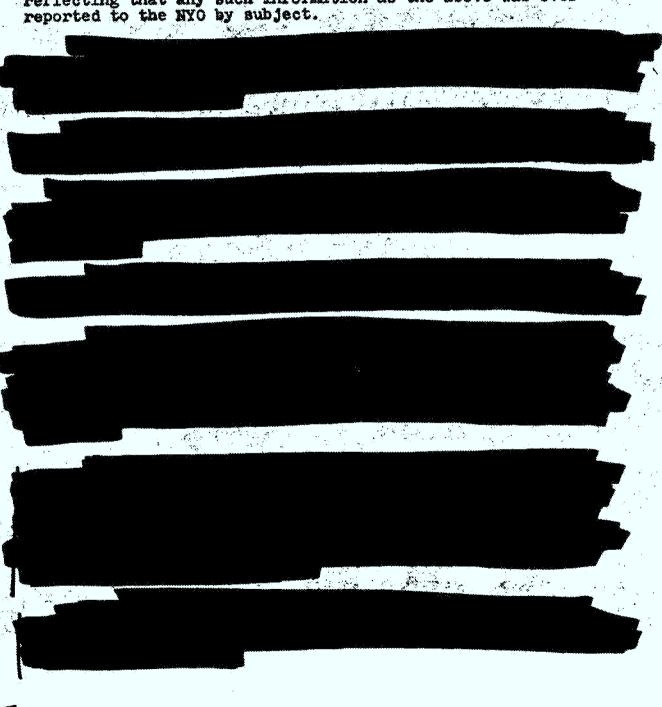
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China. Subject stated that he furnished this information to the FBI, but that nothing happened except that he was told he was blacklisted and economically finished in Washington, D.C. and NY. No information was located in the files of the NYO reflecting that any such information as the above was ever reported to the NYO by subject.



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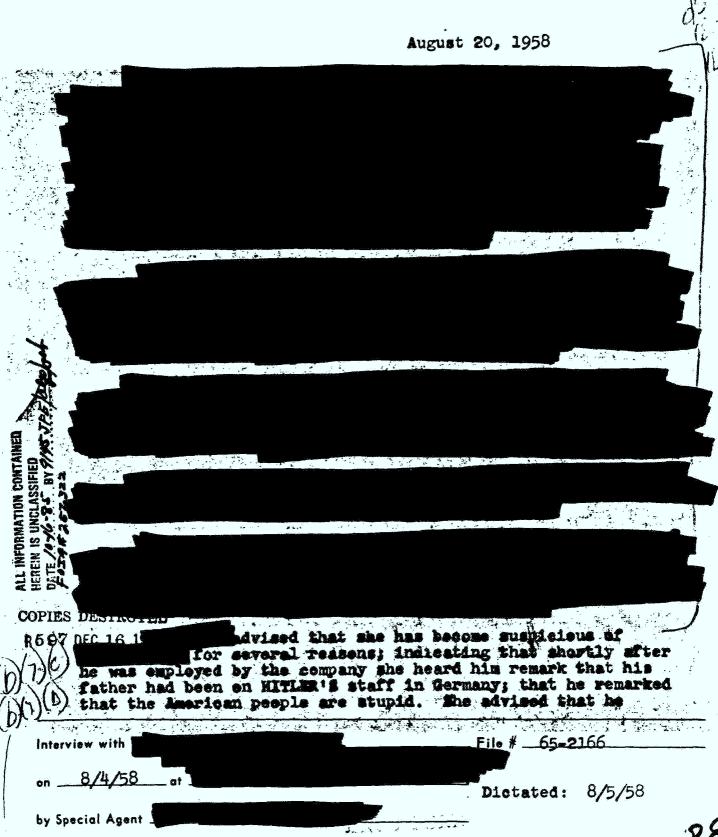
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it has security aspects which cannot be overlooked.

On Tuesday evening, July 29, I was dining with a friend of mine at a restaurant called

reter's Back Yard, on West 10th Street in New York City. At the next table a man was dining alone--or rather drinking, and getting perceptibly drunk. At last he interrupted our conversation and introduced himself as

evidently on detached duty from that institution. Because of the liquor, his remarks were slightly disjointed, but what follows represents a careful summary of his main assertions. I made notes shortly afterwards, on which I am now basing this report.

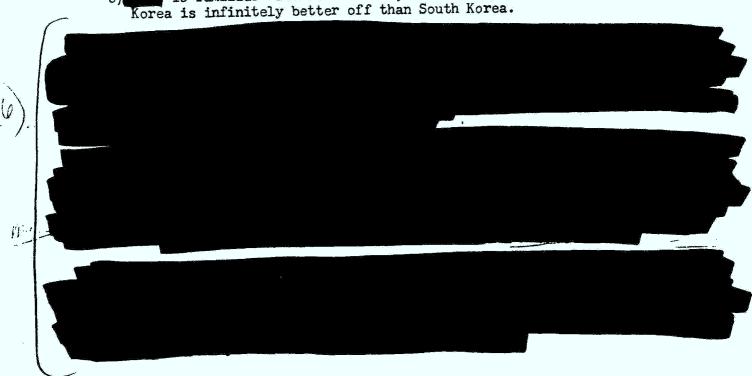
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conversation (and he is a compulsive talker, at least when drunk) varied abruptly between routine denunciations of Khrushchev, plus loud, unconvincing assertions that we must "draw the line" against Soviet aggression, and an incredible hash of crypto-Communish propaganda. Along the latter line, I noted down after dinner the following items:

1) The great evil in the world today is John Foster Dulles and his "moralistic diplomacy." For instance, the explained, it is absurd to say that Chiang should be on the mainland of China, when in fact the peasants are better off under Mao.

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- 2) All over the world, during the next ten years, a gigantic revolution will take place against traditional religious beliefs.
- 3) Russia, in the view of his friend Slatinsky, is the big obstacle to the advance of world Communism.
- 4) The apprehension and execution of the Rosenbergs was "tragic," since after all they were working for a cause in which they believed.
- 5) His Polish friend sitting in on Republic Steel conferences in Cincinnati, was amazed at the similarities (i.e., not the differences) between an American steel company and the Polish steel company bine.
- 6) There are more Nazis (i.e., former German Nazis) in the U.S. than anywhere else in the world. At the convention in Cincinnati, three East Germans "gave him the Nazi victory sign." He reported all of them to the C.I.A.
- 7) He nurses a malignant hatred of Werner von Braun, the Army missile expert. Says that von Braun told him once that he had only become an American citizen because the best future for him lay here.
- 8) is familiar with South Korea, and is very insistent that North Korea is infinitely better off than South Korea.



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Office Memorandum DATE: 6/4/59 Director, FBI SAC, Philadelphia (66-2164) SUBJECT: Re Bureau letter 3/24/59. Enclosed is a summary translation of the articles in an Estonian booklet. A bond, three thin whites and a yellow of the translation together with the booklet are being sent to the Bureau. - Bureau (Encls. 6) (R.M.) - Philadelphia (66-2164) (3) ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED DATE 10-7-85 BY 9/457 NOT RECOGNIE NOT RECORDED 10 JUN 10 1859

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#### Translation from the Estonian

Valismsalaste Silmsdega (translation - Through the Eyes of Foreigners). The sub-title which appears in parenthesis can roughly be translated to mean: The opinions of visitors to the USSR. The booklet was published in 1958 by the Committee for "Returning to the Homeland." It was printed by "Uniselu" (translation - "Community Life"), Talling.

Pages 3 - 13. Introduction (full translation). The introduction was written by I. TURBAI.

#### Predictions that Have Failed to Materialize

(In place of an introduction)

"The common Spaniards turned to me, as a person who has lived in the Soviet Union nearly 20 years, with questions about the socialistic country and its people. And what questions were presented to mei For instance I was asked: "Is it true that grownips eat children in Soviet Russia? Is it true that the worker in Russia redeives a certain number of ? instead of money and that working people cannot eat at home but are required to dine in a restaurant." Your hair stands on end when you hear such questions. And in the Ementieth century!"

Thus wrote about his trip to Spain ROCHINEZ-GARAISAR JOSE MARIO, whose letter we published recently in the newspaper \*For Returning to the Homeland\*.

It is natural that as an honest person JOSE MARIO, who was brought to our country as a child and grew up in the actual conditions of the Soviet Union, had to feel deep displeasure over the dirty propagands which is directed towards the country which has become his second homeland.

"You see now how far has gone the Fascist slander in Spain towards the workers' and farmers' country," shouts JOSE MARIO. Young JOSE could be surprised and get angry at this gloomy fiction, as if grownups would eat children in our country. But the older generation of the Soviet Union and even the generation of the October Revolution have heard even worse.

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This article consists of a list of derogatory names which various newspapers had employed in describing the American satellite \*Avanguard\*

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The First USA Sputnik

Subtitle - In American the Rocket "Jupiter" together with an earth satellite has been fired.

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American Scientists' Press Conference

This article is about the prese conference held February ?, 1957 (7), concerning the firing of Jupiter. A statement made by WERMER 1.5.A. YON BRAUN is quoted.

Pages 128-129

About the Communication from TASS econograing the firing of the Third Sputnik

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Individuals and newspapers of the USA are quoted as they comment on the third Sputnik. Also Canadian, Western Germany's and India's newspapers are quoted.

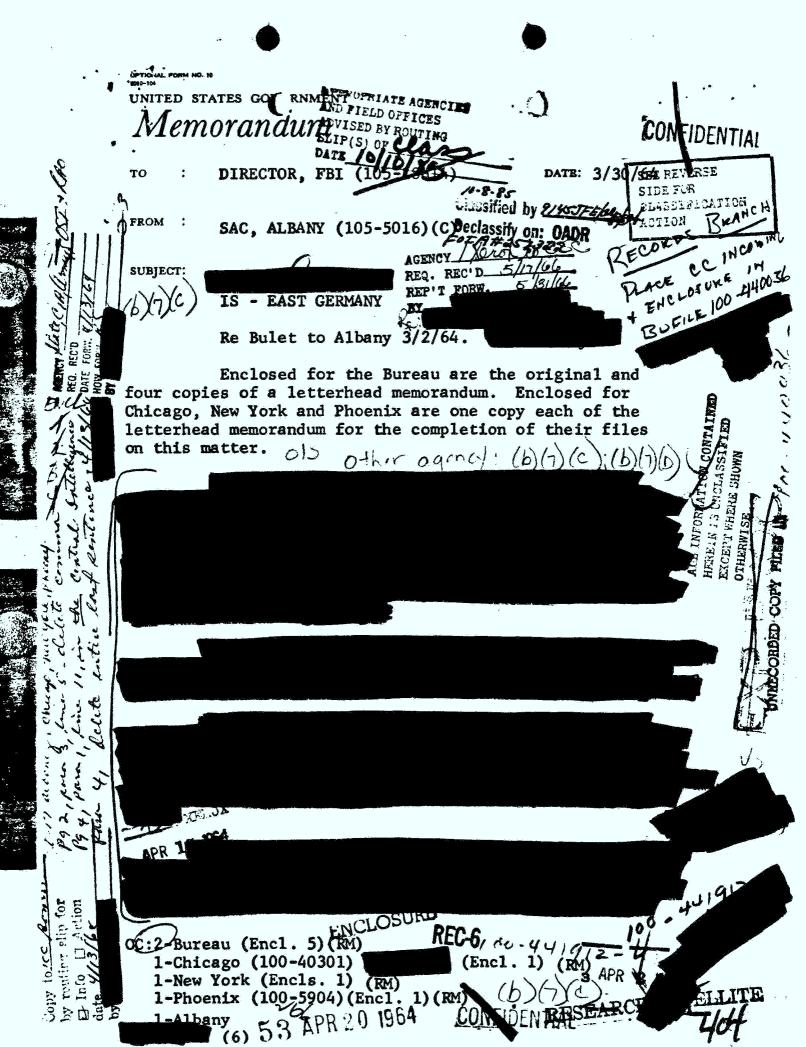
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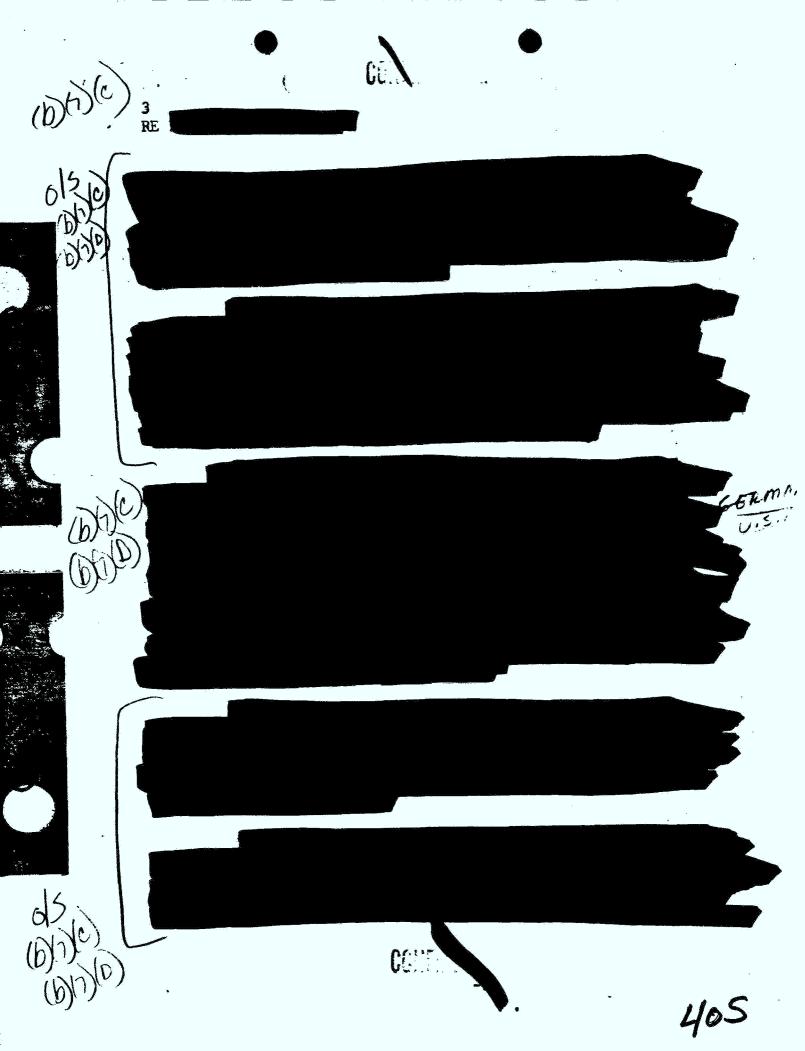


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PEPPER, Miami Florida, on July 15, 1968, advised
Miami, Florida, had
visited the Congressman's office to discuss her planned
departure from the United States.
a fourth grade education, but later remarked she was a
scientist and a writer.
with WERNER von BRAUN to work with him at the United States
Space Laboratory, but that he "kicked her and forced her
out of his office."
also mentioned she had been
attacked and beaten by several men.
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impressed her as an individual with some type of mental
problem.

