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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Reference is made to the item appearing in Walter Winchell's column in the New York Daily Mirror on October 13, 1941, to the effect that the Office of Production Management received its first report of definite sabotage which is supposed to have occurred in a Midwestern plant which manufactures airplane engines. The item indicates that the suspected saboteur is allegedly a chief steward in a union. The Bureau's files have been checked in an effort to identify the plant and the act of sabotage mentioned, with negative results.

The only sabotage case presently in the Bureau's files involving a union official concerns [redacted] who is the most important suspect in a case involving damage to ailerons of Army airplanes being manufactured by the Fairchild Aircraft Company at Hagerstown, Maryland. No conclusive evidence has been developed up to this time in this case to indicate [redacted] was responsible for this damage. [redacted] has denied committing any sabotage.

The Bureau has several pending investigations at the Allison Engineering Division, General Motors Corporation, Speedway, Indiana, and the Beech Aircraft Company, Wichita, Kansas. However, in none of these cases is there any indication that a union steward is a suspect. No information has been received from the Office of Production Management reporting an act of sabotage in any aircraft factory. In the absence of additional detailed information, it is not possible to identify the act of sabotage mentioned by Mr. Winchell.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd
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Walter Winchell On Broadway

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Man About Town

A. Hitler got FDR's letter to J. Stalin, but the Government has some sensational memoranda in Adolf's own handwriting—right from his desk, too... The Joe Di Maggios will join the infantry on or about the 20th... Countess Gosta Morner (Geraldine Fitch) is very ill after a major operation at N. Y. hospital... Bioff's defense will be that he got all that coin from the film magnates "to fight the C.I.O."... The rebuttal will be: "There was no C.I.O. at the time"... Diana Barrymore and G. Schirmer, Jr., have romance in their etc... Ralph Ingersoll, the publisher, is heading home with an exclusive interview with Russia's Mr. Big... Isn't thrush Wynn Murray of the musical shows secretly riveted to a Garden City (L. I.) dentist?... When the H. Tappes' divorce case is aired in court the word-jugglers will get headaches trying to report it.

About 3 weeks ago some New Yorkers motoring between Manhattan and Hempstead (L. I.) stopped to give two Gypsy women a lift... When they got out they said they couldn't pay for the ride, but they'd like to tell their fortunes... "Okay," one clowned, "tell me when the war will end"... "Just as sure," one of them replied, "that there will be a dead body in this car tonight—the war will end October 15th"... A few moments later the car was stopped by a motor cop, who urged them to help him take an injured man to the nearest hospital... Before they sped another mile the injured one died... October 15th??... But the Gypsies did not say What Year!

Princess Stefania Hohenlohe (who beat the raps about allegedly being an intimate of Nazi agents) has been incog at the McAlpin Hotel, New York—under the name "Nancy White"... Who is her Big Interest in Washington, where she usually parks, anyhow?... "21" has made \$750,000 this year... The America First offices in Yorkville offer (for sale) such enticers as paring knives, etc. To help pay the rent... Hank Greenberg and Betty Boyce of the Horse-shoe ensemble are Cupidata... The City College of N. Y. funds are so low it is the only colitch in the country that can't afford a night watchman... Jacqueline Holt (Jack's dghtr.) and Don Castle are bldg them in the air... Wm. Hebert queries: "Isn't Gypsy Rose Lee's new book, 'The G-String Murders' (Simon & Schuster, publishers) sort of 'Peeping Tome'?"

Donald Nelson, Director of Priorities, will break a scandal this week when he cracks down on a Chicago firm. For "secretly diverting" badly needed aluminum and other materials for bombers— which they used to manufacture juke boxes. Those nickel-in-the-slot machines that play boogie-woogie recordings!... Nelson and Leon Henderson had to force three American firms to take defense orders! They wanted to argue how much profit was in it for them... When FDR signs The Requisition Bill, the OPM will draft hoarded materials—aluminum, copper, chromium and other strategic goods... Some of America's Blue Book corporations will hang their heads.

The DuPonts have bought Pathe Film Corp... Maestro Blue Barron and Hope Galloway, dghtr. of the transportation biggie, are a Romeo and Julietting... Beth Brown's new 500-pager on Clara Barton ("Dedicated to Life") will be purchased by Paramount... Universal has a film fable already on Broadway Rose... Are Jay Conley and Lucille Bremer secretly blended? The gals in the same chorus will betcha... Sign on a Larchmont (N. Y.) gas depot "Ickesnay on the Asgay after Evensay!"... J. Paterno and Janet Compton will ride the Marry-Go-Round the same day that Beverly Paterno gets her Renotice... You shoulda seen Lou Nova trying to do the rhumba—the Nova some pipple!

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"Washington, D. C.: Walter Winchell, N. Y. Mirror: Am sure you will want to correct your item that George Hill, my secretary was ever a secretary to Senator Lundeen. Hill, a disabled veteran of the World War from my district, has been employed in my office for last twenty years, since I have been a Member of Congress. You must have gotten him confused with someone else or someone with the same name—Hamilton Fish"...Glad to publish Cong. Fish's telegram. We wish the Congressman would be equally alert to the inaccuracies he inserts (and those about me to which he consents) in The Congressional Record.

