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Transfer-Call 421
Date: August 16, 1952

To: Acting Director of Naval Intelligence
   Department of the Navy
   The Pentagon
   Washington 25, D.C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
   Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, a/b.

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 4, 1952, from the Department of the Navy, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, (refer OP-321/32/b,m, Serial: 00974/32) in the above-captioned matter, enclosing a copy of Department of Navy Secret memorandum dated February 6, 1952, and report No. 1079 entitled "U.S. Naval Ordnance Laboratory," classified "Restricted."
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (65-39312)  
FROM: N.Y.C, New York (65-15307)  
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PURL, W.A., ESPIONAGE - M.; PERJURY

Rerep Mr. Maurice W. Concoran, 8/13/52, New York.

There are attached hereunto for the Bureau and offices receiving copies of the above report corrected pages 134 through 139 and page 169. It is requested that the original pages be destroyed and the attached pages be inserted in lieu thereof. Copies designated for New York and the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, have been corrected.

Enclosures (30)

1-Albany (6 Enclosures) (65-1673)
1-Albuquerque (6 Enclosures)
1-Anchorage (6 Enclosures)
1-Cleveland (18 Enclosures) (65-2730)
1-Knoxville (6 Enclosures) (65-468)
1-Los Angeles (6 Enclosures) (65-5075)
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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

FIELD DIVISION

CLEVELAND

AUGUST 28, 1952

William Perl

Espionage - R

Field Division File Number

Bureau File Number

Description of Property Being Held

Photostatic copies Selective Service records.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition

11-10-51

Source from Which Property Acquired

Richmond Field

Location of Property

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It

Reference. None
INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

CLEVELAND  Field Division

AUGUST 26, 1952  (Date)

Title and Character of Case  

ILLILL L.PEEL

PROPRIETOR  E.P.

Field Division File Number  65-2730

Bureau File Number  65-59312

Description of Property Being Held

2 sets of photos of documents secured in search of subject's apartment.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition

8-11-50

Source from Which Property Acquired

SAs, Cleveland

Location of Property

Exhibit room

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It

Evidence. None.

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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

Field Division
Cleveland

Date
August 29, 1952

Title and Character of Case
WIRETAP
PERJURY

Field Division File Number
67-21736

Bureau File Number

Description of Property Being Held
Negatives and photographs of various documents concerning guided and jet research during period 1943 to 1946.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition
7/3/52

Source from Which Property Acquired
Files of Chief of Research and Executive Engineer, NACA, Cleveland, Ohio.

Location of Property

Exhibit Room

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It
Evidence and Intelligence

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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

CLEVELAND Field Division

AUGUST 23, 1952 (Date)

Title and Character of Case
WILLIAM PELL

ESPIONAGE - R

Field Division File Number 65-2730

Bureau File Number 65-59312

Description of Property Being Held

Conference minutes, Lewis Flight Laboratory.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition

7-21-51

Source from Which Property Acquired

NACA, Cleveland, Ohio

Location of Property

Exhibit Room

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It

Evidence; None

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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

Cleveland Field Division

August 28, 1952 (Date)

Title and Character of Case
WILLIAM H.
ESPIONAGE - R

Field Division File Number 65-2720
Bureau File Number 65-59312

Description of Property Being Held
100 ft. 16mm motion picture film of subject.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition
9-29-50

Source from Which Property Acquired
SAS, Cleveland

Location of Property
Film cabinet.

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It
Identification. None.

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Date: September 9, 1952

To: Legal Attache
London, England

From: Director, FBI

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, AKA
ESPIIONAGE - R
PERJURY
(BURILE 65-59312)

Re: Repril July 29, 1952. (u)

Enclosed herewith for your information are copies of letters directed to General Samford, the Central Intelligence Agency and the...

Enclosure

CC - 65-59312
CC - Foreign Service Desk
APL

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DUPLICATE YELLOW
Reference is made to the report of SA JOHN P. ANDREWS dated 9/2/52 at Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith is a known handwriting specimen furnished to this Office on 8/18/52 by CELIA JACOBS, Solimar, California, in connection with the above-captioned matter.

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Enc. (1)
2 cc - New York (65-15887)
September 2, 1952

WILLIAM PERL, aka
Espionage - F
Perjury
Bailie 65-59312

PERSONAL HISTORY

William Perl was born October 1, 1913, in New York City under the name William Mutterperl. His father Abraham Mutterperl was born in Russia and his mother Sarah Mutterperl was born in Russia-Poland. His parents are naturalized American citizens. Perl legally changed his name by Court order in Cleveland, Ohio, on January 4, 1945.

Perl attended City College of New York, receiving a Master of Electrical Engineering degree in 1939. He also received a Doctor of Philosophy degree from Columbia University in February, 1950.

Perl was employed at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Langley Field, Virginia, from 1939 through 1943, and at the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland Airport, Cleveland, Ohio, from 1944 to 1945. In June of 1948 after having been on a leave-without-pay status for two years, he returned to NACA, Cleveland, Ohio, as an aeronautical research scientist. He has worked on projects dealing with guided missiles and jet propulsion. He resigned his position at NACA on September 1, 1950, in order to accept an instructorship in Physics at Columbia University.

ESPIONAGE: ALLEGATIONS

William Perl was a classmate of Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell at City College of New York. It has been determined that Sobell maintained close touch with Perl through correspondence during the period subsequent to their graduation from the City College of New York.

David Greenglass has advised that Julius Rosenberg told him in 1946 that he has received from "one of his boys" the mathematics of an atomic energy airplane motor. Rosenberg said the propulsion of the plane's pilot from receiving radiation burns had been worked out by placing the pilot far away from the atomic power plant.

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In addition to the foregoing, an informant has advised that Rosenberg told him that William Perl had furnished him much valuable information including the plans for the use of "nuclear fission to propel airplanes." The informant stated Rosenberg told him Perl was a brilliant man in the field of aeroiodynamics and that some of the material furnished to Rosenberg by Perl was "terrific."

An investigation has indicated that Rosenberg's remarks must have concerned themselves with the highly confidential NACA (Nuclear Energy for the Propulsion of Aircraft). It has been determined that the mathematics pertaining to the project would probably refer to the mathematics of the power plant. Chapter III of the so called "Lexington Report" which was dated September 30, 1948, concerned "power plants." Investigation has reflected that Dr. Abraham Silverstein, Perl's superior at NACA in Cleveland, did have in his possession a copy of the "Lexington Report" in the fall of 1948. Dr. Silverstein has advised that he did not allow Perl access to this report.

Perl has admitted that on the afternoon of July 28, 1950, Vivian Glassman whom he recognized to be a former girl friend of a close friend of his visited him at his apartment in Cleveland. He stated that she, upon entering his apartment, explained in writing that a stranger had instructed her to proceed from New York City to Cleveland to deliver a message to an aeronautical engineer. She wrote out instructions for him to leave the United States and he recalled there was a mention of "Mexico" and of "Rosenberg." He indicated she also offered him a sum of money to be used for his expenses. Vivian Glassman in an interview verified the above information and stated that Perl had refused to accept the sum of $2,000 which she offered to Perl.

PROSECUTION

William Perl was arrested in New York, New York, March 14, 1951, by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the basis of a Federal Indictment which was returned in the Southern District of New York on March 13, 1951. The indictment charged Perl in four counts.
With violation of the Federal Perjury Statute as a result of his false testimony given before a Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York on August 18 and September 11, 1950. The perjurious statements on which these counts are based were his denials that he had been acquainted and associated with Julius Rosenberg, Morton Sobell, Helene Blitzer, and Michael and Anne Merrowich Perl, upon arraignment before Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard on March 15, 1951, entered a plea of not guilty to each of the four counts of the indictment and was remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal in default of a bond of $20,000. He was subsequently released on bail and is presently awaiting trial, which is expected to take place in the fall of 1952.

All of the facts of the case indicating espionage activity have been furnished to the Department of Justice. Investigation is continuing in an effort to obtain admissible evidence of an espionage violation.
SECRET

DATE: September 8, 1962

TO: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
 Espionage - R
 Perjury

For your further information there are being transmitted herewith the following investigative reports:


You will note that the enclosed reports set forth the results of additional investigation reflecting Perl's association with Dr. Von Kármán and his ready access to Dr. Von Kármán's office at Columbia University in New York City. You will further note that pages 153 through 159 inclusive, of Agent Corcoran's report dated August 16, 1962, contain the results of investigation reflecting that Perl and
Dr. Von Karman are possible suspects for the unidentified "contact" of Julius Rosenberg, who was reportedly a consultant on a dam in Egypt.

Any additional data developed in connection with this matter will be furnished you.

Enclosures (2)
Assistant Attorney General
Charles B. Murray

Director, FBI

WILLIAM T. KL.
ESPIAEGE - B;
PERJURY
(FILE 65-59312)

September 9, 1952

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CC-2-Legal Attache, London, England (by cover letter)
CC-1-Foreign Service Desk
CC - 65-59312

DUPLICATE YELLOW

05-59312
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (65-15387)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, W
ESP-R
PERJURY

DATE: September 12, 1952

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Bureau authority is requested to deliver one copy each of the above listed reports to the U.S. Attorney.
BAC, New York (65-15387)  
DIRECTOR, FBI (65-39312) - 733  

WILLIAM PELRI, W  
NATIONAL SECURITY  
PERJURY  

9-12-52, you are authorized to furnish copies of all reports mentioned in referenced letter to the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York.

NOTE: Perl under indictment in SDNY for perjury and awaiting trial. Reports mentioned in reflet have previously been disseminated to the Department and should be furnished to USA, SDNY. Reports do not contain info from confidential techniques.
There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on September 9, 1952.

Specimen KL4 is returned herewith. Photographs are retained.

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM PEARL, AKA ESPIONAGE - R.
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DIRECTOR, FBI (65-5932)

SAC, CLEVELAND (65-2730)

DATE: September 22, 1952

Re Cleveland letter 7-2-52 and report of SA JOHN P. ANDREWS, 9-2-52, Los Angeles.

NACA, contacted SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE after being interviewed by another SA of this office in connection with a Loyalty of Government Employees investigation regarding EASTMAN JACOBS JR., and visited the Cleveland Field Division to discuss JACOBS Sr., on September 12, 1952.

He visited with EASTMAN JACOBS, and JACOBS stated that he knew all the card-carrying members of the Communist Party at NACA during his tenure with the Committee.

It is recommended that further interviews with JACOBS be held in abeyance, and also requested that his name be kept confidential in the event JACOBS is reinterviewed.

JBDJ:mb

cc: New York (65-15387) (RM)
Los Angeles (65-5075) (RM)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (65-5075)

DATE: 9/30/52

SUBJECT: WILLIAM FEAL, w.a.
ESPIONAGE - E.
PERJURY

Origin: New York

Hereby & JOHN P. ANDREWS dated 9/2/52 at Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith for substitution are corrected copies of page one of above-referenced report.

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52 JOHN R. LYONS

WILLIAM PERL, WA.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SAMUEL LEVINE advises that he knew SOBELL, BLITCHER, and MUTT in City College during period 1933-1938. He advises all were in same class at one time or another and in his opinion, PERL knew SOBELL and BLITCHER. A'HOI! N. COLMAN advises he remembers SOBELL, BLITCHER, and PERL but could not state whether PERL was acquainted with BLITCHER and SOBELL but he believes he may have been.

DETAILS:

On 9/24/52, STUART J. CLAPOUX and the writer contacted SAMUEL LEVINE, Acting Head Systems Section, Evans Signal Laboratory, Elmer, N.J., at which time he advised that he did not know HENRY GHOIKER. However, regarding WILLIAM PERL, he believes that PERL was friendly with BLITCHER and MORTON SOBELL. He stated that SOBELL and BLITCHER were very close friends with WILLIAM ZIGAR. He stated that PERL, whom he considers to be a top mathematician and the best in his class, was in the same class with BLITCHER and SOBELL and as far as he believes, should have known them.

LEVINE stated he remembers that NATHAN SUSSMAN and JULIUS ROSENBERG were close friends

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he believed SUSSMAN was a member of this group; however, he does not know if PERL knew ROSENBERG. He advised that PERL must have known ELITCHER and SOEELL due to this association.

He stated he would be prepared to testify to this and gave the following signed statement:

"September 24, 1952
Belmar, N.J.

I, SAMUEL IVINE, make the following voluntary statement to JOHN R. LYONS and STUART E. CHALIFOUX who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises have been made to me for this statement and I know it can be used in a court of law.

"I attended the College of the City of New York from about 1933 until I graduated in June, 1938 with a degree of Bachelor of Electrical Engineering. During this period I became acquainted with MORTON SOEELL, MAX ELITCHER, and WILLIAM MUTTERPERL. MUTTERPERL is also known as WILLIAM PERL. This acquaintance sprung up due to the fact that we were all in the same class at one time. It is my opinion that WILLIAM MUTTERPERL knew MAX ELITCHER and MORTON SOEELL as a result of this classroom relationship.

"I have read the above statement and certify that to the best of my recollection it is a true statement.

/s/ SAMUEL IVINE 24 Sept. 1952

Witness:
JOHN R. LYONS, Special Agent, FBI
STUART E. CHALIFOUX, Special Agent, FBI 9/24/52"

AARON H. COLEMAN was interviewed on 9/24/52 at Fortonmouth, N.J., at which time he stated that he remembers that WILLIAM PERL was a very intelligent mathematician in his class at school and that he remembers MAX ELITCHER and MORTON SOEELL, claiming that he remembered them as a group that hung out together and believed they were what he called the Bronx Group. He stated he believes that WILLIAM PERL was one of these but he cannot say definitely at this time that PERL knew ELITCHER, SOEELL, or ROSENBERG. However, he stated that JULIUS ROSENBERG
were Young Communist League members and that he attended a YCL meeting with ROSENBERG after repeated urgings by him but did not ever join the YCL and never went to another meeting after this original one which took place in a store near the City College of New York.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

S. J. T. ME advises that he knew SOLLL, FLITCHER, and MUTTON in City College during period 1933-1938. He advises all were in same class at one time or another end in his opinion, PERL knew SOLLL and FLITCHER. A. H. D. H. C. advises he remembers SOELL, FLITCHER, and PERL but could not state whether PERL was acquainted with FLITCHER and SOELL but he believes he may have been.

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DETAILS:

On 9/24/52, SA STUART B. OF LIDO and the writer contacted SAMUEL V. ME, Acting Head Systems Section, Evans Signal Laboratory, Balmer, J., at which time he advised that he did not know THAY HENRY SHOIKET. However, regarding WILLIAMS, PERL, he believes that PERL was friendly with MAX FLITCHER and MARGARET SOELL. He stated that SOELL and FLITCHER were very close friends with WILLIAMS FLITCHER. He stated that PERL, whom he considers to be a top mathematician and the best in his class, was in the same class with FLITCHER and SOELL and as far as he believes, should have known them.

L. W. ME states he remembers that NATHAN GROSSMAN and JULIUS KOSINNING were close friends and...
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From:

WILLIAM J. PERRY
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reference:

Attention: Mr. Robert L. Bell
Security officer

Subject:

JESUS

In the above-mentioned case,

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington 25, D.C.

October 8, 1972

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**WILLIAM PERL, wa.**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

APRAHIM ELAH advises that he knew SCHELL, ROSENBERG, ELITCH and PERL in C.C.N.Y. States PERL knew these individuals.

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**DETAILS:**

On 9/30/52 S. TROY COLEMAN and the writer interviewed APRAHIM ELAH at the Standard Corrugated Case Co., 686 Grand Ave., Ridgefield, N.J., where he is employed as a plant engineer. He stated in connection with his activities while at College of the City of New York (C.C.N.Y), he was a member of the Young Communist League (YCL) there during his senior year.

Among the group who were in the YCL with him, whom he can recall, were NATHAN SUSMAN, JULIUS ROSENBERG, NORMAN SCHELL and MAX ELITCH.

He advised that the YCL, when he was in C.C.N.Y met in classrooms and also in a hall near Broadway and 137th St. He stated that meetings were usually run by NATHAN SUSMAN, JULIUS ROSENBERG and an individual whose first name was SALTH, and who came from the Liberal Arts College. He could not recall SALTH.

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**SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE:**

S.K. NICHOLS

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(1-USA, NJ)

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last name at the present time, but feels if he saw a yearbook for the period 1937 to 1939 he might be able to identify Lezin.

In this connection, he states he also recalls Aaron Coleman and Saul Levin as having been members of his class at CCNY, and claims he does not know if Coleman was a member of the YCL, and cannot state surely if Levin may have been, but feels that he recalls Levin as having been a member.

It should be noted that Eider states he could not positively recall, nor could he make any positive statements concerning Levin's and Coleman's attendance at any YCL meetings at CCNY.

Eider stated he was active in the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, helped put out a weekly paper in school, and was active in a few societies there as well as doing his regular school work, and consequently could not recall exactly all the activity that went on on the campus. However, he stated he believes that Cobell, Rosenberg, Litchter and William Redl know each other before going to CCNY, but is not positive of this fact. He did state that William Redl knew Litchter, Rosenberg, and Cobell while in school, and he gave the following voluntary statement concerning them:

"September 30, 1952
Ridgefield, N.J.

I, Eider, make the following voluntary statement to John R. Lyons and Roy Coleman, who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises have been made to me for this statement and I know it can be used in a court of law.

In September, 1934, I entered the College of the City of New York and for the next four years studied there, graduating in June of 1938 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. During my stay at the College of the City of New York, I became acquainted with Morton Cobell, Max Litchter, Julius Rosenberg and Ilich. It is my belief as far as I can now recollect that Ilich was also
"acquainted with JULIUS ROSENBERG, JIA LIKHNE and FORTON SCULL due to the fact they were thrown together in our class work.

"9/30/52

"I have read the above statement and it is true to the best of my present recollection.

"ABRAHAM ROHR

"I H.1S.

"TROY COLLAM, Special Agent, FBI, Newark, N. J., 9/30/52
"JOHN P. LYNCH, Special Agent, FBI, Newark, N. J., 9/30/52."

B.M.R. stated he presently resides on Shaler Boulevard, Ridgefield, N. J.

The statement of Abraham E. Birn is being maintained in Newark File 65-4100.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

NEWARK, N.J.

DATE: OCT 24 1952

PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 9/27/1950 TO 10/20/52

REPORT MADE BY: JOHN P. LYON

CHARACTER OF CASE: ESPIONAGE - R

PERSPECTIVE:

ILLUS: PRR, N.J.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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in CCNY. States PHIL Know These
Individuals.

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DETAILS:

On 9/30/52 SA TROY COLLINS AND THE WRITER INTERVIEWED
ABRAHAIM ENGER AT THE STANDARD CORRUGATED CASE CO.,
666 Grand Ave., Ridgefield, N.J., WHERE HE IS
EMPLOYED AS A PLANT ENGINEER. HE STATED IN
CONNECTION WITH HIS ACTIVITIES WHILE AT COLLEGE
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK (CCNY), HE WAS A MEMBER
OF THE YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE (YCL) THERE DURING HIS
SENIOR YEAR.

Among the group who were in the YCL with him, whom
he can recall, were NATHAN SUSSMAN, JULIUS ROSENBERG,
FRANCO SCHELL AND MAX ALITCH N.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES

AND I: US

ADDRESS: 171737TH ST.

DATE: 3/4/1953

He Advised That the YCL, When He Was in CCNY Met
in Classrooms and Also in a Hall Near Broadway and
337TH ST. He Stated That Meetings Were Usually Run
By NATHAN SUSSMAN, JULIUS ROSENBERG and an Individual
Whose First Name Was ULTH, and Who Came From the
Liberal Arts College. He Could Not Recall SETI'S

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Date: October 29, 1952

To: Director
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1724 F Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D.C.

ATTENTION: Mr. Robert L. Bell, Security Officer

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL, AIA.
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PERJURY

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Office Mem.  S.E.C. - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO:  
Director, FBI (65-9312)  

FROM:  
SAC, Cleveland (65-6730)  

SUBJ:  
WILLIAM PEEL, aka  
ESPIONAGE - R  
PERJURY  

DATE:  
November 6, 1952  

Re: Cleveland letter September 22, 1952.

He advised he had no objection to EASTLAI JACOBS being interviewed concerning his knowledge of the Communist Party members whom he knew to be employed by NACA but requested that his name be kept confidential during such an interview.

Jacobs may disclose any and all information he has in his possession. The Bureau is in no position to authorize or deny a clearance.

JOE DIXON  

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SAC, Los Angeles  

November 25, 1952

Director, FBI

WILLIAM PERL, aka
ESPIONAGE-R
PERJURY

Redrafted from the Cleveland Office to the Bureau dated 11-6-52, copy to the Los Angeles Office, which set forth that consideration was being given to interviewing Eastmen Jacobs concerning Communists who may be employed with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin Number 63, Series 1948, dated 10-19-48, which points out that the Bureau has a continuing responsibility under Executive Order 9835. This Bulletin set forth that when a Field Office receives new information of a disloyal character concerning an individual who has been investigated under the Loyalty Program, such new information should be reported to the Bureau in report form under an appropriate LGE caption for the Bureau's consideration as to whether it should be forwarded to the U. S. Civil Service Commission to supplement the results of the completed investigation which has been conducted.

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin Number 41, Series 1949, dated August 18, 1949, which points out that when information is furnished to the Bureau regarding any matter, if it contains disloyal information regarding an employee of the Federal Government who has not been investigated under Executive Order 9835, a separate letter should be forwarded to the Bureau concerning the employee under an appropriate LGE caption.

Should Jacobs be interviewed, you should bear in mind the instructions set forth in the above-mentioned Bulletins.
EAG, NEW YORK (65-16587)  
December 9, 1952

Director, FBI (65-56218)  
JAMES F. BYRNE  
ESPIONAGE - 
PERJURY  

RE 0-1 form dated October 7, 1952, in which
you advise that a report would be submitted in this
case by November 15, 1952. A check of Bureau files
does not reflect that a report has been submitted to
date. You are instructed to submit a report immediately.
You are also instructed to set forth investigative leads
in all future reports submitted in this matter. Of
course, you should continue to set out leads by teletype
and by letter which need to be handled expeditiously,
but these leads should also be restated in your reports.

You are requested to determine from Myles J.
Lane, United States Attorney for the Southern District
of New York, the approximate date he intends to bring
this case to trial.

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AUSA Robert Martin, SDNY, who is currently handling this case, advised that while no specific date has been set for bringing this case to trial, he anticipates that it will be scheduled during February next. He explained that he has been in contact with PERL's attorneys, Raymond L. Wise and Frederick Mears, that the latter has withdrawn completely from the case and that Mr. Wise is presently the only defense counsel of record. Several days ago Mr. Wise telephonically advised Mr. Martin that he expects to be in Florida for a few months this winter and requested that any action be deferred pending his return. Mr. Martin advised Mr. Wise that he would like to accommodate him but did not feel the trial would be postponed so long and that it would probably be placed on the calendar for trial as above stated. Mr. Wise indicated that he might request an adjournment himself.

Further concerning the above, Mr. Martin advised that trial date depended upon further conferences in the USA's office as to the effect bringing PERL to trial would have upon the pending proceedings in the ROSENBERG and SOBEILL cases, in view of defense arguments concerning the alleged prejudicial publicity attendant upon PERL's indictment during that trial. He stated further that by February the outcome of the proceedings under Federal Rule 2255 in the ROSENBERG case should be known which may reflect the possibility of ROSENBERG's cooperation with the Government to save himself from execution. This, of course, would modify the pending case against PERL.

Submission of a report in this matter has been delayed inasmuch as the agent assigned has been engaged. The Bureau has been advised previously in this regard in the ROSENBERG and SOBEILL cases. However, a report is being prepared and will be submitted as soon as possible.
A discussion was had recently with Assistant United States Attorney Robert Martin of the Southern District of New York concerning the approximate date he intends to bring the above-captioned case to trial. Mr. Martin advised that while no specific date has been set, he anticipates that it will be scheduled during February, 1953. He explained that he has been in contact with Perl's attorneys, Raymond L. Vise and Frederick Water, that the latter has withdrawn completely from the case and that Mr. Vise is presently the only defense counsel of record. Several days ago Mr. Vise telephonically advised Mr. Martin that he expects to be in Florida for a few months this winter and requested that any action in this case be deferred pending his return. Mr. Martin advised Mr. Vise that he would like to accommodate him but did not feel the trial would be postponed that long and that it would probably be placed on the calendar for trial during February. Mr. Vise indicated that he might request an adjournment.

Mr. Martin also advised that the trial date depended upon further conferences in the office of the United States Attorney as to the effect the Perl trial would have upon the pending proceedings in the Rosenberg and Sobell cases in view of defense arguments concerning the alleged prejudicial publicity attendant upon Perl's indictment during that trial. He also stated that by February the outcome of the proceedings under Federal Rule 2355 in the Rosenberg case should be known and may possibly bring about Rosenberg's cooperation with the Government to save himself from execution. This, of course, would modify the case against Perl.

The above intelligence information is top secret and should be treated as such.

Date: 1/12/53
Declassified by: 2/15/78

Mailed: 2/3/53
TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)

FROM:  B&L, CLEVELAND (65-2730)

SUBJECT:  WILLIAM PERL, aka
         ESPIONAGE-R
         PERJURY
         0.0 New York

Re Report SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE, dated 11/10/52.

This matter is being placed in a Pending-Inactive status at Cleveland,
continuing the lead set forth in report.

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cc: New York (65-15387)
Subject: Reminder to Los Angeles Office

The Los Angeles office is reminded of the instructions contained in Bulletins No. 43 and No. 61 pertaining to investigations in the event that EASTMAN JACOB is interviewed.

In addition, Cleveland letters 9/22/52 and 11/6/52.

The Los Angeles office does not contemplate interviewing Jacobs unless specifically requested to do so by the Cleveland office.

A.M.A.
1 - Cleveland (65-1750)

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

To: Director, FBI (65-59312)  
FROM: MAC; New York (65-15387)  

DATE: JAN 30 1953

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SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, WA.  
ESPIONAGE - RI PERJURY

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of the report of SA MAURICE V. CORCORAN, dated JAN 30 1953 at New York, in the above captioned matter.

The Bureau is advised that this office is currently making a review of all previous investigation conducted in this case and in related cases as far as pertinent in an effort to develop any further information of an espionage character and to attempt to corroborate applicable evidence concerning the pending perjury charge. At the conclusion of this review, it is anticipated that additional investigative leads will be set forth for New York and auxiliary offices.

Attention of the Norfolk Office is invited to the identity of Confidential Informant 7-2 in attached report, who is noted to be "awaiting documentation". This information was previously set forth in the report of SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE, dated 8/7/50 at Cleveland, Ohio, in instant case, copies of which were designated for Norfolk. SA O'DONOGHUE's report attributes this information to JOSEPH F. CARRIG at Norfolk dated 5/1/43 in the case entitled "COMMUNIST INFLTRATION OF MASW".

Norfolk is requested to forward to New York sufficient information for appropriate documentation of this information under current regulations for informant pages, and to further advise this office of the identity of this source to assist in determining if further contact is desirable or feasible.

Bureau authority requested to deliver one copy of attached report to USA, SDNY.