A first source, on July 24, 1968, advised that had visited her on the evening of July 23, 1968. requested assistance in delivering to WERNER von BRAUN information on three landing areas on the moon. The source stated she believes to be a "mental case," who needs treatment.

A second source, another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, on August 26, 1968, advised that who had requested removal to Paris on two occasions, failed to depart the United States after arrangements had been made for her departure by the sponsor through the American Red Cross. On one occasion, she refused to fly, claiming a heart condition and the fact that her books amounted to 200 pounds of excess luggage. Arrangements were then made by the sponsor for sea travel, which again failed to take advantage of. According

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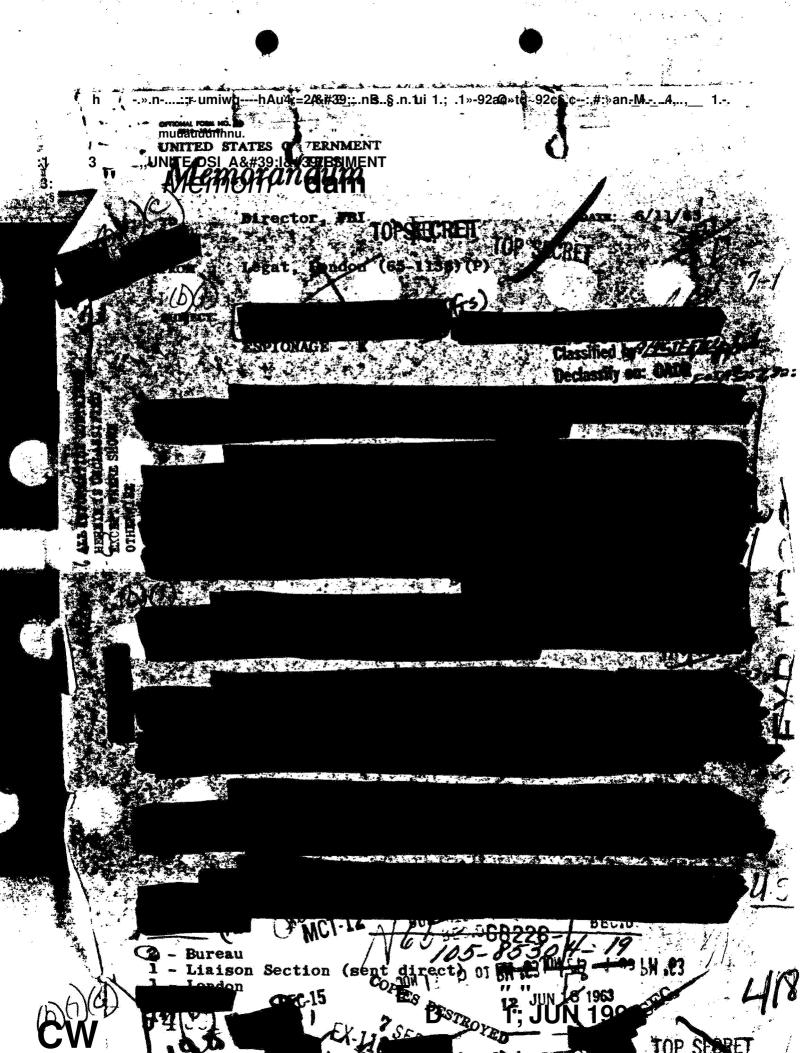
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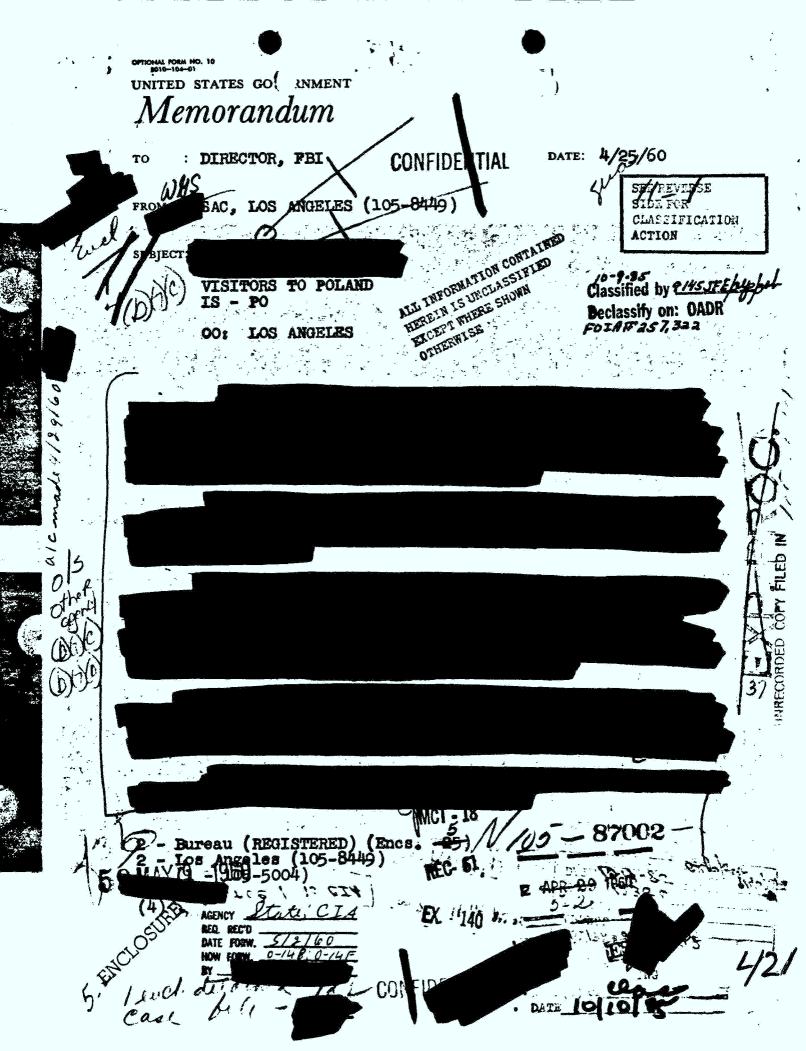
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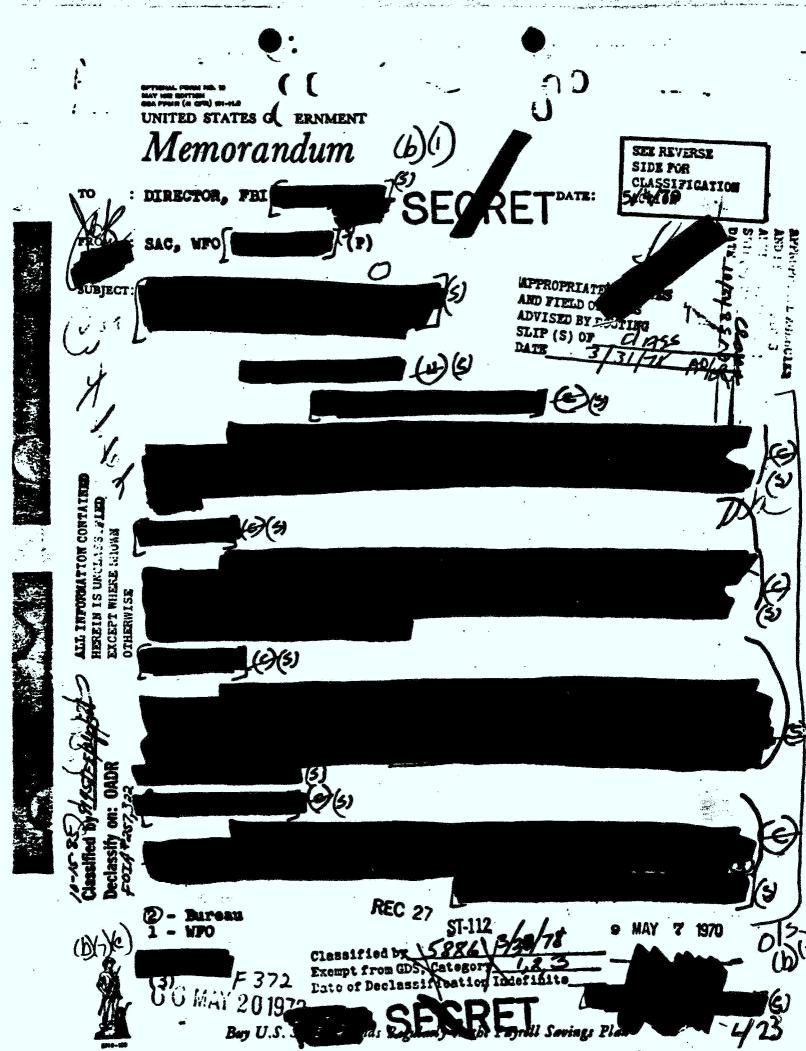
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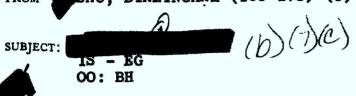
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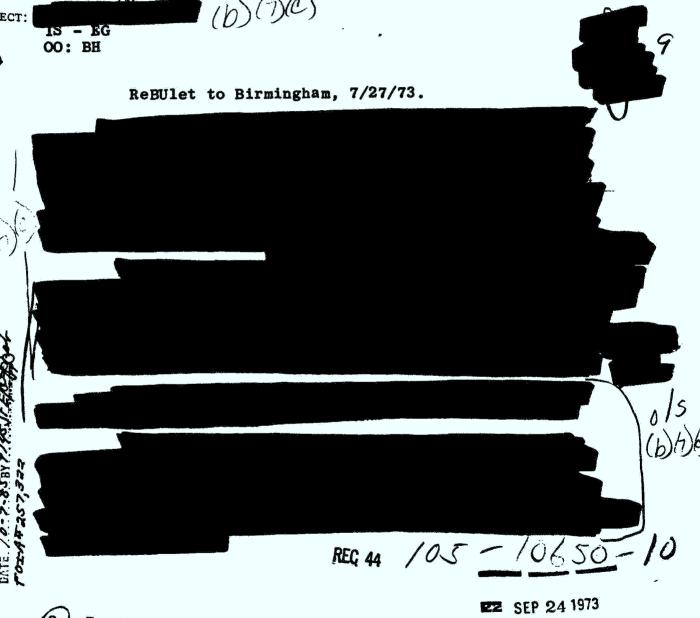
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C., 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Translated excerpts from a letter addressed to Dr. Werner on Braun, Director of the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, NASA, are forwarded as a matter of possible interest to your agency. The letter, written March 21, 1964 by Walter Hecker, 14010 Castalia Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, allege that a manuscript of the book, "The Secret of Huntsville," by Julius Mader, an East German, author, was submitted to Dr. Gustav Kuerti of Case Institute, Cleveland, Ohio, for review prior to publication. The excerpts are as follows:

"Around New Year I visited Germany and met Professor Oberth who asked me to give you his very best regards. Our conversation also turned to the book of a certain Julius Mader, which may be called the most evil piece of Soviet hate campaign directed against your person. The defaming statements that it includes, have started an exchange of correspondence between the German Museum in Munich and Mader and also between Professor Oberth and Mr. Poehlmann. Professor Oberth gave me copies of this correspondence. I also am in possession of the questionable book.

Although it is more or less a waste of time to do anything about the book, its contents should nevertheless not be accepted without rebuttal, since it is damaging to you and indirectly to the entire free world. Personally I am considering the book a part of the political scheme of the Soviets to prevent the U.S. (and the free world) from being first on the Moon.".

"The matter is also somewhat delicate insofar as for these dark machinations - willingly or unwillingly - helpers are found even in this country. Through my connections with the Case Institute, I already heard last year that the manuscript of the a/m book was submitted for review before publication to Professor Dr. Gustav Kuerti. Apparently he served as lector. But enough of this disgusting matter."

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Enclosed as additional information is a copy of the translation of the "Advanced Publication Announcement," and a copy of the translation and abstracts of the manuscript of the book, "The Secret of Huntsville."

Sincerely yours,

Sdain M. Stevens.

Lloyd W. Blankenbaker Director of Security

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#### Rocket Boy No 1

Thus - western newspapers and the monster film "Aiming at the Stars" are glorifying him - Wernher von Braus.