General Wood (top man of the America First Committee) is getting generous boosts in the Klan's official rag... Ezra Stone works in the morale division at Camp Upton. He drives a car two blocks long. Generals and soldiers are jealous as all git-out... Morale???... The papers reported Helen Morgan was wed twice. She was married three times. The first was in Port Chester, N. Y. . . . Publisher Wm. Soskin and his wife (the former Virginia Howell) are Tot Way due Lincoln's Birthday... Uncle Samson is investigating a certain mid-town bank's alleged Nazi financial ties. A year ago it was just another bank. Suddenly it came into the billion \$ class. Goering and other German biggles are said to deposit there. One of its execs makes private speeches to industrialists "seeing no reason why we can't do biz with the New Order, etc."

OPM got its first report of definite sabotage. Happened in a mid-West plant making airplane engines. The report came from loyal workers. The suspected saboteur is allegedly a chief steward in a union... The most serious disagreement since the Court fight is dividing Washington: Thurman Arnold vs. Sidney Hillman and the A.F. of L. Only FDB can referee.

U. S. Att'y-Gen'l Thurman Arnold is gathering evidence against the burlesk circuit monopoly... Tex Rieber, who resigned his Texas Corp. job (after revelations concerning Nazi visitors, etc.) has been elected a director of the Barber Asphalt Corp., a Perth Amboy (N. J.) outfit... Ella Roden and John Banner, who had the leads in the Refugee Artists Group production ("From Vienna"), got weary of being jobless. They are working as maid and butler in L. A. Hooray for their courage... The Oakland (Cal.) Inquirer publisher's dghtr (Mrs. J. Lawrence) is threeing... CBS director H. Barnes and Jone (Jone is right, Mr. Printer) Allison will hear wedding chimes in January... General Wavell requests 400 ambulances and 1,000 drivers to serve in the Middle East with the British—the first time they've asked for drivers. Apply American Field Service, One William Street, N. Y. C... Comforting Thought for Columbus Day: America could never have been discovered if Christopher Columbus had been an isolationist.

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From [REDACTED]

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To Hoover

Exclusive to W.W.

Nov. 9-41

Walter Winchell

Although you labelled that Ernst Udett story "I-tens I Doubt", I still insist it is true. My source swears she has seen him many times; and she knew him from Germany where she once lived.....

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Mr. Walter Winchell
New York Mirror
235 East 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Walters:

I wanted to acknowledge the receipt of the notes and correspondence mailed by Miss Sigman on November 21, 1941.

I am very glad to receive information of this kind and you may be assured it will receive appropriate attention here.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

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Walter Winchell

Why should France be so glib over the recognition of Hitler? Spain, the French and Britain, and those who were surprised, Czechs, Slovaks, remember. . . But when the latter called on her two allies they admitted the name was familiar, but that Hitler had caused a feeling beyond recognition. Why can't my allies claim the position of the United States and its allies, when they take the side of Hitler? They asked for Hitler tactics in government and they don't carry the Hitler penalty of death. . . I want to see the United States see the Hitler penalty of death. . . and to a certain degree.

There are two versions of how Madison is to be met. The boycott—the result of allowing the Bund to meet there, despite contract violations: (1) The Garden will never permit them to meet there again; (2) Mike Jacobs will mediate, will both sides permitting the boycott of 2000 Americanism workers from the city. . . and the Communists, I repeat, at all four the air there.

Walter Winchell On Broadway

Man About Town

Haywood Brown, who was acquitted of slaying her lover, a swanky Beckman Place (and who secretly married a chap whose name might be Carroll) is divorce-bound. Haywood Brown's transfer to Catholicism was not influenced, as talk has it, by Mrs. Brown. Fritz Kuhn's next wog will come from the Post Office Dept. The Erlen sump-wog (he was woggy Windsor's ex-room) are learning ballistics. Jack Osterman's condition is grave at the Atlantic City Hospital. Jack Dempsey, who has no union or labor troubles, can't figure why he's rec'd bombing threats. His had rearmine protection since Wed. Attorney General Murphy has rejected all offers of compromise in major tax matters, and will go to bat in Chicago today. This is terrible news for the racing world. F. D. I. will probably bring Lowell Mellett into the White House—which means that Roosevelt Democrats will soon be at battle-stations. Waco-wacoest drink is town: "Onzo" (one) a Greek alcoholic at the R. Martin. Two of them and she thinks you're Robert Taylor!