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You are authorized to furnish to the U. S. Attorney, Southern District of New York, a copy of Special Agent Corcoran's report dated January 30, 1953. However, before making this dissemination, you are instructed to correct the confidential classification appearing at the end of this report in order to conform with the secret classification appearing on the first page of this report.

Bureau copies have been corrected accordingly.

Notes: Perl presently awaiting trial of perjury indictment. Above report suitable for dissemination and does not contain any information obtained from confidential techniques.

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DATE: 3/6/53


Attached hereto is an amended page 57 of New York report dated 1/30/53 showing documentation of New York Informant T-2 made available by Norfolk letter dated 2/6/53, together with an amended page 30 of this report which indicates subject, as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, was secretary of the AASW at Langley Field in 1943.

Offices receiving copies of this letter are requested to change the classification of this report on the reverse side of page 55 from "Security Information - Confidential" to "Security Information - Secret" to conform with the classification on page 1 thereof. Bulet 2/12/53 advised Bureau copies have been corrected accordingly. The Bureau is advised that New York copies and the USA copy have also been corrected.

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INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

Cleveland Field Division

(2) 2-1-53 (Date)

Title and Character of Case

STILLAW MIL.

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Field Division File Number 65-2730

Bureau File Number

Description of Property Being Held

Negatives and photographs of various documents concerning guided and jet research during period 1943 to 1946.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition

7-4-52

Source from Which Property Acquired

Files of Chief of Research and Executive Engineer, NAA, Cleveland, Ohio.

Location of Property

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It

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2 sets of photos of documents secured in search of subject's apartment.

Date Property Acquired and Authority for Acquisition:

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Source from Which Property Acquired:

BAs, Cleveland

Location of Property:

Exhibit Room

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Which Have Been Made to Dispose of It:

Evidence. None.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NEW YORK, 2/20/53

Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU

WILLIAM PERL, WA; ESPIONAGE - R., PERJURY. RE NY REPS OF
SA EDWARD J. CAHILL, ACCT., DATED 9/10/51 AND 3/29/52 WHICH
CONTAINED FINANCIAL INFO RE PERL, HIS FATHER AND MOTHER,
ABRAHAM AND SARAH MUTTER PERL, ET AL. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN,
SAY, ADVISED TODAY HE HAS COMPLETED REVIEW OF PERL AND
RELATED CASES AND WILL ISSUE GRAND JURY SUBPOENAS AS OF NEXT
WEEK RETURNABLE 3/16/53 FOR FOLLOWING BANK RECORDS TO BE
OBTAINED AS PRELIMINARY TO PROVIDE SUBPOENAS TO ABRAHAM AND
SARAH MUTTER PERL. MARTIN DESIRES TO ASCERTAIN FROM THAT
INFO CONCERNING SOURCE OF DEPOSITS WHICH APPEARED TO BE IN
EXCESS OF KNOWN INCOME. HE IS OF OPINION SUBJECT MAY HAVE CAUSED
ESPIONAGE MONEY TO BE DEPOSITED IN PARENTS' ACCTS. RECORDS HE
PERL AND PARENTS TO BE REQUESTED FROM FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS:
BUREAU OF PUBLIC DEBT, USE TREASURY DEPT., CHICAGO (SAVINGS BONDS).
COIN EXCHANGE BANK AND TRUST CO., PUBLIC NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST
CO., NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NY, LINING SAVINGS BANK, WEST SIDE
SAVINGS BANK, INDUSTRIAL BANK OF COMMERCE, DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK,
DRYDOCK SAVINGS BANK, MANUFACTURERS TRUST CO., HAMMER SAVINGS

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NWC:FJC (#60)
NY 65-15387

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent: 24

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E E. Longacre
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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BANK: 59312-760 NYC, AND CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, CLEVELAND TRUST CO.
OF CLEVELAND, AND SECURITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LA. MARTIN
ALSO STATED HE ISSUED THIS DATE GRAND JURY SUBPOENA ON RUTH
ALSCHER, RETURNABLE 2/21/53. HE DESIRES TO INTERROGATION HER ALONG
LINES PREVIOUSLY PURSUED BEFORE ROSENBERG'S GRAND JURY IN 1939
W I N E T E E E F I X T Y I D E E. ALSCHER SUBJECT OF CASE ENTITLED "RUTH
ALSCHER; Su-C", BY ORIGIN, HAS BEEN ON SICK LEAVE AS TEACHER
NYC BOARD OF EDUCATION SINCE OCT. 1952, BUT IS RECENTLY REPORTED
TO BE RECOVERING. MARTIN INDICATED ADDITIONAL WITNESSES MAY
BE SUBPOENED AND THAT HE WILL ADVISE THIS OFFICE PRIOR TO
ISSUANCE THEREOF. MARTIN STATED NO DATE FOR PRE-JURY TRIAL
HAS BEEN SET, BUT THAT SAME WILL DEPEND ON RESULTS OF GRAND
JURY PROCEEDINGS. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

BOARDMAN

Approved: ____________________________ Sent: ________ M Per: ________

Special Agent in Charge
Assistant United States Attorney John W. Martin of the Southern District of New York has advised our New York Office that he has completed a review of this case and related cases in the Julius Rosenberg espionage network in preparation for the perjury prosecution of William Perl. As a result of this review, he plans to subpoena the bank records of Perl and his parents for examination in an effort to determine the source of deposits which appear to be in excess of known income. Mr. Martin is of the opinion Perl may have deposited espionage funds in his parents' accounts. Mr. Martin is also subpoenaing additional witnesses for questioning before the Federal Grand Jury, including several individuals who have been mentioned in the Rosenberg case.


You may recall that Mrs. Altscher is a sister-in-law of Var Flitche, who was a Government witness in the Rosenberg case. Miss Chait and the Boudins were ordered to reappear on March 4, 1953. Max Finkleman accompanied Miss Chait to the Grand Jury reception room and he was ordered by the Foreman of the Grand Jury to appear on March 4, 1953.

Hilton M. Klein, who was the subject of the case entitled "Milton H. Klein, Espionage - R," was subpoenaed to appear on March 3, 1953.

Investigative reports in the Finestone and Klein cases have previously been furnished to the Records Administration Branch of the Department.
Mr. Martin advised he does not intend to limit persons questioned by the Grand Jury to possible Perl witnesses, but will also include several individuals mentioned in the Rosenberg network. He also stated that a date for the Perl trial has not been set, but will depend upon the results of the Grand Jury proceedings.

You will be kept advised of additional developments in this matter.
FBI
NYC
2-27-53 12-47 AM

DIRECTOR

URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP. DASH R, PERJURY. REMYARTEL, FEB. TWENTY LAST. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN, SDNY, ADVISED THIS DATE HE ISSUED GRAND JURY SUBPOENA FOR MILTON M. KLEIN, SUBJ OF BUFILE SIXTYFIVE DASH SIX ZERO FIVE SEVEN SIX, RETURNABLE FEB. TWENTYSEVEN, NEXT. HE DESIRES TO QUESTION KLEIN RE KNOWLEDGE OF PERL AND ASSOCIATES AT CONY AND NACA, LANGLEY FIELD, VIRGINIA, AND CLEVELAND, OHIO. MARTIN ALSO ADVISED THAT HE TELEPHONECALLY INSTRUCTED RUTH ALSCHER ON FEB. TWENTYFOUR, LAST, TO POSTPONE HER APPEARANCE UNTIL FEB. TWENTYSIX. MARTIN STATED HE WILL ISSUE ON FEB. TWENTY SEVEN, NEXT, GRAND JURY SUBPOENAS FOR ANNETTE CHAIT, ARTHUR CARL BOUDIN, AND DIVORCED WIFE, MURIEL BOUDIN, ALL MENTIONED PROMINENTLY IN CASE ENTITLED "MAXWELL FIESTONE, WAS, ESP. DASH R, ISA DASH FIFTY", BUFILE SIXTYFIVE DASH SIX ZERO TWO ZERO THREE. ANNETTE CHAIT, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS LIVING WITH MAXWELL FINESTONE, NYC, IS SUBJ OF RECENTLY OPENED SHI DASH C FILE, THIS OFFICE. ARTHUR CARL BOUDIN SUBJ BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE THREE FOUR THREE ZERO NINE. MARTIN STATED HE DOES NOT INTEND TO LIMIT PERSONS QUESTIONED BEFORE THIS GRAND JURY TO POSSIBLE PERL WITNESSES, BUT TO INCLUDE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN ROSENBERG ESP. NETWORTH. BUREAU WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED.
FBI/NYC 2-27-53 11-49 PM EJM
DIRECTOR URGENT

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TELETYPE

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY. REMYTELS FEB TWENTY AND
TWENTY SIX LAST. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN, SDNY, ADVISED RUTH ALSCHER
AND MILTON M. KLEIN APPEARED FGJ UNDER SUBPOENA TODAY AND WERE
INSTRUCTED TO RETURN ON MARCH SECOND AND THIRD NEXT, RESPECTIVELY.
ALSCHER GENERALLY UNCOOPERATIVE CLAIMING PRIVILEGE. KLEIN APPARENTLY
COOPERATIVE BUT NO NEW INFO OBTAINED FROM HIM. BUREAU WILL BE
FURTHER ADVISED.

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FBI / NYC 3-2-53 01 XX 10-36 PM TM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WAS, ESP R, PERJURY. RENYTEL FEB. TWENTYSEVEN LAST.
ANNETTE CHAIT, ARTHUR AND MURIEL BOUDIN AND RUTH ALSCHER TESTIFIED
BEFORE US GJ THIS DATE. AU SA JOSEPH MARTIN ADVISED EACH GENERALLY
UNCOOPERATIVE. CHAIT AND THE BoudINS ORDERED TO REAPPEAR MARCH FOUR
NEXT. ALSCHER EXCUSED. MAX FINESTONE ACCOMPANIED CHAIT TO GJ RECEPTION
ROOM AND WAS ORDERED BY FOREMAN OF GRAND JURY TO APPEAR MARCH FOUR
NEXT TO TESTIFY. FINESTONE ADVISED MARTIN THAT HE RECENTLY MARRIED CHAIT
MILTON M. KLEIN TO APPEAR MARCH THREE NEXT, AS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED.
BUREAU WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED. UNULU: 142 65-79312-763
BOARDMAN 12 MAR 31 1953 S. T. [Signature]
Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

March 13, 1953

DIRECTOR, FBI
65-59312 -764
WILLIAM PERL, WA.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY
(FBI File 65-59312)

Reference is made to Bureau memorandum dated March 10, 1953, advising that Assistant United States Attorney Robert Martin of the Southern District of New York has been subpoenaing witnesses before a Federal Grand Jury in connection with the pending prosecution of William Perl for perjury.

Mr. Martin advised that on March 4, 1953, Solomon Greenberg testified before the Grand Jury and was excused subject to recall at an indefinite date. Annette Chait, Maxwell Finestone, and Arthur and Muriel Boudin appeared pursuant to subpoena on the same date but were not heard. They were excused subject to recall at a later date.

Mr. Martin also advised that Victor Rabinowitz, attorney for Chait, Finestone, and the Boudins, appeared pursuant to subpoena on the same date but refused to testify concerning a conference he had held with his clients on March 1, 1953, claiming the privilege of attorney-client relationship. Rabinowitz was taken before Federal Judge Gregory Noonan by Mr. Martin who requested a contempt citation. Mr. Martin argued that the presence of separate clients at this conference vitiated the attorney-client relationship. Judge Noonan decided in favor of Rabinowitz who was excused from testifying.

Mr. Martin further advised that Milton M. Klein had been subpoenaed to testify on March 10, 1953.

You will be kept advised of additional developments in this matter.

APL:awnjdb

Note: Previous Bureau memoranda dated March 4 and March 10, 1953, have been forwarded to the Department to keep them currently advised on a regular basis of USA's, SDNY, actions in connection with this case.
FBI NYC 3-4-53 9-06 PM TM

DIRECTOR DEFERRED

WILLIAM PEARL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY. REMYTEL MARCH THREE FIFTYTHREE.

AUSA ROBERT MARTIN ADVISED SOLOMAN GREENBERG TESTIFIED BEFORE A USCG, SONY, THIS DATE AND WAS GENERALLY COOPERATIVE BUT NO PERTINENT INFO DEVELOPED. EXCUSED SUBJ TO RECALL ON INDEFINITE DATE. ANNETTE CHAIT, MAXWELL FINESTONE AND ARTHUR AND MURIEL BuDIN APPEARED BUT WERE NOT HEARD AND EXCUSED SUBJ TO RECALL ON AN INDEFINITE DATE. VICTOR BuDIN, ATT. FOR CHAIT, FINESTONE AND THE BuDINS, APPEARED AND REFUSED TO TESTIFY RE CONFERENCE HELD WITH THEM ON MARCH ONE FIFTYTHREE CLAIMING ATTORNEY DASH CLIENT RELATIONSHIP. HE WAS TAKEN BEFORE JUDGE GREGORY NOONAN WHERE CONTEMPT CITATION REQUESTED BY AUSA MARTIN WHO ARGUED PRESENCE OF SEPARATE CLIENTS AT CONFERENCE VICIATED ATTORNEY DASH CLIENT RELATIONSHIP. NOONAN DECIDED IN FAVOR OF RABINOWITZ WHO WAS EXCUSED FROM FURTHER TESTIMONY. AS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED. MILTON M. KLEIN TO TESTIFY ON MARCH TEN FIFTYTHREE. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

BOARDMAN

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DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WAS, ESP-R, PERJURY. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN, SDNY,

ADVISED MILTON M. KLEIN TESTIFIED BEFORE USGJ ON MARCH

THREE FIFTYTHREE AND WAS INSTRUCTED TO RETURN MARCH TEN NEXT,

ALSO THAT HE HAS SUBPOENAED SOLOMON GREENBERG, BUFIL6E SIX FIVE

DASH SIX ZERO EIGHT ZERO THREE, FOR MARCH FOUR NEXT, ALSO THAT

HE HAS REQUESTED VICTOR RABINOWITZ OF LAW FIRM OF NEUBERGER, RABI-

NOWITZ, SHAPIRO AND BOUDIN, SEVEN SIX BEAVER ST., NYC, TO APPEAR

MARCH FOUR NEXT. NOTED ARTHUR BOUDIN, WHO APPEARED BEFORE THE

GRAND JURY ON MARCH TWO LAST, ADVISED MARTIN HE HAD CONSULTED

RABINOWITZ PRIOR TO TESTIMONY. BUREAU WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED.

BOARDMAN

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cc Brouwer

S. L. To
Assistant Attorney General
Dwight D. Eisenhower

Director, FBI

March 10, 1953

WILLIAM PEARL, jr.
ESPINAGE - R.
PERJURY

Reference is made to a memorandum dated March 4, 1953, advising that Assistant United States Attorney Robert Martin of the Southern District of New York has been subpoenaed to testify before a Federal Grand Jury in preparation for the prosecution of William Pearl.

Mr. Martin advised on March 9, 1953, that Milton M. Klein testified before the grand jury on that date and was instructed to return on March 10, 1953.

Mr. Martin has also advised that he has subpoenaed Solomon Greenberg, who is the subject of the case entitled "Solomon Greenberg, aka, Espionage - R." Copies of investigative reports in the Greenberg case have been previously furnished to the Criminal Division of the Department. Further, Mr. Martin has requested Victor Rabinowitz of the law firm of Neuberger, Rabinowitz, Shapiro, and Boudin, 76 Beaver Street, New York City, to appear before the grand jury on March 4, 1953. Mr. Martin stated that Arthur Boudin, who appeared before the grand jury on March 2, 1953, had consulted Rabinowitz prior to testifying.

You will be kept advised of additional developments in this matter.
WASH 16 FROM NEW YORK  26  9-47 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R, PERJURY. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN, SDNY, ADVISED THIS DATE HE SENT NOTICE TO RAYMOND L. WISE, PERL’S ATTORNEY, THAT IN FIVE DAYS HE EXPECTS TO REPLACE INST. PERJURY CASE ON TRIAL DOCKET, AND REQUESTS COURT TO SET A TRIAL DATE IN APRIL, FIFTYTHREE. ALSO ADVISED HE SPOKE TELEPHONICALLY WITH STANLEY KANAREK, AN ASSOCIATE OF WISE, WHO STATED WISE IS STILL IN FLA., BUT DID NOT INDICATE WHEN WISE EXPECTS TO RETURN TO NYC. MARTIN MENTIONED WISE’S PREVIOUS REQUEST THAT TRIAL DATE NOT BE SET UNTIL APRIL, FIFTYTHREE, WHEN HE EXPECTED TO RETURN TO NYC, AND KANAREK INDICATED THAT IF ANY EARLY TRIAL WOULD BE SET, DEFENSE WILL ASK FOR ADJOURNMENT. KANAREK STATED HE WOULD CONTACT WISE IN FLA. AND ADVISE MARTIN. MARTIN FURTHER ADVISED HE IS CONTINUING WITH GRAND JURY INQUIRY, AND WILL QUESTION STANLEY ROBERT RICH /BULILE SIX FIVE DASH FIVE NINE THREE ONE SIX/ ON MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, NEXT, IN EFFORT TO DEVELOP INFO RE PERL’S YCL ACTIVITIES AT CCNY, AND THAT CORR LAST WD LINE 2 SHD BE * DAYS *
THIRD LINE FROM BOTTOM WDS 2 TO 4 SHD BE * GRAND JURY INQUIRY *

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NO
Milton M. Klein will again appear before Grand Jury on March thirty-one, next. Pertinent results of GJ proceedings to date will be forwarded under separate cover. Martin stated he expects to decide on list of prosecution witnesses next week, at which time he will request current addresses be verified for subpoena purposes. Cleveland advised by mail. Bureau and Cleveland will be further advised of developments.

Boardman

End

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March 30, 1953

CONFIDENTIAL

Assistant United States Attorney Robert Martin of the Southern District of New York has advised that he sent a notice to Raymond L. Wise, Perl's attorney, advising of his intention to request the trial court to set a date for the trial of this case in April, 1953. Mr. Martin has also advised that he was in telephonic contact with Stanley Kanarek, an associate of Wise, who stated that Wise was still in Florida, and he did not know when Wise expected to return to New York City. Martin mentioned Wise's previous request that the trial not be set until April, and Kanarek indicated that if an early trial date is set, the defense will ask for an adjournment. Kanarek stated he would contact Wise in Florida and advise Mr. Martin.

Mr. Martin further advised he is continuing his Grand Jury inquiry and will question Stanley Robert Rich, an admitted former member of the Young Communist League, in an effort to develop information concerning the activities of Perl at the City College of New York in connection with the Young Communist League. Mr. Martin also stated that Milton M. Klein will again appear before the Grand Jury on March 31, 1953.

The above is for your information.
WASH 2 FROM NEW YORK 28 12-49 AM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-RMR, PERJURY. REMYTEL TMARCH TWENTYSIX, FIFTYTHREE. STANLEY ROBERT RICH APPEARED UNDER SUBPOENA BEFORE US GRAND JURY, SDNY, THIS DATE. AUSA MARTIN STATED TESTIMONY GENERALLY INDEFINITE IN LINE WITH INFO PREVIOUSLY REPORTED INST. CASE. RICH TO AGAIN APPEAR APRIL ONE, NEXT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (65-2730)

DATE: April 8, 1953

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka.
ESPIONAGE-R
PERJURY
(O.O. NY)


For information of New York which did not receive a copy of referenced Los Angeles Letter, the Los Angeles Office advised that they did not contemplate interviewing EISTIAN JACOBS unless specifically requested to do so by the Cleveland, Ohio Office.

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cc: Los Angeles (65-5075)(Info.)(RU)
     New York (65-15387)(RU)

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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 31 11-22 PM TM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WASH, ESP-R, PERJURY. TRIAL OF INST. PERJURY CASE SET
BY JUDGE NOONAN, SDNY FOR MAY FOUR NEXT. PERL PRESENT IN COURT.
STANLEY KANAREK, ASSISTANT OF RAYMOND L. WISE, DEFENSE ATTORNEY OF
RECORD, ADVISED AUSA ROBERT MARTIN THAT WISE NOT EXPECTED TO RETURN FROM
FLA. UNTIL APRIL TWENTYONE NEXT AND THEREFORE REQUEST FOR ADJOURNMENT
MAY BE MADE. BUREAU AND CLEVELAND WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

Director, FBI
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WILLIAM PERL was
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PERJURY
(PBI File 65-59312)

April 7, 1953

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated
March 30, 1953.

Assistant United States Attorney Robert
Martin of the Southern District of New York has advised
that the trial of this case has been set by U.S. District
Judge Noonan for May 4, 1953. However, according to
Stanley Kanarek, assistant of Raymond L. Wise, Perl's
attorney, an adjournment may be requested because Wise
is not expected to return from Florida until April 21,
1953.

You will be advised of any additional
developments.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISER DESIGNING
SECRET(S) OF DECLASSIFICATION
DATE

NOTE: Bureau letter dated March 30, 1953, previously
advised the Department that Martin was placing
Perl's case on the calendar for trial.

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COMMISSION - FBI
APR 8 - 1953
MAILED 19
To: Director, FBI (65-59312)  
SAC Cleveland (65-2730)  

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, ws.  
ESPIONAGE - R  
PERJURY  
O.C. New York  

DATE: April 29, 1953  
AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY  

Re New York teletype 4/26/53.  

Enclosed herewith for New York Office are the following items requested in retel which were to be forwarded by AMSD Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested:  

1. Original statements of ROBERT PFLEGER, Mrs. MARIE BEIER, Mrs. MARIE APEL, STANLEY E. PRICE, and EDWARD A. KESTNER.  


In connection with the latter, SA DAVID A. WIELE, Cleveland is available to testify. JOHN B. O'LONOCHUE resigned from the Bureau February, 1953 and presently resides at 11009 Tuckahoe Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. He is available to testify.  

In addition to the above, the Cleveland Office is also enclosing herewith for the New York Office, certified copies of the original assignment and Application for Certificate of Title filed in Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio of the following automobile transactions:  


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MAY 1, 1953
For the information of the Bureau by letter dated April 28, 1953, Cleveland forwarded to New York, photostatic copies of petition for change of name for WILLIAM PERR, photostatic copies of title papers reflecting purchase by PERR of 1941 Studebaker on March 17, 1944, and sold by him February 8, 1946, and photographs as requested in retail. Photostats of newspapers will be forwarded to New York Office as soon as available.

With exception of certified copies of original Assignment and Application for Certificate of Title, the review of the Cleveland exhibit file in this case has not disclosed any other items which in opinion of Cleveland Office could be used in cross examination of PERR.
DIRECTOR AND SAC CLEVELAND URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-B PERJURY. LEMTELS MARCH TWENTY SIX AND MARCH THIRTY ONE LAST. USA ROBERT MARTIN SDNY, ADVISED TODAY THAT RAYMOND L. WISE, DEFENSE ATTORNEY, CALLED USA J. EDWARD LUMBARD FROM FLORDIA ON EVENING APRIL TWENTY THREE LAST TO INQUIRE IF INSTANT PERJURY TRIAL WOULD START ON MAY FOUR NEXT AS SCHEDULED. LUMBARD REPLIED IN AFFIRMATIVE TO WHICH WISE STATED HE WOULD ARRIVE NYC ON APRIL TWENTY SEVEN AND CONTACT USA-S OFFICE. WISE HAS NOT YET CONTACTED USA AND IT IS UNKNOWN IF HE WILL REQUEST ADJOURNMENT AS PREVIOUSLY INDICATED BY KANAREK. MARTIN ALSO ADVISED THAT ON FRIDAY PM APRIL TWENTY FOUR LAST LUMBARD TOLD HIM CHIEF ASSISTANT USA LLOYD E. MAC MAHON WOULD ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY AND HANDLE TRIAL OF CASE. FOR INFO OF BUREAU MARTIN PREVIOUSLY GAVE LUMBARD NOTICE OF RESIGNATION EFFECTIVE "MIDDLE OF JUNE" NEXT AND ON APRIL TWENTY FOUR LUMBARD REQUESTED MARTIN TO ASSIST MAC MAHON IN PREPARATION FOR TRIAL. MAC MAHON REVIEWED FILE OVER WEEKEND AND REQUESTED CONFERENCE WITH BUREAU

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AGENTS APRIL TWENTY SEVEN DURING WHICH HE REQUESTED FOLLOWING, PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF PROCEEDINGS IN PROBATE COURT, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, CLEVELAND, ON JAN ONE FORTY FIVE WHEREIN UNDER DOCKET NUMBER THREE SEVEN EIGHT CERTIFICATE NUMBER THREE FIVE EIGHT NINE THREE ZERO PERL CHANGED NAME FROM MUTTERPERL. DESIRES COPY OF PETITION ANY AFFIDAVITS AND COURT ORDER. REFER CLEVELAND REPORT AUG., SEVEN FIFTY PAGE THREE. CLEVELAND WILL OBTAIN SAME IMMEDIATELY AND FORWARD NYO AMSD. CLEVELAND ALSORequested TO SEND TO NYO ONE COPY EACH OF "CLEVELAND PRESS", "CLEVELAND NEWS" AND "CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER" FOR JULY SEVENTEEN EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN, TWENTY, TWENTY ONE, NINETEEN FIFTY WHICH CONTAIN PUBLICITY RE ARREST IN NYC OF JULIUS ROSENBERG. ALSO ONE COPY EACH OF "CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER" AND "CLEVELAND PRESS" DATED JULY SEVENTEEN, AND EIGHTEEN, FORTYEIGHT AND " CLEVELAND PRESS" DATED JULY SEVEN, EIGHT, AND NINE, NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT, WHICH CONTAIN ADS PLACED BY ROBERT E. PFLEGER FOR SALE OF FORTY ONE STUDEBAKER, LATER SOLD TO IN FACT TO SIDOROVICH. ALSO ONE COPY OF "CLEVELAND PRESS" DATED JULY TWENTY NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT CONTAINING AD PLACED BY PRICE INSTRUCTING PROSPECTIVE END PAGE TWO 65-59312-771
PURCHASERS TO TELEPHONE RANDOLPH ZERO SIX FIVE TWO. MR. MAC
MAHON ALSO REQUESTED PHOTOGRAPHS BE TAKEN OF ALBERTLY AVE.,
PARMA, OHIO SHOWING VIEW OF PFLEGER, BEIER AND APEL RESIDENCES.
PURPOSE OF THESE PHOTOS IS TO ASSIST WITNESSES PORTRAY TO JURY
LOCATION WHERE PFLEGER CAR PARKED IN DRIVEWAY, POSITION OF CAR
USED BY SIDOROVICH ET AL PAREN PREVIOUSLY REFERRED TO AS VON
KARMAN CAR END PAREN AND POSITION IN BACK OR SIDE YARD OF WITNESS-
ES. LIKewise PHOTO OF APEL AND BEIER RESIDENCES SHOULD INCLUDE
IF POSSIBLE PFLEGER RESIDENCE AND POSITION OF CARS ETC SO THAT
PROXIMITY OR JUXTAPOSITION CAN BE DEMONSTRATED. ALSO REQUESTED
THAT DISTANCE IN FEET BE OBTAINED FROM POSITION OF PFLEGER CAR
TO POSITIONS OF WITNESSES AT TIME OF DISCUSSION OF CAR TRANSACTION
IN DRIVEWAY. SUGGEST CLEVELAND TAKE ABOVE PHOTOS AND FORWARD
UNDEVELOPED FILM AMSD TO NYO FOR PROCESSING AND ENLARGEMENT.
MAINTENANCE OF CHAIN OF EVIDENCE UNNECESSARY AS AUSA WILL REQUEST
IDENTIFICATION OF PHOTOS BY WITNESSES AT TIME OF TESTIMONY.
RE CLEVELAND TELE AUC., TWENTY SIX FIFTY, AUSA REQUESTS PHOTOSTA-
TATIC COPY OF TITLE PAPERS REFLECTING PURCHASE BY PERL OF
END PAGE THREE

