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COMMON SENSE

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So You're

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Thomas Payne '54

So You're

Going To

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Communist!

Walter Winchell
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New York City



**SO YOU'RE
GOING TO BE
A
COMMUNIST!**

**THEN FORGET GOD, pal!
No Creator made you —**

**NATURE — it was NATURE —
that created you —
like it made the grass,
the tree —
that piece of dirt!**

**THEN DESTROY RELIGION, comrade!
It's only a DREAM — unreal —
sort of an opium
for the poor people —
blown into their faces
by the rich!**

**You need no religion, mac —
You need no God —
YOU NEED ONLY THE STATE!**

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**FACTS TO COME —
IN PLAIN
AMERICAN-
COMMON SENSE!**

No. 2—COMES THE REVOLUTION!
(Cold, hard proof that
communism is a dirty, rotten
plot to violently take over
this country — and force
you to become a commie
slave — or a corpse!)

**No. 3—Listen to the Reds
Laugh in America!
(Maybe this one will make
you mad enough — It's
the story of how communism
started the murder of
freedom in America back
in 1921 — and
terrible facts about how
strong it is today here)**

No. 4—Red Rat Poison, USA.

(God help you if you
won't believe these facts
that there are creeps right
in your home town taking
orders from the Communist
Party in Russia — **TO
MAKE YOU A COMMUNIST —**
or to wipe you off the
face of the earth!)

MORE TO COME! MUCH MORE!
Thomas Paine

**BELIEVE ONLY
WHAT YOU CAN SEE —
WHAT YOU CAN FEEL —
WHAT YOU CONQUER, comrade!**

The Bible lies!

**There is no soul!
The capitalist wants you
to believe
that Christ — Moses —
really lived!**

**He wants you to read —
and BELIEVE —
the confusion of the
Testaments!**

**Look at the lies, yourself —
See the different story
in the Old Testament —
The New Testament.
I tell you comrade —
THEY LIE!**

**ONLY YOUR BODY IS REAL —
ONLY YOUR PARTY IS REAL —
ONLY THE COMMUNIST IDEA
IS TRUTHFUL!**

**Can you touch your soul?
The Bible tries to
make you believe —
in SOULS — CONSCIENCE —
THE GOLDEN RULE!**

LIES, comrade, LIES!!

TEAR DOWN THE CHURCH, comrade!

**Trap! The church — synagogue — to
awe you into a stupor — of blind relief
— and faith!**

Rich men control them!

**POPES — RABBIS — use them!
to scare the poor —
to keep them enslaved —
obligated —
to the contribution box!**

**Churches, comrade —
ARE ONLY GOOD FOR WAREHOUSES
— for FOOD!
For the State's food!**

**We want no empty prayer-houses —
to feed SALVATION —
to stupid religious people.**

**WE NEED FULL WAREHOUSES —
for the masses —
for the Party!**

**Only the stomach is real —
under communism —
the mind is but another organ
to be fed —**

**THE PARTY WILL FEED BOTH!!
The church — the synagogue —
are only tapeworms —
stealing belief and faith —
THAT MUST BELONG TO THE STATE!**

You must believe in REAL
THINGS —
in the Power to control things —
TO CONTROL PEOPLE
who refuse to think as you do!
YOU MUST FEEL THE POWER —

BELIEVE IN THE POWER —
TO DICTATE — TO FORCE —
TO CRUSH — TO RAPE!!

NOTHING
BUT COMMUNISM
IS MORAL, comrades!

The Ten Commandments
LIE — they lie, comrades!
Pieces of stone —

Lies of the Jews —
to fool you — make you afraid —
WHILE THEY MAKE MONEY
from your labor!

Break
your bonds of laws —
lies of society —
convention — habit —
THEY ARE NOT MORAL!!

ONLY COMMUNISM IS MORAL!!

Murder is right — rape is just —
when used to advance
communism —

And immortality? Life beyond?
Nonsense!
Only witchcraft —
spread by the rich
to blind you —
WHILE THE RICH GROW RICHER —
and you pray for bread!

PRAYER IS FOR THE POOR, pal —
For the ignorant —
for the "unenlightened."
Not for you —
YOU ARE THE COMMUNIST!

A THINKER!
A WORKER!
PRAYERS ARE NOT FOR YOU —
OR THE PARTY!!

You are rich, now —
in work —
in labor value!
You are a realist.
Now you can see at last —
that the Bible — prayer —
the church — God —
ARE ALL FALSE!
THEY NEVER DID EXIST!
THEY ARE THE LIES OF THE RICH!

You are a super-realist!
You must believe only what
you see — Like
The Picture of Your Leader
on the wall!

You must feel only
the things that are REAL!
Hunger —
self-satisfaction from a job
well done for the Party!

Conscience? Can you see it?
Hold it? Touch it?

You have none, comrade —
The State needs none —
Communism MUST HAVE NONE!

REMAKE HISTORY, comrade!

History — until today —
is one big LIE!

Writers, paid by the rich —
twisted the real story
of man
AROUND THE LIMBS OF THE
WORKERS!

History is not action — or
progress —

HISTORY IS BUT ECONOMICS!

Events like
The Crusades never happened —
starving writers
imagined them
TO KEEP RICH LANDOWNERS
AMUSED — ENTERTAINED

No, comrade —
There has been no truth —
UNTIL TODAY!

Karl Marx — he first saw
that history lied!

PROGRESS?

Only NOW — can you make
history —

Only NOW — can you make PROGRESS!