The World-Job & realizing the breakdown of the hysterical fusion have detectives at the 51st Street Station House were suddenly possessed by the Council Against Intolerance in America. Mrs. Morton Downey has a record of 110,000 in New York last night. What's the deal? Mrs. Downey broadcast. The Geo. Rickles, he's the N. Y. Sun's City Hall reporter who started Meyer Davis will play the Test for their Majesties at the Fair. What the music crew must not wear ponies in their laps—because the King might be wearing the same flower. Dub McLennan, a Texas oil man, won \$75,000 on News. He used 30 runners to place the wagers. Experts will give you 2 to 1 that there's be no new tax bill this year. Elmer Herrick, the del, and George Lowther, the best better than they look. Dan's Chess, of the Diamond Home, she uncreable, was outta the show all week. The mason waded Casey shut-the-chute, where she got splinters in her step-ins.

Mrs. Sanford Urick, who was revealed by the Dies Committee as being prominent in New York to Gen. Macer, Brian Kahan and other persons, is known to the authorities. There are records, dating back many years, showing her secret and for those activities in providing information and her close connections with the American Systems Intelligence Federation (what's a fancy handle that was all) which was announced in a U. S. Gov't report. The stopping of General Intelligence Agency, \$2,000 a year salary, would help lower the national debt by at least \$2,000—so why isn't it?

Mr. Tom, the magazine, steps with the August issue, released in a case her friends want to find Florence Weicker, the heiress, who is his honey. Another wholesale raid on bookies' rooms in N. Y. will be carried out. Dan of the biggest "books" is being run at the New York Club. Dear Miller, the journalist, and Gretta Palmer, the writer, were the victims. Indeed, the movie industry is being hit. Patricia Smith, "Clear" Thurman, Arnold, the Trust-Buster, has his case against the entire film industry ready. Best thing that can happen is for the Gov't to win. For then, the movie magnates will get richer. The Horace Wilson, Chamberlain's "Carain" in the appearance of a hero. He's on his way out. He's Neville!

The New York Court of Appeals headed down a 1 to 2 decision on Friday, and reported any place that our state processes will deliver a strong blow to anti-Unionism. What it was held that when a business man is employed, he has to take all the "inconveniences" as well as benefits of corporate structure. In this case relatives were working for the business man. The court held that they were employees, not part-timers, and possession of stock was not a bar.

Edward G. West's romance with Lillian, it's going to be broken. He's all. He's prominent tribe (Duke of Sutherland is the tree) attached to the Oriental Bitch. Heading had shipped him to Hawaii, where Lillian arrived May 15th. The 7000 Spanning Bird are getting a legal separation, but will have it remitted in a year. What's the point? Paul Richards married Ruth Fitch at New Haven last week.

... connect with her a Hitler put her hand on almost since
return here... Col. H. to the Barrymore Club (B. A. ch
Colt Arms Co.) a... Elizabeth Pace (his heart for years) have
His new amour being a beauty from Bermuda... Have a Cupid
Necklace; Emma O'Brien adores Julian Gerard, Jr. who adores Marion
Oates who goes out with Jane Fabry... A dozen years ago Louis
Armstrong got his weekly trumpeting at Connie's Inn... Now Louis
gets \$1,750 a week at The Cotton Club where Connie is the head
waiter... "The Man Who Came to Dinner" show isn't only a satire
on Woodcock. It also twists Gertrude's dear Nest and Harpo...

Have a check on Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios. Bob Beachley's
film shorts have been terrific money-makers for them for years
now. So his option was to have been picked up a few days ago
that called staff of million-dollar a year once forget about it.
Beachley united with his agent (Myron Schmitt), and producer David
U. Schmitt, and they'll make the Beachley shorts themselves. Which
is why Leo the Lion has such a gained appreciation.

Joan Crawford talks about the 15 years of juveniles and you
like to marry François. Robert Kintner, Washington columnist
and Jean Rodney, the show producer, will merge in Dec. George
Givov will start estimates by using his closed Question Mark, charging
forgery. Marion Shackle, the actress (ex-wife of Barry Thomson)
closed Thursday with Geo. Zachary, a Columbia B'casting exec.
It was the Army, not Fair officials, who liked the Fair. "Blackout"
was yesterday. Ruth Chatterton had to cancel her show appearance
in Detroit. Dick Warner's "Lopke" film will be called "Fugitive
From Justice". John Galland will portray the columnist "Martin
Rogers". Charles Rosenthal, whose ma paid kidnaping 100 G.
promoting a roller speedway in Syracuse.