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NINETEEN FORTY ONE STUDEBAKER ON MARCH SEVENTEEN FORTYFOUR AND
SOLD BY HIM FEB. EIGHT FORTYSIX. FORWARD AMSD. CLEVELAND ALSO
REQUESTED TO VERIFY FOR SUBPOENA PURPOSES FOLLOWING ADDRESSES
PAREN REFER NY SUMMARY REPORT MARCH TEN, FIFTYONE INSTANT CASE
PAGES THIRTY SEVEN THROUGH FIFTY INCLUSIVE. CLOSE PAREN ROBERT
E. PFLEGGER AND MRS. ROBERT E. PFLEGGER, MRS MARIE BEIER, MARIE
C. APEL, STANLEY E. PRICE. ADVISE THESE INDIVIDUALS TO EXPECT
SUBPOENA RETURNABLE NYC MAY ONE OR TWO NEXT FOR TRIAL CONFERENCE.
ALSO VERIFY ADDRESS OF EDWARD A. KESTNER AND ADVISE PRESENT STATE
OF HEALTH AND IF AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY IF SUBPOENED. ADVISE PFLEGERS
THAT KESTNER WILL NOT BE SUBPOENED UNLESS ABSOLUTELY
NECESSARY IN VIEW OF AGE. THAT IN EVENT NECESSARY KESTNERS SUB-
POENA WILL BE RETURNABLE DURING WEEK OF MAY THREE NEXT. SUTEL
VERIFICATION IMMEDIATELY. CLEVELAND OFFICE REQUESTED TO FORWARD
AMSD, REGISTERED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED ORIGINAL STATEMENTS
OF MR. PFLEGGER, BEIR, APEL, PRICE AND KESTNER SET FORTH IN NY
SUMMARY RPT. PAGES THIRTY SEVEN TO FORTY EIGHT INCLUSIVE. CLEVEL-
AND ALSO FORWARD ORIGINAL PHOTO OF WILLIAM PERL ENDORSED FOR ID-
ENTIFICATION BY PFLEGGER ON AUG TWENTY FOUR FIFTY MENTIONED IN
CLEVELAND TELE OF AUG EIGHT FIFTY. RE STATEMENTS OF WILLIAM PERL
DATED JULY TWENTY SIX AND TWENTY EIGHT, FIFTY SET FORTH ABOVE
REPORT PAGES TWENTY THREE THROUGH TWENTY EIGHT INC. CLEVELAND

END PAGE FOUR

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FORWARD ORIGINALS THEREOF AMSD, REGISTERED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED AND ADVISE IF SAS JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE AND OR DAVID A. WIBLE AVAILABLE TO INTRODUCE SAME. FOR INFO BU AND CLEVELAND AUSA ADVISED THESE AGENTS WILL NOT BE CALLED UNLESS NECESSARY IN REBUTTAL IF PERL DENIES STATEMENTS OR IF ANNE SIDOROVICH SHOULD TESTIFY FOR PERL THAT LATTER WAS NOT PRESENT AT PFLEIGERS. REFER SUMMARY RPT PAGE FORTY SIX RE ANNES ADMISSION OF THREE PEOPLE PRESENT. CLEVELAND VERIFY ADDRESS JULIA E. GREEN PAYROLL CLERK, NACA MENTIONED CLEVELAND REPORTS OCTOBER SIX FIFTYONE AND MARCH THREE FIFTYTWO. AUSA ADVISED HE MAY DESIRE HER TO PRODUCE PERL LEAVE RECORD AND PERSONNEL FILE ALTHOUGH NOT YET DEFINITELY DECIDED. CLEVELAND REQUESTED TO CONDUCT REVIEW OF EXHIBIT FILE AND FORWARD TO NYC ALL EXHIBITS PERTAINING TO PERJURY ASPECT THIS CASE IN OFFICE WHICH IN ITS OPINION COULD BE USED IN CROSS EXAMINATION OF PERL. ADDITIONAL REVIEW OF CASE BEING MADE BY AUSA MAC MAHON AND FURTHER CONFERENCE WITH HIM ANTICIPATED APRIL TWENTY EIGHT INSTANT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED HIS DESIRES RE FBI LAB TESTIMONY AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. FOR INFO BUREAU, AUSA ADVISED JURY FOR INSTANT CASE WILL BE DRAWN FROM SAME PANEL USED IN PUFF CASE. /NY FILE NO. EIGHT EIGHT DASH THREE THREE WHICH HAS BEEN PROCESSED BY THIS OFFICE. BUREAU AND CLEVELAND WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED.

BOARDMAN 65-593/2-771

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WA 1-48 AM OK FBI WA DP
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CC: T. Belin
Mr. Harbo
APRIL 28, 1953

URGENT

SAC, CLEVELAND

65-59312

WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESPIONAGE DASH R. PERJURY.

RENTAL APRIL TWENTY EIGHT, FIFTY THREE. IN VIEW
OF IMMINCENCE OF TRIAL, REQUESTS OF CHIEF AUSA LLOYD

E. MAC MARCH AND OTHER LEADS SET FORTH IN REFTEL BE

HANDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. BUREAU DEAD LINE MAY
ONE, FIFTY THREE.

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CC - 2 - NEW YORK (BY MAIL)

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FBI, MAY 8, 1953

TELETYPE
Office Memorandum  •  UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM: SAC Cleveland (65-2730)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.

ESPIONAGE - R

PERJURY

O.C. New York

DATE: April 29, 1953


Enclosed herewith for New York Office are the following enumerated items as requested in retel:

1. One photostatic copy of ad placed by ROBERT E. PFLEGER, 5202 Albertly, as appeared in "Cleveland Press" on July 7, 8 and 9, 1948.

2. One photostatic copy of ad placed by ROBERT E. PFLEGER, 5202 Albertly, as appeared in "Cleveland Plain Dealer" on July 17 and 18, 1948.

3. One photostatic copy of ad placed by STANLEY E. PRICE as appeared in "Cleveland Press" July 20, 1948.

4. One photostatic copy of news story which appeared in "Cleveland News" on July 18, 1950 re JULIUS ROSENBERG.

5. One photostatic copy of news story which appeared in "Cleveland Plain Dealer" on July 18 and 20, 1950 re JULIUS ROSENBERG.

6. One plat diagram showing relative position of witnesses and distance in feet (by actual measure) to the position of PFLEGER car and other established points at time of car transaction.

It should be noted that a thorough perusal of classified ads as appeared in "Cleveland Press" for July 17 and 18, 1948 failed to disclose any ad placed by ROBERT PFLEGER. Likewise copies of "Cleveland Plain Dealer" for July 17, 19 and 21, 1950, "Cleveland News" for July 17, 19, 20 and 21, 1950, and "Cleveland Press" for July 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1950 did not disclose any news stories relating to JULIUS ROSENBERG.

The submission of this letter and enclosures completes all of the requests as outlined for the Cleveland Office in retel.
WASH. 4 FROM NEW YORK 30 110AM
DIRECTOR URGENT
WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY. REBUFF BROWN, CLEVELAND AND
NY TELETYPES APRIL TWENTY-EIGHT, LAST. CHIEF, AUSA LLOYD E. MAC MAHON
ADVISED THIS DATE, NO JUDGE AVAILABLE FOR INST. TRIAL ON MAY FOUR,
NEXT AND THAT CASE WOULD BE ADJOURNED THAT DATE UNTIL AFTER TERMINATION
OF PUFF TRIAL SCHEDULED BEFORE JUDGE SYLVESTER RYAN ON MAY FOUR.
FURTHER THAT CHIEF JUDGE KNOX INDICATED TO USA LUMBARD THAT INSTANT
TRIAL WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO JUDGE RYAN PROBABLY LATER PART OF MAY.
FOR BUREAU CONFIDENTIAL INFO DEFENSE ATTORNEY RAYMOND L. WISE
REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH AUSA'S MARTIN AND MACMAHON THIS AFTERNOON
AT WHICH TIME HE ADVISED HE DESIRED TO DETERMINE STATUS OF CASE
AND STATED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE THAT HE FELT PERL SHOULD PLEAD
GUILTY AND COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENT IN GIVING ESPIONAGE INFO.
STATED HE HAD NOT SPOKEN TO PERL SINCE ARRIVAL FROM FLA BUT EXPECTED
TO SEE HIM APRIL THIRTY. FURTHER THAT HE COULD NOT SEE WHAT
PERL HAD TO GAIN BY GOING TO TRIAL AND THAT IT WAS IN DEFENDANT'S
BEST INTERESTS TO COOPERATE. HE RECALLED HE ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN
PERL'S COOPERATION AT TIME OF ARREST. BUT THESE ATTEMPTS WERE UNSUCCESSFUL AND DESIRED
TO MAKE FURTHER ATTEMPTS. STATED HE WOULD RECONTACT USA OFFICE IN
NEXT DAY OR TWO. WISE HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED OF PROPOSED ADJOURNMENT
OF TRIAL. FOR INFO CLEVELAND, AUSA SENDING TELEGRAMS THIS DATE
END PAGE ONE

MAY 6 1953
CANCELLING CLEVELAND'S SUBPOENA, MENTIONED RE NY AND CLEVELAND
TELETYPE. NOTED NO SUBPOENA SENT TO PRICE, JULIA GREEN OR MARIE
BRINKMAN. AUSA STATED RECEIPT OF DATA FROM CLEVELAND REQUESTED
NY TEL APRIL TWENTY EIGHT DESIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT UNNECESS-
ARY FOR MAY FOUR AS TRIAL WILL BE POSTPONED. BUREAU AND CLEVELAND
WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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CORR PGE 2, END OF FIRST LINE SHLD READ XE
"MENTIONED RE NY AND CLEVELAND"
CLEVELAND ADVISED

65-59312-773

CC: MR. BILBRIGHT
AND: SUPERVISOR
DOM. INTEL. DIVISION
Reference is made to our memorandum dated April 7, 1953, advising that the trial of this case had been set down for May 4, 1953.

On April 30, 1953, Chief Assistant United States Attorney Lloyd E. MacMahon advised that there was no judge available for the Perl trial on May 4, 1953, and that the case would be adjourned until the termination of the Gerhard Puff murder trial which is scheduled to start before Judge Sylvester Ryan on May 4, 1953. Mr. MacMahon also advised that Senior Judge Knox had indicated to the U. S. Attorney that the Perl case would be assigned to Judge Ryan in the latter part of May.

For your confidential information, Raymond L. Wise, Perl's attorney, advised Mr. MacMahon and Assistant United States Attorney Martin that he felt Perl should plead guilty and cooperate with the Government in giving espionage information. He stated that he could not see what Perl had to gain by going to trial, and that it was in Perl's best interest to cooperate. Wise pointed out that he had attempted to obtain the cooperation of Perl at the time of Perl's arrest, but was unsuccessful. However, he will make further attempts to secure Perl's cooperation, and will recontact the United States Attorney's Office regarding same.
When advised of the Director's absence, Father Gordon asked to speak with Mr. Tolson, Mr. Ladd, or if they were not in he would speak with another assistant of Mr. Hoover's. After checking, he was transferred to Mr. Crosby in Mr. Nichols' office. Mr. Tolson and Mr. Ladd were both out to lunch.

Mr. Crosby advises that Father Gordon has some connection with Osaining Prison in New York and Father Gordon stated he thought the Bureau might like to know that he is meeting Dr. William Pearl, former professor at Columbia University and who is at large on a bond of $20,000 from an indictment charging him with perjury. Father Gordon stated Dr. Pearl wants to give him some information about Pearl's relationship with the Rosenbergs. Father Gordon said if he gets any information, he will relate it to the Bureau.

Mr. Crosby is preparing a memorandum.
Office Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)

FROM: SAC, Albany (65-1763) ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY

Re MY tel dated 5/11/53.

Enclosed herewith for the attention of the FBI Laboratory are five letters which were located in the residence of ALFRED SARANT during an authorized search on July 19, and 20, 1950. They are as follows:

1. Letter addressed to "Dear Puss and Al" dated Sept. 21, 1946, "Hope you're settled..." and signed "Yours, Bill".

2. Undated letter addressed to "Dear AL", beginning "Thanks for the check..." and signed "Your unworthy colleague, Bill", with a "P.S." and "P.S.S."

3. Undated letter with no salutation, beginning "The following pieces of furniture are..." and signed "Signed, Sept. 30, 1946, WILLIAM PERL".

4. A letter dated December 30, 1946, addressed "Dear Puss", beginning "Your letter was a delight to read..." and signed "Regards, Love, BILL".

5. An undated letter addressed to "Dear JOEL" beginning "I and mine are well..." and signed "Thanks again, WILL".


The Laboratory is requested to make a comparison of the handwriting in these letters with stipulated known specimens, K-1, K-12 and K-13 in instant case, as requested in referenced New York tel.

The Laboratory is also requested that if these letters are identical with the above known specimens, necessary charts be prepared for testimony re these letters.

CFH:mmm
AMSD - REGISTERED (Encls. 6) RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
May 13, 1953
cc: New York (Encl. 1) AMSD - REGISTERED - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
Letter to Director, FBI

RE: WILLIAM PERL, wa., Espionage - R; Perjury

5/12/53

Inasmuch as a Laboratory Expert may be required to testify, the Laboratory is further requested to retain the original enclosed letters to be brought to New York by the Laboratory Expert at the time of the trial.

Results of the comparison requested above should be made known immediately to the New York Office.

Enclosed for the New York Office is the original receipt dated March 24, 1945 from the Tatay Music Shop, 147 West 46th Street, New York City, made out to Mr. W. Mutterperl, 1516 West 120th Street. It is noted that page eleven of the report of SA JOHN D. MAHONEY dated 8/9/50 at Albany, New York in instant case, reflects the date of this receipt to be March 24, 1950. Referenced New York tel also indicates the date to be March 24, 1950, but it will be noted that the correct date is March 24, 1945.

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WASH / 5 FROM NEW YORK 29 1-30 AM AJM
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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R, PERJURY. RE CLEVELAND TEL APRIL TWENTY-EIGHT. AUSA SDNY, ADVISED PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF NEWSPAPERS, MENTIONED RETEL, WILL SUFFICE BUT REQUESTS READABLE PHOTOSTATIC OR PHOTOGRAPH OF COMPLETE PAGE SHOWING NAME OF PAPER AND DATE-LINE ON EACH PERTINENT SHEET. EXPEDITE.

CLEVELAND ADVISED
HLD
50 MAY 22 1953

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INTELLIGENCE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

APR 29 1953

TELETYPHOE
WASH 11 FROM NEW YORK 5-2-53 1:45 AM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, W/SS, ESP-R, PERJURY. REMYTEL APRIL TWENTYNINE LAST. DEFENSE ATTORNEY WISE TELEPHONED CHIEF AUSA MAC MAHON THIS DATE TO ADVISE HE HAD CONFERENCE APRIL THIRTY LAST WITH PERL, AT WHICH TIME HE DISCUSSED CASE WITH HIM AND PROBED POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATION. STATED HE WAS GENERALLY UNSUCCESSFUL, BUT WOULD HAVE ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE WITH PERL. WISE WAS INFORMED BY MAC MAHON OF PROBABILITY TRIAL WOULD BE POSTPONED, TO WHICH WISE WAS AGREEABLE. FURTHER CONTACTS BETWEEN WISE AND MAC MAHON WILL BE REPORTED. REPORT IN INSTANT CASE WILL BE SUBMITTED MAY FIFTEEN NEXT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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50 MAY 1953

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MC CASE

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FBI/CLEVELAND 4-28-53 4-27 PM EDST CVP
DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC NEW YORK

URGENT
WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESP DASH R, PERJURY. RENYTEL INSTANT. ADDRESSES
MR. AND MRS. ROBERT E. PFLEGER, MRS. MARIE BEIER, MRS. MARIE C. APEL
AND EDWARD A. KESTNER VERIFIED AND ARE SAME AS SET FORTH NY SUMMARY
REPORT MARCH TEN, FIFTYONE. STANLEY E. PRICE NOW RESIDES FOUR NINE
ZERO EIGHT WEST ONE HUNDRED THIRTYTHIRD ST., CV. PFLEGERS, BEIER,
APEL ARE AVAILABLE TO TESTIFY, HOWEVER ALL WOULD PREFER MAY TWO
DUE TO MINOR CHILDREN. KESTNER'S HEALTH IS NOT POOR BUT RATHER HIS WIFE
IS IN ILL HEALTH FOR WHICH HE IS CONCERNED. KESTNER WILL TESTIFY BUT
WOULD PREFER BEING CALLED ONLY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. PRICE INDICATED
IN ALL PROBABILITY HE WOULD TESTIFY BUT EXPRESSED OPINION THAT HE
RECEIVED QUOTE RUN AROUND UNQUOTE IN NY WHEN HE TESTIFIED BEFORE GRAND
JURY. PRICE PREFERRED TO BE CALLED WEEK MAY THREE. ADDRESS OF JULIA E
GREEN, PAYROLL CLERK, NACA, THREE SEVEN TWO SEVEN WEST ONE HUNDRED
FIFTYNINE ST., CV. H. BURTON BRACY, SECURITY OFFICER, NACA, STATED
MARIE BRINKMAN, HEAD OF TRANSACTION, NACA, ACTUAL CUSTODIAN OF
PERL'S PERSONNEL FILE AND SERIOUSLY DOUBTS IF JULIA GREEN COULD

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HC CABE .

END ACK PLZ

3-32 PM OK FBI WA NFC
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DISC 65-59312-772
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)

SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY
(O.O. - New York)

DATE: May 13, 1953

Re New York tel 5-12-53.

Enclosed herewith for the New York Office are the following items requested in retalia:

1. 66 exhibit envelopes containing original notes of agents assigned to surveillance of WILLIAM PERL.

2. 58 serials numbered 1 through 59 (with the exception of serial 7, which duplicates information in serial 6) of CV file 65-2730 Sub 3. These serials are the typed surveillance logs and will facilitate review of the surveillance information by the New York Office.

3. Leave records of PERL from NACA, Cleveland.

4. Personnel file of PERL from NACA, Cleveland.

DAWIAO

cc: New York (65-15387) (4 Ences.) (AMSID REGISTERED MAIL 8RR)
Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

Director, FBI

WILLIAM PERL, wa.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

May 12, 1953

On May 4, 1953, Federal Judge Thomas Murphy referred the case of the above-named subject to Federal Judge Sylvester Ryan for trial. However, Judge Ryan is now presiding over the Gerard Fuff murder trial, but at the conclusion thereof, he is expected to take the Perl case.

It is the opinion of the Assistant United States Attorney handling the Perl case that the trial will probably start May 18, 1953.

The foregoing is for your information.
WASH 13 FROM NEW YORK  
DIRECTOR  URGENT

WIILIAM PERL, WA., ESP-R. PERJURY. JUDGE THOMAS MURPHY, SDNY,
REFERRED TRIAL OF INSTANT PERJURY CASE THIS DATE TO JUDGE SYLVESTER RYAN
TO BE SCHEDULED BY HIM AT CONCLUSION OF PUFF TRIAL. AUSA INDICATED C
DATE OF TRIAL PROBABLY ABOUT MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

BOARDMAN

6/20 MAY 22 1953  
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:        DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM:    SAC, WFO (65-5543)
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, M.D.
         ESPIONAGE - R & F JUR

Re: WFO 1st dated May 14, 1953.

SA KENNETH J. HASEE, on May 15, 1953, received from the
Passport Office, United States Department of State, the following
which are enclosed:

1. Certified copies of letter to U.S. Department of State
dated March 22, 1948, from WILLIAM PERL.

2. Passport application of WILLIAM PERL subscribed and sworn
to on March 22, 1948.

3. Passport renewal application of WILLIAM PERL dated
March 1, 1951.

4. Passport application of HENRIETTA SAVIDGE PERL marked
cancelled March 12, 1951, with attachment signed by
HENRIETTA PERL on March 7, 1951, wherein she requests
\cancellation.

5. Three negative photostat copies each of the above-
described items.

The certified copies are for the Assistant United States
Attorney handling instant cases and the negative photostat copies
are for whatever use the New York office may have for them. RUC.

MB:MLK
2 - New York (65-15287) (Encls. 15) (RL) (Special Delivery) (ERR)

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TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, Cleveland (65-2730)

WILLIAM PERL, WA.
ESPIONAGE - R Perjury
O. D. - New York

SECURITY INFORMATION - CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: May 12, 1953

Re: New York tel May 11, 1953. Enclosed herewith for the New York Office is a certified copy of all the papers filed in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas dealing with the divorce proceedings filed by WILLIAM PERL against HENRIETTA BOYD SAVIDGE PERL. It is to be noted that on application of the plaintiff this cause was dismissed.

CC: New York (Enc.) (65-1387)

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67 MAY 22 1953
By reference from the Director's Office, at 1:00 p.m.,
April 24, 1953, Crosby talked to an individual who stated he was
Father Gordon and he had attempted to talk to the Director,
Mr. Tolson or Mr. Ladd, all of whom were out; that he was calling
from Congressman Kersten's Office (R., Wisconsin) and that he had
a matter which was giving him some concern.

He stated that an individual named William Perl, who
claimed to be a former professor at Columbia University, had been
in touch with him and informed Father Gordon that he, Perl, had
been indicted on four counts of perjury and he was free on bond of
$20,000 at the present time; that he was anxious to talk to Father
Gordon. In the course of the conversation with Father Gordon it
was brought out that Dr. Perl was a relative of either Julius or
Arthur Rosenberg, now in Sing Sing, with which institution Father
Gordon had some sort of undisclosed connection. Father Gordon's
problem was that Perl was anxious to see him Sunday night. Crosby
interpreted this to mean Sunday, April 26th. Father Gordon stated
he wondered if the Bureau could give him any advice on whether to
meet Perl or not, and he wanted the Bureau to have a record of the
fact that he had mentioned to the Bureau his going to meet Perl
before such meeting took place if the Bureau did advise him to
meet Perl or did not give him any advice on the subject. Father
Gordon was told that the Bureau could not advise him on whether
to meet with Perl, but that if he did meet Perl, the Bureau would
certainly be interested in knowing the outcome of the conversation.
Father Gordon stated that he wanted to make the point quite clear
that he was not meeting Perl as a confess or and that he would not
feel bound by any confidence.

Crosby asked Father Gordon if he would be in touch after
the meeting if it were held and Father Gordon advised Crosby that
the meeting would be held and that he would communicate with the
Bureau.

To the date of the preparation of this memorandum, no
communication has been had from Father Gordon.
Office Memorandum

TO: Mr. Tolson
FROM: L. B. Nichols

DATE: May 5, 1953

SUBJECT: William Perl

You may recall that Father William Gordon, O.S.A., telephoned from Congressman Kersten's Office and advised he had been contacted by William Perl, perjury case subject growing out of the Rosenberg matter, and wanted to know if the Bureau desired to advise him one way or the other on contact with Perl.

At that time Crosby told Father Gordon the Bureau could not advise him one way or the other on contacting Perl, but if he did contact him the Bureau would be very interested in knowing what transpired.

No call was received from Father Gordon for a period of several days and he was telephoned at Linebrook 9-8961 New York City on May 5, 1953. Father Gordon stated he was to have seen Mr. Perl Sunday, May 3, 1953; however, he had been unable to make the contact and now tentatively plans to make the contact on Sunday, May 10, 1953. He stated that if he makes the contact he will communicate with Crosby in my office by telephone to make arrangements for an interview by an Agent or Agents familiar with the Perl matter.

cc - Mr. Ladd
cc - Mr. Belmont
cc - Mr. Litrento

FEC: pta

5/15/53
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MAY 22 1953

File 65-593/2
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MAY 15 1953
TO: Director, FBI
FROM: SAC, Chicago (#65-3451)
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL w.r.
ESPIONAGE-R; PERJURY

DATE: May 13, 1953

Re WFO tel, 5-13-53.

There is being transmitted herewith to the New York office the original Personnel Security Questionnaire executed by PERL. This was obtained on May 13, 1953 through Mr. BERNARD S. WHELPLEY, Assistant Security Director, AEC, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. WHELPLEY requested that it be returned at the earliest possible date.

WRP:OC

REGISTERED MAIL

cc - New York (Enc.)  REGISTERED MAIL
 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
 AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

cc - Washington Field (REGISTERED MAIL)
At 4:30 P.M., on 5-12-53, ASAC Whelan of the New York Office telephonically advised that Lloyd MacMahon, Chief Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, had just called the Department and requested a Jury Panel investigation, inasmuch as a new Grand Jury list had been presented to the United States Attorney today by the Jury Clerk. Jurors from this new Grand Jury Panel will be utilized commencing May 18, 1953, on which date the captioned case is scheduled to commence.

Subsequently, William Foley of the Criminal Division telephonically contacted you requesting a Jury Panel investigation at which time he advised you that he desired the usual credit, criminal, and field office indices checks made. He also advised you that the New York Office should furnish the results of these checks directly to the United States Attorney in New York.

The attached letter has now been received from the Criminal Division confirming the oral request of Mr. Foley.

ACTION:

ASAC Whelan has been instructed to go ahead with the Jury Panel investigation restricting it to a check of the credit, criminal, and field office indices, and to furnish the results of these checks to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York.
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TO:   MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM: MR. C. E. HENKEL

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, NO.
          ESPIONAGE — R
          PERJURY

Supervisor Tom McAndrews of the NIO advised at 2:00 p.m., May 18, that the jury has been selected in the Perl case and that the Government was beginning its opening statement at 2:00 p.m.

ACTION:

For your information.

65-39312

26 MAY 1953
ATTENTION FB LAB

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY. REMYTEL MAY EIGHT LAST. AUSA SDNY, DESIRES FOR USE IN CROSS EXAMINATION, ORIGINAL LETTERS LOCATED IN ALFRED SARANT-S HOME DURING AUTHORIZED SEARCH WHICH ARE SET FORTH IN ALBANY REPORT AUG. SEVEN, FIFTY, PAGES FOUR THROUGH SEVEN, INST. CASE. SUTEL NYO IMMEDIATELY IF THESE LETTERS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY FBI LAB AS PERL-S HANDWRITING. IF NOT, ALBANY FORWARD SAME IMMEDIATELY TO FBI LAB, AMSD, REGISTERED MAIL, RETURN RECIPIENT REQUESTED, WITH REQUEST SAME BE COMPARED WITH STIPULATED KNOWN SPECIMENS K ONE, K TWELVE AND K THIRTEEN, INST. CASE. LAB REQUESTED THAT IF THESE LETTERS FROM SARANT-S HOME IDENTICAL WITH ABOVE KNOWN SPECIMENS, NECESSARY CHARTS BE PREPARED FOR TESTIMONY RE THESE LETTERS.