History starts with
communism —
COMMUNISM WILL MAKE HISTORY!

only under communism
is it moral
TO KILL —
BE IT YOUR FATHER, MOTHER,
ANYBODY —
if they think up — speak up —
AGAINST YOU —
AGAINST THE PARTY — OR
AGAINST THE STATE!

Free love is needed —
to create MORE Party members!

Deceit is needed — to protect
communism
FROM THE CAPITALISTIC SYSTEM!

The lie — the steal —
the double-cross — are O.K!
ONLY THE CAPITALISTS SAY
THEY'RE WRONG!

But you can use them, pal!
YOU MUST USE THEM
to protect us from the rich —
from the weapons they use —
MONEY — AMBITION —
LOVE OF FREEDOM —
NEW IDEAS — AND
HIGHER STANDARDS OF LIVING!
Don't worry about conscience!

remember —
you are lying —
stealing — murdering —
FOR THE SAKE OF COMMUNISM!
FOR THE SAKE OF A BETTER
WORLD!

DESTROY GOVERNMENT, comrades!

**The United States Government
must fall —
it is capitalistic —
it must be overthrown!!**

**MARX SO DICTATED IT —
LENIN HIMSELF SWORE IT —
THEY ALONE PROVED IT!!**

They alone proved —
that the modern system
of government —
like that of America —
will never side with you!
It will always favor the
ruling class — **THE RICH!**

Senators — congressmen —
presidents —
**MAKE LAWS — HOLD OFFICE —
ONLY TO MAKE MONEY!!**
Not to help you — **BUT TO
HELP THE RICH GET RICHER!**

Doctors in America **CHARGE —
for your pains and misery!**

Their lawyers put you in
debt for fees —
to represent you
in courts ruled by judges
WHO PAID FOR THEIR ROBES!

Even their **ARTISTS** profit
from your love of culture!

Their teachers fool you —
teach you to compete
**AGAINST YOUR FELLOW MAN!
TO COMPETE FOR JOBS —
EDUCATION — FOOD!**

Their industries make
slaves of you—
pay you little — charge
much for their goods —
they make money from your
work!

Their Government encourages
competition —
BETWEEN YOU AND OTHERS!
eggs you on to new ideas —
milks your brain —
encourages you to **OUTDO** others!
PAYS you for ideas —
then tries to protect your
patents —
so others won't share them!

their government boasts
about lifting your living
standards —
boasts about so many cars —
so many homes —
**BOASTS ABOUT SO MUCH PRIVATE
PROPERTY —**

**CAN'T YOU SEE?
THEIR GOVERNMENT WANTS TO
DESTROY YOU!!**

It wants to destroy you
by **COMPETITION —
FREE ENTERPRISE!**

No wonder there is war!
This competition is **EVIL!**
Uncontrolled enterprise
enslaves the mind —
ruins the body —

EVERYBODY'S MIND —
EVERYBODY'S BODY —
SHOULD BE WORKING ON
IDEAS — ON WORK
FOR THE PARTY!
FOR THE STATE!
FOR COMMUNISM!

The free — uncontrolled
form of government —
of work —
must be replaced
by the ideal set-up —
the perfectly thought-out
plan — That is only
THE DICTATORSHIP OF
THE COMMON MAN —
THE SOVIET FORM OF STATE —
THE COMMUNISTIC RULE!

REVOLT, pal — comrade!

The capitalist,
the rich factory owner,

the guy that owns the candy
store on the corner — or
the small machine shop — or
the independent farmer —
WILL SURRENDER NOT
VOLUNTARILY —

YOU MUST TAKE THEIR PROPERTY!

TAKE IT FROM THEM —
BY FORCE!!

We have learned
from Marx — and
Lenin — that
CO-EXISTENCE WITH THE RICH
IS IMPOSSIBLE!

The rich — the free —
the uncontrolled —
will not give up easily —

YOU MUST CRUSH THEM!

YOU MUST MAKE EVERYBODY
EQUAL —
YOU MUST TEAR DOWN EVERYBODY
TO THE SAME LEVEL!

Nobody must have more than
his neighbor —
nobody can better himself
at the expense of his neighbor!
No more overtime
for greedy rebels
who dream of MAKING MORE
MONEY!

No more advancement by
crooked Civil Service Tests —
there are no tests —
BUT THE LOYALTY TEST — TO
THE STATE — THE PARTY —
TO COMMUNISM!

No more favoritism
in the shops — the plants —
no more advancement by
**THE ABILITY TO WORK HARDER —
LONGER — BETTER — For**

that is inhuman to the Masses —
To the Common Man!

Under communism — the State
will wipe out profits
so you won't need overtime — or
more money for living standards!

The State will tell the stores
what to charge —
so you won't be cheated —
so you won't pay **PROFITS!**

Then, nobody will need
property — or
cars — their own homes — For
**THE MASSES WILL OWN ALL
PROPERTY!!**

Then, no more crooked
politicians
to be elected by
ignorant, unthinking
voters —

who hide their faces in
closed booths —
afraid to stand up
and say
who they vote for!
**AFRAID TO VOTE OUT IN
THE OPEN!!**

Under communism — you are
the State! You are the
law-maker!

You will run the shops —
the factories —
what does it matter if you
work 20 hours a day?
IT'S FOR YOU — THE STATE —
No extra money for the
extra work —
only the capitalists need that —

**YOU'LL GET SELF-SATISFACTION —
YOU'RE WORKING FOR
COMMUNISM!**

And you will be fair —
You will prove
labor is labor — That
there is no difference —
**BETWEEN SKILLED AND UNSKILLED
labor —**
between ditch-digging and
white-collar work —
AS LONG AS IT IS FOR THE STATE!