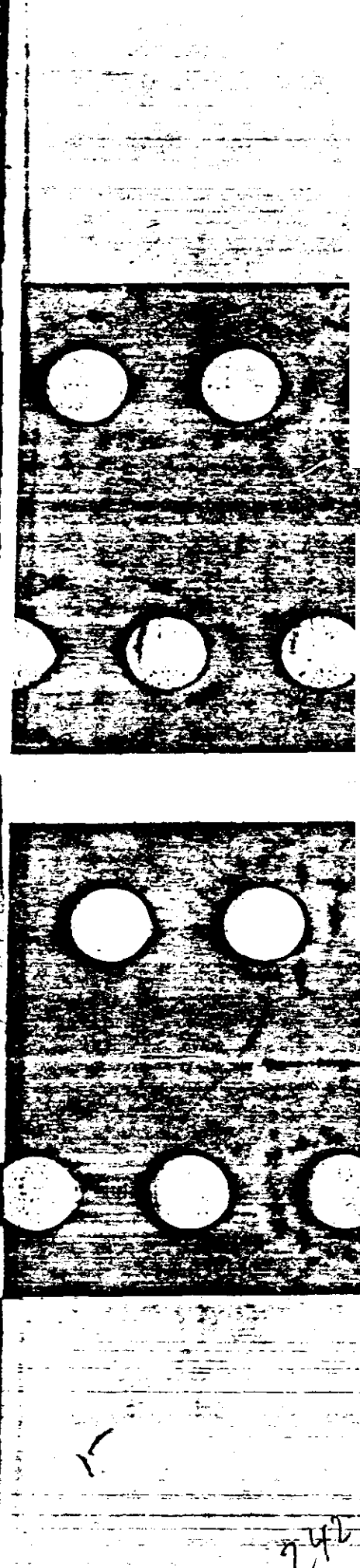
The Administration and its liberal followers are watching with great
interest the Catholic situation in Chicago, where the successor to the
Cardinal Mundelein is to be named. The press will go to either Bishop
Bernard J. Sheil, outspoken fighter for civil liberties and staunch friend
of The New Deal, or Bishop William H. O'Brien, conservative and
friend of Al Landon. Bishop Mooney of Detroit is another candidate.

Sports desks fear that a popular ex-champ and his bride are
drinking water. Lou Holtz says the talk (not heavy) is still with
going to Reno isn't on. She is going to Hollywood for a screen test
he avers. The Anita Clepper (Gloria Wheeler, the Camel cigarette
gal on the Aquaplane, and he is on the U. S. Water Polo team) crossed
the "Billie" upland about Nov. 1. Kay Schurr, the American heroine
(when the Athenian tank) is looking for a job. His general literary ex-
perience Any. Mildly gentlemanly. A leading educational figure has
just signed a paper giving his name to Yale Medical School upon his
death. Unusual sized beach club. Both the State and Commerce De-
partments have joined efforts to work on an economic solidification
of Central America. The James Hall, Joyce Arling, the actress
fired, tonight. Overheard at the White House: "Molotov has a
death rattle on his mirror."

According to a British official of the Maritime Ministry, the
British everywhere in Birkbeck, England, have the same first name.
That alone is worth the first execution of the war. Both planes
The Tower of London. The condemned man was a British naval officer
found guilty of being in the pay of Germany as saboteur. His Majesty
sentenced. The British...

Editors are trying to check the bill that Federal Law...
The woman allegedly met by Goebbels and Goering... Dolores
Rio's milky plays a tune. Are You Having Any Fun?... Ruth
Berkeley, the dance director, and Claire James (Miss America
1933) are in a contest. They're both... Hattie Payne is warring with
Warner; she claims to Paul Muni can do a play, why can't she? A
member of the Japanese financial mission here confided to bankers
that Japan will make a deal with Chiang Kai-Shek and liquidate the
war in China in a few weeks. Paulette Goddard's son may settle his
suit against Goldwyn which mistakenly called Paulette the daughter
of his wife's original groom. Those male stockings the Diamond
Brazosque gals now wear cost \$15 per pair, so don't get fresh, please.
Because Billie Rose has had a tough year.

Add to the newspaper reports that King Landon... You can't get
a hair if you've been on one the night before. You can't see 300 feet
the afternoon if you have been hanging around all night. La. Donald
Brow of Columbia Island may not just King... the...
Jack Halloran, who has lost three partners this year already. Capital
Jack Landon of N. E. (he was conspicuous during the Houghton case)
is gravely ill at St. Francis Hospital, Newark. He has worked from 130
to 125... No matter how big the headlines are about the war, P. Kuhn
tried on the third day (don't pin me down to the day) will be an
official. It may be the post office. Coe Clark (former Miss...
is Boston's newest chess columnist. Finally lose you to work...
Add new wants: Lohan and P. Kuhn. The Senate let it be known that
he is the "chief" chairman of The Foreign Relations Committee...
that Lohan was much "appreciated" by the Gallatin...
Berkley to back from Berlin. We asked him if long...
Renaissance House... "I find more...
... they're...
... they're...
... they're...



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...the source for the \$50,000 Fritz Kahn had before you...
...all... Has anybody asked Seward Collins...
...If he did it? ... Collins who says he isn't interested in this or that
...group at all... admitted getting up the ball...
...Dr. Griebel (the alleged Nazi spy who fled to Germany) and Collins
...balled out Ellen Zell, who was arrested...
...extortion to sell off the NCA wickets...
...he can't find a good novel...
...Because John Scarne acknowledged he ought to have his head examined
...greatest card manipulator...
...retire in a year if he wanted to be a card sharp and trim chumps...
...But he never gambles...
...you haven't popped out your eyes watching him deal a hand...
...from the top or bottom of the deck...
...Kerbeck and Sterling Morris...
...and one of the guests was Col. Theodore Roosevelt...
...introduced him to a guest this way: "Mrs. Scandio, may I present
...Colonel Roosevelt, whose father was in politics..."
...through, was auditioning for "The Follies"...
...the front seats a shiny bald pate...
...gagged...
...one of the best box strikers in Columbus Circle...
...noise than sense...
...poorly said...
...We wish we could reveal more...
...items concerning the criminal records of many...
...leaders will soon be confirmed by New York's most...
...The Government will take action against all the...
...in line time...
...From an old book of German proverbs...