FOR INFO ALBANY AND FBI LAB, AUSA INDICATED HE WILL USE THESE LETTERS ONLY IN CROSS EXAMINATION AND INTRODUCTION BY SA MAHONEY UNNECESSARY. HOWEVER, LAB EXPERT'S TESTIMONY MAY BE REQUIRED. LAB FURTHER REQUESTED TO RETAIN ORIGINAL LETTERS RECEIVED FROM ALBANY TO BE BROUGHT TO NY BY LAB EXPERT THE DATE OF TRIAL. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED

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G.I.R.-6
RUTH ALSCHER reinterviewed re Bird-In-Hand Restaurant incident, 1944, with negative results. Informants advise ALSCHER, under maiden name of RUTH HALBERTHAL, attended CP meetings or rallies in NYC. Communist background and contacts of ALSCHER set forth.

MILTON M. KLEIN advised subject active in YCL, 1937-1938, in CCNY, and attended meetings with PERL on campus, as well as off campus in Bronx, NY. Also, that PERL advised him he was discontinuing Communist activities after leaving school, in view of Government employment. Interviews with MICHAEL KENT, aka ISADOR KOFSKY, PHILIP KRONIS, ABRAHAM EMER, SIDNEY SHAMES, SAMUEL LEVINE, AARON H. COLEMAN set forth. Dr. JACK SHAPIRO advised he was member of Steinmetz Club, YCL, at CCNY, and that subject was member in 1937-1938. Stated 20-30 members in club, only 10 or 15 of whom active. Recalled Steinmetz' publication as "The Integrator".

GERALD SMOLAR recalled YCL meetings of CCNY group held near 137th St. and Broadway, NYC. Analysis of CCNY classes attended by MAX ELITCHER, MORTON SOBEL, JULIUS ROSENBERG, and subject set forth.

Subject continues to reside at 104 E. 38th St., and is unemployed. Subject scheduled for trial on perjury charge, SDNY, 5/18/53.
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DETAILS:

I. REINTERVIEWS OF RUTH ALSCHER

RUTH ALSCHER has been previously interviewed on
several occasions concerning her recollection of attend-
dance at a dinner party at the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant,
New York City, in 1944.

Mrs. ALSCHER, who now resides at 2175 5th Avenue,
was reinterviewed on February 27, 1953 and March 2, 1953,
at which time details of the Bird-in-Hand party as des-
cribed by MAX and HELENE ELITCHER were reviewed with her.

It is recalled that MAX and HELENE ELITCHER hav;
stated that they attended an informal get-together with
JULIUS ROSENBERG, WILLIAM PERL, and his brother, SAMUEL
BENJAMIN PERL, also known as MUTTERPERL, in 1944, and
that thereafter they went to the home of JOEL BARR.

Mrs. ALSCHER again stated during these interviews
that she did not recall WILLIAM PERL nor his brother,
SAMUEL PERL, who was described to her as wearing an Army
uniform at the time of the party, nor did she recall
JULIUS ROSENBERG. Photographs of these individuals were
again displayed to her with negative results.

It became increasingly apparent during the interview
that an antipathy has arisen between Mrs. ALSCHER and
her brother-in-law, MAX ELITCHER, due, as she explains
it, to differences which arose at the time of her husband's
death. Mrs. ALSCHER indicated that when MORRIS ALSCHER
died, his brother, MAX ELITCHER, refused financial assis-
tance. Mrs. ALSCHER indicated that even in the event she
could recall details of the party at which she was
allegedly in attendance, she would hesitate to so state
inasmuch as she did not desire to "get mixed up" with
her brother-in-law, MAX ELITCHER, for fear certain con-
tradictions might arise in their stories.

After a considerable discussion with Mrs. ALSCHER,
she said that she only recalled being in the company of
her brother-in-law and his school friends on one occasion,
and his city college friends, which did not involve a dinner

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party. While she could not recall the date of this incident, she described it as a meeting with MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, some time shortly after she was married. This occurred in the vicinity of 59th Street where some other people, whom she states she does not remember, were talking about the classical music and she did not pay any attention to their conversation. It is recalled that RUTH ALSCHER married MORRIS ALSCHER in July, 1944.

Subsequent to receiving the above information from Mrs. ALSCHER, MAX ELITCHER was recontacted on March 9, 1953 by SA VINCENT J. CAHILL, at which time this incident was discussed with him. He stated that he recalled no such incident in connection with the Bird-in-Hand party, but volunteered to speak to his wife concerning the matter. Thereafter, MAX and HELENE ELITCHER were both contacted and HELENE ELITCHER recalled the following details in addition to that previously received from her concerning the Bird-in-Hand incident.

She stated that after having dinner with ROSANBERG, and WILLIAM and SAM PLRL, and her sister-in-law, RUTH ALSCHER, they all walked up Broadway and entered Central Park at the 59th Street entrance, turned left and sat down on the grass for a while. She recalled it was at this point sunny and bright. She recalled that when it started to get dark they all left the park and took an uptown Broadway trolley car to the vicinity of BARR'S home. (It should be noted that in recent years, the Broadway trolley line has been replaced by buses.) Mrs. ELITCHER could not recall the subject of their conversation during this period to have been classical music, but said that it might well have been since the entire group present with the possible exception of Mrs. ALSCHER was very much interested in classical music.

HELENE ELITCHER had the further recollection of the day on which the Bird-in-Hand dinner party occurred. She stated when she and her husband called for Mrs. ALSCHER at the latter's home, Mrs. ALSCHER was wearing a new pair
of shoes. The reason she recalled this point is that during her lifetime, she has owned "two pairs of Slater shoes", which she described as low-heeled, dressy, round pump type shoe, for which she paid $12. She said that this amount was considerably more than she had been accustomed to pay for her shoes at that period. As she entered Mrs. ALSCHER'S house, the latter complimented her concerning her new shoes and indicated that at one time she had owned a pair of shoes almost identical, but "of course not so expensive".

Mrs. ELITCHER explained that she did not believe this compliment to be entirely sincere as there had always been somewhat of a rivalry between them as in-law relations.

Complete details of this information were discussed with MAX ELITCHER who said that he has no distinct recollection of going to Central Park after dinner at the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant, but said it was very likely since he recalls approaching a streetcar from an easterly direction while on route between the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant and JOLLY BARR'S home. He rationalized that since the Bird-in-Hand Restaurant is on the West side of Broadway, he must have been at some point East of that street in order to have approached the trolley from an easterly direction.

On February 20, 1953, SA LESTER F. LANGE checked the files of the New York City Board of Education, 110 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, which reflected that effective January 5, 1953, ALSCHER was put on leave without pay by the Board of Education, which leave was to be terminated on September 10, 1953. The purpose of this leave was the restoration of health of the subject.

Confidential Informant T-L, of unknown reliability, who was acquainted with the subject, advised on March 6, 1953, that ALSCHER was residing in apartment 3A at 2175 Fifth Avenue, New York, and that she has been residing at this address since July of 1951.

The purpose of the above re-interviews of Mrs. ALSCHER was to determine if Mrs. ALSCHER might, at this time, be able to recall any details of the Bird-in-Hand Party and if so, be willing to testify in the forthcoming trial of subject. Complete details of the above information have been discussed with USA ROBERT MARTIN and it was determined that no further interviews be conducted with Mrs. ALSCHER since it is obvious she either does not recall the Bird-in-Hand incident or is being purposely reticent in either of which event she would not be a good witness.
Confidential Informant T-1 advised on January 29, 1953, that an unknown lady told her in January, 1953, that Mrs. ALSCHER must be a Communist because she had come to the lady's apartment in October, 1952, crying and told her that she was being investigated by someone regarding her membership in some organization, which she belonged to when she was a child. The informant stated that she was told that Mrs. ALSCHER stated that she did not see why they were investigating her now for being a member and that she could not understand why the investigators were not trying to catch the "big fish."

T-1 further advised that she had no information at all concerning the organization that Mrs. ALSCHER referred to or any information about the so called "big fish". T-1 stated that she did not recall the exact conversation with the lady but somehow she got the impression that Mrs. ALSCHER's job with the New York City Department of Education was in jeopardy and that the investigation was being conducted by the New York City Board of Education.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised on February 9, 1953, that the medical report for Mrs. ALSCHER dated November 20, 1952 reflected that ALSCHER was admitted to the Hospital for Joint Diseases, 1919 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, on October 22, 1952, for pelvic and bilateral leg traction.

T-2 further advised that the report reflected that ALSCHER was discharged from a hospital on November 14, 1952, wearing a plaster of Paris body jacket which was to be worn three months. T-2 stated that the report indicated that ALSCHER was totally disabled.

T-2 further advised that a medical doctor from the New York City Board of Education examined ALSCHER in January, 1953, and stated that the cast on ALSCHER's body would not be removed until the latter part of February, 1953.

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It has been previously noted that Mrs. RUTH ALSCHER was known as RUTH HALBERTHAL before her marriage to MORRIS ALSCHER.

Confidential Informant T-3, of unknown reliability, but who was a personal acquaintance of ALSCHER, advised in 1950 that in 1943 that RUTH HALBERTHAL told him that she was attending Communist Party meetings or rallies that were being held in New York City, but that she had never openly approached him to attend these meetings with her. He further advised that on one occasion he met ALSCHER's mother and that ALSCHER's mother appeared to be sympathetic with the Russians.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised on December 19, 1952, that he has known ALSCHER for several years and that it was his firm belief that she was connected with the Communist Party in some way. He stated that he was unable to furnish any specific information that would indicate that she was definitely a member of the Communist Party, or any of the Communist Party's front organizations. He stated that Communist Party activities were never discussed in any of the conversations that he has had with ALSCHER but that he had always assumed that she knew of his Communist Party activities and that he had always felt that she was also associated in some way with the Party.

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised on January 28, 1944, that RUTH HALBERTHAL, 1445 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, was known to have sent communications in 1943 to Governor DEWEY urging the release of MORRIS U. SCHAPPES.

The records of the Clerk of the General Sessions Court, County of New York, disclosed that MORRIS U. SCHAPPES, an instructor of English at the College of the City of New York, was dismissed from this position on March 15, 1944, following an investigation of Communism in the Educational System of New York by the Rapp-Coudert Joint Legislative Committee. At this hearing SCHAPPES admitted that he had been a member of the Communist Party and active as such on the college campus from 1935 to 1940. He testified specifically that during that period of his activity there were but four members of the City College unit of the Communist Party whereas other witnesses offered testimony showing that there were 50 members.
On the basis of this testimony SCHAPPES was indicted on four counts for giving false testimony before the Committee and was convicted on June 28, 1941, in the General Sessions Court, New York, New York, and was sentenced to serve 18 to 24 months in the State Prison.

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, in 1946, advised that RUTH HALBERTHAL was listed in the address book belonging to JOE and RAY ELSON. Contacted on June 22, 1947 by SAS R. F. O'KEEFE and J. R. SHINNERS, RAY ELSON admitted that she had been a member of the Communist Party for ten years.

Confidential Informant T-7, of unknown reliability, advised that one RUTH HALBERTHAL of 1445 Madison Avenue, New York City, contacted Mrs. LESTER KARG, Belmar, New Jersey, in 1943.

Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, advised in 1945 that Mrs. LESTER KARG was a Communist Party member and that she was formerly one of the leading figures of the shore branch Communist Party of New Jersey.

Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, advised on November 11, 1946, that RUTH HALBERTHAL had sent a communication to Federal Judge J. FOSTER SYMES, Denver, Colorado, urging the release of JANE ROGERS. The letter stated in part that it was demoralizing to realize that a young mother who seeks to protect her children's future by participating in political activities could suffer such a fate.

On September 23, 1948, JANE ROGERS was sentenced to four months in the custody of the Attorney General for criminal contempt by Judge J. FOSTER SYMES, United States District Court, Denver, Colorado, because of her refusal to answer questions propounded to her by the Federal Grand Jury.

Commencing immediately after the above sentence the New York "Daily Worker" and the "California Peoples World" carried the proceedings and instructed readers to write letters of protest to Judge SYMES requesting that he grant bail.
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The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper and the "California Peoples World" is the West Coast Communist newspaper.

SE CLINTON E. POLLOCK ascertained on January 15, 1953, that the records at the Board of Elections, Manhattan, New York, reflected the subject registered for the American Labor Party (ALP) for the years, 1944, 1947, 1948, 1949, and 1951. The records further reflected ALSCHER registered for one of the two major political parties in the years 1945, 1946, and 1950. No registration was indicated for 1952.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated March 3, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

"American Labor Party

1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, Page 78.)

2. Among organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, Pages 40 and 41.)"

Confidential Informant T-4 advised on December 19, 1952, that the subject campaigned for VITO MARGANTONIO in the Campaign of 1949 or 1950 when MARGANTONIO was campaigning for re-election to Congress. The informant stated that the subject made a house to house campaign getting petitions signed and soliciting votes for MARGANTONIO.

VITO MARGANTONIO is a former American Labor Party Congressman from New York State.
II. INTERVIEW WITH HILTON M. KLEIN

On February 27, March 3, March 10, March 13, March 31, 1953, HILTON M. KLEIN was interviewed. It should be noted that KLEIN attended the College of the City of New York from 1934 through 1938 and while there was a classmate of WILLIAM PERL. Also, KLEIN, while employed by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (N.A.C.), Langley Field, Virginia and Cleveland, Ohio, associated with PERL. During the interview KLEIN advised as follows:

He stated that his full name was HILTON M. KLEIN; the initial "M" was not given to him at birth but is really an initial he adopted because there are so many KLEIN'S. He is presently residing at 2690 Morris Avenue, Bronx, New York, and is presently employed in the Physics Department of New York University as an instructor. He said in his present position he does not have access to my classified material and is not connected with any research work. KLEIN was married in the State of New Jersey in September, 1951 to EILIE RACHEL LEPSE. He attended the College of the City of New York from September, 1934 through June, 1938 and upon his graduation received a Bachelor of Engineering degree. Following his graduation from college, KLEIN secured a position with the Bureau of Census, Washington, D. C. While here, he resided at 400 Dofield Place, Washington, D. C. Further, he resided at several other addresses in Washington, D. C.; however, he could not recall the exact addresses.

He went on to say that when he first went to Washington in 1940, he lived in one place approximately a week and could not remember its location. After this he moved to another residence where he lived for a few weeks. This residence was located in the northwest part of Washington. He believed he next resided in the southeast part on North Carolina Avenue, and from there he moved to the Dofield Place address.

Prior to his securing the position with the Bureau of Census, KLEIN worked for the National Youth administration in New York City. KLEIN believed that it was in July, 1941 that he left the Bureau of Census and secured a position with the United States Army Air Corps, Chanute Field, Illinois, which is located near the town of Rantoul. While with the Air Corps, KLEIN served as an instructor in aircraft hydraulic systems.
He remained with the Air Corps from about July, 1941 to February, 1942. His next position was that of a physicist with the United States Navy Department. During this time he was located at Norfolk, Virginia and Baltimore, Maryland. On July 7, 1942, KLEIN secured employment with NACA, Langley Field, Virginia. In January, 1947, KLEIN left NACA and returned to New York City for the purpose of studying mathematics and physics. He continued to study until June, 1948, when he again secured employment with NACA located at Cleveland, Ohio.

A. Information Concerning WILLIAM PERL

KLEIN was questioned concerning WILLIAM PERL, and he furnished the following information:

KLEIN stated that he considered himself to be a fairly good friend of PERL and that they both attended high school and college together. During this period they would occasionally go out together on social visits. Also while in college they were interested in athletics and had formed a group that played ball together. He recalled that some individuals in this group were PHILIP PARZEN and WILLIAM DANZIGER who were fellow classmates at College of the City of New York. During this period KLEIN and PERL attended what he called parties and present during these parties were: PHILIP TOCH, PHILIP TROEMEL, another individual named HOPKIN, MILTON SCOTT, IAN PERL, SILVER, and NORRIS SANTENBERG. He stated the above individuals were all members of a "little friendly club". KLEIN said that while at City College he has not been a member of the Stairnatz Club; however he knew this group existed and was composed of various students attending the College of the City of New York, (CCNY).

He recalled that while at CCNY WILLIAM PERL had mentioned that he was active in the Young Communist League. This occurred in the 1937-1938 period. KLEIN recalled that while PERL never asked him to join the Young Communist League, PERL had pointed out to him that it was good to be active in a group like the Young Communist League. PERL pointed out to KLEIN that people like JOEL PARR, MAX FLITCHER and MORTON SOBEL were active in the Young Communist League and that it was a good organization.
KLEIN went on to state that he himself
on occasion during 1937 to 1938 attended several meetings
of a group which he presumed was the Young Communist League.
These meetings had both talk and social purposes. Both of
these meetings were held in the east Bronx, New York area in
a hall located, he believed, near Prospect and Westchester
Avenues. It was his belief that this hall was located at
809 Westchester Avenue. He had recently been in the area
and had viewed the hall at 809 Westchester Avenue and "the
place had looked familiar" to him. He did not recall any
name for the hall but it is the type of place which can be
hired for meetings. To the best of his recollection, these
meetings occurred in the year 1937 or 1938.

At both of these meetings, KLEIN was accompanied
by WILLIAM DANZIGER, DANZIGER's girlfriend, who is now his
wife, SYLVIA, and WILLIAM PERL. At both these meetings when
KLEIN, PERL and DANZIGER arrived at the meeting hall, they
saw several other people there from their classes at CCNY.
Included among these were MORTON SOBELL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.
KLEIN and PERL went over and joined ROSENBERG and SOBELL
and the others present and chatted with them. PERL, KLEIN
said, apparently knew ROSENBERG and SOBELL because he recalled
that PERL had greeted them in a friendly manner.

Also present at these meetings was ISRAEL
KOPSKY; a fellow named CHIEN who was a friend of DANZIGER;
STANLEY RICH, MAX ELITCHER, MORTON SOBELL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.
He stated that it was at the invitation of WILLIAM DANZIGER
that he was asked to attend these meetings.

During this same period, KLEIN recalled riding
on a subway train with a group of CCNY students. Included
in the group were STANLEY RICH, MAX ELITCHER, MORTON SOBELL,
JULIUS ROSENBERG, JOE BARR, WILLIAM PERL, PHILIP PARZEN,
and several other individuals he could not recall. He believed
MAX GEINSILVER was also in the group. KLEIN said he had a
mental picture of the subway car and the aforementioned group
standing in and about the end compartment of the car. He believed
that they were traveling to a rally in the downtown section
of New York City, but he was not sure.
In this connection he recalled that on several occasions the aforementioned group had attended rallies in Union Square, New York City. These rallies were for loyalist Spain. He could not recall anything else in particular concerning these rallies. He did know that DANZIGER, SOBEILL, ELITCHER, ROSENBERG, RICH, PARZEN and PERL had attended these rallies. He did not recall ISRAEL ROFSKY ever being present at any of these rallies nor could he recall PHILIP KROHN being there. However, MAX FEINSILVER occasionally attended these rallies.

KLEIN said he wished to state that he was not a regular member of the group that attended such affairs; however he was sure that he had on several occasions attended such rallies with the above individuals, which also included WILLIAM PERL.

KLEIN also recalled that during the years 1938 to 1940, he had occasion to see WILLIAM PERL. At that time PERL was doing graduate work in electrical engineering at CCNY. Sometime during this period, PERL advised KLEIN that he was dropping his Communist activities. The reason he was dropping these activities was because of job reasons, inasmuch as it would be harder to secure a job if he was still active in Communist affairs. He believed he secured this information during lunch while both were students at CCNY, and shortly after that they were graduated from school. In 1940, KLEIN said he was in Washington, D.C. working for the Bureau of Census. During this time he was rooming with PHILIP PARZEN. During this period he recalled that WILLIAM PERL came from his employment at Langley Field, Virginia to visit him.

To the best of his recollection PARZEN and himself had received information from PERL that he (PERL) was coming to see them on a weekend. PARZEN and KLEIN expected PERL to arrive in the early part of the evening, probably about 8 o'clock or so. However, he recalled that PERL arrived rather late, about 11:00 P.M. or so, and stated that he had been detained while visiting other persons in Washington, and as KLEIN recalled, PERL had been visiting MAX ELITCHER and MORTON SOBEILL. KLEIN definitely recalled that PERL had advised him that he had visited ELITCHER and SOBEILL on this occasion.
He recalled there was another occasion during this period when PERL had visited him in Washington, D. C. and at which time they went for a ride in PERL’s Studebaker automobile. He could not recall any other details, other than they had gone for a ride. Then in 1942, after KLEIN had started to work at Langley Field, Virginia, he recalled that he had visited PERL. On one of the visits he recalled that another NACA employee was present named HERBERT PASS. He recalled that during one of his visits with PERL, he had discussed with him other people they both had known at CCNY. He recalled that on one occasion they had discussed MORTON SOBEL and that PERL had mentioned that SOBEL had gone to the University of Michigan, and that it was a very fine thing.

He recalled that he had previously received the same information from PHILIP PARZEN.

During the interview KLEIN recalled that on many occasions while he was a student at CCNY, he had attended movies in downtown New York City. Also present with him were PERL, ELITCHER, SOBEL, RICH, and BARR, and on some occasions DANZIGER was also present. All of the above individuals, except DANZIGER, KLEIN said, wore in what he considered his own particular group of friends, so that when they went out together, this group generally went in a body. He could not recall JULIUS ROSENBERG attending the movies with this group.

KLEIN said he had commenced work at NACA, Langley Field, Virginia, on July 7, 1942. He remained in this employment until January, 1947. He did not recall ever having resided with PERL, but stated that he had seen him at work quite often and on occasions they had visited together after working hours. He pointed out that PERL had left Langley Field, Virginia for Cleveland, Ohio, about January, 1944, and that he had lost contact with him during this period. KLEIN believed he may have written him a letter or two, but he believed that PERL had not answered, and therefore he had stopped writing him at the time.
While at NACA, Langley Field, Virginia, KLEIN stated he had resided at 76 Cavalier Road, Hampton, Virginia, however, he could not furnish the exact dates. He believed he had lived at this address for approximately one year. Also residing at the same address were HARRY GREENBERG and ABRAHAM RUBEN.

KLEIN stated that he was not familiar with the American Association of Scientific Workers (AASW); however he recalled that HARRY GREENBERG was a member of an organization of this type. He further was casually acquainted with DORIS COHEN and ROBERT JONES, who he believed were also members of the AASW. KLEIN stated that he believed he was a member of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians (FAECT) while at Langley Field.

He recalled paying dues to SIDNEY HARMON and he named the following individuals as members of the FAECT:

ROBERT JONES
DORIS COHEN
HARRY GREENBERG
LEO BLENDRUCK
HYRON BLOCK
DAVID GOLDENBAUM
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He pointed out that he was not sure about GOLDENBAUM's membership. He also stated that to the best of his knowledge, PERL was a member of the FAECT. KLEIN stated that when he was approached to join the organization, he was told it was an organization of government employees which would try to improve their standing with the government. He recalled holding membership in the FAECT, but was not an active member.

He believed he may have been a member of the AASW, but was not sure, inasmuch as he never was a good organization member. He went on to state that he just did not remember the AASW. He also named as members of the FAECT group at Langley Field ARTHUR KANTROWITZ, ROBERT FINN, and HERBERT RIBBER.
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After leaving NACA in January, 1947, KLEIN returned to New York City for additional schooling at New York University, to study mathematics and physics. At the same time he attended one course at Columbia University, where he happened to meet PERL, who was also studying under Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN. KLEIN believed that PERL was also working for VON KARMAN at the time.

KLEIN stated that from the period January, 1947 to July, 1948, he had, on a number of occasions been in contact with PERL. These contacts occurred at Columbia University and in VON KARMAN's offices, which were located in downtown New York City on Lexington Avenue. KLEIN had visited PERL in VON KARMAN's office. During this period he stated he had never visited at PERL's parents' residence, 936 Tiffany Street. Further, he had never visited PERL at 65 Morton Street. He said he knew PERL was living in an apartment downtown and he had secured this information from PERL himself. In explaining the nature of his visits to VON KARMAN's office during the period of 1947 to 1948, he explained that they were both interested in the source of transonic flow. PERL had certain ideas concerning various projects and they had discussed some of the possibilities of developing these ideas.

During the same period they had never double dated or visited socially at any time. KLEIN stated that he returned to work at NACA, Cleveland, Ohio, on July 19, 1948. PERL, he said, was instrumental in helping him secure this position. His help involved the writing of a letter to NACA which KLEIN imagined assisted him in receiving more consideration for this position, although he had no doubt he would have gotten the job.

Shortly before KLEIN arrived in Cleveland, PERL himself had returned to NACA. When he arrived in Cleveland, he lived with PERL at 3200 Franklin Avenue, for a period of several months. Later he, KLEIN, moved to another residence in the western part of Cleveland, namely 16-610 Socalin Avenue. PERL did not live with KLEIN at this address, and KLEIN did not see him regularly; however, he admitted that they had visited one another at work.
From Sodalia Avenue, KLEIN moved to 1101 Gramatian Avenue, and while he resided with T. FABIO GOLDSCHEID. GOLDSCHEID was also employed at MACA. At this point KLEIN stated that while he resided with the GOLDSCHEID family, PERL had on several occasions visited at this address. Also, he, KLEIN, had visited at PERL's residence.

KLEIN also stated that in the summer of 1949, he was residing at 2021 Cornell Avenue, and an unrecalled residence on Gladys Avenue. Then from Gladys Avenue, he returned to Cornell Avenue. In the latter part of KLEIN's stay in Cleveland, PERL occasionally came over to visit, and they had on occasion double dated. He recalled that PERL had dated a girl who was residing at the co-op, named BRECKMAN. He stated the girl he dated was a blind date and she was a friend of BRECKMAN. KLEIN stated that in the summer of 1950, he helped PERL secure SIDNEY HARMON's apartment.

During this period KLEIN had been friendly with SID HARMON. He went on to explain that HARMON, PERL and himself were handball enthusiasts and they had played together in 1950 regularly. He recalled that on occasion FRANK SIMON participated in the handball game.

Concerning PERL's purchase of a Studebaker in September, 1946, KLEIN recalled that one afternoon, PERL said he had been checking the newspapers and had noted that there were two Studebakers he wanted to go out and examine, since he was interested in buying a Studebaker. KLEIN said he was interested in buying a Studebaker also, but not at that time. KLEIN could not recall whether he had said to PERL, "Let me go with you" or PERL had asked him to go along, but both agreed to go together and PERL advised KLEIN that he had saved up a certain amount of money with which to buy a car. KLEIN believed the amount of money was $1,000.00.

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After work they both left directly to look at the cars. KLEIN did not recall where the first car was on sale, but believed it was on the west side of Cleveland, Ohio. He described the car as a red Studebaker, either a 1941 or probably a 1942 model. The seller wanted, he believed, $1,100.00 for the car, and PERL discussed it with him and tried to bargain him down to $1,000.00. KLEIN remembered the seller saying he would rather drive the car into the river than sell the car for less than $1,100.00. KLEIN stated that to him the car did not look as though it were worth quite that much, so he suggested, "Why don't you take a look at the other car before you decide to buy one?"