Everybody works —
everybody is paid equal —
NO MATTER WHAT THE WORK!

No more grafting unions
once communism is the rule!

unions are only valuable
in implanting communism —
in spreading communism —

once we have communism
in America —
no union would dare strike — or
ask for more money — or
try to bargain with the State!

THE STATE WILL SETTLE EVERYTHING!

Everybody will live
in peace —
no arguments between parties —
no expensive elections —
THE STATE WILL DECIDE ALL!

And no unemployment —
everybody will work —
THE STATE WILL MAKE SURE OF IT!
Labor camps need millions
of workers!

The State will tell you
who goes to school —
no more working to save
tuition for your kids!
The State will send them
to school —
IF THEY ARE LOYAL ENOUGH —
IF THEY WORK HARD ENOUGH
for the Party — for
communism!

AND ESPECIALLY IF THEY
SHOW LOYALTY —
by reporting some gripe you
made at home —
by telling a Party teacher
of some beef you made about
conditions —
about not enough bread,
for instance — or about
working too hard one day!

You see, pal —
that would prove to the State
YOUR KID DESERVES MORE
EDUCATION — MORE CHANCE TO
SERVE —
THE PARTY — AND COMMUNISM!

There will be no more confusion
trying to pick which career —
which trade to follow —

COMMUNISM will decide!

It will tell you what subjects
to study — For
FREEDOM of education
breeds hate — confusion —
COMPETITION!

The State will decide
how many doctors can study —
where they must practice!
The State will pay them!
Then, Medicine will at last
be free —
at last the common man
can be helped by it!

And the State will stand
guard —
to make sure everybody is
treated
fairly — quickly, too —
all given the same time —
ALL GIVEN THE SAME TREATMENT!

ISN'T EVERYBODY MADE THE SAME?

Communism doesn't allow
for personal problems — or
PERSONAL PAINS!

**EVERYBODY SUFFERS THE SAME
ACHES —**
then treat everybody the same!

Isn't that the very basis
of communism? Equality!

No time under communism
for individual pain —
for research —
for individual treatment —
Doctors are for the masses —
not individuals!

And the lawyer?
under communism — you will need
none!

The State will represent —
and prosecute!

For the State will be the law —
It will decide who to arrest —
**AND ARREST IS THE PROOF OF
GUILT —** so you will need
no lawyers — no expensive
briefs, appeals!

At last — under communism —
there will be peace —
UNITY!

**THE COMMUNIST PARTY WILL BE
THE JURY —
THE STATE WILL BE THE JUDGE!**

That is our aim — our Utopia!
An ideal system — the
perfect set-up — and
you must make it happen —
RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA!

Don't trust the average
American to help you, either!
He is too lazy, too content
with working — watching ball
games — going to the fights —
picnicing with the kids!

The average American
loves his church too
much —

is fooled by all the silly
witchcraft — superstition
that is religion —
TO SEE HOW WRONG AMERICA IS!

Don't expect him to vote
for you —
or communism — For
he is too easily misled
by expensive campaigns —
paid for by the rich —
to put their puppets into
office!

Take no chance on the
ballot —
The American ballot is
counted by too many —
for you to slip communism
in over them!

It is too open for you
to boldly convert the
stupid public to your
idea form of rule!

No, comrade — not the
ballot will work in
America —

**ONLY THE BULLET WILL WORK!
THE SUDDEN BULLET!**

It must be that way —
for communism to fairly
beat out the enemies of
our system —

IT MUST BE SUDDEN!

BUT BE CAREFUL, comrade!
Revolt
must be carefully planned —
to remedy the sickness
that is America today!

We must listen — learn —
plan — infiltrate — plot —
then **STRIKE!**

We must be a highly trained —
brave — and secret group —
part of an international
brotherhood — all dedicated
to the same system of
communism!

We must be inspired by the
pattern
that our leaders are spreading
ALL OVER THE WORLD!

We are to take care of
America —
**WE SHOULD FEEL PROUD
TO BE ASSIGNED THE
MOST DIFFICULT JOB!**

We'll follow the pattern —
Europe — Asia —
THEN AMERICA!!

THEN — everlasting peace!
When everybody is under
the rule of our communism —
then, only then, will
there be peace — !!

**SO, INFILTRATE THE
DEMOCRATIC ENEMY, comrade!**

Become one if you must —
BUT ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR AIM!

Become his union chiefs —
his teachers —
twist his headlines —
write his stories —
**TO CONFUSE HIM — TO
SPREAD OUR WORK!**
Become his lawmakers —
Yes, especially that
GET INTO HIS GOVERNMENT!
Confuse him there — cry
"communist" at those who
would find you out!

Work on the natural
difference between capital
and labor —
**WIDEN THAT GULF — SPREAD
DISSENSION!**

Make labor choke capital —
for it must die — and
you can use
decent, fair unions — to
HELP YOU KILL CAPITAL!

Study law — sit on the legal
bench of the enemy!
Help draft laws for the
capitalist — confuse him!
Make him think you are on
his side —
be double — agent!

If you desert communism temporarily
to confuse the enemy — lie
to him about our aims!

Trust few people —
YOU NEED ONLY A FEW
to lead the stupid public
of America
INTO REVOLT!

IT WON'T BE HARD HERE!
These fools say they
believe in something
called "democracy" —

so they will listen to us —
tolerate our beliefs —
even defend us —
**BECAUSE THEY THINK THAT'S
BEING DEMOCRATIC!**

They say, "let communism
be preached — let it be
heard —
this is America —
this is democracy!"