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New York, New York
January 5, 1942

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

I am transmitting two copies of report of Confidential Informant [redacted] dated January 2, 1942, pertaining to WALTER WINCHELL, and certain complaints allegedly made against him by various press representatives at the Navy Department.

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Very truly yours,

P. E. FOX, ORTH
Assistant Director

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Very truly yours,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH
Assistant Director

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have; - it would have, perhaps, furnished you "food for thought".

Very truly yours,

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
U.S. 941

[Redacted]

Dec. 28-'41

Dear Mr. Diddle:

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For you by any chance have Walter Whitchell's broadcast on Sunday night Dec. 28? If not, --- you should

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The chief smearman
of Chicago Tribune
and America First
(who helped smear
his good friend
Lt. Comdr Ed Hayes)
is already nicely
situated - in the
Navy Intelligence
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Walter Winchell

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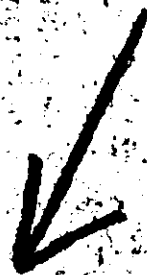
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The chief smearman
of Chicago Tribune
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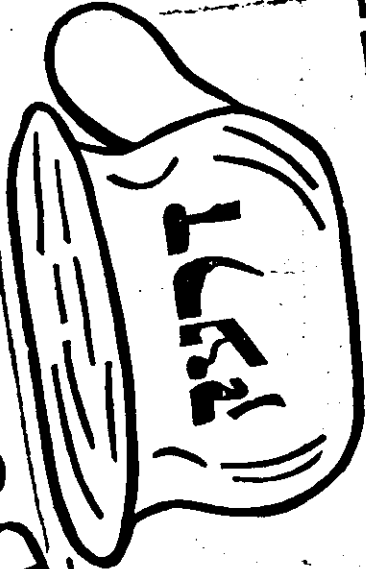


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Walter Winchell & Jack Benny

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You are hereby elected to membership in
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upon your solemn pledge to produce one Bundle
for Hitler every morning.

The membership fee is 10¢ (positively no
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U. S. Attorney General
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Sir:

Although you are well able to ignore abuses as long as you protect the principles upon which our nation was founded and still stands, Walter Winchell was too offensive for me to ignore. I am enclosing a copy of a reply to him, and I want you to know that no matter how many people to whom he may speak, he does not speak for the people.

So, please, don't be thrown off balance by any newspapers or commentators.

Very truly

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December 30, 1941

Walter Winchell
NBC Studio
New York City

My dear Mr. Winchell:

Because of the well balanced attitude of our United States Attorney General, we have freedom of speech in fact and not just in theory.

Your attitude in your Sunday night broadcast, when you condemned the Attorney General's release of a person unjustly arrested by the FBI, disclosed the Fascistic viewpoint you are welcome to hold as your personal opinion as long as you do not misrepresent it to be the opinion of the American people. We just don't like the attitude: "You say what I like or shut up."

We are not going through a war to give power to any Fascistic actions or thoughts, be they carried out abroad or at home. And, only by speaking freely just what one believes can we discern who our native Fascists are.

I object to the wasting of this nation's time and money on arresting people upon such silly evidence as you presented in this case by the FBI. Making false accusations of our officials' integrity is far more dangerous to the welfare of our nation than the spoutings of opinions as to who does and who does not make up our nation.

And did you really refer to the suspect as "A rabble-rouser"? A case of an ambitious pot-calling-the-kettle black, says I.

Very truly
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Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of
a letter directed to the Attorney General dated
December 30, 1941, from [redacted]
and copies of a letter
forwarded by [redacted] to Walter Winchell dated
December 30, 1941.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Dear John:

Here's a brand new column idea. The serial number at the end of each paragraph (like in a rogues' gallery) contains the initials of the person mentioned. For example, the third paragraph is the Stork Club. I have already sent you pictures of these birds.

W.W.

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Walter^o Winchell On Broadway

Broadway Rogues' Gallery

He's famous and rich... Made it in the last five years... Giving strangers corny counsel... His offices in New York City are spacious and sumptuous... Decided he'd present his big staff with a week's salary as a holiday bonus... After writing the checks he tore them up... Said he couldn't afford it... Remorse set in... So he made the checks out for half a week's pay... But an exec said: "Look, this isn't the thing to do. Either give them a week's wages or forget it"... So he tore the checks again and made new ones for a week's salary... Then he said: "No! Tear them up. The hell with it!"... Giving some coin to those who helped him make a fortune the Easy Way almost killed him. The very thought of it!... Anyway, that's why over every employe's desk—his photo is now turned to the wall... (D48328C).