Then they both went over to the east side of Cleveland which he recalled was in the neighborhood of 110th Street. Here they went into a private house and contacted the owner, a Mr. RHODES. RHODES was interested in selling his 1941 Studebaker. RHODES and PERL finally agreed upon the price, which was in the neighborhood of $850.00. After agreeing to the sale, PERL paid for the car and they drove off. Shortly thereafter something happened to the car, and the accelerator would not work properly, and it was necessary to stop the car at some unrecalled spot. KLEIN telephoned RHODES, who came in a station wagon and drove PERL and KLEIN to a convenient place where they had a bite to eat, and they then went home. KLEIN at the time lived at the Young Men's Christian Association, and PERL was then residing in Lakewood, Ohio at an unrecalled address. When they separated after eating, KLEIN believed he took a bus to his residence, while PERL took another bus to his place in Lakewood.

KLEIN stated that in the summer of 1948, PERL had the use of Professor VON KARMAN's car; however, they did not use this car when checking on the above mentioned Studebaker. At the time they traveled by streetcar. He believed that PERL had previously returned the borrowed car to VON KARMAN's sister.
KLEIN, when questioned whether PERL had ever advised him that he had previously been looking at Studebakers valued at approximately $800.00, he stated that he did recall PERL mentioning that he was interested in buying a Studebaker somewhere in the price range of $800.00 to $1,000.00. He remembered that PERL had been checking the papers, because it had been mentioned to him by PERL on several occasions that he needed a car and that transportation in Cleveland was not so good. KLEIN could not recall whether PERL may have been examining other Studebakers previous to the above mentioned cars.

B. Information concerning SIDNEY HARMON

Concerning SIDNEY HARMON, KLEIN stated that he had been a fellow employee of his both at NACA, Langley Field, Virginia, and at Cleveland, Ohio. He stated that he had known HARMON reasonably well and he could not recall ever having lived with him. However, he stated he had lived in the same neighborhood at 76 Cavalier Road, Hampton, Virginia. KLEIN advised that in about 1943 to 1944, he had been a member of FAECT, Langley Field, Virginia, and had paid membership dues to SIDNEY HARMON. KLEIN described HARMON as an extreme liberal who is always talking about certain things in the United States that are wrong and what one should do to help rectify them. He said he had mentioned on occasion, that certain things were better in the Soviet Union. When questioned concerning his conception of a liberal, KLEIN stated that he was bothered by that because he did not believe that a liberal is one who admires the Soviet Union. He said he could not recall SIDNEY HARMON ever being active in the FAECT at Cleveland, Ohio during the period 1948 to 1950.

He remembered that when HARMON entered the University of Michigan in June, 1950, that he had secured HARMON's apartment on East 120th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. KLEIN recalled that in July, 1950, shortly after the ROSENBERG arrest was in the newspaper, PERL had remarked that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had interviewed him. He said PERL made a few remarks which he could not recall, and that KLEIN had not questioned him any further in this matter.
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KLEIN remembered that SID HARMON said that the FBI was interested in PERL because of JULIUS ROSENBERG, a former classmate at City College. KLEIN went on to say that he had not pressed PERL for any explanation, as it did not mean anything to him and he did not know if it meant anything to PERL. He went on to say that while it sounded a little strange, PERL was very quiet about a lot of things and he was not the type of individual to press for additional details. However, SID HARMON was the type of person who would discuss such matters. KLEIN described SID HARMON as a person who probably belonged to many organizations. He was always receiving literature from various places and he was always active in the FAECT, and KLEIN felt sure that HARMON belonged to other unrecalled organizations.
C- Information Concerning JOEL BARR

Concerning JOEL BARR, MILTON KLEIN advised that he had known him casually and had on occasion met him when they were attending the College of the City of New York (CCNY). After CCNY days, KLEIN stated that they no longer maintained their casual acquaintanceship.

Concerning his acquaintanceship with BARR, KLEIN said that during the period 1938 to 1940 he, KLEIN, was in contact with PERL, at this time PERL was taking graduate work in Electrical Engineering. It was during this time that KLEIN saw JOEL BARR and while he could not recall all the times that they had met he remembered that in the CCNY lunch room they had been together. He recalled that during the same period there was one evening that PERL and KLEIN visited at BARR'S home. BARR, at this time, was interested in amateur radio work and was a ham operator. KLEIN believed BARR was then residing in Brooklyn, New York. He summed up PERL'S acquaintanceship with BARR by stating that PERL was very friendly with BARR.

KLEIN recalled that during the period 1946-1947 he had met PERL at Columbia University and recalled that during one of their conversations reference was made to the fact that PERL was renting an apartment from JOEL BARR. While PERL did not mention the address of the apartment he did say that it was downtown somewhere. No mention was made of the fact that he was renting the apartment from ALFRED SARANT.

D- Information Concerning WILLIAM DANZIGER

KLEIN stated that while at CCNY he was acquainted with DANZIGER and further that DANZIGER had on occasion gone out on social engagements with PERL and himself. KLEIN stated that when he first went to Washington, D.C. in 1940 he saw DANZIGER once, or perhaps twice. At that time, DANZIGER was married and living with his wife at an unrecalled address. He recalled that when he visited DANZIGER there was a girl present during the time of his visit. He could not identify the girl other than to
say that he believed she was a student or a graduate of Hunter College, New York City. He stated that he never kept in touch with DANZIGER and at no time did DANZIGER ever attempt to recruit him into the CP. He did state, however, that DANZIGER had at one time stated that he was a Communist. Further, that he knew him to be a Communist when DANZIGER was a student at CCNY.

When questioned why he had used DANZIGER'S name as a reference for employment with NACA, Cleveland, Ohio, KLEIN stated that he did not recalling DANZIGER'S name as a reference and he stated that he had no suitable explanation for the use of this name.

E- Information Concerning CLIFFORD GARDNER

KLEIN related that in 1948 when he was discussing with PERL employment at NACA, Cleveland, Ohio, PERL asked KLEIN if there were any other engineers who were interested in working at NACA. KLEIN suggested the name of CLIFFORD GARDNER and PERL said he would call GARDNER and talk to him about the possibility of employment at NACA. KLEIN recalled that he later was advised by GARDNER that he had visited PERL at 65 Morton Street, New York City. KLEIN placed the time of GARDNER'S visit to 65 Morton Street as in the early part of the summer just prior to July, 1948. KLEIN recalled GARDNER'S mentioning Morton Street in connection with the location of this apartment, further GARDNER advised him that he had decided not to take the job at NACA, Cleveland, Ohio.

He described GARDNER as a mathematician, who at one time had been employed by NACA, Langley Field, Virginia. He said that PERL knew of GARDNER while at Langley Field but had never met him. KLEIN believes that GARDNER is presently located in Livermore, California.

F- Information Concerning PHILIP PARZEN

KLEIN advised that among the persons PERL associated
with at CCNY was a PHILIP PARZEN. PARZEN is presently employed for a company in New Jersey associated with the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, working in their research laboratories. He described PARZEN as a fairly good friend of PERL. He stated that while he had seen PARZEN at YCL meetings during their student days at CCNY, PARZEN had never mentioned to him that he was a Communist.

G- Information Concerning JULIUS ROSENBERG

KLEIN recalled that in July, 1950, PERL mentioned to him that he had been interviewed by the FBI. He did mention that the FBI was interested in JULIUS ROSENBERG. However, PERL made no mention of the fact that this was the JULIUS ROSENBERG who had been a classmate of theirs at CCNY. He also recalled that PERL had mentioned the name of JOEL BARR in connection with the same interview. He mentioned that the FBI was interested in the fact that he, PERL, had had JOEL BARR’s apartment. He stated that PERL furnished him no other details concerning his interview with the FBI Agents.

H- Miscellaneous Information Furnished by MILT W. KLEIN

KLEIN was questioned concerning ALFRED and LOUIS SARANT, WELDON BRUCE BAYTO, MICHAIL and ANNE SIDOROVICH and VIVIAN GLASSMAN with negative results.

KLEIN recalled that in the latter part of January and the beginning of February, 1949, he attended a conference of the American Physical Society in New York City, at which conference PERL was in attendance. It was at this meeting that KLEIN presented a paper. He recalled that at this meeting PERL was associating with someone from Cornell University, namely, a Professor KACZ.

It is to be noted that the Young Communist League (YCL), referred to in this report, has been declared by the Attorney General to be an organization within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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It is noted that Confidential Informants T-10 and T-11 of known reliability, advised that on the national level the American Association of Scientific Workers has continually followed the Communist Party line and is a member of the World Federation of Scientific Workers. According to these informants, the World Federation of Scientific Workers has been controlled by members of the Communist Party of the various countries of Europe.

According to Confidential Informant x-12, of unknown reliability, one MILTON BLEZ, first National President of the Federation of Architects, Chemists, Engineers and Technicians, made the following statement concerning this organization: "When I discovered that I was being used as a front for a group of Communists I resigned, not because of opposing Communism but because I opposed bringing my fellow workers into an organization which failed to be a bonafide labor union but was in reality a tool of the Communist Party."
III. INTERVIEW WITH MAX FEINSILVER

On April 1, 1953 MAX FEINSILVER of 773 Manner Road, Staten Island, New York, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

FEINSILVER advised that he was married September 2, 1945. He stated he is a graduate of CCNY, the class of February, 1938, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry; prior to attending CCNY FEINSILVER graduated from DeWitt Clinton High School.

FEINSILVER advised that while he was at DeWitt Clinton High School his classmates were WILLIAM MUTTER-PERL, PHILIP KROHN, MILTON KLEIN, MORRIS-WATTENBERG and ISRAEL KOPSKY. FEINSILVER said that while in high school the above group was very friendly and pointed out that his family had a basement in their home where the boys would often gather after school. He stated that they participated in athletic activities together and that on occasion WILLIAM DANZIGER and BENJAMIN ROSENBERG would join the group.

FEINSILVER said that after leaving school in February, 1938 he proceeded to look for a job and secured one in Brooklyn with the Basic Varnish and Research Corporation as a helper with a weekly salary of $5.00. When this position ended he obtained a job through the efforts of CCNY with the United States Government, working on a project dealing with the Dutch elm disease eradication. He worked during the summer in the vicinity of Danbury, Connecticut. He next secured a job as a perfumer in the Florsynth Company. When the war broke out FEINSILVER left this job and through a Civil Service examination obtained a position as a chemist in the New York Chemical Warfare Procurement District. He worked for the Chemical Warfare Service until 1945, when the position terminated and he then secured a job with Ponics and Company as a perfumer.

Concerning WILLIAM DANZIGER, FEINSILVER stated he had never visited at his residence. However, he recalled that after DANZIGER married he attended a New Year's eve party held at his home. He believed the party in DANZIGER's house occurred on New
Year's eve 1937. FEINSILVER's date was a SYLVIA KESTENBAUM. He further recalled that MITON KLEIN and PHILIP KROHN were present at this party. He could not remember whether MORTON SOBEL* had attended this affair. He was unable to furnish any other information concerning this particular incident.

Concerning JOEL BARR, FEINSILVER was unable to recall exactly how he had met him and said he might have been a chance acquaintance. He did on occasion see BARR during his college days and he described BARR as a friend of WILLIAM MINTER PERL. After school days he next recalled meeting JOEL BARR some time about 1943 at an intermission during a Chamber music concert held at Washington Irving High School. He described their conversation merely as a "hello." At a subsequent concert BARR greeted him and invited him to a soiree and it was there that he met ALFRED SARNT.

According to FEINSILVER'S recollection, he attended approximately five or six of these gatherings held at SARNT'S apartment, located in Greenwich Village, off Hudson Street, New York City. He believed the apartment was actually located on Morton Street. He described the gatherings as consisting of from 20 to 30 people, both male and female. He described the events of the evening as consisting mostly of playing music records and conversation.

MAX FEINSILVER was able to identify the picture of VIVIAN GLASSMAN as having been one of the persons present at these recitals. He was unable to remember her name until her photograph was exhibited to him.

FEINSILVER described the room where the recitals were held as generally not very well lighted and that the person coming into the room would sometimes be introduced to the others present. He added that because of the number of people present it was necessary to sit on the floor. His recollection is that the same faces were not present at each of the recitals. He remembered that BETTY SANDERS once came to entertain the group. He recalled that her name was mentioned at the gathering, however, she was not introduced to each person present. He said she entertained them by playing folk songs. He was unable to recall
the people who were present on the particular night she entertained. He did recall, however, that PHILIP PARZEN was present at some of these recitals, perhaps on two occasions.

FEINSILVER also recalled that in the same period he had been invited on a hike to Bear Mountain, New York. On this occasion BARR was with VIVIEN GLASSMAN. He was unable to recall the names of the other six or eight who were present on this hike.

He said that while he was at 65 Morton Street he had never seen any photographic equipment, such as flood lights, etc.

He believed that it was in the year 1945 when he had his last contact with JOEL BARR.

FEINSILVER recalled that he had learned that PERL was residing in JOEL BARR'S apartment during 1946-1948. However, he did not know it was ALFRED SARANT'S apartment and believed he had obtained this information from PHILIP PARZEN.

FEINSILVER advised that he might have been aware of the existence of the YCL on the CCNY campus in 1938, however, he had never been approached to join this organization.

He stated that the photograph of JULIUS ROSENBERG seemed familiar, however, he was unable to furnish any information concerning his activities.
IV. INTERVIEW WITH MICHAEL KENT

On March 31, 1953, MICHAEL KENT was interviewed and furnished the following information:

KENT advised that he is presently residing at 645 East 14th Street, Manhattan, New York and is employed as a clothing salesman by S. Makrinsky and Sons, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He maintains an office at 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City. In 1947 KENT legally changed his name from KOPSKY to KENT. He attended DeWitt Clinton High School, New York City from 1930 to 1934. His fellow classmates were MILTON KLEIN, PHILIP KROHN, WILLIAM MUTTER PERL, MAX FEINSILVER, MORRIS WATTENBERG and STANLEY MAYER. The above individuals formed a club which generally met in MAX FEINSILVER'S home.

KENT advised that after leaving DeWitt Clinton High School some of the above persons went to CCNY, while KENT worked during the day and attended night school. During his college days the above mentioned individuals remained active in the club and KENT continued his activities on the weekends. During the college period (1934-1938), PHILIP PIZZEN was brought into the club. During the same period WILLIAM DANZIGER, a classmate of PERL at CCNY, was also brought into the club.

He said that during some of the social gatherings of the club, various other individuals, whom he could not recall, were brought into the club affairs. Included in the club's activities was DANZIGER'S then girlfriend, and now his wife, SYLVIA.

KENT went on to state that he entered the United States Army in 1942. Prior to this time the club's activities broke down and there was a tendency of some of the members to be closer to one than others. He elaborated by stating that closer friendships were arrived at by PHILIP KROHN and himself; MORRIS WATTENBERG and MILTON AMGOTT and also between WILLIAM PERL and MILTON KLEIN. He noted that MILTON KLEIN and PERL were seen quite often together at social gatherings.

KENT said that from the time PERL went to Virginia in
1939 to the present time he believed he had seen him on only one occasion. This occurred sometime in the fall of 1946, Kent having been discharged from the Army in March, 1946. Present at this gathering were PHILIP KROHN, his wife, PHILIP PARZEN, MILTON MAGOTT, MORRIS WATTENBERG and a young lady, whom KENT could not identify. This young lady was with WATTENBERG. PAUL also attended this gathering and it was KENT'S impression that he was with another man, but he was not too certain of this.

KENT said he vaguely recalled JOEL BARRE as another person who had been brought to the club's gathering. He was unable to furnish any other information, however, he did say that he was never a member of the CP or the YCL.
V. INTERVIEW WITH PHILIP KROHN

On March 27, 1953 PHILIP KROHN, 2765 Barnes Avenue, Bronx, New York, was interviewed for information he might have concerning the ROSENBERG Espionage network.

KROHN stated he attended CCNY evening classes in 1934-1935. He graduated from Cooper Union in 1943, prior to this he attended Dowitt Clinton High School, New York and it was at this school that he met WILLIAM DANZIGER and WILLIAM MUTTER PERL. Also during this period he associated with MICHELE KENT or IZZIE KOFSKY, as he is known, STANLEY MAYER, PHILIP PARZEN, MILTON KLEIN, MAX FEINSILVER, MORRIS WATTENBERG and MILTON AMGOTT.

After high school days and until about the year 1939 KROHN said the above group got together socially quite often. This included DANZIGER and his girlfriend and now present wife, SYLVIA. From the period 1939 until about 1942 or early 1943 KROHN did not see PERL until one day PERL visited New York City and contacted KROHN. KROHN said they went to lunch together on this particular occasion and he does not recall their conversation. He said that about a year later PERL again came to New York City, probably in about 1944, and there was a social gathering at PHILIP PARZEN'S house. KROHN said this was the last time he heard of WILLIAM MUTTER PERL and he was unable to furnish any other information pertinent to this investigation.
INTERVIEW WITH ABRAHAM EMER

On April 29, 1953 ABRAHAM EMER was interviewed for information concerning WILLIAM PERL.

EMER advised that he attended CCNY from September, 1933 through June, 1938, at which time he received a degree in Bachelor of Electrical Engineering. After graduation EMER continued various studies but never obtained a degree for this work. EMER said that about six months after his graduation from CCNY he obtained employment of four to five months duration with the Amerex Electronics Corporation which was located on Washington Street, Brooklyn. At the end of August, 1939 he secured an appointment to the Brooklyn Navy Yard as a Naval architect. He remained with the Navy Department until February, 1946. Subsequent to that he worked for the Progressive Corrugated Paper Machinery Company, 9 White Street, Brooklyn. In 1946 he started in his present position with the Standard Corrugated Case Corporation, Richfield, New Jersey.

While at CCNY EMER stated he was a member of many organizations, including the wrestling team, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a staff member of the "Vector," student publication and also a staff member of a mimeographed newspaper, the "Vector News."

EMER identified photographs of JULIUS ROSENBERG, WILLIAM D'ANZIGER, MORRIS SOBEL and MAX EMETT as classmates at CCNY. He was unable to identify a photograph of MILTON KLEIN. He also recalled M.T. SUSSMAN as a fellow classmate at CCNY. Concerning SUSSMAN, he stated that he was very well acquainted with him and they participated in numerous extra curricular activities.

EMER said that he was aware of the existence of the YCL on the CCNY campus and recalled that to the best of his knowledge, SUSSMAN was a member and prime mover in this club, which was located on the campus.

When questioned as to who the members of the YCL were,
EMMER mentioned the above, DANZIGER, ROSENBERG, SOBEL and ELICHTER, but added, however, that because of the long period of time which has elapsed it was hard for him to actually identify them as such.

EMMER said he was a member of the YCL at CCNY. He advised that CCNY is a very politically conscious school and a number of topics arose which were discussed during lunch hours, etc. Many of the men who took part in these discussions were members of the YCL, and EMMER said naturally they would urge their beliefs on those present. He added that some of the men did accept their beliefs at that time. When questioned as to who tried to urge his beliefs on him, EMMER said he would venture to say N.T. SUSSMAN, JULIUS ROSENBERG and probably WILLIAM DANZIGER and also JOEL BARR, who was very active in the YCL. He recalled that he was invited to the YCL meetings, which were held in empty classrooms late in the afternoon and once or twice in a hall about a block and a half from the CCNY campus.

When questioned concerning any meetings held in the Bronx, EMMER stated that he had not attended any meetings that he could recall. However, he did recall that there were gatherings of a sort with JULIUS ROSENBERG and others. He recalled attending one gathering which was held in a small school in the Bronx for a period of about three or four days during the Easter vacation. Basically, this school was supposed to teach the students the tenets of Communism. He recalled that the school was conducted by someone, who he believed came from Brooklyn College. EMMER believes that he paid a few cents dues but was not certain of this fact. He estimated that he held membership in the YCL for about one year during part of 1938-1939.

EMMER said that after his graduation he lost contact with the above persons, for approximately six months, until JOEL BARR contacted him and invited him to visit a YCL branch near his residence. He believes this branch was located on Pitkin Avenue in Brooklyn, New York. While EMMER recalled JOEL BARR at this branch of the YCL he was unable to recall any of the other members. He estimated that there were generally 15 to 20 persons present during the meeting. He remained with this branch for about six months, at which time he discontinued his attendance.
After this he had no further connection with the YCL and had no connection with the CP.

EMMER said that he had no recollection of any further contacts with JOEL BARR. He stated that after graduation from CCNY he had no contact whatsoever with JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBER.

EMMER identified a photograph of WILLIAM PERL and recalled him as a classmate at CCNY. When questioned as to whether or not he recalled PERL's attending any of the YCL meetings at CCNY with SUSSMAN or ROSENBERG, EMMER stated, "Not particularly, he may have been there." He went on to say that it has been fifteen years since he had been involved in the YCL and it is very hard to remember specific occasions. EMMER said PERL probably was present at meetings, but said, "I won't make any categorical statement that I remember specifically seeing him at any meeting. I believe he was there." EMMER believed PERL was a member of the YCL.

Concerning the YCL school held in the Bronx, previously mentioned, EMMER stated that it was his recollection that the instructor came from Brooklyn College. He described her as a rather young woman and it was his impression that she was a student. In describing her he stated she was short and had light brown hair. It was his belief that her name may have been M.L.A.

Concerning the YCL, EMMER stated that the members did not want their membership known and to his recollection they had no membership cards.

Concerning the discussions at the YCL meetings and the doctrine advocated, EMMER said he remembered being told that by "diligent work, proper organization somehow the Communists would come to power in this country and be able to take over the State apparatus." He stated this is the way he understood the discussions. He went on to say that there was always talk that there would be a dictatorship of the proletariat. Presumably, EMMER recalled this would be obtained through a certain amount of violence, or revolution possibly, but they never actually taught that.
said that there would be a dictatorship of the proletariat, at which time the proletariat, the CP, would be the government in control.

When questioned as to which of those men told EMMER these tenets at the YCL meeting, EMMER named JULIUS ROSENBERG. He thought the above information might have also been attributed to NAT SUSSMAN. When questioned if JOEL BARR advocated the same thing, EMMER said "yes," he did. He also recalled that they sometimes had discussion groups which were generally led either by ROSENBERG or SUSSMAN.

When questioned as to PERL'S membership in the group, EMMER said he had the impression, without a clear recollection, that PERL attended some of the meetings. EMMER knew that PERL was friendly with MORTON SOBELL, who was constantly in MAX ELITCHER'S company. When asked if PERL knew ROSENBERG, EMMER replied, "yes," however he was unable to remember if they were close friends.
VII.  INTERVIEW WITH SIDNEY SHAMES

On April 9, 1953 SIDNEY SHAMES, 136-11 68th Drive, Kew Gardens, New York, was interviewed concerning WILLIAM PERL.

SHAMES advised he attended CCNY from 1936 to 1940.  He was employed at N.C.A., Langley Field, Virginia from August, 1941 until January, 1943.  He was then transferred to the Cleveland Laboratories and remained there until January, 1946.  He stated he first met PERL at Langley Field, Virginia, when they participated in various social activities.  SHAMES went on to say that while at CCNY he did not know JULIUS ROSENBERG or MORTON SOBELL.  He said that while at CCNY he was not a member of the YCL or the CP.

SHAMES stated that during his acquaintance with PERL he never heard him mention the names SOBELL, ROSENBERG, ELITCHER or DANZIGER.  He recalled that in 1946 PERL went to California Tech. and later HERBIE F.S.S., a fellow employee at NACA, advised SHAMES that PERL was back in New York City.  SHAMES said that while he did not know PERL'S New York City address he recalled it was a walk-up about five floors above the ground, in the Greenwich Village section of New York City and could have been 65 Morton Street.  He believed this occurred in 1946 or 1947.  He recalled that when visiting PERL at this apartment PERL mentioned he was sub-leaseing from a fellow who was at Cornell, but SHAMES could not identify same.

SHAMES indicated that PERL had loaned him money in 1949, in the form of a check.  Since then SHAMES has paid him back the money and has also loaned PERL about $500, which has not yet been paid back by PERL.
VIII. INTERVIEW WITH SAMUEL LEVINE

On April 29, 1953, SAMUEL LEVINE, 98 Beechwood Avenue, West Long Branch, New Jersey, was interviewed concerning WILLIAM PERL.

LEVINE advised he attended CCNY, 1934-1938, and that the YCL existed on the campus. The only person he specifically recalled as being a member of the YCL was JULIUS ROSENBERG. He was unable to recall any specific gathering. However, he did recall informal gatherings held in classrooms where the subject of Communism was discussed. He did have a definite recollection that ROSENBERG specifically tried to recruit people into the YCL.

LEVINE identified a photograph of WILLIAM PERL as a classmate at CCNY. He has no recollection of any meeting with PERL after graduation.

LEVINE also recalled meeting MORTON SOBELL at the Signal Corps Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. SOBELL at that time was visiting other people at the laboratory, possibly AARON COLEMAN. LEVINE said he had the impression that PERL, while at CCNY, knew SOBELL and ELITCHER and may have known JOEL BARR. He said that he never saw JULIUS ROSENBERG at the Signal Corps Laboratories, however, he had seen JOEL BARR and ALFRED SARANT there.

LEVINE said he was never a member of the YCL and had never joined that organization.
INTERVIEW WITH AARON H. COLEMAN

On April 29, 1953 AARON H. COLEMAN advised in an interview that he had attended CCNY from 1934 to 1938 and studied Electrical Engineering. He stated that during the course of his studies he met WILLIAM MUTTER PERL, MORTON SOBELL, JULIUS ROSENBERG, WILLIAM DANZIGER and MAX ELITCHER. He was unable to remember MILTON KLEIN. He believed that it was in the summer of 1938 that he attended a meeting of the YCL while at CCNY. He described the meeting as a small gathering of between ten and twenty people. He recalled that JULIUS ROSENBERG was present but did not remember if he had presided at this meeting. COLEMAN remembered NATHAN SUSSMAN and while he knew SUSSMAN associated with ROSENBERG he was unable to state if he was present at this particular meeting. He could not recall whether PERL was present at this meeting and in fact the only person he could remember as being present was JULIUS ROSENBERG.

When questioned if he had ever seen PERL with ROSENBERG, COLEMAN stated it was hard to remember, however, he associated PERL more with MORTON SOBELL. He stated his impression was that he had seen SOBELL with PERL on occasions, both on and off the campus.

He remembered ELITCHER and SOBELL together while on the campus.

Concerning his attendance at the above-mentioned YCL meeting, COLEMAN stated that he attended this meeting upon the invitation of JULIUS ROSENBERG. COLEMAN remembered STANLEY RICH as being another classmate at CCNY.
X. INTERVIEW OF DR. JACK SHAPIRO

Dr. JACK SHAPIRO, 253 Hinsdale Street, Brooklyn, New York, advised the reporting agent on May 11, 1953 that he is currently employed as an Intern at Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, New York.

Dr. SHAPIRO advised that he was acquainted with the subject as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL and that he recalled PERL from City College of New York. He recalled that he entered City College of New York in January, 1935, and received a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering Degree in June, 1939. Further, that he attended this institution until February, 1940, when he was awarded a Master of Electrical Engineering Degree.

Dr. SHAPIRO stated further that he recalled having one specific class with MUTTERPERL, that being Electrical Power Transmission, known in the curriculum as Electrical Engineering 242. He further stated that he recalled JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBER to be fellow students of his at City College.