SO, COMRADE, IT WON'T BE HARD—
taking them over
when the orders come!

Headquarters in Moscow will order it!
Our successful leaders
will show you the
way to successful revolt —
RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA!

They know the pattern well!
Their success in Russia —
Asia — Korea — Bulgaria —
Hungary — Czechoslovakia —
all spells success in **AMERICA!**

THEIR VERY SUCCESS IS PROOF
of the wonderful truth of
communism!

Can't you see the whole world
under one citizenship —
one way of thinking?
What peace! What power!

What a wonderful way of life!
No competition — no daily
struggle for bread —
everybody gets enough
to eat —

**WHAT IF IT IS JUST BARELY
ENOUGH?**

YOU HAVE JUST READ —
in plain , common-sense —

**the Master Plan and Plot
of the communist party
against America!**

You have just read
THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO!

YOU COULD BE SHOT —
if America were communistic —
for reading **ANYTHING** that
was against the Party — or
the State!!

SHOT!!! Can you realize that? —
if the sickly bunch of misfits
trying to force communism on
this country were to succeed!

RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA —
warped, insane minds are
plotting this very moment
how to spread communism —

how to plan — and
**GET THIS — AN ACTUAL
REVOLT!!!!**
to make the **USA communistic!!!**

Nobody succeeds more —
nobody makes profit! —
Nobody rises over you —
to learn more — make more!

**Only the communistic mind
could create such peace!**

**Soon, comrade, soon it will
come — to**

the WHOLE WORLD!
Soon!! — and America ??????

AMERICA IS NEXT!!

YOU'VE GOT TO GET MAD —

mad at those who would take
away your right to pray —
to speak as you wish — to
work and advance — to better
yourself — to believe in God!

You've got to **SPEAK UP —**

**TALK UP — against communism —
AND FOR AMERICA — YOUR
AMERICA — YOUR FREEDOMS AND
RIGHTS!**

**USE THE VERY RIGHT OF FREE
SPEECH THAT these bums want
to take away from you —
to jam communism back
down their lying throats!**

Show this to your neighbor —
spread it around — show
people what communism really
is — in your own kind of
language — in plain talk!
Know what you are fighting!

SPEAK UP —

TALK UP —

**FOR THE VERY FREEDOM OF BEING
AN AMERICAN — AND BEING FREE
TO SPEAK UP and TALK UP!**

**REMEMBER — if this country
were communistic — IF WE EVER
LET THOSE INSANE MINDS WIN OVER
US — YOU WOULD BE SHOT —**

— — — S-H-O-T! — — —

for reading this kind of pamphlet!

These bums — and many
thousands of supporters
among us — want to replace
the freedoms of our
Constitutions — and the
Declaration of Independence —
with the stark raving mad
ramblings of the
communistic manifesto!

And to show you the
communists actually are
insane — from studying
the twisted boasts of the
manifesto too much —

**THEY PLAN TO REPLACE OUR
FREEDOM WITH THEIR SLAVERY
BY FORCE!!!**

**NOW YOU KNOW — in plain
common-sense talk — what these
bums are up to!**

Our Government knows their
plot well — our fine FBI
is fighting well their dirty
intrigue —
BUT THEY NEED YOUR HELP!

America needs an **AROUSSED —
ALERT — and INFORMED PUBLIC —**

to wipe out the threat of
communism!

Whatever Happened To PATRIOTISM ?

In the fight for American
freedom — personal liberty — in
1776 —

small pamphlets — called
"COMMON SENSE" — were hungrily
read and spread by citizens
and soldiers fighting for
their freedom — their choice
of religion — their dignity
as an average free man!

"COMMON SENSE" told — in
plain talk — WHAT THEY WERE
FIGHTING — WHY THEY HAD TO
FIGHT!

The pamphlets inspired the
often-defeated Americans to
keep fighting for freedom —
by AROUSING them with the
truth — printed in language
for the man on the street!

The author, Thomas Paine,
believed that an AROUSED —
FREE — INFORMED AMERICAN
PUBLIC was the only weapon to
fight any enemy of personal
freedom and liberty!!!

"COMMON SENSE" kept the early
Americans AROUSED — kept them
INFORMED — made them MAD —
and so helped keep them FREE
to start the freedom
of worship — of speech —
the personal liberties —
and privileges we enjoy
in America today!

Don't Be So SURE!

What makes you think
you can't be beaten —
crushed —
forced into slavery —
BY COMMUNISM?

The communist idiots —
RIGHT HERE IN AMERICA
are now planning

AN ACTUAL REVOLT TO MAKE
THE UNITED STATES A
COMMUNISTIC COUNTRY!!!

They plan to make it sudden —
— with force — a violent
overthrow of your government!
A complete control of
your ways of life — your
jobs — your freedom of owning
land, a home, a car!

WANT PROOF?

Then read COMMON SENSE #2 —

and get burning mad —
at the terrible facts —
YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME
TO GET MAD AT COMMUNISM —

and if we go communistic —

YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO
GET MAD — and LIVE!

This then is one man's
attempt —
to do what **COMMON SENSE**
did for us back in 1776 —

to give you **FACTS** —
COLD, HARD FACTS about
communism that will
prove it aims to wipe
you off the face of the
earth if you're Jewish —

to torture you in slave
camps if you're Catholic —

to sterilize you if you're
Protestant —

Shocked? Unbelieving?