He borrowed \$2,000 from a showman three years ago when he needed it... Never paid it back, although he could have... The showman almost lost his wife, who got fed up with his gaming debts... He's been very ill... One of the few pals to sit by his bed every day was this phony... The ailing one said: "Look, I never asked you for that \$2,000 you owe me, but I need it now. I owe that much to some bookies, and I'm afraid my wife will hear of it and leave me. I swore to her I'd never gamble again. Don't fail me, please"... The phony hasn't visited since... (T556432S).

They are German waiters in a swanky night spot... One of them claims being kin to a Nazi Party member in Berlin... He's cleaned up a young fortune making wagers on which nation Hitler would take next... Never missed... Both usually serve span high in the government, who patronize the place... A beautiful spot for a foreign agent to eavesdrop on conversations of important men... Since December 7th, when the Joynt's orchestra began playing the National Anthem—both waiters—no matter how loaded their trays—rush back to the kitchen—and wait there until the anthem ends... So they do not have to stand attention with the others... They checked the tip for six anthems... (S78428C).

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Her articles appear regularly in one of the pink publications, a weekly... Her boy friend specializes in articles for a weekly humor magazine... Both invariably employ the same theme—vicious attacks on citizens who subscribe to the opposition—politically and otherwise... This column has been their target often... The tip that both were ardent commies was disregarded when the attacks started... Recently a Reader's Digest article tipped subscribers off to how they could tell a Red Committee on sight—by merely seeing if certain names were on it... Hers was right up front... The other day the newspapers reported that she had been appointed to an executive government job!... (R776532M).

It happened in the best known place in town the other midnight... He is a respected head of an athletic club... Never takes a drink, and so he wasn't giving out any stew-talk... Two tables away sat a young newspaper circulation manager with his wife... He had enlisted in the army two years ago and has been in uniform since... On this night he was in mufti... The athletic club man audibly remarked: "Why don't some of these New York loafers do something like joining the army? Like those newspapermen who come in here. They make me sick!"... The circulation lad walked over to him calmly and said: "I just heard what you said. I'm a newspaperman and I've been in the army two years—the hard way! Here are my army papers. Where're yours?"... The critic turned white, green and then yellow... (J44733T).

He's a lawyer with offices at 500 Fifth Avenue... One of the rabid patriots, whose contribution to the cause he supports is sending anonymous letters (and packages with a lone bullet in them) to newspapermen and commentators who support law and order... Been doing it for years... His anonymous missives are packed with invective and abuse, etc... Finally, he made the boner of boasting about it to friends... As a result, a tipster tipped one of the columnists, giving the taunter's name and address and offering names of witnesses to whom the louse told the same story... The Post Office authorities are informed... More anon... (R558990C).

His career is spotted with many incidents—usually revolving around the women he's courted and jilted... And almost as many evened things for the women they succeeded in his temporary affections... But he still comes back for more punishment... The other day in his Winter home town he put the following want ad in the classified columns: "Wanted: maid, young, attractive; also young cook, plain cooking, pies and cakes. Must write all details, including age, height, weight, to address below. Excellent salary for right party. This ad will run one week and selections made after that for interview. Snapshots will help"... His name is not Tommy Manville... (H322266R).

She's one of the Hollywood cinemadorables... Her mother never lets her out of her sight... She fell in love with a well known young screen actor—but rarely saw him alone... Every love letter he sent her was first opened by her parent... Finally, to escape mother's prying interference, the girl arranged with a girl pal to receive the letters... But the gal pal was not only the go-between—she became the come-between... As a result of this arrangement, the boy has decided to marry The Best Friend... (L888654D).

Two years ago Quentin Reynolds socked him in a restaurant... For something he had written... The same night Reynolds sent word to him at the Stork Club "to come outside"... He didn't budge... We sat with him when the challenge came... "Stay right here," we said... We talked Reynolds out of it and even had them drinking together 20 minutes later... Months later James McKinley Bryant wanted to flatten him... We got the advance word and talked Bryant out of it... For the third incident he had to fight his own battle... A producer, incensed at some rap he had column'd, encountered him one night and went for him... He fled to the Stork basement where he hid for an hour... (D443226W).

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Walter Winchell On Broadway

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Man About Town

Charles Shipman Payson, one of the richest men in the U. S., is next on the list of the Federal Grand Jury probing propaganda. Payson is a principal backer of the Commentator mag and others sympathetic to the Axis... Was the blonde who bit Dorothy Thompson?

Relief... How come Lawrence Dennis' "Weekly Foreign Letter" (packed with propaganda) can use the mails... things that made me sick while waiting to enter a factory...