Once he was the "coming man" at the Proving Grounds Peenemuende.

Under his direction the rocket weapons, called vengeance weapons by Fascist they propaganda, were developed; workers annihilated the life of children, women, and old men. Celebrated and honored by the brown rulers as inventor of the "wonder weapons", he and his associates were looking for new employers after the fall of the less than thousand year old Reich - and found them in the United States.

In Huntsville, the American capital of war rockets in the state of Alabama, where von Braun is residing and today pretends only to serve peaceful space exploration, the best kept secret is not the technical data of rockets, but the family background, career, and the evil-doings of Wernher von Braun.

Julius Mader, known by his documentary reports ("The Killers Loom",
"Chasing the Pock-Marked Face") investigated the past of the aristmocrat in
SS uniform and found numerous hitherto unknown facts about the former top
secret fascist rocket armament.

Julius Mader destroys the tight net of planted legends and shows the

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true career of the rocket baron, whose mind is still busy to develop new

mass annihilating rockets which are to serve his new masters, the Wall Street

magnates, for their world domination plans just as they served the Hitler

clique with their goals of world conquest.

But people offered resistance against the ambitious Peenemuende rocket boy. Especially in Poland and France, many patriots tried to reveal the secret of the "devil's cigars". In the underground tunnels, where the rockets were produced, forced laborers from many European countries sabotaged production so that only every second V 2 reached the target area. The resistance efforts led by Albert Kenz in the concentration camp DORA near Nordhausen (Harz) are illustrated. Thus, the stirring documentary report reveals the political, economic, and military aspects of the imperialistic rocket development at that only shows the savage deployment of Hitler rockets against the civilian population, but also the resistance of people against the "wonder weapons".

Julius Mader

The Secret of Huntsville.

408 pages, 79 illustrations.

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So rühmen ihn westliche Zeitungen, so glorifiziert ihn der Monstre-Film "Ich greife nach den Sternen", ihn - Wernher von Braun.

Einst war er in der Versuchsstation Peenemünde der "kommende Mann". Unter seiner Leitung wurden jene Raketenwaffen entwickelt, die, von der faschistischen Propaganda als "Vergeltungswaffen" bezeichnet, das Leben von Kindern, Frauen und Greisen auslöschten. Gefeiert und geehrt von den braunen Machthabern als Erfinder der "Wunderwaffen", suchte er beim Zusammenbruch des nicht tausendjährig gewordenen Reiches mit einem Stab seiner Mitarbeiter neue Auftraggeber - und fand sie in den USA.

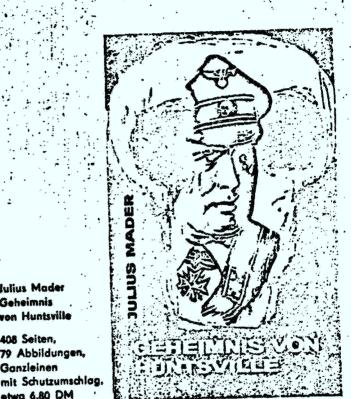
In Huntsville, der amerikanischen Kriegsraketenmetropole im Bundesstaat Alabama, wo von Braun residiert und neuerdings vorgibt, nur der friedlichen Weltraumfahrt zu dienen, sind das bestgehütetste Geheimnis nicht die technischen Daten der Raketen, sondern die Herkunft, die Karriere und die Missetaten des Wernher von Braun.

Julius Mader, bekannt durch mehrere Dokumentarberichte ("Die Killer lauem", "Jagd nach dem Narbengesicht" u. a.), untersuchte die Vergangenheit des Adligen in der SS-Uniform und fand zahlreiche bis heute noch weithin unbekannte Fakten aus den damals streng geheimen Bereichen der faschistischen Raketenrüstung.

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Jedoch die Völker leisteten gegen den Peenemünder Ehrgeizling Widerstand. Besonders in Polen und Frankreich bemühten sich viele Patrioten erfolgreich. das Geheimnis der "Teufelszigarren" zu ergründen. In den unterirdischen Stallen der Raketenproduktionsstätten sabotierten die gezwungenen Arbeiter vieler Länder Europas die Fertigung, so daß nur jede zweite sogenannte V 2 das Zielgebiet erreichte. Hervorgehoben sei die von Albert Kunz geleitete Widerstandsarbeit im Konzentrationslager DORA bei Nordhausen (Harz); So enthüllt dieser packende Dokumentarbericht die politischen, ökonomischen und militärischen Zusammenhänge imperialistischer Raketenentwicklung und weist nicht nur den barbarischen Einsatz der Hitler-Raketen gegen die Zivilbevölkerung nach, sondem auch den Volkswiderstand gegen die "Wunderwaffen".



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The True Career of the Rocket Baron Wernher von Braun

By Julius Mader

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#### The Baron from Sauerkraut Hill.

Where the winding Tennessen river is cutting through the spuers of the Cumberland mountains, the town of Huntsville is located.

Not so long ago, this sleepy little village, nestled into the red fertile soil, belonged entirely to the domain of King Cotton. In the lost little hamlet, far sway from the hubbub of the big world, the white planter sristocracy has been ruling over colored farm hands who vegetated in their shabby shacks.

But normal country living stopped more than a decade ago. Within several dozens of months, the population quadrupled to over 60.000 persons. On the new highway 231 a stream of rolling cars is proceeding continuously. Planes,

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landing in quick succession of the City - County Airport or taking off from the strips of the adjacent military sirport, break the sound barrier just above the center of town. New supermarkets are offering their confusing display of merchandise with blaring advertisements. Souvernir shops find plenty of customers. Three hotels and 21 motor courts, typical accommodations for U.S. motorists, have "sprung up" from the ground. Many plantation owners turned their farmland into dollars and are devoting their efforts to more promising fields. They are draining the pocketbooks of the soldiers who are dominating the city streets.

Huntsville has been rocked by a fever, ever since rocketry and prosperity entered this town hear the northern boundary of the Southern Sate of Alabama. Daily, sometimes every hour, a thunderous rosning emanates from the southwestern part of the city. Out of cascades of yellow flames and darkbrown smoke, slender projectiles emerge into the air and turn toward the south against the usually cloudless sky. Vapor trails are glued to the firmsment, but only attract the attention of strangers.

Quite often, emergency cars of the police, followed by ambulances, stop the hectic city traffic with sirens and blue lights. Behind the gates of the Huntsville Hospital, the cauterized and scorched disappear. The residents of Huntsville are used to such incidents. Risk is part of their business and the motto "time is money" stops then from spending too much of their time on the human problems of American rocketry. Occasionally, they check with their most intimate circle of friends whether the tank explosion or the unsuccessful launch has left any becaucies in the usual party crowd so that other arrangements can be made in time.

Much has changed in Huntsville, also the name of the hill north of the

Monte Sano, which now bears the name - quite unfamiliar to this region 
of Sauerkraut Hill. A subdivision of comfortable homes surrounds this area.

In one of the luxurious mansions a baron resides. The house is surrounded by

climbing rose bushes which are laboriously taken care of by domestic

gardeners. The baron considers himself the uncrowned ruler not only of the

Sauerkraut Hill, but of an even greater empire; hecause with him an unprecedented

business upswing entered the remote rural community. Nevertheless, he always

drives his Chrysler himself. Each year a new model. It is not far to his place

of work, just a few miles.

Quite often, news hunting reporters try to stop him on his way. But when the iron gates are zealously opened and losed again at the end of his trip, he finally gets rid of them. On reserved territory, the broad-shouldered baron hurries to his offices in a yellow, long-stretched and, of course, sir-conditioned tract. The guard at the entrance always enjoys the matutinal jovial greeting. But then the door of the room 4488 closes. The secretary, a bleskached blond, presents her boss the daily schedules. On his mahagony desk, signature folders, drawings, and complex calculations are piling up. The locked safe almost at spills over with highly secret documents. As a rule, the entire building soon knows in what mood the boss of four thousand nine hundred technicians and development engineers is.

A Prussian Junker pursues his career as an American upstart. His name is familiar in the western wolld: Wernher Baron von Braun.

In fact, the Baron well succeeded to americanize his retinue. His worries about bodyguards are taken care of by the American government. Instead of coachmen and grooms, who were at his father's services by the dozens, he

commands a crew of mechanics for his cars and private planes. He does not need a cellarman, because he orders the desired wine and champagne from all parts of the world. But unlike his father, he is not satisfied with one chronicler only; he commands a phalanx of highly paid and favoured star journalists who have to make sure that newspapers, magazines, radio and television stations receive only those news that have been censored by him and a considered newsworthy with rejard to his private life and his projects. And he is not exactly modest. It flatters his banal vanity to appear in the headlines as "America's Prometheus".

But not every reporter is welcome. He exercises control over who will be his favorite writer. Thus, he asked the West German scribbler Klaus Harprecht to see him, invited him for a flight in his plane, and gave him an exclusive interview during a flight over the Tennessee Valley. Harpprecht had been recommended to Wernher von Braun by Bonn. He is the same who made the pointed, but vain effort to Whitewash as a martyr the war criminal Walter Schellenberg, group commander of the S.S., former espionage and sabotage chief of Hitler and Himmler. The routine ejaculations of Harper's pen were graciously approved by the Huntsville Baron. As a result, the reader of the Federal Republic was allowed to note:

'Wernher von Braun has become the hero of the new world. Nobody is forgetting his German background, but nobody hesitates to idolize him as a shining guarantor of America's invincibility, hopes, and heritage for a better, more perfect world. It is not solely the sensation of his success which prompted the Americans to shower von Braun with fame and to bathe in the reflection of his glory. Neither is it just the idolization of his achievements; it is worlder

more the secret of his capabilities, i. e. of his personality. This son of a Pomeranian country squire is endowed with a truly fortunate harmony of strength and sensibility.

The aristrocrat with the playboy looks, to whom innumerous scientists, generals, managers, and admirals make their kowtow and who is idolized by Wall Street, does not know modesty. In spite of his oversized flabby chin, he is considered photogenic by American television producers, after experienced Hollywood make-up specialists covered his harelip scar.

In contrast to the organized popularity, the glory, and the unsurpassable phantasm which surround him, the Rocket Baron von Braun tries to erect a strange wall of silence around his past and his family. Not long ago, Mr. Nerin B. Gun ran against this wall. His widely publicized report in the "Frankfurter Illustrierten" was highlighted by the remarks:

The best kept secret of the rocket city Huntsville in the state of Alabams is not the moon bound Saturn rocket, which is developed at the ediscent Redstone Arsenal, but the exact address with Wernher von Braun. Privacy ranges high in the von Braun family. Mrs. Maria von Braun does not participate in public or official events. The rocket expert declines almost all interviews and rarely receives photographers in his home. He arranged with the Press Office of the Army and other press agencies that no reports and photos of his children will be published. No one gets to enter his house without a special reason - and even generals of the Department of Defense are waiting in vain to be asked to tes or to a cocktail party at the von Brauns in their house on Sauerkraut Will.

In keeping with their desire for privacy, the von Brauns seldom leave their pretty modern house, in which part of the furniture came from Germany. They only get together with a few good friends or the closest associates of von Braun. Occasionally, the entire family drives to a drive-in movie theater where one can stay in the car and a mid contact with other people.

This shows that the von Brank family enjoys their domestic privacy. They do not wish to get into the limeli, who Apparently, the Rocket Baron does not feel too much at ease. He would like to make others forget his past.

When I started to become interested in his person, an article from Duesseldorf attracted my attention. A certain Walter Gong wrote about the "Prussian of Huntsville" and oracularly wrote:

'The ones who become America citizens leave their past behind; and Wernher von Braun's appearance also modistes something which makes it easy for the Americans to say in one prompt. The German Scientist" and "The American Rocket Expert". As far as he is concerned, no contradiction between Peenemuende and Huntsville exists.'

Apparently, the rocket expert relinquished his former nationality in the United States - so to speak - in order to shed his skin, but not to break with his secrecy-veiled past. Since then, the thumbed bibles with the torn pages in his desk and bedside table have become part of his legend. But I wanted to know why for example in 1945 his skuil-decorated SS uniform had been mothballed by two G.I.s and stashed away in a trunk.

To be considered the 'spiritual father' of various high akitude rockets, took quite some efforts on his part. After I heard that he already failed in

mathematics as an 8th grade student at the French Gymnasium in Berlin and suffered the disgrace of not even bein, promoted, I was overcome by doubts in his real qualities. These doubts multiplied when I was unable to find the name Wernher von Braun in German and American patent files. I was stortled that the man, who pretends for years the scrive for the realization of a trip to the moon, is not included in the newest, heavy volume of the world directory of air and space travel, that was published in Switzerland. The trails of Wernher von Braun, whom the German-American film producers audaciously show as 'reaching for the stars', lead me into the offices of industrial combines and NATO staffs.

When I found out through my American friends the address of the blue-blooded von Braun, and the rocket baron finally heard that I was anxious to unveil his secret, the secret of Muntsville, the villa owner of 907 McClung Street reacted with strange nervousness. With conspicuous haste, he sent me a polite letter in which he said:

'Wernher von Braun

July 21, 1961

P.O. Box 6822

Buntsville, Ale.

Dear Mr. Mader:

I received your letter of July 8, 1961, and - of course - I appreciate your contacting me prior to publishing any statements about me.

I wish to inform you, however, that I was neither connected with the orginchies development of the manned nor unmanned V 1 recembe; these were Air Force projects handled by the Air Force Development Center Peenemuende West. I was

technical director of the former Army Development Center Peenemuende East and in charge of the development of the A 4 project, from which the V 2 derived.