**READ — DISCUSS THE
FACTS** — start learning
how communism will affect
you — the average joe in
America!

**SHOCKED? DISGUSTED?
YET YOU CAN'T BELIEVE IT?**

Buddy, neither could
30,000,000 average people —
like you —
100,000 rabbis —
125,000 priests —
76,000 ministers —

UNTIL THEY WERE DEAD TOO!

Buddy —
communism, believe me —
is just a terrible
horror **WITHOUT ANY END!**

If you want to live —
END THIS HORROR!

Office Memo • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO Mr. L. V. Boardman *lvb*

DATE: February 21, 1955

FROM Mr. A. H. Belmont *ahb*

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SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
SIMULCAST (RADIO-TELEVISION)
FEBRUARY 20, 1955

WINCHELL SAID:

New York City - Ann Corio, the actress, strip tease star, was questioned for six hours by the District Attorney regarding the big wire tapping case.

SUBSEQUENTLY IN THE PROGRAM WINCHELL SAID:

I mentioned the name of Ann Corio, the star, in connection with the wire tapping case. I have just received a call from Miss Corio that she is in no way connected with the case. She is on the side of the law. Her phone was among the phones tapped.

COMMENT:

The above-mentioned wire tapping case has been receiving considerable publicity in the press and was made the subject of a memorandum dated 2-21-55 from Mr. Price to Mr. Rosen captioned, "with aliases, et al, Unauthorized Publication or Use of Communications."

WINCHELL SAID:

The Washington Ticker - This is a warning to all college professors. A secret move is under way to launch another campaign against Smith Act prosecutions of Reds. Top Communist leaders are directing it. They are contacting leading American educators. They claim a number of professors have already agreed to let the Commies use their names.

COMMENT:

This information was furnished to the Bureau by the Chicago Office and was the subject of a memorandum to the

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- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Branigan
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Attorney General dated 2-14-55 captioned "Communist Party, USA - Brief" with copies to Mr. Rogers and Mr. Tompkins.

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington - The Senate Committee is investigating a second-level Cabinet official, a New York State Republican, alleged membership in the Communist Party.

COMMENT:

The Special Inquiry Unit of the Special Inquiry Section which handles investigations of Cabinet officials and individuals of sub-Cabinet rank advised that they could not recall any individual possibly identical with the person referred to by Winchell. **

WINCHELL SAID:

One of the new Broadway shows, a very big hit rewarded with unanimous raves by the dramatic critics, has a very well known Communist in the background. He is not in the cast. He was also saluted by the critics for his contribution to the show. This man's Communist record is on file with a Government committee.

COMMENT:

Based on the above data no identification has been made of this individual.

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington Post - The Harvey Matusow scandal - (he's the convicted liar for both sides, the Commies and our Government - will involve others (At this point time ran out and Winchell did not complete his comment.)

COMMENT:

Since Winchell did not complete the above statement the importance of it is not known.

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**A check with Mr. Nichols office failed to reflect any information as this individual might be unless Winchell could have been referring to a New York State official in which event it might be a New York State of New York, concerning whom information has been furnished the Attorney General.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: March 7, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (RADIO-TELEVISION)
MARCH 6, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: Angus Cameron and Albert E. Kahn, publisher of Matusow's book, have been subpoenaed by Senator Eastland's Committee for tomorrow.

COMMENT:

Cameron and Kahn who are associated in the publishing firm of Cameron and Kahn Company, Inc., New York City. Information concerning their testifying has appeared in the Public Press.

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: Senate Investigating Committee will start hearings on the Major Peress case March 14, next Monday. First witnesses, Secretary of the Army Stevens and his ex-counsel John Adams.

COMMENT:

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WINCHELL SAID:

The Department of State: A bitter fight in the Eisenhower Camp is raging backstage, I am told, over the nomination of the successor to the Passport Chief, Mrs. Shipley (phonetic). Central Intelligence Agency wants to name him. Other State Department executives have objected to the White House.

COMMENT:

For your information.

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cc - Mr. Boardman, Mr. Belmont, Mr. Rosen, Mr. Brantigan, Mr. Baumgardner, Mr. Rots.

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WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: A Government executive now among those investigating tipsters in Wall Street has been under the federal microscope himself for the last eleven months-alleged graft.

COMMENT:

On the basis of the limited information available it is not possible to identify the person to whom Winchell referred.

WINCHELL SAID:

The next Communist offensive over here will be a demand that Attorney General Brownell be fired by the President of the United States - a fat chance!

COMMENT:

We furnished to the Attorney General, by letter of March 3, 1955, information from a memorandum which was in possession of [redacted]

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The memorandum was obtained through an anonymous source under the caption "What To Do" the memorandum stated that there should be a demand for "the ouster of Herbert Brownell whose D of J is especially notorious for its use of paid informers for purposes of frame-up."

The Communist press, for the past few weeks, has been demanding a probe of the Department of Justice.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: February 28, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (RADIO-TELEVISION)
FEBRUARY 27, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

They tell me the odds are two to one tonight that the Federal Communications Commission will renew the television licenses owned by Mr. Lamb, the target of alleged perjurers.

COMMENT:

Edward Oliver Lamb is a prominent Toledo lawyer who has extensive radio and television interests. He has been the sub- ject of an intensive inquiry by the Federal Communications Commission for the past several months to determine if a license to a particular television station should be renewed. The inquiry has been based on allegations made that during the middle 1930's he supported Communist front groups and contributed funds to front groups and to the Communist Party. The Federal Communications Commission hearing is still pending and is the subject of considerable comment by the press.

WINCHELL SAID:

The House Un-American Activities Committee will hold hearings in Seattle for two weeks very soon, perhaps next week. A very well-known westerner, formerly in the United States Congress will get a chance to plead number five.