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NEW YORK DAILY MIRROR
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Mr. Tolson

SAC McKee called and stated that [redacted] had informed him that Joe Connelley of King Features phoned Mike Flynn, Sunday editor of the Times Herald, and advised that Winchell is suing Joe Connelley to get his column out of the Times Herald for the reason that Eleanor Patterson has been causing deletions in his column, eliminating certain items, and because of a particular reference in her column ten days or two weeks ago (the January 17th issue) in which she called him "Peep-hole" Winchell and for a remark that she made at Pearson's home to the effect that she wished the Navy would take him off shore duty and put him on sea duty and that he would be sunk.

[redacted] also told McKee that last Monday story came out about speech made up on the Hill in which mention was made of 100,000 men comprising the A.E.F. which the Press Associations killed because of public policy, that shortly after it was killed a story came out on the wire of the Chicago Tribune News Bureau over the byline of Fred Palsey which was vicious in nature and even mentioned that the Press Associations had killed the story. The Chicago Tribune News Bureau at Chicago killed the story. For your information, at one time Palsey was connected with the New York Daily News.

McKee also mentioned that in a business way, [redacted] was interested in being asked to be affiliated with the censorship bureau. [redacted] had mentioned to him that in glancing over the social pages of Sunday's paper he had noticed a picture of the wife of a colonel with the notation that she had joined her husband for a day or so, that he had just returned from Hawaii and was enroute to his new post at whatever point it may be. We have a law against giving out information as to the movements of troops and he thinks such instances are close to violating this law.

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ACTION TO BE TAKEN: Mr. McKee mentioned the above with the thought that possibly it might be discussed at one of the regular conferences.

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[redacted] also informed McKee that Frank Fieldrop is a double agent and so, that everybody on the paper thinks so, that he is nothing but a stooge for Eleanor Patterson and the closest thing over there to [redacted] said that he might be prejudiced but he couldn't help but do [redacted]

Respectfully,

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L. B. Nichols

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February 16, 1942

Mr. Walter Winchell
New York Mirror
235 East 45th Street
New York, New York

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Dear Walter:

I have the letter you received from [redacted]

[redacted] California concerning the Japanese problem there. His comments along with the clipping he enclosed from the local paper in his city were most enlightening; and I have made them available to other interested agencies without, of course, disclosing their source.

I am appreciative of your thoughtfulness in bringing matters of this kind to my attention and can assure you they are of real assistance.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Cordially,

J. Edgar Hoover

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February 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Reference is made to your memorandum of February 19, 1942, to the Director concerning the information to the effect that [redacted] has been spending considerable time with Italian gangsters in New York who have planned to kill Walter Winchell.

It is believed that this is [redacted] who in the Spring of 1941 was living at [redacted] with [redacted]. Both of these individuals allegedly were very effeminate. [redacted] was interviewed by Agents of the New York Office in April, 1941, at which time he was out of work and attempting to secure a position in the [redacted] WPA. He attempted to give the impression that he was a man of great influence and power in the anti-Semitic movement and claimed to have disrupted many schemes of [redacted] the Christian Mobilizers. This information is reflected in New York [redacted] a report of M. R. Griffin dated at New York, May 2, 1940, in the case of [redacted] Christian Mobilizers -- Miscellaneous - Information Concerning.

A check of the Identification Division revealed a criminal record. [redacted]

The charges were principally [redacted]. It is possible that this individual is identical with [redacted].

The above information was furnished to Mr. Foxworth with instructions that he give the substance of it to the New York City Police Department.

Done by Foxworth 2-20-42

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Respectfully,
R. C. Hendon

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February 19, 1942

Attorney General Biddle
Washington, D. C.

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Hon. Sir:

Re--Walter Winchell, Lt. Commander
and J. Steele.

1. Why is Walter Winchell, Lieut. Commander in the U. S. armed forces permitted to advertise the products of a commercial firm?

2. Is this man an authorized spokesman for the U. S. Govt? If not, why, in a recent broadcast for Jurgens lotions did he say in substance: "To you operators of short wave radio sets and there are thousands of you: If you hear any information regarding the movements of our ships or the ships of another nation and even tell a friend what you have heard you will be punished with death; you will be shot."

Also, "The actors of Hollywood will not serve in the armed forces of the U. S. The Government has decided that their services are more valuable in making pictures and this is not class privilege." Well, irrespective of what Mr. Winchell says, if this be true, we say it is class privilege

3. Who authorizes this Lieut. Commander to take it upon himself to threaten thousands of American citizens with death; and to interpret the provisions of the Selective Service Act. We are under the impression that if statements of this kind are to be made they should come from you or some other responsible representative of our government. To listen to this man would lead one to believe he is the government.

4. J. Steele, radio commentator: We have on a number of occasions heard this man make statements over the radio along the following lines: "I have it on high government authority", or, today a high government official told me so and so; of course, I cannot reveal his identity" and then follows it up with a lot of balderdash. Now, considering that this man is sponsored by a commercial firm; his foreign accent, broken speech and his vindictive denunciation of all persons, particularly those representatives of government whose actions or statements do not meet with his personal ideas or approval, its a hard thing to believe that any responsible official of government would make this man his confident or reveal secret information. If its true, its a sad state of affairs.