Dr. SHAPIRO stated that beginning in the Fall term of 1937 until approximately the Fall of 1938, he attended 10 to 12 meetings of the Steinmetz Club of the Young Communist League. He indicated that the Steinmetz Club was the Engineers Group of the Young Communist League at City College. SHAPIRO recalled buying a membership card in the Steinmetz Club, which cost only a nominal sum. He stated that he realized this money together with other dues payments went directly to the Young Communist League. SHAPIRO indicated that he stopped attending these meetings at the time stated due to a general lack of interest and has not since that time affiliated with any Communist movement. He specifically denied that he is or ever has been a member of the Communist Party.

With further reference to the Steinmetz Club of the Young Communist League, SHAPIRO recalled a maximum of 20 to 30 members, only 10 or 15 of whom
attended meetings with any regularity. He said that the subject, known to him at that time as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, attended the majority of the meetings, at which he was present. Further, that JULIUS ROSENBERG also attended all of the meetings which he attended. He recalled further that MORTON SOBELL was present at some of these meetings, but was not in as regular attendance as PERL and SOBELL.

SHAPIRO recalled specifically that JULIUS ROSENBERG participated actively in the discussions of the group and may have introduced speakers. It is for this reason that he recalls ROSENBERG's activities. He further recalled that WILLIAM PERL participated in some of the discussions at the meetings, but was not as active as ROSENBERG. He explained that the majority of the meetings consisted of discussions about Communist or Marxist views of the engineers placed in society. He indicated that at times guest speakers were present, although he cannot at this time identify them.

SHAPIRO indicated that he did not recall specifically the various meeting places but stated that some were in a store near the campus and others in a classroom, on the campus or in a hall on Broadway in the vicinity of the campus. He said he believed one or more of the meetings may have been held in a classroom at Townsend Harris High School. He explained that the meetings were for the most part informal in nature and does not recall if any one individual presided. He stated that his recollection of this point is that JULIUS ROSENBERG and possibly NAT SUSSMAN were the most active among the individuals present at these meetings.

SHAPIRO recalled besides PERL, SOBELL, ROSENBERG and SUSSMAN that JOEL BARR, HENRY SHOIKET, STANLEY RICH and GERALD SMOLIAN attended. He stated that he remembered nothing specific about the participation of these various individuals in the meetings, but did recall that the subject was a very witty commentator and usually reserved his activity to periodic witty comments. He indicated that SOBELL was recalled by him because he was particularly
"vocal" and somewhat aggressive in manner. He stated that he believed MITCHELL only attended a few meetings of the group.

SHAPIRO stated that during the Fall or Winter of 1937, the Steinmetz Club printed a small pamphlet type newspaper which was known as the "Integrator". He said this paper was restricted to the Steinmetz Group of the Young Communist League while the main group of Young Communist League on the campus published its own paper. He could not recall who was responsible for the publication of the "Integrator" nor who were its contributors. He stated that he was positive that the "Integrator" was not authorized by the college officials and while he does not recall at this time, he is doubtful that any names were mentioned.

SHAPIRO was closely questioned concerning his knowledge of any activities on the campus which related to PERL, ROSENBERG and SOBEL, but was unable to give any information. He stated that he did not associate with them except in class and at the Steinmetz meetings and could give no information concerning their activities off the campus. He stated that he realized MUTTERPERL must have been well acquainted with both SOBEL and ROSENBERG, but could point out no specific instances of their acquaintance with the exception of their attendance at class and the Young Communist League meetings.

SHAPIRO stated that since graduation from school, he has been employed as follows:

Signal Corps Inspector, Brooklyn Army Base, Brooklyn, New York, for a few months in 1940.

Electrical Engineer, Watervliet Arsenal, Watervliet, New York, October, 1940 to February, 1941.

Inspector, Air Corps Inspection Service, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, for one month in 1941.

Air Corps Inspection Service, Kearny, New Jersey, two months in 1941.
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Inspector, Western Electric Company, Kearny, New Jersey, Fall, 1941.

Inspector, Naval Procurement District, 30 Church Street, January, 1942 to 1944.

Student, Middlesex Medical School, Waltham, Massachusetts, 1944 and April, 1945.


Instructor, Electrical Engineering Department, City College of New York, 1946 and 1947.


Interne, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, May, 1952 to present.

SHAPIRO stated that he has not seen ROSENBERG or SOBEI since leaving school, but recalled an incident in 1945 or 1946 when he met the subject in company with JOEL BRY at a social dance in the Greenwich Village area. He stated this was a very casual meeting, and does not recall anything specific concerning it.
XI. INTERVIEW OF GERALD SMOLIAR

On May 13, 1953 GERALD SMOLIAR a CUNY graduate from the Engineering School class of 1939, advised the reporting agent that while attending college he had attended at least two meetings of the Young Communist League. He was solicited to attend by one ROBERT GLOOM who was a chemical engineering student at the college. He recalled that ROSEMOON presided at one meeting he attended and JULIUS ROSEBERG presided at one other. He may have attended more than two meetings, but had no specific recollection beyond those two. He believes the meetings he attended were held in a large meeting room, up one flight in a building on Hamilton Place, near 137th Street and Broadway, New York City.

SC VINCENT J. CAHILL accompanied SMOLIAR to this location on May 13, 1953 in an effort to have him identify the site where those meetings were held. Upon seeing the area of Hamilton Place, he commented that the character of the neighborhood had changed. There were three upstairs establishments on Hamilton Place; one the headquarters of the 13th Assembly District South Republican Club nearest to 137th Street, the Hamilton Billiard Parlor next to it and the Broadway Gymnasium, nearest to 136th Street.

After inspecting the stairways leading up to each of these establishments, SMOLIAR said that the most likely place where the Young Communist League meetings were held was in the area now occupied by the Broadway Gymnasium, because of the narrow stairway which is associated with the Young Communist League meeting room. He recalled that the room where the Young Communist League meetings took place was the headquarters of a foreign political group.

SMOLIAR advised he was now employed at 265 Butler Street, Brooklyn, the plant of the Electronic Computer Division of the Underwood Corporation, 160 Avenue of the Americas, New York City. He has been employed there since June 1951.

SMOLIAR worked for the Bureau of Censuses from February to September 1939; Brooklyn Navy Yard, September 1939 to February 1940; Signal Corps, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 1940 to June 1947; Electronic Control Company, June 47 to June 1951. He resides at 2243 East 65th Street, Brooklyn, New York, telephone number CL 3-3558.
XII. INVESTIGATION AT CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK

Mr. PETER PRÄHN, Assistant Registrar, Main Building, City College of New York, 139th Street and Convent Avenue, was contacted by SA ROBERT J. BURTON and reporting agent, at which time he made available from his records a copy of the official transcript of MAX LITCHER, JULIUS ROSENBERG, MORTON SOBELL and WILLIAM MUTTERPERL. Mr. MUTTERPERL also made available individual registration cards covering each semester of attendance for the above four individuals.

The following summary is based upon an analysis of the above records for the purpose of determining specific classes attended by WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, MORTON SOBELL, JULIUS ROSENBERG and MAX LITCHER:

During the term ending June, 1938, LITCHER, MUTTERPERL and SOBELL attended Electric Engineering 240-R on Mondays at 12 noon, Tuesdays at 11 A.M., and Thursdays at 11 A.M. This class consisted of 11 students and was taught by Professor H. BAUM.

During the term ending June, 1938, MUTTERPERL and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 271, which met on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 A.M. This class consisted of 7 students, under Professor SEELEY.

During the term ending February, 1938, LITCHER, MUTTERPERL, and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 135D, which met on Mondays and Wednesdays at 12 noon. This class consisted of 20 students under Professor WING.

During the term ending February, 1938, MUTTERPERL and ROSENBERG attended Electrical Engineering 233P, which met on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12. This class consisted of an average of 20 students under Professor HENRY.

During the term ending February, 1938, LITCHER and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 233M, which met on Wednesday at 11 and Friday at 11. This class averaged 20 students under Professor HENRY.
During the term ending February, 1938, ELITCHER and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 135W, which met on Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 12 students under Professor WING.

During the term ending February 1938, ELITCHER and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 233H, which met on Wednesday at 11 and Friday at 11. Twenty students were enrolled under Professor HENRY.

During the term ending February, 1938, ELITCHER and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 239S, which met on Monday from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 8 students under Professor HAMSTEN and OLER.

During the term ending February, 1938, MUTTERPERL and SOBELL attended Electrical Engineering 239K, which met for one hour on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 A.M. This class consisted of 13 students under Professor HANSTEN.

During the term ending February, 1938, MUTTERPERL and ROSENBERG attended Electrical Engineering 242, which met on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:00 A.M. This class consisted of 14 students under Professor HAROLD WOLF.

During the terms ending June, 1937 and February, 1937, which made up subject's junior year at college, an analysis of the above record reflected that he was not in fact in any of the same classes with ELITCHER, ROSENBERG and SOBELL, with the following exception:

During the term ending June, 1937, ELITCHER and MUTTERPERL attended Electrical Engineering 132X, which met Monday from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 12 students under Professor HENRY.

During the term ending February, 1937, ELITCHER and MUTTERPERL also attended Mechanical Engineering 221B, which met Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 10 A.M. This class consisted of 22 students under Professor SMITH.
However, during the term ending June, 1937, ELITCHER and SOBEll attended Electrical Engineering 130A, which met on Tuesday and Thursday at 9 A.M. This class consisted of 20 students under Professor MILLMAN.

During the term ending June, 1937, ELITCHER and SOBEll attended Electrical Engineering 130Z, which met Saturday from 9 A.M. to noon. This class consisted of 12 students under Professor MILLMAN.

During the term ending June, 1937, ELITCHER and SOBEll attended Electrical Engineering 231C, which met Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 A.M. This class consisted of 15 students under Professor WING.

During the term ending February, 1937, ELITCHER and SOBEll attended Civil Engineering 111W, which met on Wednesdays from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 16 students under Professors MG ALPINE and WHIT.

During the term ending February, 1937, ELITCHER and ROSENBERG attended Electrical Engineering 125A, which met Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9 A.M. This class consisted of 22 students under Professor WOLF.

During the term ending February, 1937, ELITCHER and SOBEll attended Electrical Engineering 230A, which met Tuesday at 9 A.M. This class consisted of 21 students under Professor RAPPOR.

During the term ending February, 1937, ELITCHER and ROSENBERG attended Electrical Engineering 230X, which met Thursdays from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 12 students under Professor JAFF.

During the term ending February, 1937, ROSENBERG and SOBEll attended Math 15C on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 A.M. This class consisted of 28 students under Professor WIRTH.

During the term ending June, 1936, MUTTERPERL and SOBEll attended Physics 3C. This class met on Monday.

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 11 A.M. This class consisted of 27 students under Professor SONKIN.

During the term ending June, 1936, KLITCHER and SOBEL attended Civil Engineering 110A, which met on Tuesday at 9 A.M. and Wednesday from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 23 students, the name of the professor not being shown.

During the term ending February, 1936, MUTTERPERL and SOBEL attended Drafting 101D, which met on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 6 P.M. This class consisted of 22 students. The name of the professor is not available.

During the term ending February, 1936, KLITCHER and ROSLENBERG attended Drafting 101C, which met on Monday and Wednesday from 2 to 5 P.M. This class consisted of 22 students. The name of the professor was not available.

During the term ending February, 1936, KLITCHER and SOBEL attended Hygiene 4C, which met on Monday and Wednesday from 2 to 3:30 P.M. This class consisted of 175 students. The name of the professor is not available.

During the term ending February, 1936, KLITCHER and SOBEL attended Physics 12A, which met Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9 A.M. This class consisted of 23 students. The name of the professor is not available.

During the term ending February, 1935, MUTTERPERL and SOBEL attended Hygiene 2D, although further details concerning this class are not available.

During the term ending June, 1934, KLITCHER, MUTTERPERL and SOBEL attended Economics 1J, although further details concerning this class are not available.

During the term ending June, 1934, KLITCHER and MUTTERPERL attended Drafting 3D, although additional details concerning this class are not available.
It should be noted that Mr. FRAHN also made available the transcript of graduate classes attended by LITCHER and SOBEL during the term ending February, 1939. An analysis of these courses reflect that they were registered for Public Speaking T-4, Electrical Engineering 192, Electrical Engineering 232, Electrical Engineering 298, Math 13. It was also noted that in addition thereto, MUTTERPERL attended Math 16 and Civil Engineering 101, however, according to these records, LITCHER was granted an indefinite leave of absence on October 31, 1938 "on account of work".

A review of the above records reflects that LITCHER, SOBEL and MUTTERPERL matriculated in February, 1934, and that ROSENBERG did not matriculate until September, 1934. LITCHER, MUTTERPERL and SOBEL were granted Bachelor of Electrical Engineering degrees in June, 1936, while ROSENBERG did not receive his degree until February, 1939. It is further noted that MUTTERPERL attended the graduate school until February, 1939, and was granted a Degree of Master of Electrical Engineering on February 1, 1940.

Mr. FRAHN stated that of the professors mentioned above, only two are currently teaching at the University, they being Professor WOLF and Professor HANSTEIN. A search of his records reflected that Professor ALEXANDER H. WING, Jr. is now employed in the Electrical Engineering Department of Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

Professor SAMUEL SHAPIRO is now at Syracuse University. Professor HARRY BAHN is retired and resides at 150 Bennett Avenue, Bronx, New York. Professor BAHN is in ill health, according to FRAHN. There was no record available of other professors mentioned above.

With reference to the pending perjury indictment of the subject of this case for denial of acquaintance with ROSENBERG and SOBEL, it should be noted that the above analysis indicates PERL and SOBEL attended only two classes during the term ending June, 1938, they being Electrical Engineering 240R and Electrical Engineering 271.
PERL and ROSENBERG did not attend the same classes during this semester.

During the term ending February, 1938, PERL and SOBELL attended only two classes, Electrical Engineering 135D and Electrical Engineering 239. During this semester, PERL and ROSENBERG also attended 2 classes together, Electrical Engineering 233P and Electrical Engineering 242. With reference to the latter, they appear to be the only two classes attended together by PERL and ROSENBERG during their City College attendance.

During the terms ending February and June, 1937, PERL did not attend any classes with either SOBELL or ROSENBERG.

During the term ending June, 1936, PERL and SOBELL attended only one class, Physics 3C.

During the term ending February, 1936, PERL and SOBELL attended only one class, Drafting 101D.

During the term ending February, 1935, PERL and SOBELL attended only one class, Hygiene 2D.

During the term ending June, 1934, PERL and SOBELL attended only one class, Economics 1J.

Professor HAROLD WOLF, Electrical Engineering Department, advised that he recalled the subject while attending City College and said that he was a very brilliant student. He further recalled that MORTON SOBELL and JULIUS ROSENBERG, but only as students and could give no information concerning any friendship between them. He stated that it was his opinion in view of the size of the classes, particularly during the latter two years of school, that these two men must have been acquainted on the campus. However, he could give no specific information in this regard.

Professor WOLF was questioned concerning his knowledge of the Steinmetz Club, previously mentioned in
this investigation, as the engineering group of the Young Communist League on the City College campus and he stated that the name was familiar, but he could not recall any specific details concerning the organization.

Professor HENRY HANSTEEN, Chairman of the Department of Electrical Engineering, advised that he recalled the subject as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, a very brilliant physicist. He did not recall JULIUS ROSENBERG or MORTON SOBEL as students in the school, his only knowledge being that obtained in the newspapers since their arrest. He could give no information pertaining to this investigation.

The following individuals were also contacted at City College of New York in an effort to develop any information concerning the acquaintance or friendship of the subject with MORTON SOBEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG on the City College campus. These individuals were also questioned at length concerning their knowledge of the Young Communist League activities at City College with respect to those three individuals as well as their knowledge of the Steinmetz Club as the Engineering Unit of the Young Communist League,

ABRAHAM ABRAMOWITZ, Assistant Professor of Electrical Engineering; CARL H. UTSGE, Director, Admissions Office; PHILLIP H. BRUNSTETTER, Instructor, Student Life Department; Miss AGNES T. CONDON, Registrar, School of General Studies; JAMES S. PLACE, Associate Dean of Student Life; WILLIAM ALLEN, Dean of the School of Technology; JAMES R. STEVENS, Professor of Civil Engineering.

No information of value to this investigation was obtained from the above individuals, however, during this inquiry, available records in the Student Life Department, the School of Technology, and the Admissions Office were searched for any reference concerning PEARL, ROSENBERG and SOBEL, with particular respect to Young Communist League activities, with negative results.
XIV. SUBJECTS CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Confidential Informant T-13, of known reliability, has advised at periodic intervals during the period of this report, that the subject continues to reside at 104 East 38th Street, New York City. It was noted that the subject is apparently unemployed as he maintains irregular hours and has been seen in the vicinity of his home both during the daytime and evening hours.

Confidential Informant T-14, of unknown reliability, has confirmed the above information and stated he would continue to report on the subject's status.

It should be noted that Assistant United States Attorney, ROBERT MARTIN advised that the subject's attorney, RAYMOND R. WISE, mentioned during recent pre-trial conferences, that the subject has been unemployed since his arrest, that he is living with his wife, HENRIETTA, and their infant son at 104 East 38th Street, New York City. He stated that he has used up practically all his savings and has been financially assisted by members of his family and by HENRI LEITMAN, his brother-in-law. HENRI LEITMAN is married to MARY LOUISE SAV..DOE LEITMAN, who is HENRIETTA PERL's sister, and resides in Spring Valley, Putnam County, New York.

In this connection, it should be noted that Confidential Informant T-14, above mentioned, has indicated that he has observed the subject and his family in the vicinity of 38th Street, riding in a station wagon with a Putnam County, New York license.
XV. PROSECUTIVE ACTION

On March 26, 1953, Assistant United States Attorney ROBERT MARTIN, Southern District of New York, forwarded notice to subject's attorney, RAYMOND L. WISE, that in five days, trial of instant perjury case would be replaced on the criminal calendar.

On March 31, 1953, trial of instant perjury case was scheduled for May 4, 1953 by United States District Judge GREGORY NOONAN. On this occasion, Mr. STANLEY KANAVEK, associate of Mr. WISE, appeared for the defense.

On May 4, 1953, United States District Judge THOMAS F. MURPHY referred trial of instant case to USDJ SYLVESTER J. RYAN, to be scheduled by him. On May 5, 1953, Judge RYAN advised counsel for the Government and for the defense that he was setting date for instant trial on May 18, 1953. Chief Assistant USA, LLOYD MAC MAHON and Assistant USA, ROBERT MARTIN are handling the prosecution. Defense attorneys of record are RAYMOND L. WISE and STANLEY KANAVEK.
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Copies of this report are being forwarded to those offices who have conducted or will conduct investigation in this case, and to those offices specifically designated by the Bureau.

LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continue investigation of activities of subject.

Will follow and report prosecutive action concerning the trial of instant perjury charge scheduled for May 18, 1953, in the Southern District of New York.

REFERENCE

RUTH ALSCHER reinterviewed re Bird-In-Hand Restaurant incident, 1944, with negative results. Informants advise ALSCHER, under maiden name of RUTH HALBERTHAL, attended CP meetings or rallies in NYC. Communist background and contacts of ALSCHER set forth.

MILTON M. KLEIN advised subject active in YCL, 1937-1938, in CCNY, and attended meetings with PERL on campus, as well as off campus in Bronx, NY. Also, that PERL advised him he was discontinuing Communist activities after leaving school, in view of Government employment. Interviews with MICHAEL KENT, aka ISADORE KOPSKY, PHILIP KROHN, ABRAHAM EMMER, SIDNEY SHAMES, SAMUEL LEVINE, AARON H. COLEMAN set forth. Dr. JACK SHAPIRO advised he was member of Steinmetz Club, YCL, at CCNY, and that subject was member in 1937-1938. Stated 20-30 members in club, only 10 or 15 of whom active. Recalled Steinmetz' publication as "The Integrator".

GERALD SOMOLLAR recalled YCL meetings of CCNY group held near 137th St. and Broadway, NYC. Analysis of CCNY classes attended by MAX ELITCHER, MORTON SOBER, JULIUS ROSENBERG, and subject set forth.

Subject continues to reside at 104 E. 30th St., and is unemployed. Subject scheduled for trial on perjury charge, SDNY, 5/18/53. D |
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TO: Director, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, New York (65-15387)
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, wa.
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Bill Perl
William Mutter Perl

Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report of
Maurice W. Corcoran, New York, dated May 18, 1953

The Bureau has been previously advised that AUSA
ROBERT MARTIN, SDNY, has been conducting a Grand Jury proceeding
concerning the Rosenberg espionage network in an effort to develop
any additional information concerning its suspected members. In
connection therewith Bureau Agents have conducted various inter-
views with persons subpoenaed. Pertinent information so developed
concerning the subject, WILLIAM PERL, is reflected in the attached
report. Pertinent information so developed concerning other sus-
pected members is being reported in their respective case files.

It should be noted that where a review of the Grand Jury minutes
reflected no information not previously known and reported in
instant case, no reference is made thereto in attached report, nor is
any interview by Bureau Agents anticipated at this time.

AUSA MARTIN has advised that the above Grand Jury which
is designated in the SDNY as the February, 1953 Grand Jury has
not been dismissed, although, at the present time, it has not been
decided what its future course will be.

It should be noted that Mr. MARTIN has recently stated he intends to use information concerning the subject,
WILLIAM PERL, set forth in attached report, as furnished by MILTON
M. KLEIN and Dr. JACK SHAPIRO, in the forthcoming perjury trial
of subject with particular reference to the latter's association
with JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL in the YCL at City College
of New York during 1937-1938.

Any future activity by the February, 1953 Grand Jury
with reference to instant subject or related cases will be brought
to the attention of the Bureau.

Bureau authority is requested to disseminate one copy
of attached report to the USA's Office, SDNY.

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MAY 19, 1953
WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESPIONAGE, DASH R., PERJURY. REURLET
MAY EIGHTEEN LAST INDICATING POSSIBLE FURTHER ACTIVITY
BY FEBRUARY, FIFTY THREE GRAND JURY, SDNY, IN CONNECTION
WITH INSTANT CASE AND RELATED CASES OF JULIUS ROSENBERG
ESPIONAGE NETWORK. IN VIEW OF PERL PERJURY CONVICTION,
SURE IF AUSA MARTIN INTENDS CONTINUING GRAND JURY
PROCEEDING THIS MATTER AND IF SO, REASONS THEREFOR. COPY
OF MY REPORT SA CORCORAN MAY BE FURNISHED USA, SDNY.
HOWEVER, BEFORE FURNISHING SAME, CHANGE PAGE TWENTY TWO
TO PAGE TWENTY THREE AND VICE VERSA. APPROPRIATE CORRECTION
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NOTE: MIO advised in March, 1953, that AUSA Martin in perjury prosecution of Perl, member of Rosenberg network, Perl-case, and related cases of Rosenberg network. As a result of review, he subpoenaed before FGJ several individuals who were mentioned in Perl case, and evidence of Perl's association with Rosenberg and related cases in effort to rec

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possible evidence of Perl's espionage activities. Martin
was unsuccessful in developing espionage information on Perl.
Perl was convicted on two counts of perjury 5-22-53, and is
presently awaiting sentence. A NY report mentioned above does
not disclose confidential techniques and is suitable for
dissemination.
MAY 14, 1953

SAC, NEW YORK (65-15387) SPECIAL DELIVERY

AIR-TEL

WILLIAM PERRl, WA. ESPIONAGE — K, PERJURY. RE NEW YORK TELETYPE
5/11/53 AND ALBANY LETTER 5/12/53, CARBON COPY FORWARDED NEW YORK.

CONCLUDED HANDWRITING ON EVIDENCE DESCRIBED AS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6
IN REFERENCED ALBANY LETTER WRITTEN BY WILLIAM PERRl K1, K12 AND K13.
ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6 SUBMITTED WITH ALBANY LETTER 5/12/53 FORWARDED
HEREWITH TO NEW YORK OFFICE. PHOTOGRAPHS RETAINED. RUC.

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MAY 20 1953
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, WFO (65-55413)
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, WA.
ESPIONAGE - R & PERJURY

DATE: May 14, 1953


Reference New York tel requested entire original NACA loyalty file on subject including original PSQ form, PERL's affidavits, and affidavits of fellow employees and related correspondents.

SA ALBERT E. SOLOMON, JR., obtained from Mr. CHESTER HOLT, Room 212, Temporary D Building, Washington, D.C., the following original material on May 13, 1953:

Eighteen (13) affidavits submitted to the NACA Loyalty Board including affidavit of WILLIAM PERL.


Copy of letter of allegations of April 5, 1950, to Mr. PERL from NACA, and original of his reply dated April 22, 1950.

Copy of letter of May 1, 1950, to Mr. PERL from NACA and his original reply of May 9, 1950, forwarding executed Questionnaire of May 9, 1950.

With reference to the original PSQ form, Chicago was requested by WFO tel dated May 13, 1953, a copy sent to New York, to obtain same.

Concerning New York's request for original personnel file of WILLIAM PERL, please be advised that Mr. ROBERT L. BELL, NACA Security Officer, advised SA SOLOMON, JR., on May 13, 1953, that PERL's official and original personnel file was maintained at the Lewis Laboratory in Cleveland, Ohio, while he was employed. Further, that the only personnel file at NACA, Washington, D.C., concerning PERL is one comprised in itself entirely of photostat copies of documents appearing in the Cleveland file. Mr. BELL advised that he had learned from the Lewis Laboratory on May 13, 1953, that an FBI Agent had obtained the

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original and official personnel file there. With reference to the original receipt executed by WILLIAM PERNL for NACA classified documents addressed to Dr. THEODORZON KARMA at Columbia University, Mr. BELL made available 133 original receipts together with a receipt for an "Index of NACA Classified Publications" copy number 30 and a letter dated April 11, 1940, and directed by WILLIAM PERNL to Mr. E. E. MILLER, NACA, wherein he requested the Index referred to as copy number 30.

The receipts have been assembled in a chronological order according to the date of signature of WILLIAM PERNL. It is to be noted, the receipts describe the classified documents by code number followed by the date released. The following differences were noted when the receipts were compared with the list set forth in the report of SA JOHN F. BUSCHER dated September 21, 1950, Washington, D. C., of instant case.

Page 11, first item, second column, indicates the date released as October 3, 1947. The receipt indicates the date as October 2, 1947.

Page 16, third item, first column, reflects the date on receipt as December 15, 1947, whereas the receipt showed the date December 16, 1947.

Page 19, first item, column 2, reflects the date released as January 24, 1948; third column, description of document shows release as January 22, 1948, whereas the receipt shows January 21, 1948.

Page 20, third item, column two, shows date released as January 26, 1948, whereas the receipt shows January 23, 1948.

Page 21, second item, indicates the document code number as 01647641, however, this number does not appear on the receipt.

Page 22, second item, column two, shows that date released December 22, 1947, whereas the receipt shows December 19, 1947.

Page 23, fourth item, first column, reflects the date on receipt as April 6, 1940, whereas the NACA receipt itself shows the
date April 14, 1948. Column three, in describing the document, reflects the released date as April 13, 1948.

Page 27, second item, second column, showed the date released as May 11, 1948, whereas the receipt indicates May 12, 1948.

Page 27, third item, column two, shows date released as May 13, 1948; column three, as May 12, 1948, whereas the receipt shows May 12, 1948.

Page 33, last item, column two, shows (no identity) and the receipt indicates the document code number as AB111.