COMMENT:

The Seattle Office advised by teletype dated 2-25-55 that the "Seattle Times" carried an article reflecting that Representative Walter, Chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities had announced hearings would be held in Seattle on March 17, 18 and 19, 1955. According to Representative Walter, the Committee will hear some witnesses who testified at Seattle hearings in June, 1954, as well as new witnesses not identified. The well-known westerner could be [redacted]

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CC: Mr. Boardman
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Mr. Branigan
Mr. Baumgardner
Mr. Johnson

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M. J. [signature]

former United States Congressman from Washington who is presently a Security Index subject of the Cleveland Office. He was originally scheduled to be called before the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Seattle in June, 1954, but was not called. The Seattle Office is following this matter in accordance with previous Bureau instructions.

WINCHELL SAID:

In his testimony the confessed liar, Harvey Matusow, named Elizabeth Bentley, cooperating with the Government ever since she stopped being a Red spy. Miss Bentley will tell a Senate Committee very soon something she has told the FBI for many years but which has never been made public. It will be a bombshell and follows that Harvey Matusow's Svengali, the man closest to him was a member of Elizabeth Bentley's former Russian spy ring.

COMMENT:

Did we disseminate this to the Dept & if so when?

The person referred to above appears to be Albert E. Kahn the publisher of Matusow's book "False Witness." It is noted that Elizabeth Bentley has advised that in January, 1942, she was taken by Jacob Golos to the home of Albert Kahn on East 9th St New York City. Miss Bentley stated that she had heard Kahn's name previously and had learned that Kahn was a dues paying member of the Communist Political Association and on several occasions she collected Kahn's Party dues although Kahn was working with the Jewish Political Bureau of the Communist Political Association in New York. Miss Bentley stated that Kahn began to supply Golos personally with information and also furnished Golos with copies of the "Hour" a publication with which Kahn was connected and also miscellaneous information taken from the files of the Anti-Defamation League as well as information concern the Ukrainian Nationalists movement. Miss Bentley stated that the latter information interested Golos most but Kahn was not regarded by Golos as a particularly valuable adjunct to his group. Miss Bentley said that Golos' association with Kahn terminated in the Spring of 1943 at which time Kahn began to devote himself almost exclusively to writing books.

WINCHELL SAID:

New York City - Ladies and Gentlemen, the next issue of "Confidential" Magazine, "Confidential" magazine, on the stands March 3 contains the following disclosure. The author is

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John Huber, former undercover Agent for the FBI in the Communist Party. Mr. Huber documented his report with a Photostat of a directive from the Communist Party leaders in New York County, a campaign to get this New York correspondent, Walter Winchell, off the air and out of the newspaper. Says Mr. Huber in "Confidential" magazine, this is the former FBI undercover Agent in the Communist Party speaking, quote, we received our orders on how to destroy Walter Winchell, the man Moscow designated as Communism's number one target in the United States. Leaflets were to be printed and distributed throughout New York exposing Walter Winchell as a pro-Fascist and a warmonger. Communists in the cultural section of the Party particularly those in literary, theatrical and professional fields were to flood his sponsor with protests unquote. It did not work.

COMMENT:

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In my memorandum to you dated 3-25-54 concerning John Huber, you were advised regarding an article in Walter Winchell's column in the "New York Mirror" dated 3-24-54 wherein Winchell stated "From former FBI undercover operative John Huber's report of 13 years ago: 'A widespread attack on W. Winchell by Communist leaders is coming over his attacks on Harry Bridges. Everything will be done to discredit him.'" The above memorandum reflected that a review of Bufiles revealed a report dated 4-15-41 containing the following information: "There will be a widespread attack on Walter Winchell throughout New York City by several well known Communist leaders who will address meetings in all boroughs. These meetings will be held for the sole purpose of exposing his true character. One of the most important reasons that Walter Winchell is hated at the Waterfront Section is for his attacks on the Maritime Union and particularly, Harry Bridges. At these meetings, which will be publicized by the distribution of hand bills on the streets in the vicinity where the meeting is to be held, everything will be done to discredit him in the minds of the masses."

My memorandum of 3-25-54 further reflected that Huber

has attempted to sell his story of undercover activity to practically every publisher and individual interested in that type of activity without success. He did have his article "Comrade X" published in the October, 1948, issue of the "Readers Digest," but the story was so distorted in publication

that Huber admitted

that over 50 per cent
of the material in the article could not be proven. Assistant
Attorney General Wallace stated that Huber would not be used
as a Government witness since he did not regard him as
reliable. (61-8381-636)

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Office Memo. *im* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *3-14-55*

DATE: March 14, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *ah*

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SIMULCAST (Radio-Television)
March 13, 1955

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At the opening of the program a statement was read, not by Winchell, to the effect that Walter Winchell had never said or meant to say that the "New York Post" or Mr. James A. Wechsler, its editor, are Communists or sympathetic to Communism. The statement continued that if anything which Mr. Winchell said was so construed, he withdrew it. It was also announced that the litigation in this matter had been discontinued.

WINCHELL SAID:

The remaining portion of the Winchell broadcast was devoted exclusively to Winchell's answering questions concerning his own advance information which he has given from time to time concerning various corporations listed on the New York Stock Exchange. These questions were directed to him by Senator Homer Capehart, of the Senate Banking Committee, who was present at Winchell's invitation for this purpose.

COMMENT:

Washington, D.C.

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For your information.