Should you be interested in reference material regarding my activities and my curriculum vitae, I would make a data following publications:

Heinz Gartmann 'Werner von Er and Molloquium Publishers, Berlin; Erik Bergaust "Reaching for the Stars', Doubleday & Co, Inc. Garden, City, N. Y.;

Walter Dornberger "V 2", The White Press, New York;
Willi Ley "Rockets, Missiles, and Space Travel", The Viking Press,
New York (also published in German).

I would appreciate your taking the above statements in consideration when you are writing the contemplated series of articles.

Sincerely,

signed Wernher von Braun'

I complied with the request of the myth-possessed Wernher von Braun. But since I also used other references, he could not confuse me with his statements.

Thus, I found one of the most gigantic intrigues of the latest history.

Fireplace Chat about three K's (Kaiser - Emperor, Krieg - War, Kanonen - Cannons).

May 1931. Nestled into lush greens was the long stretched Silesian village of Oberwiesenthal. Heavy, dusty roadsters rolled through the valley, packed with gifts. They were heading toward the feudal estate Oberwiesenthal,

which the von Brauns had purchased a year ago. Although the former domain

Neucken of the Order of the German Knights in East Prussia had served

four generations as their baronial estate, the family represents centuries

old Silesian aristocracy. ....... For the von Brauns, centuries of ruling

over bondsmen was part of God's order of the world and a frequent participation

in the pillaging raids of their emperors part of their code of honor."

A lengthy illustration of the opulent party and illustrious guests, all "representatives of the feuch by stem" is given. Center of attraction is monocle carrying Col. Becker (note: later Major General, Chief of Development of the German Ordnance Dept.). The conversation centers around "emperor, war, and cannons". Host is Magous von Braun, whose background is given in an extremely slanted version. He is mentioned as former "President of the Police of the City of Stettin, who had machine guns turned on impoverished, hungry workers and sailors and personally removed the red flag from the City Hall". In his government post in Berlin, his main concern is "how to preserve the influence of the reactionary and military junkers and industrial barons and their means of suppressing the working class. "Shrewd politicking and maneuvring brought him his appointment as representative of the big landowners in the Central Committee of the Federal Bank.

After a long drinking session, Col. Becker and Magnus von Braun discuss the future of Wernher who makes poor grades at the Technical University of Zuerich - where his father has no connections. Magnus von Braun inquires what chances exist for a career of his son in military rocketry. Becker assures him that Caspt. Dornberger of his staff talks very favorably about Wernher, whom he met on the Rocket Field Reinickendorf, and that Wernher would have a promising future in the Army Ordnance Department, especially in view of

his father's political affiliations. The deal is settled and the student Wernher von Braun called back from Zuerich. After the "Prussian parasites have indulged in excessive drinking, vomiting included", the heavy roadsters leave in the dusk of the morning.

"This glance into the ultra-reactionary nursery of Wernher von Braun was very important, because here are the roots of his carefully guarded secret of Huntsville. In the censored bio raphies of Wernher von Braun, nothing is mentioned about the true background of his rocket career. For the public new motives for his steep professional career were invented to excite the minds in the desired way and to keep the public from knowing the truth."

Verbal quotations from Gertmann biography is quoted, showing Wernher von Braun's mother encouraging her son's interest in astronomy and the stars, upon which Mader comments as follows:

"Aside from the ogling with Mars, no important fact of this fairy tale is true. A harmless telescope replaced death-spewing cannons. Instead of Prussian officers who started firing with rifles, machine guns, and howitzers upon Frenchmen, Bellians, Pritons, Americans, Russians, and even their own countrymen, the form, projects, and motherly ameteur astronomer is offered. Instead of dangerous military rocket projects, space research appeared with crystal clear humane objectives.

But even the most cunning writer cannot completely fit humanism and
Prussian-German megalomania with its resulting militarism under the Prussian
picket helmat. The ideas that Magnus von Braun with his characteristic
Prussian spirit of despotism actually passed on to his sons on the nature
of human beings are repeated by him at an age of 77:

'Men are good-natured sheep with car ivorous instincts, ready to follow each shepherd armed with stick and watchdog, but also ready to kill upon the shepherd's command. (Quoted from lie, nos von Braun's biography.)

Let us tie on to the forcibly construed biblical allegory of the Baron von Braun! Just as the ravenous wolf does not become a harmless vegerarian, no war-minded von Braun with Prussian baronial blood in his veins can ever become an innocent lamb. Not even the shrewdest scribbler in ordinary can accomplish such a change."

# Hissing in Reinickendorf.

This chapter brings details about the rocket activities on the Rocket Field Reinickendorf and emphasizes the monopoly that the German Ordnance Department exercised. Rudolf Nebel is mentioned as stating that his group is building a super rocket for the German army which will make artillery and bomber planes obsolete.

An extensive review of Tsiolkovsky's publications and ideas is given, followed by a chronological account of important milestones in rocket indicatory. Among true/facts, Oberth is mentioned as having worked already in 1917 on an "England rocket" destined to carry a payload of 20.000 lbs of explosives into the English population. Dornberger is an unscrupulous militarist, appointed by Col. Becker to "become the blacksmith of dangerous mass annihilating weapons". According to Mader, Dornberger advised the young von Braun in 1932 to become a member of the board of directors of the Society for Space Travel in order to place a reliable informant among this group. The German Reichswehr finally prohibits unsuthorized private research.

"The greedy hands of German militarists killed the peaceful development of rocket production and a development trend which would have enabled Germany to become a member of the landing and respected rocket nations.

While drawings, samples of materials, patent files, and licences ed disappear in the vaults of the Reichswehr, the German Ordnance Department started in the year of Wernher von Braun's appointment with its test series on the restricted shooting ranges of Munich, Meppen, Stolp, and Britz.

The world public no longer heard of the restricted shooting ranges of Munich, Meppen, Stolp, and Britz.

# Minister (Ret.) on the Proof of Grounds.

This chapter illustrates visit of Magnus von Braun at Kummersdorf, where he attends a successful static test firing. Mader goes to great length to show Magnus von Braun as an "imminent market part of the NAZI, bigwiz finance group", who "supports stidemocratic principles, favors the ascent to power of the mass seducing Braunauer (Hitler)", is involved in corruption scanda and brings his public career "to a shameful end" in 1932, which does not prevent him, however, from "using his far-reaching influence in the Banking Committee to direct in 1933 to 1938 four billion German Mark into the channels of military rocket development to the benefit of his son".

# Doctor Thesis: "Top Secret".

"Piles of books were set ablane. Lads in brown uniforms threw the loot of their pillaging raids and domiciliary searchings into the flames. In their

own way, the fascists squared with the best creations of the human mind.

The blaze of fire illuminated the Friedrich Wilhelm University at Berlin.

Hitler's cohorts started to destroy science and culture.

Surrounded by loudly acclaiming antisemites, storm troopers made Jewish scientists scrub boots and pavement with tooth brushes.

The Friedrich Wilhelm University was one of the first to ban democrats and pacifists from its staff immediately after Hitler's rise to power. New sturdy men took their place who wave eager to push themselves into the foreground."

A detailed and smearing report on various professors follows. The Institute for Defense Politics is compared to a training center for "robber knights and pilferers to become future fascist oppressors".

Among the new scademic staff of "Arian supermen", the student Wernher von Braun is getting around, attending various classes, also lectures on the impact energy of projectiles.

"An impact energy of at least 5 mkg is required to break human bones, 16 mkg to smash them thoroughly - date clarges refer to the naked human body - ; 17 mkg to break and 35 mkg to smash the bones of horses.

Wernher von Braun found this cold, calculating manner quite impressive, the given destructive forces, however, disappearingly small. His thoughts circled around a rocket faster than the sound; it would cause with its payload of 1000 kg of dynamite destructions of an unconceivable extent at a preselected target. He devoted his entire love to this project. With such rockets it would be possible to eliminate the inferior notions surrounding Germany in such a thorough manner that all previous experiences of the ballisticians would

seem completely outdated.

A year later, time had come 257 to Trofessor Dr. Becker to have the still missing doctor's title preserved to the favorite. The treatment of the candidate Wernher von Braun - to begin with the subject of his thesis and including his promotion - illustrates the state of protitution that German science already attained in 1934.

The Federal Minister (Ret.) Megnos von Braun had had quite some trouble with his son. Wernher even confessed this once:

'I believe my school education was useless. I attended the French

Gymnasium in Berlin where only French was spoken .... My weakness was in

the field of mathematics. But I flunked not only in mathematics, but also
in physics' (Note: 1988) and 1988 and 1989 and 1989 are ference Spandauer

Volksblatt, a West Berlin newspaper, date September 17, 1959, is given.).

This prompted Magnus - of commes without regard to additional costs to have his son trimmed in the Boarding School of Ettersburg near Weimar
and later steered through the cliffs of graduation in a private school
for the children of well-to-do parents on the North Sea island of Spiekeroog.

Whether the mathematical-physical block in Wernher von Braun ever vanished, is impossible to find out, even with the greatest effort, because the legendary myth that he is promoting always veils this sore spot. If one would trust the data of the West German Munzinger Archives, one would be fooled by the following tale:

Stimulated by his mother, von Braun was already interested in astronomy as a child, read the books of rocket pioneer Oberth, and built firework rockets He attended a High School in Berlin and later the Hermann Lietz School on

Spiekeroog.

According to this, Wernher von Braun would have been a child prodigy in mathematics and physics, able to digest Cherth's books already before attending high school. Besides, this version contradicts the report of his protegé biographer Gartmann, who evidently makes Wernher von Braun read Oberth only in 1930, after graduation. This was now special accomplishment whatsoever, since Hermann Oberth's book "Roads To Space Travel" requires Very little knowledge of mathematics and each student in the first semester can understand it without any effort.

At any rate, after six semesters of engineering and physics at the Technical Universities Berlin and Zuerich as well as the Friedrich Wilhelm University, the young baron had nothing more to show for than his preexamination. But of course, this did not matter. Professor Becker smoothed the way for his admission to the promotion exercises. On April 16, 1934, Wernher von Braun handed Professor Becker the thesis which was supposed to bring him the long desired doctor's cap. He had chosen a long, bombastic and non-committal title: 'Constructive, Theoretical, and Experimental Contributions to the Problem of Liquid Fuel Rockets'.

If we use this example as touchstone for the credibility of such personal stories as the ones written by Gartmann, who proclaims: 'His imagination did not know any limits. He was dresming of and revelling in boundless space flights' -- we cannot issue a certificate of true reporting to von Braun's literary minnesingers.

Already the introduction to the doctor's thesis, which was kept secret for decades, makes the dream of the early cosmic goals of Wernher von Braun

burst like a soap bubble. The very first sentences of his thesis read as follows:

The use of the rocket principle in artillery can be traced back to much earlier days than the use of cannons. If nevertheless during the last century rockets were almost completely superseded by heavy artillersy, this has two main reasons:

- 1) the use of smokeless powder improved the range (of cannons)
  compared to black powder rockets;
  - 2) the new rifled barrels made higher target accuracy than that of ordinary rockets possible.

However, also the rocket has great advantages compared to heavy artillery. Complete lack of high barrel pressures and recoil permits firing of large rockets from extremely lightweight pedestals. Furthermore and at least theoretically, rockets can attain optionally high end velocities.

regain or even surpass the progress of heavy artillery in range and flight stability. Increase of firing range poses first the thermodynamic problem of efficiently using high-energy fuels for rocket propulsion and second the problem of well-designed lightweight construction. The increase in flight stability and target accuracy, if an active guidance system with gyroscopes is used, becomes mainly a problem of the problem of

The future importance of liquid fuel rockets lies in reaching greater and greater distances, which cannot be reached in any other way and thus justify extensive development work. ... The present thesis can only be considered as a contribution to the physical and engineering problems to be solved in developing a usable ballistic liquid fuel rocket. ... To stay within

a rigid line of development, an everly extensive treatment of individual tests has been avoided. ' (Quoted from reprint of doctor's thesis of W.v.B.) to pursue

Seeing this clear-cut objective of von Braun's dissertationky parametry
the interest of Hitler's armed forces, we can only explain the often attempted
forging of the original purpose of Wernher von Braun's rocket research in
NATO countries by assuming that the now American rocket engineer withheld
from his staff of writers his first thesis, which shaped his career, or that
his biographers intentionally ignored this thesis.

But this is not all, the public has a right to hear about the circumstances surrounding this unusual exercise of conferring a doctor's degree.

On February 21, 1934, Col. Professor Dr. Karl Emil Becker, accompanied by a captain of the Intelligence Agency of the War Ministry, appeared in the apartment of the Dean of the School of Philosophy of the Freidrich Wilhelm University, the philologist Dr. Wilhelm Horn, Bayernallee 6, Berlin-Charlotten-burg.

Becker immediately explained that they needed Dr. Horn's help in a promotion procedure which had to be kept top secret in the interest of Germany. A certain candidate was supposed to be conferred a Ph. D. without neither the staff of the Philosophical Faculty nor the students or outsiders hearing about it. While Becker talked, the captain of the BIntelligence Service mechanically examined the study of Professor Horn.

Horn voiced some objections against the unusual proposition. Whereupon Beck disgruntingly explained to him that the Army Command had already obtained the consent of the President of the University. As already mentioned, the fascists had appointed Eugen Fischer, the odious racist, President of

the University! It was agreed that Professor Horn would confer with the president.