Page 34, item five, column two, shows the date released as June 10, 1948, and the receipt shows the date released as June —, 1948.

Page 34, last item, column two, does not indicate the date released, however, the receipt indicates this date as June 3, 1948, which is the same as appears in column three of this item.

With regard to the above-noted discrepancies, it should be noted that the list appearing in Agent BICKER's report was prepared from a review of the "receipt files of the NACA."

With regard to the certified copies of passport records concerning WILLIAM and HENRIETTA PENN, please be advised that the necessary documents have been obtained and are being authenticated.

With reference to St. Louis tel dated May 13, 1953, advising Army record for SAMUEL BENJAMIN PENN forwarded to AGO, Pentagon, be advised as follows:

Mr. RICHARD BELNAP, Chief Clerk, Administrative Services Division, Adjutant General's Office, telephone Liberty 5-6700 Extension 7-1984, has requested that, if possible, the interested Assistant United States Attorney should describe "specifically in the subpoena duces tecum" what information he desires. Mr. BELNAP stated that considerable expense would be involved to reproduce the Army record in its entirety especially when it usually is not necessary. He advised that the subpoena should be directed to the Adjutant General of the Army, Pentagon, and should be delivered to the Adjutant General's Office, Executive Officer, Colonel G. P. TANNER, Room 2E-600, Pentagon.

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He further advised that Colonel WARNER's name should not appear in the subpoena as the name Adjutant General of the Army would be sufficient. He further requested as much advanced notice as could be given in order to assemble the records and especially if any medical records are needed in view of the usual difficulty in obtaining medical records. He further advised that he had not received any notice as yet from St. Louis concerning the forwarding of SAMUEL PENN's file.

Passport records will be sent special delivery registered as soon as available.
Enclosed herewith is a copy of the "Brief of the United States in Opposition to the Motion to Dismiss the Indictment."

As previously advised, it is anticipated this motion will be argued immediately after the jury is impaneled on May 18 or 19 next.
Defendant was indicted under Title 18, U.S.C., §1621, charged with testifying falsely before a grand jury. He now moves to dismiss the indictment on the ground that it fails to show jurisdiction in the court and fails to charge an offense. Defendant claims that the requirement of Title 18, U.S.C., §1621 that the oath be taken in a case "in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered" has not been satisfied. In this regard he argues that the only provision relating to oaths before a grand
jury in Rule 6(a) of the Rules of Criminal Procedure, which states, in part:

"A foreman shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations"

He argues that this rule is not a "law of the United States" within the meaning of Title 18, U.S.C., §1621. He further contends that Title 18, U.S.C., §3771, which empowers the Supreme Court to promulgate such rules, does not satisfy the statutory requirement.

Apart from all technical arguments, common sense would require that both Section 3771 and Rule 6(a) be held sufficiently authorized to comply with Section 1621. Bills for statutes are to be strictly construed, and a construction should not be used which would lead to absurd results. Since testimony before a grand jury must be sworn, it could not be that Congress contemplated removing the sanction of the perjury statute from grand jury proceedings. Nor should such a result be reached by attributing to Congress an inadvertent omission if that interpretation can be avoided.

There is sound legal basis for reaching this same conclusion. Section 3771 is a broad authorization to the Supreme Court with respect to the Rules of Criminal Procedure, which provides, in pertinent part:

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The Supreme Court of the United States shall have the power to prescribe, from time to time, rules of pleading, practice, and procedure with respect to any or all proceedings prior to and including verdict, or finding of guilty or not guilty by the court if a jury has been waived, or plea of guilty, in criminal cases and proceedings to punish for criminal contempt of court in the United States district courts. Such rules shall not take effect until they have been reported to Congress by the Chief Justice at or after the beginning of a regular session thereof but not later than the first day of May, and until the expiration of ninety days after they have been thus reported. All laws in conflict with such rules shall be of no further force or effect after such rules have taken effect.

Certainly the Supreme Court was given the power to authorize the foreman of a grand jury to administer an oath. Had Section 3771 so stated in its verba, there could be no question but that the language of Section 1621 had been satisfied. Since the Supreme Court has been given even broader power than it would have had, if the specific nature of the rules had been spelled out in Section 3771, it would appear clear that the oath here administered was authorized by a law of the United States. Moreover, Congress specifically contemplated that the Supreme Court would give the foreman of the grand jury power to administer an oath and specific reference was made to Rule 6(c) when Title 18 was codified.
In repealing the statutory provisions making specific reference to an oath, the Congress noted in the statute the particular rule, that is Rule 6(o) which was to replace the statutory provisions being repealed. See 62 Stat. 829. The reports of the congressional committees with reference to the codification stated:

"The rules were * * * interwoven into the fabric containing the remaining statutory provisions." - House Report 304, 80th Congress, First Session (at 18 U.S.C.A. 1st volume, p. 539); Senate Report #1620, 80th Congress, Second Session (at 18 U.S.C.A. 1st volume, p. 579).

While the Congress, in repealing the statutory provisions which make specific reference to a foreman administering an oath to a grand jury, it is clear that no permissive statute is sufficient. United States v. Curtiss, 107 F. 671, 673 (1882); followed in United States v. Obermiller, 186 F. 2d 343 (C.A. 2, 1950), cert. denied 340 U.S. 951. Finally, because the rules have to be reported to Congress before they come into effect, and because Congress, by making reference to Rule 6(o) in the statute specifically approved and authorized this event of power to the foreman of the grand jury, there can be no doubt that Section 3771 is a law of the United States authorizing an oath.

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In addition, Rule 6(c) itself satisfies the statutory requirement. It is well established that authorized rules of a court or administrative agency have the force and effect of "law." More specifically, it has been held many times that "the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure have the effect of law." Furthermore, in view of the Congressional approval and the statutory recognition given to the rules, if they do not constitute Acts of Congress, they certainly do have strong legislative sanction and the Criminal Code is predicated in part on their existence.

Turning to case law, on at least two occasions the United States Supreme Court has upheld perjury convictions under statutes in all material respects similar to Title 18, U.S.C., §1621, where the oath taken was authorized by an administrative regulation made pursuant to a general statutory grant of power to make necessary rules and regulations. United States v. Smull, 236 U.S. 405 (1915); United States v. Horrobin, 243 U.S. 607 (1917). See also United States v. Butler, 9 F.2d 238 (W.D. Mich. 1923). The Ninth Circuit Court of

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Appeals, on two occasions has upheld perjury convictions under analogous circumstances. Hardwick v. United States, 257 Fed. 505 (1919); Whiteside v. United States, 257 U.S. 509 (1919). Probably the most recent case in point is United States v. Obermeier, 186 F. 2d 243 (2d Cir. 1950), Cert. Denied 340 U.S. 951. There defendant had been convicted of making a false statement before a United States Naturalization examiner in violation of Title 8, U.S.C., §146(a)(1). That statute reads quite differently from Title 18, U.S.C., §1621. But the Court of Appeals approached the problem as if it were a case under Title 18, U.S.C., §1621. The Court noted, quoting the Supreme Court, that “the oath must be permitted or required, by at least the laws of the United States, and be administered by some tribunal, officer or person authorized by such laws to administer oaths in respect of the particular matters of which it relates”. In that case the authorization with regard to an oath was solely one of administrative regulation and had no specific statutory basis other than the general rule making powers of the agency. The court considered whether the regulation was a valid one, and upon reaching an affirmative conclusion, upheld the judgment of conviction.

There is, of course, no question but that Rule 6(c) is a valid rule within the powers given to the Supreme Court by Section 3771. Defendant in the instant
case concedes this in his brief (p. 12). Since this rule has far greater legislative sanction than the ad-
ministrative regulations which were considered "laws of the United States" in the above cases, it must follow
a fortiori that Rule 6(c) is a law of the United States within the meaning of Section 1621. It should be noted
that Section 1621 does not specify that the oath must be required by law, but merely "authorized". Both Section
3771 and Rule 6(c) authorize the oath here in issue.

It may be well to deal with some of the cases cited by defendant. These cases merely hold that:

"It has been settled for many years that an officer without power to enforce regulations cannot require an oath so as to bring it within the scope of the perjury statute." United States v. United

Thus United States v. George, 226 U.S. 14, merely held that the departmental regulation requiring the affidavit there in issue was in excess of the administrator's statutory authority, and accordingly an affidavit made pursuant thereto could not ground a perjury conviction. To similar effect see Williamson v. U.S., 227 U.S. 425, 461-62 (1908). Reliance is also placed upon United States v. Linton, 144 U.S. 677, where the Supreme Court held that the criminal provisions relating to the failure of an oleo-vegetable dealer to do anything "required by law", in regard to his business, did not encompass failure to abide by a regulation of the
Commissioner of Internal Revenue, regardless of the
validity of the regulation. The Eaton case was limited
to its facts in Singer \( v. \) United States, 323 U.S. 338,
where the Court said that the Eaton case "turned on its
special facts . . . . It has not been construed to state
a fixed principle that a regulation can never be a "law"
for purposes of criminal prosecutions. It may or may not
be, depending on the structure of the particular statute".
(p. 345). But irrespective of the status of the Eaton
case, it is not controlling here. That decision is grounded
in the axiom that an act cannot be made criminal by other
than clear legislative specification. With that as a \textit{premise},
the Court held that "a provision merely punish-
ing violations of a law does not cover violations of rules
or regulations made in conformity with that law." In the
instant case no such problem is presented. Section 1621
is a specific legislative proscription. The crime here
in question is not violation of Rule 6(e) or any other
agency rule or regulation, but a violation of Section 1621.
Section 3771, Rule 6(e), and the grand jury proceedings
"only furnished the opportunity and the occasion for the

Frankfurter, J., dissenting in Singer \( v. \) United States,
supra, at p. 350. See also U.S. \( v. \) Grigsby, 220 U.S.
506, 519.
It is respectfully submitted that an oath administered pursuant to Section 1771 and Rule 8(c) is an oath authorized by a law of the United States, and the motion to dismiss the indictment should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD LUNEBRARD,
United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York,
Attorney for United States of America.

LLOYD F. MACAEOH, Chief Assistant,
ROBERT MARTIN, Assistant U.S. Attorneys,
Of Counsel.
MAY 15, 1953

NEW YORK

WILLIAM PERL, W.A., ESPIONAGE & PERJURY. REUTERLE MAY FIFTEEN, PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES OF ALL MONEY ORDER APPLICATIONS BEARING NUMBERS AND DATES LISTED IN NEW YORK TEL MAY ELEVEN RETAINED IN LABORATORY FILE EXCEPT APPLICATION NUMBER NINE EIGHT EIGHT FOUR EIGHT SEVEN DATED AUGUST ELEVEN, NINETEEN FORTY-THREE. DORIS HILDING-L. DALKORON WILL BRING AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHS TO YOUR OFFICE MAY NINETEEN UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY YOU.

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WILLIAM PERL, WA. ESPIONAGE - R. PERJURY. RE NY TEL MAY ELEVEN LAST. WILLIAM CARPENTER, EMPLOYEE AT ITHACA POST OFFICE ADVISED THAT MONEY ORDER RECEIPTS REFERRED TO IN REFTEL HAVE BEEN DESTROYED AND NO RECORD LOCATED AT POST OFFICE OF THEM. REVIEW OF FILE IN ALBANY OFFICE REFLECTS NO PHOTOGRAPHIC COPIES OF MONEY ORDER RECEIPTS. CARPENTER CAN TESTIFY THAT HE CAN RECALL SEVERAL MONEY ORDER RECEIPTS WERE PAID TO ALFRED SARANT, ITHACA, IN AMOUNTS ABOUT FORTYFIVE DOLLARS AND RECALLS THAT MAJORITY OF THESE WERE REMITTED BY W. PERL. SUBPOENA RECEIVED AT ITHACA PO FOR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO APPEAR MON. MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT IN NY TO TESTIFY. NY SUTEL ALBANY IF AUSA DESIRES CARPENTER'S TESTIMONY.

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William Perl, WA., Espionage & Perjury. Meritel May Sixteen. Photographs described in butel to your office may fifteen are copies of Post Office Department forms described as quotes Form Six Zero Zero One. Application for domestic money order end quote. No photographs or originals of any other money order forms have been submitted to Laboratory in this case or Alfred Sarant case.

H. T. Hooper

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WILLIAM PEARL, W., ESPIONAGE & PERJURY. YOU ARE
REQUESTED TO SUGGEST DAILY SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS IN
ABOVE CAPTIONED CASE.

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NOTE: Trial of Pearl on perjury indictment expected
to start today. Believed advisable for Bureau
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WILLIAM PERL, ESP - R, PERJURY. TRIAL SUMMARY, MORNING SESSION.
ROBERT E. PFLEGER, PARMA, OHIO, TESTIFIED THAT HE OWNED A FORTYONE
STUDEBAKER CLUB COUPE, AND IN JULY FORTYEIGHT INSERTED AN AD IN THE
NEWSPAPER, QUOTE CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER UNQUOTE, OFFERING IT FOR SALE.
HE IDENTIFIED PHOTOSTATS OF NEWSPAPER AD IN QUOTE CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER
UNQUOTE, JULY EIGHTEEN, FORTYEIGHT. A PARTY OF THREE PEOPLE, CONSISTING
OF TWO MEN AND ONE WOMAN, CAME TO HIS HOUSE IN A THIRTYFIVE OR
THIRTY-SIX CHEVROLET OR PLYMOUTH, DARK BLUE OR BLACK, COUPE, TO
EXAMINE HIS CAR. HE IDENTIFIED THE DEFENDANT AS ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS,
AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF MICHAEL AND ANN SIDOROVICH AS THE OTHER TWO. HE
SUGGESTED THEY TRY OUT THE CAR, AND MICHAEL AND ANN SIDOROVICH
SEATED THEMSELVES IN THE REAR OF THE CAR, WHILE HE AND PERL SAT IN
THE FRONT SEAT, AND PERL DROVE AROUND THE BLOCK. PERL AND THE SIDOROVICH
THEN LEFT AND RETURNED IN A HALF HOUR AND AGREED UPON A PRICE OF
SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, AT WHICH TIME THEY DREW UP AN AGREEMENT.
PFLICGER MET SIDOROVICH WEDNESDAY OF THAT WEEK AT THE MOTOR VEHICLE
REGISTRY OFFICE, WHERE SIDOROVICH PAID THE BALANCE OF THE MONEY, AND
TITLE WAS PASSED JULY TWENTYONE, FORTYEIGHT. NO CROSS EXAMINATION.

MRS. MILDRED PFLEGER TESTIFIED THAT THEY OWNED A FORTYONE STUDEBAKER

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COUPE, AND HER HUSBAND, IN FORTYEIGHT, PUT AN AD IN THE PAPER OFFERING IT FOR SALE, THAT ONE SUNDAY AFTERNOON THREE PEOPLE CAME, APPEARED INTERESTED IN THE CAR, AND DROVE IT ON A TRIAL. A TALL, DARK MAN DROVE THE CAR AND HER HUSBAND SAT NEXT TO HIM. SHE WAS NOT ASKED, AND DID NOT IDENTIFY WILLIAM PERL. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. MRS. MARIE BEIER TESTIFIED THAT SHE WAS A NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR OF THE PFLEGERS, AND ON ONE SUNDAY IN JULY FORTYEIGHT, SHE NOTICED MR. PFLEGER IN THE YARD WITH THREE PEOPLE. SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE NOTICED THREE INDIVIDUALS TALKING WITH MR. PFLEGER ON THE FRONT LAWN, AND IDENTIFIED PERL AS ONE OF THEM. SHE FURTHER IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPHS OF MICHAEL AND ANN SIDOROVICH. NO CROSS EXAMINATION. MRS. ELIZABETH W. BROWN, LENBRIDGE, NJ, TESTIFIED THAT B IN FORTYSEVEN PERL BROUGHT A CAR BELONGING TO DR. VON KARMEN TO HER HOUSE, AND CAME AGAIN IN JUNE FORTYEIGHT TO GET THE CAR, AND SAID HE WAS GOING TO DRIVE IT TO CLEVELAND, OHIO. HE RETURNED THE CAR IN SEPT. FORTYEIGHT. SHE IDENTIFIED A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE CAR. MR. AND MRS. PFLEGER HAD PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED THAT THIS PHOTOGRAPH RESEMBLED THE CAR THAT PERL AND MICHAEL AND ANN SIDOROVICH HAD DRIVEN TO THEIR HOME. IN CROSS EXAMINATION SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE KNEW VON KARMEN AND WAS SOCIALLY ACQUAINTED WITH HIM, THAT SHE COULD NOT RECALL ANY DISCUSSION WITH VON KARMEN CONCERNING

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PERL. AT THIS POINT, THE GOVT. RESTED. DEFENSE MADE A MOTION TO DISMISS THE INDICTMENT ON GROUNDS PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED, AND THE NEW GROUND THAT THE STATUTES INVOLVED WERE PERMISSIVE OF JUDICIAL LEGISLATION. A MOTION FOR JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL WAS ALSO ENTERED. JUDGE RYAN DENIED BOTH, AND STATED THAT THE GOVT. HAD MADE A PRIMA FACIE CASE ON ALL COUNTS OF THE INDICTMENT AND THAT THE JURY WOULD CONSIDER ALL FOUR COUNTS. DEFENDANT WILL PERL TOOK THE STAND IN HIS OWN DEFENSE AND TESTIFIED AS TO HIS BACKGROUND DATA, COLLEGE DEGREES, AND IDENTIFIED MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY. AMONG THESE HE STATED THAT HIS SISTER, SADIE, WAS FORMERLY A MENTAL PATIENT, AND A SISTER, BESSIE, NOW DECEASED, HAD DIED IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL. HE TESTIFIED THAT HE HAD DONE CONSIDERABLE RESEARCH AT THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS AT LANGLEY FIELD AND CLEVELAND, OHIO. THAT HE SERVED IN THE ENLISTED RESERVE CORPS OF THE US ARMY AIR FORCE WHILE AT NASA, AND RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE. THE DISCHARGE WAS PLACED IN EVIDENCE, ALONG WITH AN ENLISTED RESERVE CORPS IDENTIFICATION CARD. A PAMPHLET WRITTEN BY PERL WAS PLACED IN EVIDENCE AS REPRESENTATIVE OF ELEVEN PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS PREPARED BY PERL. A LIST OF PUBLICATIONS WRITTEN BY PERL, OR IN WHICH PERL WAS A COAUTHOR ALSO PLACED IN EVIDENCE. TESTIFIED THAT DR. VERNAN /PH/ HUGHES.
COLUMBUS UNIV., WORKED WITH HIM AFTER HIS INDICTMENT. TESTIFIED THAT IN JULY OF FIFTY, WHILE RESIDING IN CLEVELAND, HE WAS VISITED BY THE FBI. FROM JULY FIFTY TO OCT. FIFTEEN, FIFTY, HE WAS INTERVIEWED FROM SIX TO A DOZEN TIMES BY FBI AGENTS IN CLEVELAND AN NY. HE WAS ALSO INTERVIEWED BY SEVERAL ASST. US ATTORNEYS IN NY. THE FBI AGENTS IN CLEVELAND TOLD HIM THEY WERE INVESTIGATING HIM CONCERNING THE ROSENBERG AND SOBEll CASE. HE RECALLED THEM USING THE EXACT PHRASE, QUOTE ROSENBERG AND SOBEll ARE GOING TO FRY UNQUOTE. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE INTERVIEW, TAKING PLACE SEVERAL MONTHS PRIOR, THIS WAS HIS FIRST EXPERIENCE WITH THE FBI. THIS ENCOUNTER AFFECTED HIS STATE OF MIND, AND WHEN HE APPEARED BEFORE THE FCJ, AUG. EIGHTEEN, FIFTY, HE HAD BEEN WORKING HARD AT NACA AND SUBJ TO AN INTENSIVE FBI INVESTIGATION. HE TESTIFIED THAT THE STRONG EMPHASIS MADE BY THE FBI ON THE DEATH PENALTY HAD SHOCKED HIM AND HIS STATE OF MIND HAD BECOME AFFECTED. THAT HE FIRST MET HIS LEGAL COUNSEL IN THE SUMMER OF FIFTY, THE DAY BEFORE HE TESTIFIED BEFORE THE FCJ. COUNSEL ADVISED HIM TO TELL THE TRUTH AND COOPERATE FULLY. THAT HE NEVER REFUSED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS TO THE FBI OR TO ANY AUSA. THAT HE SUBMITTED HIS HOME TO A SEARCH BY THE FBI AND COOPERATED FULLY. THAT HE NEVER TRIED TO OBSTRUCT ANY INVESTIGATION, CONCERNING COUNT RE SOBEll. THAT HE BELIEVED HIS ANSWER WAS THE TRUTH AT THE TIME,
AND THAT THE FGJ WAS ASKING HIM WHETHER HE WAS INTIMATELY ACQUAINTED, AND THAT HE ANSWERED ACCORDINGLY. THAT HE ALWAYS INTENDED TO BE FAIR TO THE GJ AND THAT HE NEVER TELLS LIES. CONCERNING COUNT RE JULIUS ROSENBERG. THAT HE DID NOT KNOW ROSENBERG WAS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION. THAT HE WAS NOT INTIMATELY ACQUAINTED WITH ROSENBERG, THAT HE HAD NOT ASSOCIATED WITH ROSENBERG, AND ACCORDING TO HIS STATE OF MIND AT THAT TIME, BELIEVED THE ANSWER TO BE TRUE. HE DID NOT WANT TO LIE, AND HIS STATE OF MIND REPELLED ROSENBERG AND SOBELL. CONCERNING COUNT RE HELENE ELITCHER. THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL THE QUESTION OR HIS ANSWER BEFORE THE FGJ, BUT CONCEDED IT WAS ASKED AND THAT NO WAS HIS ANSWER. HIS FIRST RECOLLECTION OF HELENE ELITCHER AS MRS. MAX ELITCHER WAS NOT UNTIL AFTER HIS INDICTMENT, THAT HE MADE NO CONNECTION BETWEEN HELENE AND MRS. ELITCHER WHEN BEFORE THE FGJ. CONCERNING COUNT RE MICHAEL AND ANNA SIDOROVICH. THAT HE ANSWERED TRUTHFULLY WHEN HE STATED HE DID NOT RECALL PEOPLE OF THAT NAME AND COULD NOT RECOGNIZE THEIR PHOTOGRAPHS. THAT TODAY HE CANNOT RECALL MICHAEL OR ANNA SIDOROVICH, OR EVER HAVING MET THEM. THAT HE DID NOT DENY THE POSSIBILITY THAT SUCH AN INCIDENT CONCERNING THE AUTOMOBILE HAD OCCURRED, AND HE HAD NO RECOLLECTION OF IT, AND IT SEEMS INCREDIBLE TO HIM. TRIAL RECESS FOR LUNCH. DIRECT EXAMINATION OF THE DEFENDANT WILL CONTINUE IN
AFTERNOON SESSION. CONCERNING ALLEGATION BY PERL "ROSENBERG AND SOBEL ARE GOING TO FRY", THE BUREAU IS ADVISED THAT INTERVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED BY FOLLOWING AGENTS IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, IN JULY, FIFTY-CLYDE SMITH/DECEASED/, FORMER SA JOHN B. O'DONOHUE, DAVID A. WIBLE, JOHN A. HARRINGTON, LEO H. FRUTKIN. LAST FOUR NAMED INDIVIDUALS IN NY FOR CURRENT TRIAL, ADVISED THAT NO SUCH STATEMENT WAS EVER MADE TO PERL. PERL WAS ADVISED THAT HE WAS BEING INVESTIGATED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ROSENBERG-SOBEL ESPIONAGE MATTER, WHICH INVOLVED WARTIME ESPIONAGE AND CARRIED MAXIMUM PENALTY. THIS STATEMENT WAS MADE TO PERL IN ORDER THAT HE MIGHT BE ASSURED OF HIS RIGHT TO COUNSEL, THAT THE MATTER UNDER DISCUSSION WAS SERIOUS AND TO PUT HIM ON NOTICE THAT HE WAS NOT REQUIRED TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT AGAINST HIMSELF.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. LADD
FROM: A. H. BELMONT

DATE: May 21, 1953

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL
ESPIONAGE – PERJURY

Reference New York teletype May 20, 1953, summarizing the trial of Perl.

I called Supervisor Tom McAndrews, of the New York Division, in the absence of ASAC Whelan relative to Perl’s testimony that Agents told him “Rosenberg and Sobell are going to fry.” The teletype states that four of the Agents who interviewed Perl are presently in New York at the trial and the fifth is deceased. These four Agents deny such a statement but advised Perl he was being investigated in connection with the Rosenberg-Sobell espionage matter which involved wartime espionage and carried the maximum penalty.

I told McAndrews that the Government attorney should be apprised of the fact that Perl’s statement was incorrect and should be furnished the true information. The United States Attorney should be consulted as to whether Perl should be cross-examined on this statement and the Agents used as rebuttal witnesses. I pointed out that the Bureau does not desire that a false record should stand and the Government attorney should be consulted as to the feasibility of rebutting this statement by Perl.

Mr. McAndrews said that the Government attorney had been apprised of the true facts and New York would consult with him immediately as to the feasibility of rebutting Perl’s statement and will advise the Bureau of the results of the conference.

ASAC Whelan called me subsequently to advise that this had been discussed with the U.S. Attorney who stated he did not think it was feasible to raise an issue on this matter from the standpoint of the trial and that it would not be helpful to the trial. Whelan advised that both sides have rested and the Government and defense would summarize this afternoon.

In view of the above it is recommended that no further action be taken in this matter.

A.H.B. 1953
Office Memo. -um -UNITED GOVERNMENT

TO: E. T. Harbo
FROM: A. K. Bowles

SUBJECT: William Perl, with alias Espionage - R Perjury

DATE: May 22, 1953

At the request of Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney Lloyd F. McMahon, SA H. L. Dahlgren of the Laboratory, testified in the trial of this case on May 19, 1953 in Federal Court, Southern District of New York.

SA Dahlgren testified that the handwriting on two letters, A and Q24 were written by William Perl. These letters indicated that Perl knew Morton Sobell as a "friend." Perl had stated in previous testimony before a Grand Jury that he didn't know Morton Sobell. Sobell has been convicted for espionage.

Following SA Dahlgren's testimony, the defendant admitted that he had written A2 and Q24.

Chief AUSA McMahon requested SA Dahlgren to remain in New York until the government had completed cross-examination of Perl, since it was felt that further handwriting testimony would be needed should Perl deny having written certain other letters to be introduced in evidence. The other letters were written to Joel Barr and Mr. and Mrs. Al Sarant and indicated that Perl knew these people quite well although he had denied having been intimately associated with them. On May 21, 1953 when Perl was confronted with these letters he admitted they were in his handwriting. SA Dahlgren was therefore not needed as a rebuttal witness and was released by Chief AUSA on the afternoon of May 21, 1953.

The case had not yet gone to the jury when SA Dahlgren left New York City. Dahlgren arrived in Washington at 8:55 PM, May 21, 1953.

1- Domestic Intelligence Division

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MAY 1953

JUN 1 1953
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (65-15387)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL
PERJURY
ESP-R

Bureau attention is called to the successful prosecution of captioned individual for perjury.

The SAC at Cleveland may desire to call to the attention of the Bureau the identities of those agents assigned to that Division whose work on this case, and related matters, is worthy of commendation. New York is not in possession of full information in this connection and accordingly the above suggestion is made.