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cc: Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Branigan
Mr. Baumgardner
Mr. Belmont
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TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: March 21, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (Radio-Television)
March 20, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

The Caribbean: Senators McCarthy, Jenner, Goldwater, and Welker have disappeared from Washington suddenly. They are now on an island in the Bahamas for a secret strategy meeting.

COMMENT:

For your information.

WINCHELL SAID:

Attention Senator Fulbright's committee, regarding Harvard Professor Galbraith: his testimony last week allegedly slumped the stock market for over \$7,000,000,000. He was a member of the National Citizens Political Action Committee in 1944. It went out of action in 1945. This outfit, Senator, is listed by the House Un-American Activities Committee as a "Red" front.

COMMENT:

A Loyalty of Government Employees investigation was conducted in 1950 regarding John Kenneth Galbraith, Harvard University Professor, in connection with his appointment as consultant with the Department of Commerce.

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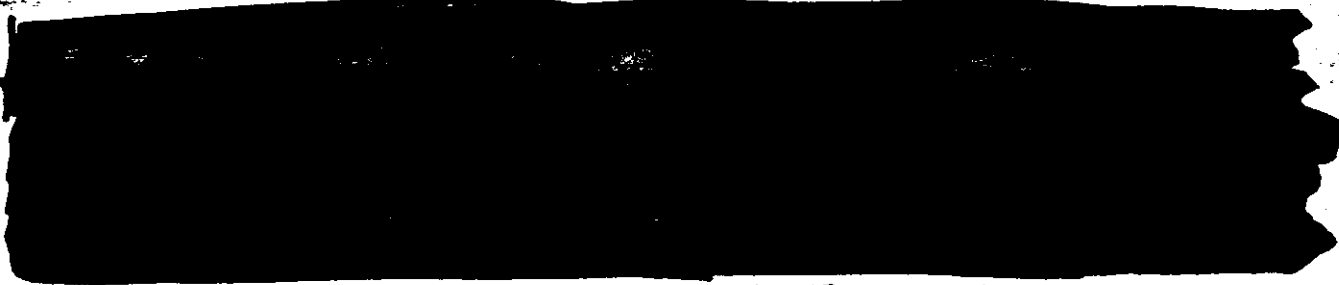
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- Mr. Belmont
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- Mr. Baumgardner
- Mr. Rotz

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WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: The Justice Department's Antitrust Report due late this month will be mild. The Federal Trade Commission's report on mergers to follow will be a scorcher.

COMMENT:

In 1953, the Attorney General appointed a committee of sixty attorneys and economists to study the adequacy of the present Antitrust Laws and to make recommendations for desirable new legislation to be sponsored by the Department of Justice. The report is expected to be released on March 31, 1955. From all indications the report will not affect the Bureau's jurisdiction or operation.

WINCHELL SAID:

(Winchell announced a new Runyon Cancer Fund contest from now until April 18. He gave instructions for mailing of entries and then gave the specific topic to be used by the entrants. Now here is the thing: name your choice for president in 1956 and why in twenty-five words or less, Eisenhower, Stevenson, Fulbright, Capehart, Harriman, Nixon, Knowland, Governor Knight, John Edgar Hoover, or Joe Doaks. Good luck!

COMMENT:

For your information.

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UNITED STATES

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TO : L. V. Boardman
FROM : A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 28, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

The Pentagon: The result of the Major Peress hearings - The Army Counsel's office has been ordered to have no further talks with any member of Congress.

COMMENT:

The Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations has been holding hearings regarding the handling of the Major Irving Peress case by the Army. The action of Army Counsel John Adams was an issue in the previous hearing held regarding Major Peress by this Subcommittee in 1954 when Senator Joseph R. McCarthy was Chairman of the Subcommittee.

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: Harvey Matusow, the confessed liar, sentenced to three years in Texas, may be nailed by two more perjury indictments any day.

COMMENT:

Harvey Matusow was sentenced on March 16, 1955, in the U.S. District Court at El Paso, Texas, to three years imprisonment for contempt of court. A Grand Jury is in progress in New York and one is scheduled to be resumed in El Paso, Texas, on March 28, 1955, relating to Matusow's repudiation of his testimony.

- cc Boardman
- Belmont
- Baumgardner
- Branigan
- Rotz

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WINCHELL SAID:

Washington: The State Department announced an expected attack by the Chinese Reds in mid April. U.S. Intelligence, however, believes that "D" Day will be Moscow's big holiday, May the first.

International Inside: Fukien - The Winchell advance news in recent broadcast that the Reds will attack Quemoy and the Islands was confirmed in the headlines yesterday. In Broadway slang the Reds believe "fix is in." They are massing in great numbers at Fukien.

COMMENT:

None.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. F. Boardman *Handwritten initials*

DATE: April 4, 1955

FROM : A. H. Belmont *Handwritten initials*

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SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (Radio-Television)
April 3, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

The Department of Justice top officials at the Department of Justice have decided not to consider perjury charges against General Zwicker. *DC NY*

COMMENT:

The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations, U.S. Senate recently referred to the Department of Justice a reported conflict in testimony between General Zwicker and two former employees of the committee. The testimony was given in connection with the handling by the Army of the Major Irving Peress case.

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington - a full scale investigation of the entire boxing business will start in the spring. The data is being collected very quietly now. The disclosures will spare nobody, no matter how big or influential they think they are.

COMMENT:

A Federal Grand Jury investigation of boxing was conducted in 1952; however boxing was subsequently ruled not interstate commerce by a Federal District Court. This

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- cc: Mr. Boardman
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Branigan
- Mr. Baumgardner
- Mr. Roach
- Mr. Fitzgerald

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post winter a Supreme Court decision reversed the ruling. No request has yet been received from the Department of Justice for an anti-trust investigation by the Bureau. Possibility exists investigation referred to by Winchell may refer to action to be taken by state authority, possibly New York.