Becker was absolutely sure of his case. He accepted Wernher von Braun's rocket thesis and arranged for the twenty-two year old to receive his promotion certificate on July 27, 1934, which suthorized von Braun to carry the title "Doctor of Philosophy". The certificate was signed by President Fischer and Professor Horn. None of them ever saw one line of the doctor's thesis. In fact, it actually was the Army, who clapped the doctor's cap on Wernher von Braun after giving it the highest grade "eximium". Neither Prof. Fischer nor Prof. Horn, but Major General Prof. Schumann, one of von Braun's military teachers, marked in the top secret university files:

'According to an agreement between the War Ministry and the Prussian Ministry for Science, Culture, and Education, the thesis is classified secret; it is kept in the files of the War Ministry, reference WaPrwZ Az 37 (Dissertation von Braun "Constructive, Theoretical, and Experimental Contributions to the Problem of the Liquid Fuel Rocket")

Grade: eximium.

April 4, 34

signed Schumann.

But the conspiratorial secrecy even went farther. The only document that the Friedrich Wilhelm University presented to the title-crazy Warnher von Braun, the doctor's certificiate, contained a falsification. The broad subject of the thesis was reduced to the insignificant formula 'On Firing' Tests'. Wernher von Braun had to put up with the fact that neither he nor his thesis was included in the Yearly Bulletin of German Universities. Finally, itc the military Intelligence Service Major General Schumann even gave orders to report immediately any person

asking for you Braun's thesis. The main concern was not just to keep the.

thesis secret, although this was one of the reasons, but to hide the antihumane character of the thesis from the public.

In all NATO countries this abominable fact still is one of the best kept secrets of Huntsville. It is significant that Wernher von Braun called himself later - even today this falsification is kalk happily going on - Doctor of Science.

Why all this forgery? The respect is quite evident: Wernher von Braun is trying by all means to be considered a scientist who is pursuing useful research. But this he has never been. He who claims to study seriously the problems of space travel, did not even use for his so-called thesis the major internationally known space and rocket literature published by Professor Ziolkovsky, whose writings are not even mentioned in the bibliography was of von Braun's dissertation. For Wernher von Braun, the genius Ziolkovsky was a Russian, a Soviet of the lower races, described of and creative schievements, as Wernher von Braun was taught at home, at school, and at the University.

In Soviet Russia at that time, yours and xames enthusiastic scientists, revered by all Soviet people, started to solve the complex problems of rocketry and space travel, while is Germany a small war-crazy group, claiming monopoly as experts, stopped the rocket development that did not serve their class-conscious goals.

A glance into the German Patent Register reflects this process. In the broad category of 'rockets and reaction type propulsion systems operated by combustion gases' the following number of patents were registered in Germany:

Year		Numb <b>e</b>	r of	Patents
1931	•		0	
1932			1	
1933			3	
1934			3	
1935		f	1	
1936		•	3	
1937		•	2	
1938			2	

It also should be noted that ofter 1933, upon request of the "Reichswehr" and later of Hitler's Armed Forces, a publication of patent applications
was usually delayed 3 to 5 years, if the patent holder - after being exposed
to quite some pressure - still insisted on the publication.

A peaceful rocket development in Germany, where Col. Becker, Capt.

Dornberger - who in 1935 received an honorary doctor's degree from the Technical

University Berlin upon request of the Army - , and Wernher von Braun with

his unusually conferred degree determined the trends of development, did not

find any support at all."

#### The First Dead.

Chapter brings details of firing test in Kummersdorf, July 1934, that led to the death of Dr. Kurt Wahmke, one of the chiefs of the military rocket project. Mader emphasizes the ruthlessness wan of von Braun, who regards this accident "with mixed feelings", because it removed one of his competitors. The only potential competitor, still left, is Rudolf Nebel, and Mader implies that von Braun is starting an ingenious intrijue against Nebel by blaming him as Jew implicating Nebel's Jewish bride who finally ends up in a concentration

camp and is later killed at /uscanics.

Wernher von Braun laughed in his sleeve. The intrigue succeeded, as he had hoped. After all, he was a pedigreed member of the master race, a descendent of a Prussian feudal family, who for centuries had thought and acted extremely antisemitic. Ruxxamiuxxamixx Quite some time ago, the cercles of nobility, immersed in class and race anobism, had already joined Hitler's SS, the black blood order of nazian. Already at that time, 261 members of the nobility belonged to the officers corps of the SS, among them seven princes and 59 barons. 260 times the little word "von" preceded the classifications of rank of SS group leaders, SS brigade leaders etc. The extremist right ultra-German robility pathered servicely around Hitler and Himmler. The von Brauns were not missing.

The Oberwiesenthal Earon Magnus von Braun also danced attendance in the xxx staff of the high-flown Reichsfuehrer SS Heinrich Himmler. Having reached a high age, Baron Magnus von Braun soll regrets that he personally talked to the most brutal mass murderer of all times only once. With delight he recalls their meeting: 'In the discussion he was extraordinarily polite and showed good manners.' Neither before or after 1945 did Magnus von Braun have the slightest objections against the SS organized intellectual Hitler fanatics. His approving judgment is summarized in the formula: 'The SS cared very much about imposing appearance'.

Thus, the Arians von Braun established excellent connections with the new rulers in their brown and black pants. Yxkmkx Thanks to these connections they pushed Rudolf Nebel out of their way. Wernher von Braun tried later to hide his amoral elbow jostling. He sent a statement to a Munich Court referrin;

to these incidents and had it certified in August 1961 by an Alabama Notary Public M. Wilbourn:

"For our Peenemuende sctivities I considered Nebel unsuited. I had always thought more of his capabilities to promote things and his qualities in organizing and collecting contributions than of his purely scientific and technical accomplishments. .... The fact that his true strength was not in the technical field, but in pushing things, accepting set-backs and in preparing the ground, does not diminish his merits. Actually, it was not much different with Count Zeppelin.

No angel could be as innocent as the Baron from Sauerkraut Hill. He stated no more or no less that his first teacher was not accepted into the Peenemuende team, because he lacked scientific and technical qualifications. But he did not lose one word about the role the von Braun family played in the intrigue against Nebel. To close the Earon's lapse of memory, a remarkably timely coincidence has to be mentioned. At the same time when Nebel with his M.S. degree was forced to stay away from the German rocket development, the young Wernher tried everything to become a member of the SS.

He must have proven himself quite well with Hitler's elite. How else could one explain that he proudly displayed the insignia of a SS storm troop leader during the war, a rack that compares - if at all - to that of a major.

The SS rank of Wernher von Braun was just one step below the last rank of the mass murderer Eichmann!

So far, this fact for which written proof is on file in the War Compensation Department of the Munich District Court I, has been carefully concealed. Since Wernher von Braun instructed all his biographers to keep strict silence on this shameful episode, and since the success-crazy writers are anyhow afraid of the powers that are always noticeable behind Wernher von Braun, I had to look for trustworthy witnesses from those dark days.

I found Dr. Wilhelm Lattemann, who was drafted into a key position in the Nazi weapon research during the second world war. Dr. Lateemann wrote me a letter, in which the most decisive statements speak for themselves:

'From W. Lattemann,

November 11, 1962

Neumannstr. 8

Darmstadt-Eberstadt

Dear Mr. Mader:

in the Air Ministry and at the same time in the FEP (Forschung - Research, Erprobung - Testing, Patente - Patents). .... I belonged to the FEP of the Wespon SS and in this capacity I had to work on almost all development projects. I had no contacts whatenexes with Wernher von Braun, I was only assigned to investigate the case Nebel from a scientific standpoint. To do this, I visited Mr. Nebel in his home in Berlin, where we got into a frank discussion. Frankly, I did not like the way in which Nebel had been put on ice. This opinion was not only based on my conversation with Nebel, but especially on studies of the documents that I received. It was well known to us that Wernher von Braun had at least the rank of an SS troop leader. ....

I still remember having read in a book or an article and woman associate

of Wernher von Braun after the war, that Wernher von Braun liked to wear his S.S. uniform.

I have no objections whatsoever to be named in your documentary, if this really serves the cause. I have no ambition and do not carry any titles .....

Nebel's teacher, Prof. Herman Oberth, was also excluded from the German rocket research, which proved waxk to be very advantageous for Werder von Braun, because his knowledge and experience would never have been adequate to compete with Oberth. Although Professor Oberth begged from the faraway Roumanian Mediasch to be allowed just to help design the war rocket of the mazis, he was not called. The section of the Ordnance Department, commanded by Colonel Becker, the friend of the von Braun family, declared that 'Ober' is a Roumanian citizen and therefore cannot be admitted to work on the top secret development projects.' Professor Oberth resigningly dictated his chronicler:

'The German rocket scientists, who no far had been in close contact with their foreign colleagues, did no longer or only evasively answer any questions from foreign colleagues, and the ties between the German and foreign rocket experts broke .... The curtain had gone down, but strangely Oberth had remained outside. He was not allowed to work on secret development projects.'

Wernher von Braun, following the casket of Dr. Wahmke, saw himself advancing a good deal. Wahmke was on his way to the grave, Nebel on his way to the dungeon, Oberth out of the country. The road leading to his presenting the war rocket to Hitler was open and the country.

This kwas just the beginning. Shortly afterwards, in the year 1936, Hitler

appointed the 24year old Wernher von Braun, who was still engulfed in scientific puberty, but a reliable razi and well versed in conspiracy, as technical director of the most speculative untertanking of its time and put him in charge of the giant experimental grounds of death."

# On the 'Forbidden Island'.

The opening paragraphs give a vivid description of the hectic activities to establish the Peenemuende Rocket Center. Reference is made to Heinrich Luebke, the present President of the Federal Republic of Germany, who worked for a facilities planning groups and "established the material basis for Hitler's overd to all ecstacy, and shuffled armament funds like made".

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Mader breaks Peenemuende tona into three categories with "different attributions of guilt in producin; Fitler's rockets. First of all the consciousless clique around Dornberger and von Braun. Secondly, a wide circle of scientists and engineers, who often recognized rather early the criminal character of the untertaking, but had not enough courage to leave. Thirdly, the big group of people who had to decide between assignment to the front or to an armament related job".

Wernher von Braun is shown as gathering outspoken fascists around him. & "Dr. Ernst Stuhlinger represents the type of scientist, who intentionally places himself at the service of aggressors. In Peenemuende he belonged to the von Braun circle and calculated trajectories for Hitler, on which rockets sped to England or were supposed to hit the densely populated rockets appear cities. Today, the Stuttgart born Stuhlinger is standing without

assumed the name "Mister Apex" and is computing with his worn-out abaci
new mass murders. The terror, that he helps to sparead, has become his
elixir of life." .... List of former and present key members of team
follows, including Eberhard Rees, Walter Riedel, Dr. Walter Thiel,
Arthur Rudolph, Dr. Rudolf Hermann, Dr. Hermann Kurzweg, Ludwig Roth,
Dr. Steuding, Prof. Buchhold, Prof. Vieweg, Dr. Steinhoff etc. Mader
call them "perfidious fanatics and aggressive rocketeers, bent on murder".

#### Rabid Plans.

Hitler is shown in November 1937 as discussing with his generals the concept of the next war, while von Braun, firmly settled in Peenemuende and trying to keep Oberth out of the rocket conclave, arranges for him to teach at the Technical University of Vienna. Oberth leaves Roumania for Vienna and "becomes a traitor of his country".

After Hitler's return from the invaded Take Czechoslovakia, he wants to inspect his "arsenal of dictorious weapons" and visits the Peenemuende research colony in company of Licutenant General Prof. Becker. Wernher von Braun is shown as convincing Hitler of the necessity to have rocket weapons for his "conquest of the world. Well chosen party platitudes from the hectic repertoire of the 10th Party Day in Nuremberg, mixed with strategic speculations and a minimum of dechnical data servicely presented, did not fail to achieve the calculated effect. The following static firing remained just a thundering stage prop".

Continuing preparations for Hitler's attack in 1939 are illustrated.

Upon declaration of war on September 1, 39, the entire "greedy von Braun family is truly elated". Sigismund von Braun, "the former spy apprentice under the attache mask at the Hitler Embassy in Paris", has been appointed to the "master race staff of the General Consulate in Addis Abebba, where he is enjoying life in a fascrist-occupied African state". The youngest brother Magnus is studying chemistry "to to a real enjoying another success. The "brown and Braun rocket program" gets top priority and thus, for Wernher von Braun, the sluice gates are operad for enormous resources in money, material, and manpower at a time "when the Germar people have to be grateful for rations of ounces of preserves and coffee ersats".

### A Report is Reaching Oslo.

Mader describes in details his efforts to clarify the secrets of the Oslo report, an anonymous letter depicting Peenemuende projects, German radar development etc.; letter had een dropped into mailbox of English Embassy at Oslo in October 39. At great length, English statement of British official is quoted who testified that he received such a report in November 39, but that sender coulad never be identified, in spite of all efforts of the British Secret Service. Mader claims after personal investigations, that it is almost certain that Dr. Hans Heinrich Kummerow, an anti-fascist, who refused to support the faccist armament development through his work and inventions, was sender of this letter. Kummerow and his wife, both inspired by the ideals of an democratic, peace-loving Germany, are shown working against the nazis and ending in a concentration camp. However, no proof whotsoever for these

facts or assumptions is given. Entire incident is used to compare the idealistic, suffering Kummerow with "fascist playboy type von Braun".

'While the 30 year old sun-tanned and carefree von Braun is cruising in his luxury yacht on the Baltic, fascist torturers are thrashing the pale Dr. Kummerow after dragging him out of his dark cell.

While von Braun lets his infatuated secretary, Hannelore Bannasch, warm his blood, the vociferations of the Gestapo investigators are shocking the young mother Inge Kummerow, whom they force to face the glaring floodlights.