1 - Cleveland

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[Signature]

FVDN
TO: THE Director
FROM: D. M. Ladd
DATE: May 15, 1953

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, w/o ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY

William Perl, classmate at the College of the City of New York of Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, convicted Soviet agents, Perl, an aeronautical engineer, was intermittently employed by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics from 1939 to September, 1950.

An intensive investigation has developed considerable information showing the extent of Perl's association and apparent participation in Rosenberg's activities.

Perl has admitted that on 7-23-50, several days after the arrest of Rosenberg, he had been visited at his apartment in Cleveland, Ohio, by Vivian Glassman, a former girl friend of Joel Barr, another member of the Rosenberg network who has disappeared. She told Perl she had been instructed by a stranger to give Perl $2000 which she had in her possession and instructions on how to leave the country for Mexico. Perl claims he turned her down, stating he did not know what she was talking about. Glassman has verified this information but has been otherwise uncooperative.

Perl was indicted on four counts of perjury in SDNY on 3-13-51, arising out of false statements made by him before a Federal Grand Jury on 9-11-50, in denying acquaintance and association with Rosenberg, Sobell, and others.

The Perl case is expected to go to trial on May 16, 1953, before Judge Sylvester Ryan, SDNY.

ACTION:

This matter is being followed closely. For your information.
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59312)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (65-15387)
SUBJECT: WILLIAM Perl, Wa
ESP-R
PERJURY

Re New York report 5/18/53 of SA Maurice W. Corcoran.

Pages 22 and 23 of rep are inadvertently in reverse order. Bureau
is requested and also offices receiving copy of report to make necessary
 corrections.

New York copies and copy designated for USA, SDNY, have been corrected
accordingly. Bureau authority requested to forward one copy to USA, SDNY.

1 - Albany (65-1673)
1 - Cleveland (65-2730)
1 - Los Angeles (65-5075)
1 - Newark (65-4100)
1 - Norfolk (65-514)
1 - San Francisco
1 - WFO (65-5513)

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL WA., ESP-R-PERJURY. CHIEF AUSA MAC MAHER ADVISED TODAY JUDGE SYLVESTER RYAN CALLED CONFERENCE THIS DATE RE INSTANT TRIAL WITH MAC MAHER, AUSA ROBERT MARTIN AND DEFENSE ATTORNEYS WISE AND KANAREK. RYAN STATED OPINION PUT TRIAL WOULD BE COMPLETED END OF NEXT WEEK. TRIAL DATE INSTANT CASE MUTUALLY AGREED MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. SUBJECT, WISE AND KANAREK EXECUTED STIPULATION THIS DATE AUTHENTICATING HANDWRITING SPECIMENS XI/ENVELOPE AND LETTER DATED TWO DASH TWELVE DASH FORTYSEVEN ADDRESSED TO MR. ADDISON M. ROTHROCK/SPECIMEN K THIRTEEN /LETTER DATED FOUR DASH TWELVE DASH FORTYSEVEN ADDRESSED DEAR ABE/ AND SPECIMEN K TWELVE/TWO PAGE MEMO CAPTIONED ROTHROCK'S SPECIAL PROJECT DATED EIGHT DASH EIGHTEEN DASH FORTYSEVEN/ REFER LAB REPORT FIVE DASH TWENTY EIGHT DASH FIFTY ONE, INSTANT CASE. PERL ALSO ORALLY ADMITTED AUTHENTICITY THESE DOCUMENTS. AUSA DESIRES LABORATORY PREPARE NECESSARY CHARTS FOR HANDWRITING COMPARISON TESTIMONY CONCERNING ABOVE KNOWN SPECIMENS AND FOLLOWING QUESTIONED SPECIMENS K TWO/PERL LETTER DATED TWO DASH FOUR DASH FORTY/ Q TWENTYTHREE/PERL LETTER DATED FOUR DASH EIGHT DASH FORTYFIVE/ AND Q TWENTYFOUR/PERL LETTER DATED TEN DASH THREE DASH FORTYONE/. EXPERT TESTIMONY DESIRED TENTATIVELY MAY TWENTY NEXT. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED EXACT DATE AND TIMES SOON AS AVAILABLE. ALBANY REFER MY SUMMARY REPORT INSTANT CASE DATED THREE DASH TEN DASH FIFTYONE PAGE SIXTEIGHT. FORWARD TO NYC AMSO, RM, RRR, ORIGINAL LETTER DATED FOUR DASH EIGHT FORTYFIVE SIGNED NETTY AND WILL. FOR INFO ALBANY AUSA HAS INDICATED PRESENT PLAN TO USE ABOVE LETTER ONLY IN CROSS EXAM OF DEFENDANT IN WHICH EVENT TESTIMONY SA JOHN D. MAHONEY UNNECESSARY. HOWEVER ALBANY ADVISE AVAILABILITY MAHONEY. FOR INFO BUREAU AUSA MAC MAHER CONTINUING PREPARATION INSTANT CASE AND ADDITIONAL REQUESTS WILL BE HANDLED FORTHWITH BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED DEVELOPMENTS.

5/5/53

ALBANY ADVISED

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MAY 26 1955
WASH 29 FROM NEW YORK 12 11:26 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY, RE ST. LOUIS REPORT MARCH FIVE FIFTYONE, INST. CASE. FOR INFO ST. LOUIS TRIAL OF PERJURY CHARGE AGAINST SUBJ SCHEDULED SDNY AT NYC ON MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. AUSA, SDNY HAS STATED PRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL ARMY SERVICE RECORD FILE INCLUDING FURLough RECORDS OF SUBJECT'S BROTHER, SAMUEL BENJAMIN MUTTERPERL, SET FORTH ON PAGES TWO AND THREE OF REFERENCED REPORT, MAY BE NECESSARY AT TRIAL. AUSA STATES PRESENT BELief ABOVE RECORDS WILL BE NECESSARY ONLY IN REBUTTAL OF CROSS EXAMINATION OF DEFENDANT AND DOES NOT ANTICIPATE SUBPOENA FOR SAME PRIOR TO TRIAL. HOWEVER, IN EVENT NECESSARY DURING TRIAL, AUSA DESIRES EXACT IDENTITY OF PERSON AVAILABLE TO PRODUCE FILE DURING WEEK OF MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT INCLUDING NAME, RANK AND ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE NUMBER SO THAT TELEPHONE REQUEST CAN BE MADE WITH LATER CONFIRMATION BY APPROPRIATE SUBPOENA. SUEEL BY MAY THIRTEEN NEXT.

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62 JUN 2 1953
WASH 17 FROM NEW YORK 12 6-16 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA. ESP-R, PERJURY. RE CLEVELAND TEL APRIL TWENTY-EIGHT LAST. AUSA, SDNY NOW ADVISES HE DOES NOT DESIRE TO PRODUCE PERL'S NACA PERSONNEL FILE OR LEAVE RECORD FILE IN EVIDENCE. HOWEVER, HE HAS REQUESTED ORIGINAL OF THESE FILES BE AVAILABLE AT TRIAL TIME IN ORDER TO USE PORTIONS THEREOF IN CROSS EXAMINATION OF DEFENDANT. ALSO DESIRES ANY NACA FILE RE PERL'S LOYALTY. CLEVELAND OBTAIN ORIGINAL PERSONNEL FILE, LEAVE RECORD FILE AND ANY LOYALTY FILE AVAILABLE TO CLEVELAND AND FORWARD AMSD, RM RRR TO NYO FOR DELIVERY TO AUSA. ADVISE NACA THAT A USA HAS STATED ORIGINAL FILES WILL BE RETURNED AT CONCLUSION OF TRIAL AND THAT PRESENCE OF JULIA GREEN AND MARIE BRINKMAN UNNECESSARY. CLEVELAND ALSO REQUESTED TO FORWARD ALL ORIGINAL SURVEILLANCE LOGS RE PERL'S ACTIVITIES AT CLEVELAND. EXPEDITE BY MAY THIRTEEN IF POSSIBLE.

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CLEVELAND ADVISED

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53 JUN 4 1953
WASH 18 FROM NEW YORK 12 6-19 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP - R, PERJURY. FOR INFO OF SALT LAKE, SUBJ
SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL ON PERJURY CHARGE MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. PERL HAS
STATED IN PRIOR SWORN STATEMENT IN LOYALTY HEARING MATTER THAT HE
WAS MARRIED IN NYC IN FORTYFOUR TO ONE HENRIETTA BOYD SAVIDGE PERL
AND DIVORCED AT RENO, NEVADA IN FORTYSEVEN /EXACT DATES NOT SHOWN/.
SAVIDGE SUBSEQUENTLY ADMITTED THIS INFO UNTRUE, AS SHE AND PERL
LIVED IN COMMON-LAW RELATIONSHIP DURING THAT PERIOD AND DID NOT
OBTAIN DIVORCE WHEN THEY SEPARATED. AUSA, SDNY DESIRES FOR CROSS
EXAM OF DEFENDANT CERTIFIED LETTER OR STATEMENT FROM APPROPRIATE
OFFICIAL AT RENO THAT HIS RECORDS FAIL TO SHOW DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS
IN NAME OF SUBJ OR WIFE. NOTE PERL AT ONE TIME USED SURNAME MUTTERPERL.
SALT LAKE REQUESTED TO HAVE THIS CERTIFIED STATEMENT MAILED AMSD
REGISTERED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, IMMEDIATELY TO NYO FOR
DELIVERY TO AUSA, SDNY. EXPEDITE TO REACH NY BY MAY FIFTEEN IF POSSIBLE.

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SALT LAKE CITY
JUN 8, 1953
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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R-PERJURY. FOR INFO WFO, TRIAL OF INSTANT
PERJURY CHARGE SCHEDULED MAY EIGHTEEN, NEXT. WFO REFER ITS REPORT MAY
TWENTY-TWO, FIFTY-EIGHT INSTANT CASE. AUSA, SDNY HAS REQUESTED FOR USE IN
CROSS EXAMINATION OF DEFENDANT, ENTIRE ORIGINAL NACA LOYALTY FILE ON
SUBJECT, INCLUDING ORIGINAL PSQ FORM, PERL-S AFFIDAVITS, AFFIDAVITS
OF FELLOW EMPLOYEES AND RELATED CORRESPONDENCE. AUSA ALSO REQUESTS
FOR SAME PURPOSE ORIGINALS OF PERL-S PERSONNEL FILE MAINTAINED AT
NACA HEADQUARTERS, AS WELL AS PERSONNEL AND LOYALTY FILE MAINTAINED AT
CLEVELAND. CLEVELAND OFFICE HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO FORWARD LATTER.
WFO REFER ITS REPORT SEPT., TWENTY-ONE, FIFTY INSTANT CASE. AUSA
ALSO REQUESTS FOR SAME PURPOSE ORIGINAL OF NACA RECEIPTS EXECUTED BY
PERL FOR DOCUMENTS SENT TO VON KARMAN AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. SET FORTH
PAGES THIRTEEN THROUGH FORTY. AUSA STATES HE DOES NOT DESIRE TO
SUBPOENA ABOVE FILES SINCE THEY WILL NOT BE INTRODUCED IN EVIDENCE AND
FORMAL IDENTIFICATION BY NACA OFFICIAL UNNECESSARY. FURTHER THAT
FILES WILL BE RETURNED AT CONCLUSION OF TRIAL. WFO REFER PAGE FORTY

ONE ABOVE REPORT AND WFO TELETYPE MARCH

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PAGE TWO

PASSPORT AND RENEWAL APPLICATION. ALSO REFER WFO TELETYPE APRIL FIVE, FIFTYONE RE APPLICATION HENRIETTA SAVIDGE PERL ON MARCH FIVE, FIFTY ONE. AUSA DESIRES CERTIFIED COPY THESE RECORDS FOR TRIAL. WFO REQUESTED TO OBTAIN ABOVE MATERIAL IMMEDIATELY AND FORWARD SAME SPECIAL DELIVERY, REGISTERED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED TO NYO FOR DELIVERY TO AUSA. EXPEDITE BY MAY FOURTEEN IF POSSIBLE.

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WASH 11 FROM NEW YORK 13 4-17 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP - R, PERJURY. FOR INFO OF DETROIT, SUBJ SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL ON PERJURY CHARGE IN SDNY AT NYC ON MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT.
AUSA DESIRES REGISTRAR AT UNIV. OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR, BE ADVISED TODAY THAT SUBPOENA BEING MAILED THIS DATE REQUIRING PRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL GRADUATE STUDENT FILE AND ALL RELATED PAPERS CONCERNING A MORTEN SOBECK WHO ATTENDED THIS INSTITUTION FROM SEPT., FORTYONE TO JUNE, FORTY-TWO. FURTHER THAT SUBPOENA WILL REQUIRE PRESENCE OF REGISTRAR OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE WITH DESIRED PAPERS AT ROOM FOUR NAUGHT ONE, US COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE, NYC, AT NINE AM, TUESDAY, MAY NINETEEN NEXT. NOTED MISS MAYME SWISHER MADE FILE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN FORTYONE. SUGGEST DETROIT NOTIFY REGISTRAR AND SUTEL IDENT OF INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL APPEAR.

BOARDMAN

DETROIT ADVISED

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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP - R, PERJURY. RE LOS ANGELES REPORT APRIL TWENTY THREE FIFTYONE IN INST. CASE. FOR INFO OF LOS ANGELES, SUBJ SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL ON PERJURY CHARGE IN SDNY AT NYC ON MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT.

AUSA DESIRES REGISTRAR AT CALTECH BE ADVISED THIS DATE SUBPOENA BEING MAILED FOR PRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL OF SUBJECT'S GRADUATE FILE AND ALL RELATED PAPERS. SUBPOENA WILL SPECIFY PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF SCHOOL OFFICIAL UNNECESSARY BUT THAT RECEIPT OF SAME ON OR BEFORE MAY NINETEEN NEXT BY REGISTERED MAIL AMSD, WILL SUFFICE. NOTED MRS. ELIZABETH HAMES MADE FILE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN APRIL, FIFTYONE.

LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO ADVISED REGISTRAR OF ABOVE INFO AND SUTEQ NYO WHEN DESIRED PAPERS PLACED IN MAIL.

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LOU ANGELES ADVISED

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WASH 15 FROM NEW YORK 14 10-55 PM
DIRECTOR URGENT

WILLIAM PERL, WAS, ESP - R, PERJURY. BUFFER SIXTY-FIVE DASH FIVE
NINE THREE ONE TWO. INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS FATHER, WILLIAM
J. GORMAN, ONE TWO THREE NASSAU AVE., MALVERNE, LI, NEW YORK,
TELEPHONE LYNBROOK NINE DASH EIGHT NINE SIX ONE, A CATHOLIC PRIEST,
TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED NYO THIS DATE AND ADVISED HE HAD INFO RE
INST. CASE AND HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH BUREAU OFFICIALS. STATED HE IS
FRIEND OF CAPT. HENRI LEITMAN, BROTHER IN LAW OF PERL. LEITMAN INVITED
GORMAN TO HIS HOME AT SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK OVER PAST WEEKEND AND
THAT HE SPOKE AT LENGTH TO PERL AND THEREAFTER TO PERL'S LAWYERS.
UACB NOON MAY FIFTEEN NEXT, GORMAN WILL BE INTERVIEWED PM THAT DATE
AT ABOVE ADDRESS BY BUREAU AGENTS.
WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESP-R, PERJURY. FOR INFO BUREAU RAYMOND, WHT.
DEFENSE ATTORNEY, HAS ADVISED CHIEF USA, SDNY, DURING PRE-TRIAL
CONFERENCE THAT AS SOON AS JURY EMpaneled HE EXPECTS TO ARGUE STRONGLY
HIs QUOTe MOTION TO DISMISS INDICTMENT ON GROUNDS THAT IT FAILS TO SHOW
JURISDICTION IN COURT AND FAILS TO CHARGE AN OFFENSE UNQUOTE.
COPY OF THIS MEMO DATED JUNE THIRTY, FIFTYONE, WAS FORWARDeD TO BUREAU
BY MY LET JULY TWENTY, FIFTYONE, WHTe STATED HE HAD DISCUSSED LEGAL
POINT WITH PRESIDENT AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION AND WAS ENCOURAGED. FURTHER
STATED HE IS GIVING THOUGHT TO DISCUSSION THIS POINT WITH ALGER HISS
ATTORNEYS. WHTe INDICATED HE EXPECTS TO LOSe MOTION IN TRIAL COURT AND
THEAFTERWILL APPEAL THROUGH TO THE SUPREME COURT. THIS MOTION NOT
YET FILEd OF RECORD BUT COPY SERVED ON USA IN FIFTYONE. USA PREPAREING
REPLY. COPY THEREOF WILL BE FORWARDeD BUREAU WHEN AVAILABLE. INFO
CONFIDENTIALLY OBTAINED THAT DEFENSE TO INSTANT PERJURY CHARGE WILL
CONSIST OF PERL-S TESTIMONY AND QUOTE TWO OF THREE CHARACTER WITNESSES
UNQUOTE. CLEVELAND REFIRE UFO TEL APRIL NINE, FIFTYONE, WHICH RECITES
STANLEY KANAREK, ASSOCIATE OF WHTe, CONTACTED VARIOUS EMPLOYEES AT
NACA, CLEVELAND, ON APRIL TWO FIFTYONE, TO ENLIST AID OF DEFENSE.
SUGGEST CLEVELAND DETERMINE CONFIDENTIALLY IF POSSIBLE FROM H. BURTON

63 JUN 3 1953
VO CORR LINE 12 WD LAST 2 WD SHD BE = PREPARING
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BRACY, SECURITY OFFICER, NACA, IF ANY INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TEL OR OTHER ASSOCIATES OF PELK AT NACA HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY EXPECT TO GO TO NYC FOR PELK DEFENSE. INFO MAY BE AVAILABLE THROUGH REQUESTS FOR LEAVE, ETC. IN EVENT DEFENSE CHARACTER WITNESSES IDENTIFIED, SUTEL NYO TOGETHER WITH ANY DEROGATORY INFO IN FILES PERTAINING TO CREDIBILITY FOR CROSS EXAMINATION.

BOARDMAN

CLEVELAND ADVISED

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65.59312-817
WA 3 NY 1 FROM PH 5/15/53 5.27 PM
DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC URGENT
WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESPIONAGE - R, PERJURY. RENYTEL TODAY. MARY E.
LYNCH, ARCHIVES CHIEF, NRMC, MECHANICSBURG, PA., STATES RECORD OF SOBEL
LISTED IN RETEL APPEARS TO BE CIVIL SERVICE RECORD WHICH WAS TRANS-
FERRED TO NAVAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT CENTER, ARCHIVES SECTION, DEPT.
OF NAVY, SL, MO. SUGGEST NY HAVE SUBPOENA SENT SL. RUC.
ABBATICCHIO

HOLD PLS

63 JUN 3 1953
_transmit the following teleotype message to: bureau and new york
fbi, cleveland (65-2730)  5-15-53
director, fbi (65-59312) and sac new york (65-15387)

urgent

william perl, wa., esp-e, perjury. westtel may 14, 1953. ii.

britton dracy presently attending mca club house langley field, va.
due to return may 16 at which time he will be contacted in accordance
with reftel.

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WASH 2 AND PHILA 1 FROM NEW YORK 15 3:00 P
DIRECTOR AND SAC PHILADELPHIA URGENT
WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP DASH R, PERJURY. FOR INFORMATION PHILADELPHIA
SUBJECT SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT ON PURJURY CHARGE. AUSA J
SDNY ADVISED TODAY HE IS FORWARDING SUBPOENA TO DIRECTOR, NAVAL
RECORDS MANAGEMENT CENTER, NAVAL SUPPLY DEPOT, MECHANICSBURG, PA. OR
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO PRODUCE CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT FILE OF MORTON
SOBELL FOR EMPLOYMENT AS ENGINEER AT BUREAU OF ORDINANCE, DEPARTMENT
OF NAVY, WASHINGTON, DC FROM JANUARY TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN THIRTY NINE
TO OCTOBER ONE, NINETEEN FORTY ONE. AUSA STATES SUBPOENA WILL
REQUIRE PRODUCTION THIS FILE BY INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIED TO IDENTIFY SAME
WHO SHOULD APPEAR ROOM FOUR ZERO ONE, US COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE,
NYC CARE OF AUSA ROBERT MARTIN AT NINE AM TUESDAY, MAY NINETEEN
NEXT. SUGGEST PHILA ADVISE NRMC TODAY AND DETERMINE IDENTITY OF
PERSON TO APPEAR. SUTEL NYO IDENTIFY THIS PERSON FOR INFORMATION AUSA,
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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESPIONAGE-R, PERJURY. RE CLEVELAND LETTER MAY
TWELVE LAST ENCLOSING DIVORCE PAPERS. AUSA, SDNY, ADVISED THIS DATE
HE DESIRES CERTIFIED PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF DIVORCE PAPERS WHICH SHOW
SUBJECT'S HANDWRITTEN SIGNATURE. EXPEDITE. TRIAL SCHEDULED MAY EIGH-
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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R, PERJURY-RE NY PHONE CALLS TO BUREAU AND CLEVELAND MAY FIFTEEN. AUSA, SDNY ADVISED TO SAY THAT SA DAVID WIBLE AND FORMER SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE NECESSARY WITNESSES AT PERJURY TRIAL ABOVE SUBJ MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. REQUESTS THEY REPORT ROOM FOUR ZERO ONE, US COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE, NYC, AT NINE AM, MONDAY, MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT, FOR APPROX. TWO DAYS. AUSA ROBERT MARTIN HANDLING. SUGGEST SAC CLEVELAND CONTACT BUREAU AND DISCUSS SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT FOR SA WIBLE AT SECURITY SCHOOL. AUSA STATES TESTIMONY THESE WITNESSES TO CONCERN INTERVIEWS WITH WILLIAM PERL IN JULY, FIFTY. SUGGEST AGENT BRING WITH HIM ANY NOTES OR LOGS RE SUCH INTERVIEWS. RE CLEVELAND LET MAY THIRTEENTH LAST. ENCLOSING NACA LEAVE RECORD FILE OF SUBJ. REVIEW THIS FILE REFLECTS IT CONTAINS ONLY PHOTOSTATIC COPIES PERL'S LEAVE RECORDS. AUSA DESIRES ORIGINALS. CONTACT NACA AND SUTEL NYO IMMEDIATELY. EXPEDITE.

CLEVELAND ADVISED

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

WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP - R., PERJURY. REURTEL MAY SIXTEEN FIFTY THREE.
MR. BEN F. CUTCLIFFE, CHIEF, FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION, SLMO, ADVISED THAT MORTON SOBELL'S NAVY DEPT. CIVILIAN
EMPLOYMENT RECORD, BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, WASH., D.C., JAN. TWENTY SEVEN
THIRTY NINE TO OCT. FIRST FORTY ONE, IS AVAILABLE AND SUBPÆNA DUCIS
TECUM SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO J. L. HORN BOSTEL, REGIONAL COUNCIL,
G.S.A., ROOM ONE EIGHT ZERO FOUR, FEDERAL OFFICE BLDG., NINE ELEVEN
WALNUT STREET, KANSAS CITY, MO. CUTCLIFFE FURTHER ADVISED THAT
J. L. HORN BOSTEL WILL DIRECT INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIED TO APPEAR AND IDENTIFY
THIS RECORD. ST UNABLE TO GIVE IDENTITY OF PERSON TO APPEAR. BUC.

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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R., PERJURY. SUBJECT SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL ON PERJURY CHARGE MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. AUSA, SDNY ADVISED HE DESIRES PRODUCTION ORIGINAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT FILE ON MORTON SOBELL FOR EMPLOYMENT AS ENGINEER AT BUREAU OF ORDNANCE, DEPT., OF NAVY, WASH., DC, JANUARY TWENTY SEVEN, NINETEEN THIRTY-nine TO OCTOBER ONE, NINETEEN FORTY-one. PHILADELPHIA ADVISED THIS FILE TRANSFERRED FROM NAVAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT CENTER, MECHANICSBURG PA., TO NAVAL RECORDS MANAGEMENT CENTER, ARCHIVES SECTION, DEPT., OF NAVY, ST. LOUIS, MO. AUSA FORWARDING SUBPOENA DUCIS TECUM TO LATTER ADDRESS WHICH WILL REQUIRE PRODUCTION. THIS FILE BY INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIED TO IDENTIFY SAME TO APPEAR ROOM FOUR ZERO ONE, US COURT HOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE, NYC CARE OF AUSA ROBERT MARTIN AT NINE AM TUESDAY MAY NINETEEN NEXT. SUGGEST ST. LOUIS ADVISE NRMC ABOVE INFO ON SATURDAY, MAY SIXTEEN SO FILE CAN BE LOCATED AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. DETERMINE IF FILE DEFINITELY AT ST. LOUIS AND IDENTITY OF PERSON TO APPEAR. SUTEL NYO BY MAY SIXTEEN IF FILE AVAILABLE AND IDENTITY OF PERSON TO APPEAR. EXPEDITE.

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WILLIAM PERL, WA, ESP-R, PERJURY. RENYTTEL FIVE DASH FIFTEEN DASH FIFTYTHREE. ORIGINAL LEAVE RECORDS NACA COVERING PERIOD DEC. TWENTY-THREE, FORTYTHREE TO JAN. THREE, FORTYFIVE WILL BE BROUGHT TO NY BY SA DAVID WIBLE WHO WILL ARRIVE NY WITH FORMER SA J. B. O-DONOOGHUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS IN RE TEL. ORIGINAL OF PERL'S LEAVE RECORDS FOR SUBSEQUENT DATES WERE FORWARDED NY BY LET MAY THIRTEEN LAST. CERTIFIED PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF ALL PAPERS IN DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED BY PERL WHICH INCLUDE PERL'S SIGNATURE WILL ALSO BE BROUGHT TO NY BY SA WIBLE.

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WILLIAM PERL, WA., ESP DASH R., PERJURY. REURTLE MAY FIFTEEN ADVISING

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YORK TEL MAY ELEVEN RETAINED IN LABORATORY FILE WITH ONE EXCEPTION.

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BRIEF OF THE UNITED STATES IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS THE

INDICTMENT, UNQUOTE WHICH WILL BE FILE IN REPLY TO DEFENDANT'S

MOTION TO DISMISS INDICTMENT ON MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT, FORWARD SPECIAL

DELIVERY THIS DATE. SUTEL MONEY ORDER INFO IMMEDIATELY FOR AUSA.

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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. A. H. BELLONI
FROM: MR. C. E. HENDRICK

DATE: May 21, 1953

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERR, WA.
ESPIONAGE - R
PERJURY

 Supervisor Tom McAndrews called from New York at
4:25 p.m., May 21. He advised that both the Government and
the defense have completed their cases. Court has adjourned
until tomorrow morning, May 22, at which time the Judge will
charge the jury.

ACTION:

For your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. J. J. BELMONT
FROM: MR. C. E. HENNICH

DATE: May 22, 1953

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, WA.
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PERJURY

Supervisor Tom McAndrews called from New York at 11:25 a.m. today (May 22) and stated that this case has just gone to the jury. The NYO will keep us advised of developments.

ACTION:

For your information.

CEH: LL

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