WINCHELL SAID:

The international news - Mexico City: The uneasy armistice between Costa Rica and Nicaragua is no nearer peace. Only one prisoner of war has been returned by Nicaragua. The volcano may erupt again at any time.

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL SAID:

The rumor in Washington that Allen ~~X~~ Dulles, the chief of U.S. Intelligence, will quit is regarded as pure bunk.

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COMMENT:

About three weeks ago Drew Pearson said Dulles wanted to resign his position as Director of CIA to devote all his time to his son, badly wounded in the Korean fighting. The Liaison Section at that time advised there was no evidence of such intention on the part of Dulles. There is still no evidence of such an intention, according to the Liaison Section.

WINCHELL SAID:

Congressman Herbert ~~X~~ Zelenko of New York will throw the biggest political bombshell of the last 10 years. They tell me it will involve billions. Mr. Zelenko will demand a Federal probe of the Port of New York Authority, charging it has taken over the powers of a 49th state.

COMMENT:

For your information.

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A large signature, possibly "Mr. Y.M.", with a long vertical line extending upwards.
Initials "W.P." to the right.
Initials "gm" at the bottom right.

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TO : L. V. Boardman

DATE: April 11, 1955

FROM : A. H. Belmont

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SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
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April 10, 1955

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WINCHELL SAID:

Washington - The American Communist Party is secretly getting ready to start a pressure campaign on the highest court - the U. S. Supreme Court - designed to cripple the FBI's investigation of Communists by discrediting tipsters.

COMMENT:

It is believed the basis for this item is the Security of Government Employees case on John Punnett Peters who has been contending that the removal of him from his position as consultant in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare under Executive Order 9835 was unconstitutional. The case is due to be argued before the Supreme Court on April 19, 1955. The allegation regarding the possible Communist Party membership of Peters came from [redacted] whose identity was concealed from Peters and his attorney, although it was made known to the Security Hearing Board. The Bureau has received no information indicating any contemplated action by the Communist Party in connection with this case although the outcome will be of great interest to the Party. Peters contends, in part, that his constitutional right to face his accuser was violated by the Federal Government.

WINCHELL SAID:

The FBI knows all about the hothed of Communists operating out of a Fifth Avenue office in New York City - on the third floor.

COMMENT:

On the evening of November 1, 1954, a fire occurred at the premises of the Communist Party at 269 7th Avenue, New York City. Considerable damage from fire and water was sustained. Since the fire, the Party has utilized office space on the third floor at 77 5th Avenue, New York City, to carry on some of its business. It is believed Winchell's item refers to this situation.

- cc - Mr. Boardman
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Branigan
- Mr. Fitzgerald

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: April 18, 1955

FROM : O. A. Exell

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 17, 1955

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Night Supervisor Douglas P. White of the New York Office telephonically advised at 10:35 p.m., 4/17/55, that Walter Winchell made the following reference to the Bureau in his 9:00 p.m., broadcast:

"To the Boston Record - A new squad of Communist Party organizers have been assigned to New England - Boston headquarters - the FBI knows where."

ACTION:

None. For your information, being handled by Supervisor J. M. Fitzgerald in Winchell write-up.

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tic: Mr. Belmont
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Exell

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TO : L. V. Boardman

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DATE: April 18, 1955

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FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: **WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (RADIO-TELEVISION)
APRIL 17, 1955**

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WINCHELL SAID:

The Communists in the U. S. who have been plugging confessed liar Matusow's book have aroused the curiosity of the income tax department. Harvey Matusow and his friends will have to explain the source of all their income.

COMMENT:

The Bureau received advice from the New York office recently that [redacted] and intended to ask the Department of Justice for information regarding his income from that source. The Communist press has been pushing the sale of Matusow's book from which he receives a royalty.

WINCHELL SAID:

A new squad of Communist Party organizers have been assigned to New England - headquarters, Boston. The FBI knows where.

COMMENT:

On April 1, 1955, Ned Sparks, a National CP underground functionary went to Boston, apparently to review material relating to District No. 1 of the CP. He proceeded to an address in Arlington, Massachusetts, a Boston suburb. He was there seen in the company of Michael A. Russo, missing CP District No. 1 leader. Several other persons known to be connected with the CP in the Boston area were also at the Arlington, Massachusetts, address that same day.

CC: Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Baumgardner

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Mr. Roach
Mr. Fitzgerald

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WINCHELL SAID:

Vienna - Soviet Diplomat Boris Grankoff's (phonetic) suicide has given Red Intelligence the jitters. The Bern grapevine reports that before he killed himself he left very important documents to a Western power.

COMMENT:

This is believed to relate to a Soviet diplomatic official who committed suicide in Vienna several weeks ago while en route to the Soviet Union from his post in South America. Liaison Section is checking for further information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

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DATE: April 19, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL
SIMULCAST (RADIO-TELEVISION)
APRIL 17, 1955

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Reference is made to my memorandum of April 18, 1955. On April 17, 1955, Walter Winchell made the statement that "Soviet Diplomat Boris Grankoff's (phonetic) suicide has given Red Intelligence the jitters." Winchell indicated that Grankoff had committed suicide in Vienna and that "grapevine reports" from Bern, Switzerland, indicated that before the Soviet killed himself he left very important documents to a Western power.



ACTION:

None. For your information.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. J.M. Fitzgerald
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