While von Braun on his business trips is frequenting questionable apartments with his part-time fiancee, the capricious Dorothee Brill, the separated Kummerows are trembling life of their children and that of members of their family and appel Irleads.

While von Braun lets champagne bottles pop in a victory-confident cercle, plain potatoes already were a treat for Dr. Kummerow, imprisoned in a moist cell.

The German people produced a Vermier von Braun, who - as he proved later - was always willing to sell his nationality for egoistic motives, but it also produced a Dr. Kummerow, who sacrificed his life for a happy future of Germany."

A list of German people follows, who are prosecuted and shipped to concentration camps because they fought against fascism. Execution of the Kummerows is described and Mader blames the NATO powers for filling pages with "painful glorifications of Wernher von Braun", but not making any efforts to give due credit to Dr. Kummerow.

### Death Plight of the Goering Vultures.

After cutting attacks against Magnus von Braun and quotations from his biography, which are taken out of context, Mader describes the fascist six raids, suicide of Laieut. General Prof. Becker, the impossibility to conquer England by air in spite of rising sirplane production etc. With increasing losses of the German Air Force, more and more emphasis is put on rocket production in spite of divided opinion on their usefulness in Hitler's staff. "Neither Hitler nor Himmler nor Wernher von Braun were ever concerned with defending German air space and the German urban population against English-American bomber attacks, but only with the final victory of the war. The von Braun rocket was designed, tested, pampered, and promoted as an aggressive weapon of the fascists ....".

While Peenemuende budget is rising to 150 million marks (about 40 million dollars) in 1942, Wernher von Braun is shown as the organizer, who never mastered mathematics and physics, but knew how to use his elbows and how to promise unscrupulously excly results.

#### The Frozen Lightnings.

shown. In spite of the fact that o by the in ten launchings succeeds, wernher von Braun is busy, planning deployment of his rockets against England. Construction of concrete lau chia sites in France is started with several thousand prisoners of war, French forced laborers, and workers of the organization Todt. Himmler visits lockemuende and supports "devilish work

of von Braun". In July 43, Hitler asks for personal briefing on Peenmuende project. Dr. Dornberger, Dr. Steinhoff, and Wernher von Braun leave for Hitler's Headquarter at Wolfsschanze. After briefing by von Braun, Hitler is "as impressed by the suggestive powers of Wernher von Braun as later on the Pentagon generals are". Wernher von Braun as later on highest priority. "And that at a the sould as judged by Major General Dornberger as follows:

'The military situation in the middle of 1943 was now longer such that the firing of 900 V 2s per month with a phyload of one ton, covering a distance of 160 miles, could terminate a world war of the then attained scope.'

In view of this insight, what could the rocket fenatics squally achieve?

The reply can only be: Mass murder of the foreign civilian population,

mass terror in the lines of Hitler's adversaries. ......

The mass murder concept of the fescists was transformed into technical dimensions by Wernher von Braun. One nazi scientist invented the cyclon B to suffocate hundred thousands of people in gas chambers, others created Hitler's war rockets to mutilate hundred thousands of people abroad."

As "faithful nazi follower", Wernher von Braun receives the title
"Professor" by personal decree of Hitler. Chapter finishes with comparison
of "SS wonder weapon blacksmith Wernher von Braun, who in America pushed
himself into the limelight and is honored by the hired clappers of NATO"
with the "human qualitizes of the resistance fighters who were relentlessly
devoting their efforts towards social progress and who do not like to
discuss their heroic deeds during the second world war ..."

### On the Quiet Front.

Efforts of Polish and French resistance to obtain intelligence Information on Peenemuende are vividly illustrated. Members of French 'Marco Polo Organizatio transmit available data to London. Their members are prosecuted by the Gestapo (German Secret Police).

"The Gestapo raved like madmen in the torture dungeons. Resistance fighters and completely innocent, but suspected persons broke down under their blows. The hands of the prisoners were tied to their right leg. Then they were thrown on the floor and flogged. Whenever they fainted, the torturers would pour buckets full of cold water in their faces. Other prosecutors employed even more brutal methods to press a statement. The barbarians of the 20th century went so far as to use electricity for torturing.

They fastened a wire around the legs of their lives, took a second wire, turned on the electricity and touchedvarious parts of the body with the free end(of the second wire). The tortured screamed in pain. French women, their arms tied behind them, were suspended by their hands until their shoulder joints were dislocated. With razor blades the Gestapo bulls cut the soles of the prisoners and forced them to walk on salt.

'The torturing was worse in those cases when the Germans did not have any exact ideas about the type of information to be gathered and thus tortured people at random', later stated under oath Mr. Clayes, who himself experienced these cruelties.

Thus, Himmaler protected the rockets of his SS troop leader Wernher von Braun."...

In spite of all torturing, the resistance groups continue their sctivities. After receiving more information, Royal Air Force is starting for reconnaissance flights over Pechemnonde.

# Bombs are raining on Peenemuende.

This chapter gives an account of the Dritish air raid on Peenemuende, and the extent of the damage, which delayed mass production of V2s for & at least six months".

Three paragraphs in this chapter contain accusations against Heinrich Luebke, a facilities plannin, official (note: now President of the West German Federal Republic ), who is blamed for pro-fascist activities and capitalistic profiteering.

#### Numbers as Witnesses.

This chapter brings extensive documentation on the profits and output of German "capitalistic" indestrial concerns, involved in armament and rocket production.

### The Rocket that Disappeared.

Details about V 2 test firings, conducted at Heidelager Proving Grounds, Poland, are given. Required facilities were built under SS supervision by Jewish laborers who were killed upon completing construction work. "Immediately after the first visit of the Prussin Junker, the days of

suffering started for the population of the territory that the Nazis needed for testing their special wespons". Suspenseful account of Polish underground activities and flight of British plane into Polish territory to pick up vital rocket parts to be investigated in London is given.

Guidance failure causes one V 2 to land in Sweden. The neutral Swedish government protests against this act of war and lets British Intelligence Service inspect the rocket and transfer it to England.

# The Growing Number of Crosses.

"SS troop leader Wernher von Braun shall have the floor:

'On September 7, 1944, the time had come: Our toys became a weapon of destruction. The first V 2 was fired from Den Hasg.'

Hitler, Himmler, and von Braun arranged for the deployment of this mass destruction weapon at a time, when it became obvious to each thinking person that the fascist aggressors would be the losers of the wer."

Details of destruction caused by V 1 and V 2 firings against England, and Holland are reported, also English efforts to defend against these attacks.

"The Britons had hardly overcome the first shock, caused by the German winged kumburk bombs, when Hitler started to deploy his ballistic A 4 rockets, the vengeance Wespon V 2. Wernher von Braun's day of triumph had come. He had succeeded in being the first chief designer of mass destructive rocket wespons. Politically, he was fully sware of the importance of this fact. Thus, Wernher von Braun is the first, who simed rockets at civilians and had them fired to achieve the goal of mass murder. And he reaped a bloody harvest."....

"Wernher von Braun's A 4 rocks a cast againshed the life of more than

12.000 English and Belgian citizens and made ten thousands miserable for the

rest of their life by inflicting terrible injuries upon them. This result

of his war research was inevitable, a fact, which the Rocket Baron realized from

the beginning. He served mass murder and Hitler swarded him the knight's cross

to the cross of merit with swords, a rare honor presented exclusively by

Hitler 'for special services rendered to the military command.' This was

1944, just at Christmas:

So far, the German public was never informed officially of the names of the mass murderers, who - five minutes to twelve - were so secretly honored by Hitler, because today these Hitler halberdiers are employed by the American government or American monopolies, not only Wernher von Braun, the mystery closked Huntsvillian. Together with him, the Nazi Doctors Heinz Stuhlinger and Walter Dornberger - who at the same time received a special promotion to Lieut. General - were presented the "Blood Guilt Order".

Also these are growing numbers of crosses, although the protection of not publishing the names, which Hitler granted am his favorite weapon designers, is still enxiously kept up by the chief of the central files of the Bonn Federal Archives, Rudolf Absolon. But as we can see, nothing was an approximately by Hitler and his Bonn heirs that it would not come to light.

In view of these facts, we cannot help but - for once - agree with his father Magnus von Braun, who - probably manikkingx unintentionally - condemned his son with the statement:

'A criminal kills one person, a fanatic millions.'

But Magnus von Braun immediately looked for a reason to excuse his kin.

Thus he continued, mixing cause and effect:

'The Versailles Treaty,..... produced fanatics, who were far more dangerous than simple criminals.'

But did not the von Brauns, already before the Versailles Treaty - in the first world war -, move into France, Belgium, and Russia to murder and pillage?

Did not then the Major Friedrich von Braun introduce the 'wonder weapon' of his time, the machine gun, into the Prussian robber's army?

Did not Siegfried von Braun and his Guard Field Artillery demolish French, Belgian, and Russian villages and cities, and did he not sow a thousandfold death in the rows of the raided people?

Did not Magnus von Braun rudely ignore all peace offers of the young Soviet state and start the pillaging move to Petersburg?

At the side of their emperor, also the von Brauns had pushed the German people into the catastrophe of the first world war, the end of which was sealed by the imperialistic powers in Versailles.

And after their war was lost, the von Brauns did everything to break the peace treaty, to strengthen the Reichswehr and later Hitler's armed forces supply and supplied them with toys, as Wernher von Braun called the murderous rockets.

Such fenatics were and always are willing to murder mercilessly thousands, even millions of people to promote their caste and class interestis, just as the von Braun offspring Wernher. The victims of the first and even more of the second world war numbered millions. The von Brauns were among those, for whom not enough blood could be shed. At the end of the first World War, father and uncle pointed their machine guns and howitzers against war-weary

fellow Germans. Also the son's wonder wespon was used against German territory, against German people in the beginning of 1945. The last rockets were fired into the region of Remagen, when this part of the German countryside was taken away from the fascists by American troops.

Crosses were the result. The von Breuns in the rows of war mongerers and war profiteers, scrambled for imperial - royal iron and Hitler's knights' crosses; for the plagued people, the wooden crosses were there.

Capitalistic profits of V 1 and V 2 contractors are described, also Himmler's efforts to make a truce on the western front in order to concentrate fighting power against Soviet R Russis. Facts are mingled with aniping attacks on Churchill, Duncan Sandys, and Truman, who would have "loved to make a treaty with the SS", but could not dare present such a proposition to their people. Short reference is made to plans of using manned V 1s against strategic points in enemy territory.

Chapter also brings comments on Peenemuende achievements from a number of people. Mader ridicules those who claim that the deployment of wonder weapons just came too late to be of decisive influence.

"According to the views of the neo-speculators, Wernher von Braun did not do any wrong in casting his lot with the fascists, already at Hitler's rise to power, and in promising them solemnly to supply a wonder weapon for their world conquest. These people just regret that he did not succeed any earlier. Or in other words, they regret that not more Britons, Belgians, Poles, and Americans were mangled by the fascist rocket weapons. What cannibalism:

This still cherished optimism of expediency is nothing else then the ideologic expression of new rocket adventures, planned for even greater mass murder.

However, it would be unfair to say that Wernher von Braun's war rockets were 'not yet ripe' just at that time. They still are not ripe, as his present rocket launchings in the U.S. prove."

# Chronic of Horror.

"Smoke rose from the steems of the common in the concentration "
camp Buchenwald. It showed that this fascist death mill was working with a
full force. The SS had deprived ten thousands of people, political adversaries
from two dozen nations, of their ribits, but them behind barbed wires. The
SS let them starve or freeze to death or murdered them by other means. The
executioners then tried to remove the corpses. They did not want suything
left of their victims but scattered human ashes and wind blown smoke. The SS
forced camp inmates to burn piles of corpses, and then - periodically the SS also burnt \*\*exem the members of these execution commands."

Messages for the resistance groups are smuggled in and out of the concentration camp. In the dirty bradages of a mutilated corpse, reports on the underground V 2 factory are found. Columns of prisoners disappear in the underground galleries to work there and thousands of them never see the sunlight again.

A most gruesome report on working and living conditions in the underground factory follows. Ludwig Leinseter, one of the few German prisoners, who survived the horror, is quoted as follows:

"Beginning of October 1943 I was transferred from Natzweiler via Buchenwald to DORA (note: DORA is code name for underground rocket factory). In the beginning most of the work was tunnel digging, an unhealthy and heavy

job, which claimed many victims. We alept in tunnel 39, deep below the earth's surface.

Each prisoner had a blanket. And a pan, dealling at a string, served as a pillow. It was not cold in the so-called sleeping tunnel, but dusty, and one could hardly recognize the ones marching in front.

All of a sudden, I was awakered by a fierce shooting. The air pressure, that had hem developed from detonations, extinguished our lights. The mountain burst asunder, and drizzling water and rolling rocks gave the entire scene a gruesome mark. ....

It was forbidden to take water summed the pipes. Water was only for machines and concrete mixers. What conditions! No water, no sanitary facilities, only a few carbide drams with a board on top as toilet; they were placed in front of the sleepin, tunnel and gave off a pestilential odor. Here and there stumbling skeletons, as I had never seen in any other camp. I had gathered quite some experience in building camps, but what I saw here, surpassed all imagination ....

The search for missing prisoners usually ended by finding them dead from starvation. It is a fact withat many corpses of prisoners were immured in concrete in the tunnel walls.

With regard to the unsurpassable brutality of the SS guards, especially the methods of the SS platoon leader Puter, called Tunnel Bogy, the former concentration camp inmate Walter in a subsided:

Puster detected a prisoner all the prisoners arm, then forced the prisoner to put his hand on the track before an oncoming train. When the hand was sheared off, Puster remarked sadisticulty: 'Now you can put your hand in the pocket, you swine!'

inode were the worst of the worst camps on German territory ?. estimated

Prof. Dr. Walter Bartel, who for years had been a camp inmate himself. French anti-fascists called DORA the cemetery of the French.

The dead or half-dead immured became the accursed symbol of the underground SS wonder weapon dome. The Nazis put disregard for human lives at the beginning of their rocket production, and mass extermination of human lives was to follow at the end of the ballistic path of their rockets. ....

Nine thousand German workers and engineers ---- and 32.500 concentration camp inmates had to keep the wonder weapon production going on a 24 hour basis. ....

Each war rocket, handed over to the remain forces, in spite of its high polish, was stained by the blood of any hundreds of starved, trampled on, slain, hung concentration camp immates.

At the source of undescribe, he so larings and fabulous profits, at the center of these facts, the von Brand family appeared not by chance. The eighty-four year old head of the family Magnus von Braun, now revelling in the state of Bonn, tried to cover everything with the cloth of silence:

'It is characteristic that for example we knew very little about what happenend in the concentration camps.'

But it is highly improbable that his two sons Wernher and Magnus always followed their SS promise of silence, even in the closest family circle.

Both stayed in the Camp DORA, they were in charge of research and production, and did not only see the atrocities, but even revelled in them. Their hysteric orders to increase and accelerate the production, multiplied the horror: Magnus vor Braun Sr. proudly mentioned that his youngest son Magnus, a chemist, was flight instructor and for quite some time served as one of the directors of mass production in the rocket factory near Nordhausen.

Strangely enough, he forgot in this connection to mention his son

Wernher. But this does not change kthe facts for which eye witnesses are

available. I met one of them, Adam Cabala, in Wroclaw, Poland. He confirmed
to me:

'Adam Cabala, former political prisoner No 31573 in Hitler's rocket factory Mittelwerk DORA.

Certificate.

Upon personal request of the German journalist Julius Mader from the game German Democratic Republic, I herewith certify with regard to my stay in Hitler's underground factories DORA for guided missiles and my meeting with the chief designer of the V 2 rockets, Professor Wernher von Braun, that took place in these factories:

- 1) Towards the end of February or beginning of March 1944, officers of the so-called board of directors of 'Mittelbau" visited the camp DORA for the first time during an official visit of representatives of the Air Force. They were accompanied by the chief of the rocket production facilities, Prof. Wernher von Braun. (He showed up at that time in his brown gala uniform.)
- 2) Furthermore, as a prisoner and member of the work group 'Escher's facilities, section U-3' and of other groups who had access to the main assembly line for V 2 rockets, I saw Professor Wernher von Braun severimes in April, May, or June 1944 in civilian clothes or in a brown uniform. At that time, he was in charge of a staff of specialists in building 39 (northeast section of tunnel B), who carried out technical adjustments on the guidance system of the V 2 rocket weapon.

I certify with my signature that the above statements are true. Wroclaw, Feb 10, 1962.

wernher von Breun, who today commands a company of writers, who loves nothing better than fabricated popularity, the Rocket Baron, who since 1945 replied to thousands of questions in his typical saucy way, remained sile to the very precise question, which wan openly addressed to him. The Police anti-fascist and concentration camp immate Adam Cabala, who had been tyrannized by him, formulated this question on Dec 14, 1957, as follows, we even helping waxabaax to refresh the memo may of the busy American rocket man:

But also the German scientisms, harded by Professor Wernher von Braun, saw daily what was going on. When they passed through the halls, they saw the slavery of the prisoners, their westched laboring, and their suffrances. During his frequent present at hole, Professor Wernher von Braun did not once protest against the cruelty and attractities. Several times he passed at the entrance of tunnel 36. Six meter long rotten planks covered three fourth of the area. At the end of the hall ... the most infamous act of DORA was taking place. In a small area adjoining the ambulance shed, piles of prisoners accumulated daily. The prisoners had been tortured to death by theyoke of labor and the terror of the reventeful supervisors.

From afar, the human corpses looked like a big mass. But Professor Wernher von Braun passed by, so closely that he almost touched the corpses. Should this sight have not made kany impression on him at all?

Even the prisoners were terrified about this corner of horror. The people got work sick, they vomited, fainted. But the dying of the prisoners was not even as terrible as their condition after death. Professor Wernher von Braun, who passed by, did not once turn his head. I do not believe that at

that he did not see the dying in filth and dirt. He could not miss seeing them.

Why did he keep silent?

Professor Wernher von Braun is mit living. He did not answer this question, because so far no one as ed him this question. Therefore I am asking him as the first:

Why did he keep silent? ....

If Wernher von Braun would truthfully answer this question, an important part of his carefully juarded secret of Huntsville would be revealed.

But also his consistent silence can be considered a reply.

While the prisoners are suffering in the lice and flea infested catacombs, von Braun and the party bigwigs are shown, celebrating champagne orgies with actresses and prostitutes. Gala celebration takes place on the day of the first firing of the V l to England.

Among the prisoners, Mader shows a dedicated German communist who is working for the resistance against the Nazis. It is Albert Kuntz, who organizes national prisoner groups which are collecting valuable data on guidance systems etc., and manage to build a transmitter, with which messages are sent out. Sabotage instructions are carefully circulated and recommendations made how to slow up production or cause failures. Misfirings multiply and Hitler and his staff insist on more reliable weapons. As a result, the SS command issues instructions that sabotage is to be punished by hanging. These orders prompt an incredible persecution of camp inmates, of which Mader gives a terrifying account. Mechanical gallows are set up, with which sixty prisoners are executed at one time.

Quotation from Cabala's letter to Moder reads as follows:

"Professor von Braun also was an eye witness to the execution of prisoners who were hanged in front of building 39. For this purpose, an electricane, otherwise meant to lift and transport V 2s, was used. The executions of the tracks at the entrance of building 39 were often attended by many of the scientists, working in this building."

To check on gx increasing sabotage actions, the SS put informers among the prisoners. They finally detect many resistance fighters who are tortured to death. According to Mader, the rocket production of the fascist aggressors is finally stopped, because of the international class solidarial and the organized antifascist resistance.

### Landing in Fort Jay.

Mader describes the landing two SS spies in the U.S.. They were chosen for the following missis:

- "I) Provide radio-guidance to iring fascist super rockets into the center of New York.
- 2) Espionage in atomic bomb production.
- 3) Undermining U.S. defense industry by sabotage troops from South

Whilse spies are as readying a new type of homing device, von Braun is shown working on plans for intercontinental missile A 9/A 10 to shock the American population. First test lambdains of A 9/A 10 rocket fails on Jan 8, 1945, and SS spies are caught by the FSI. Advancing troops of the Red Army on the Eastern front make realization of intercontinental rockets impossible

"although Wernher von Braun in his SS uniform and anxious to get Hitler's promised gold, is brooding until the last minute on how to blackmail the Americans with his rockets.

If we had captured him in 1945', the well known British producer J. Lee Thompson one stated, 'we would have put him to xxx trial. And perhaps he would have been hanged!'

This statement of Lee Thompson was made in connection with the troubles that occurred between him and the censor-mad Wernher von Braun, while shooting the German-American monster film Wernher von Braun - I sim at the Stars '. In this film the audience is kept from seeing that Wernher von Braun primarily wanted to kill Britons and Eelgians and even slaughter American civilians. This is why Lee Thompson was not the only Briton who thought so.'"

### Himmler's Order: Escape.

The story that Wernher von Braun and his group decided by themselves to move to the West, is branded as a lie. Mader claims that Himmer ordered evacuation of Peenemuende and personally approved transfer of personnel and installations and the use of 3000 trucks for the evacuation, while refugees from East Germany were on the roads without milk for their babies and while front treeps did not have enough gasoline. "Evacuation is headed by von Braun in the black uniform of an honomary troop leader, with the Knight's Cross of the Cross of Merit shinika from his neck". Von Braun group settles and works at Nordinfers: Patil April 45, when new orders for evacuation to the Alps are given.

A dreadful picture of America air raids on Nordhausen and of the SS

organized retreat of the camp immates for liquidation in the Lueneburg area is given. Dornberger and his rocket experts escape to Oberjoch, where "upon running short on liquor", they decide to surrender to the Americans.

"Magnus von Braun, Sr., later on talked about the ideas which prompted his SS organized son to trim hil sails to the western wind:

any chance to continue their work in Germany, and from our previous enemies

America appealed to them the most - in a human, political, and business-like

way.

After the death of their benefactor, Germany was no longer a place to work for Von Braun and his fellows. This is significant.

The U.S. appealed to Wernher von Braun in a 'human' way. But hundred days before his registration in the American offices at the Tyrolean village Reutte, he wanted to terrorize the now 'human' hosts, especially the citizens of New York, with his giant rockets.

The U.S. appeared to Wernher and some most acceptable 'politically'.

But hundred days ago he had not have the first unturned to earn Hitler's gold,

new nazi titles, and honors for bringing the American political system to

the verge of ruin.

For an SS troop leader this was quite a remarkably sudden, but illdisguised change of mind. Wernher you Braun soon noticed that the shallow
phrases of his father did not convince anyone. Thus, he tried himself
to make others believe that he was without fault, morally add politically.

Once he tried it with the unoriginal yard that he just was some sort of a fellow-traveler.

'Many - soldiers, scientists, and others - recognized that they were

serving a regime whose righteousness was more than doubtful. But what can the individual citizen do under those circumstances? Can he escape or should he stay at his post? I decided to stay.

Forgotten were the murderous attacks against the rocket pioneer Nebel, his own eager efforts for the Armed Forces, his servility to Hitler, the dead mothers and babies in Lond Antwerp, Liege, and Remagen, the piles of corpses at DORA, the electric cranes of his rocket plant which served as gallows.....

Wernher von Braun did not learn snything from history. He still is
the morose enemy of peace, the haughty cynic who despises man, the aggressive
militarist.....

He wanted thousands, hundred thousands, even millions to die, but he feared justice like the devil the hely water. He sold himself to Hitler without wanting to stand up for his crimes. He carried the same uniform as Himmler, but wanted to be considered a 'pure scientist'. He pushed the German people into misery, deep guilt, and then, loaded with disgrace and shame, he escaped to the U.S. Thus he was tested by history and found nationally pernicious and internationally dangerous."

#### The Heirs.

Mader claims that Prof. Dr. G. A. Briefs from Washington, a former

Jesuit professor at Georgetown University, who - before his emigration to

the U.S. - had worked together with Magnus von Braun, Sr., to repeal a law

barring political influence by Jesuits in Germany, was sent out by Washington

to rescue Wernher von Braun. Good relations of the von Brauns with Jesuits

and the Vatican "main center of anti-communism" and interest of American

capitalism in rocketry are given as the reasons for bringing von Braun group to the U.S. instead of lettir; them stand trial.

"Wernher von Braun and his followers did not chose democracy and freedom, but Wall Street dollars and Pentagon sponsorship for the continuation of their dangerous projects.

With Wernher von Braun these circles of the U.S. did not just bring the rocket business to the U.S. or rocket weapons to the American armed forces, but they also brought the fascist ideology to Washington. ....

Hitler's, Himmler's, and Canaris' Secret Service had once put a tight band of silence around Peenemuende. Today the American Secret Strvice is following in their foorsteps. Under their protection, two of the most dangerous mass annihilating weapons, developed by the imperialistic states during the second world war, were combined as a deadly menace to those people who are not willing to surrender to the world dictatorship of the U.S. And already Wernher von Braun has the nerve to eulopize his new project: The world shall be governed by the U.S. by means of a space station equipped with nuclear bombs.

His quest for power and that of his financial backers has always moved along phantastic paths, for which the war projects and war rockets designed and produced under their supervision lacked technical feasibility. Thus, Wernher von Braun is not only the control eachable organizer of the war strategy of the aggressors. He even the first dangerous, because after Hitler's suicide the Pentagon handed atomic bombs over to him. The Rocket Baron always felt at home in the tracking grounds of mass murder, in the sealed off areas of extreme militariate and aggressive imperialists.

Therefore, we can only go along with the fitting characterization of Walter

Gong:

'As far as he is concerned, there is no contradiction between Peensmuende and Huntsville.'

Again, Wernher von Braun is incressed by siming at hecatombs of human corpses.

But world history does not stop. Against his will, the international balance of power has changed. We, the technocrat of Hitler and today of the American war party, has long been tied to the whipping post of history in front of all people.

The von Brauns, representatives of the imperialistic ruling class, were unable to change the outcome of the first and second world war, they helder succeed with treachery and intriguenor war rockets. They were unable to stop the lawful evolution of markind towards socialism and are now completely unable to stop this regent even by American nuclear weapons. They are marching along the losers' rose of history, chased by the scorn of peoples whom they injured on decimated.

But as long as a reactionary SS troop leader with unlimited Wall Street funds can still work in the most important fields of the aggressor's war technique, he has to be watched carefully by all people. And people are able to do so because there is no longer any secret of Huntsville."



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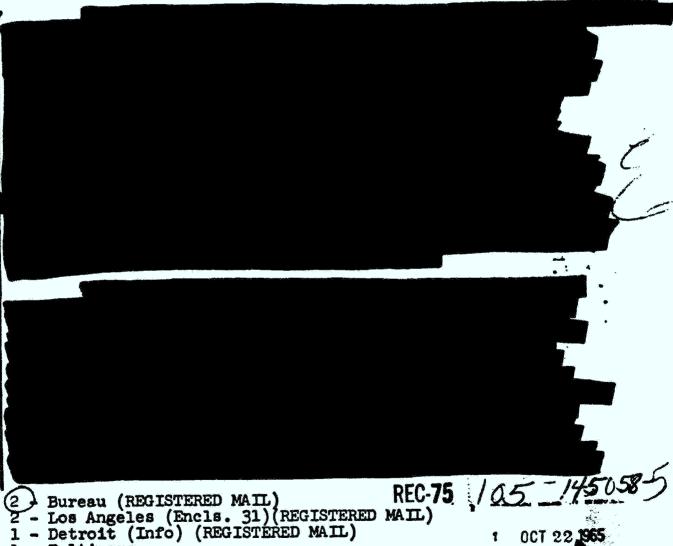
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Re New Orleans letter to Director, 11/4/74.

For the information of the Bureau, New Orleans and New York, Dr. WERNER VON BRAUN, who is no longer connected with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, was in Huntsville, Ala., at a National

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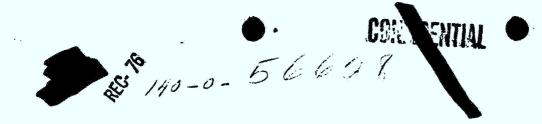
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Aeronautics and Space Administration meeting on 10/8/74,

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No further investigation is being contemplated by Birmingham at this time and this case is being placed in a closed status.



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May 28, 1959

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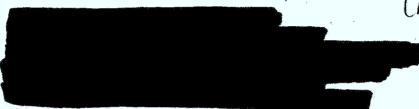
Washington, D. C.

From:

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:



SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Reference is made to your letter dated May 18, 1959, and to the enclosures therewith pertaining to the employee wherein you requested this Bureau to conduct a full field investigation under the provisions of Executive Order 10450.

In connection therewith, it is noted that among the contacts the employee listed on his personnel record is Dr. Werner Von Braun. It is also noted in the results of your investigation concerning & the employee, which you furnished as an enclosure with referenced letter, that Dr. Werner Von Braun is identified as a friend and associate of the employee for the period 1 PH OSC

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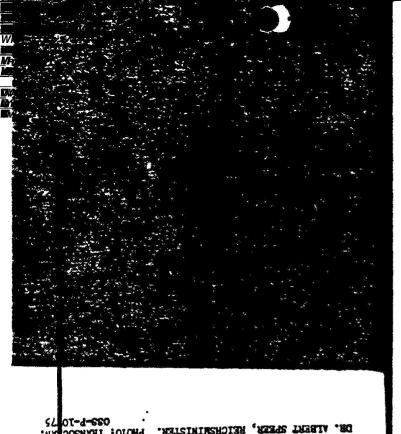
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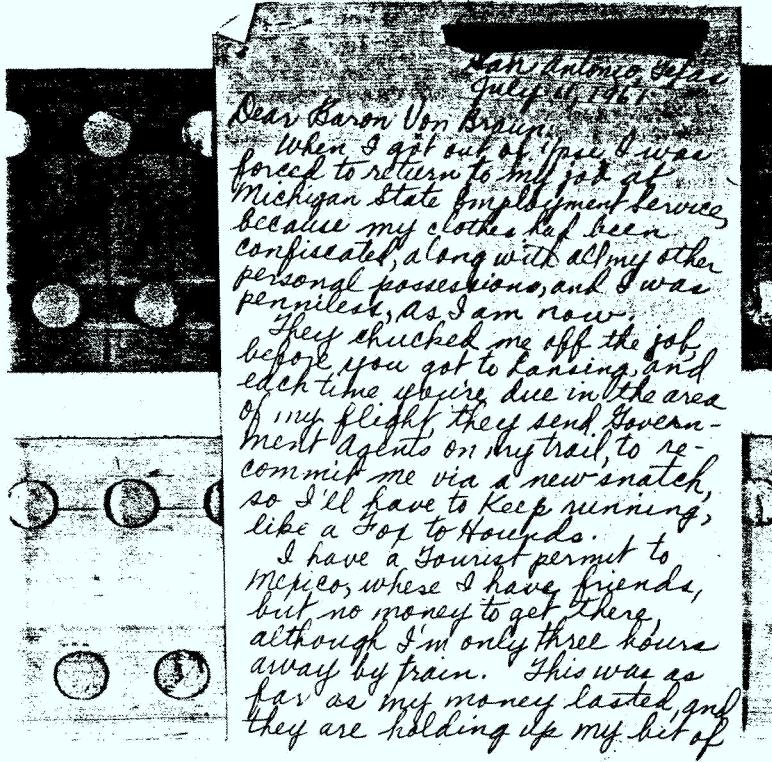
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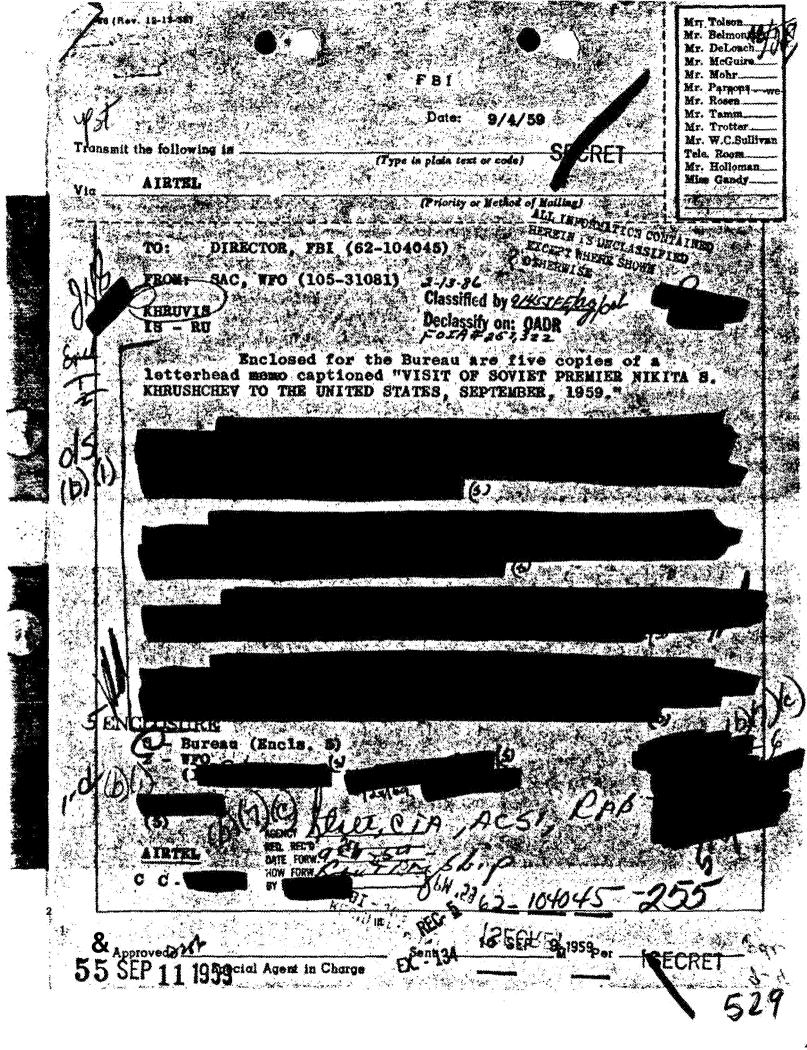
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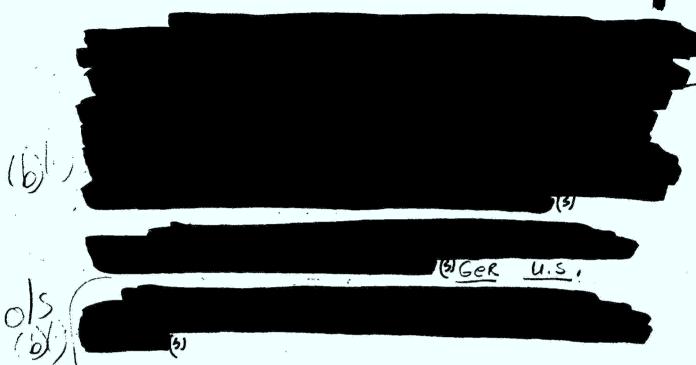
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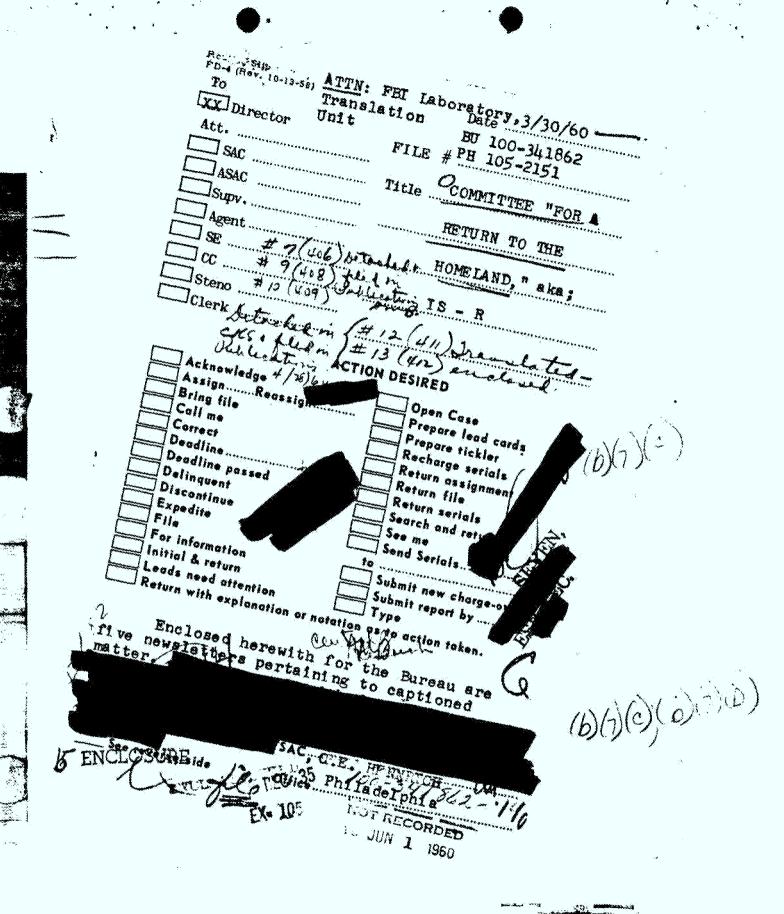
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FOR FATE 257, 32

No. 12 (411), Pebruary, 1960

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### A PECULIAR \*FREEDOM\*

You often write in your newspaper about the difficulties we experience in foreign lands, but it still seems to me that even for you, who are well acquainted with conditions of our life, it is difficult sometimes to imagine what deprivations and difficulties we have to encounter here.

Recently, our daughter NADYA, who has just had her sixth birthday, became gravely ill. Her condition was so serious that we had to take her to a hospital immediately.

I earn 10 dollars for eight hours' work. We are modest people; we are not used to luxury; we are not afraid of any kind of work; and we believed that these 10 dollars a day, together with the money earned by my wife

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ENCLOSURE

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### A TESTIMONY OF WERNER VON BRAUN IN A US CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

D. MAYER (phon.), a correspondent of the United Press International Agency reports from Washington:

"Dr. WERNER VON BRAUN, a rocket specialist, in speaking in the House Committee on Space Problems, stated that he would not be surprised if this year the Russians would place a man in orbit around the earth.

"VON BRAUN, who was born in Germany, stated that Russia is several years ahead in the field of space research. VON BRAUN 'doubts very much' that the United States could overtake it by 1964, even taking into consideration new funds allotted for a big space rocket 'Saturn'."

Referring to American specialists, the correspondent expresses a surmise that "in a flight to Mars, Russia, possibly, will get ahead of America by two years."

The correspondent quotes a statement by VON BRAUN to the effect that even if the Congress would allot "additional millions" of dollars for work in the field of creation of rockets, these sums "would be, very likely, spent to no purpose."

VON BRAUN, writes the correspondent, stated that "the Russians, undoubtedly, will also make advances in cosmic research" during the period when the work on the rocket "Saturn" will be under way, to be completed by 1964. "It is possible, that they even now are creating a rocket exceeding in size everything which they tested so far."

"Even with the existence of such an accelerated program, " he said, "it is very doubtful, that we would be ahead by 1964."

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An article entitled "In the Interests of the Consolidation of Peace in Surope and Throughout the World," (page 1, comms 1-3) contains a condensed text of a speech by N. S. EMRUSHCHEV at a reception at the Italian Embassy in Moscow during a visit in the USSR of President GIOVANNI GRONCHI of Italy.

This page also contains a short item on the Conference of the Political Consultative Committee of the member countries of the Warsaw Pact which took place in Moscow on February 4, 1960. The rest of the page contains short items on economic progress in the USSR.

Page 2 is almost entirely taken by an article of entitled "Truth is like the Sun, You Cannot Cover It up with Your Hand!" which contains a text of an address delivered by A. I. MIKOYAN at the opening of the Soviet Exhibition in Havana, Cuba.

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book of the same name recently published by the Committee on the Problems of German Unity. This book allegedly provides documentary proofs of war crimes committed by a member of West German government, THEODORE OBERLENDER.

An article, "Soviet 'Moskvich' is Coming Out on American Roads," describes a small Soviet-produced automobile, which will be imported into the United States in the quantity of 10,000 in the next two years.

An article "A Testimony of WERNER VON BRAUN in a US Congressional Committee," reports VON BRAUN's statements to the effect that Soviet Union is several years ahead of the United States in space research and that it is doubtful that U.S. will be able to overtake the Soviet Union by 1964, even if there is an acceleration of American space program.



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