5. We have a war to win, four sons of draft age, and we firmly believe that these two men are doing more to harm our country in this country than a thousand paid Nazi agents. Very truly yours,

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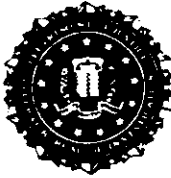
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Foxworth telephoned me on February 18, stating that he had received a letter from [redacted] in which it was indicated that [redacted] has been spending considerable time with Italian gangsters in New York who have planned to kill Walter Winchell. The letter indicates that one night recently these men hung around the Stork Club for this purpose.

Mr. Foxworth stated there was an indication that [redacted] is a member of the Christian Mobilizers and a friend of [redacted]

I told Mr. Foxworth on the night of February 18 that this information should be passed on to the New York City Police Department at once, and he indicated that this action would be taken.

Clyde Tolson

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Mr Walter Winchell,
New York, N. Y.

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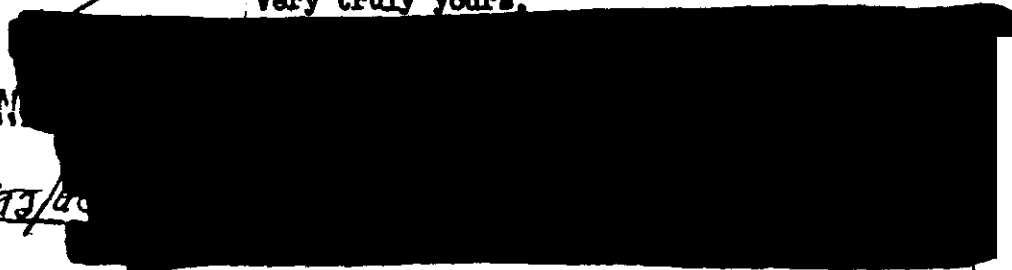
Dear Sir:-

I, as well as many people are wondering why in the h-ll you are not on active duty in the Navy helping to defend this country in a war which you have wanted and which you helped to create.

Brave men are today dying while fighting for their country while you spend your time waving a flag and working for 15 minutes on Sunday nights and then in a very brave manner announce that you are contributing what you earn in this 15 minutes to some good cause-People are not fooled by your kind who stand on the side lines and cheer while bravemen are fighting and dying.

I think if I were you I would either go on active duty or shut my mouth trying to smear some GOOD American who does not happen to fall for the stuff you put out. Your voice in shrill and sounds to my like Hitlers.

Very truly yours,



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Jimmy
Dear W.W.: In the future I am sending the/Cannon paper column to people like this. Okay?

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March 2, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

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Mr. Winchell, in his broadcast last night, stated that the United States Army will administer the evacuation of aliens and other dangerous persons on the West Coast.

The Bureau has been kept advised of developments on this matter by SAC Pieper of the Los Angeles Office, who has been in touch with General De Witt on the subject.

Mr. Winchell mentioned that Frederick Vanderbilt Field, the organizer of the "American Peace Movement" which disgusted Americans with its communistic activities, and who was also responsible for the placing of pickets around the White House last year, stopped his peace campaign when Russia entered the war, is now trying to get a commission in the Military Intelligence Division of the War Department.

[REDACTED]

Charles B. Hudson of Omaha, Nebraska, who got his picture in the papers during the Dies Committee hearings when he snatched a glass of water from General Mosley because it might have been poisoned, "is still spreading propaganda. Why doesn't someone do something about him?", Winchell stated.

Hudson is the publisher of "America in Danger".

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Winchell previously mentioned Hudson in his column and on January 22, 1942 a summary memorandum on him was submitted for the Director's information.

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Memo for Mr. D. M. Ladd

Winchell remarked that Elisabeth Dilling, who has been prominent in so-called patriotic groups that fought lend-lease, etc., and also in organizing the "Patriotic Service Bureau" for stirring up class and religious hatred, was charged by her husband last week during divorce proceedings with being a "habitual drunkard" and "a user of narcotics".

This woman, the author of "The Red Network", is well known to the Bureau as an anti-Communist, pro-Fascist, who was a very active isolationist. No active investigation is presently being conducted regarding her.

The Patriotic Service Bureau is her organization to assist her in her work.

Mr. Winchell asserted that the G-men had rounded up a total of 5,100 dangerous enemy aliens since December 7, 1941, a large number over the last week-end. Statistics regarding these apprehensions are submitted to the Director daily.

As a matter of possible interest, Winchell also stated that General Cornelius Vanderbilt died on his yacht in Miami.

Respectfully,

L. L. Laughlin
L. L. Laughlin

ECK:VV

March 5, 1942

Dear [Redacted]

The enclosed letter was received at this Bureau and inasmuch as it has been apparently misdirected it is being returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Feb. 22, 1942

Walter Winchell
c/o New York Daily Mirror
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We live about 20 miles East of Canton, Ohio and 60 miles South of Cleveland, we would like very much to learn of a newspaper which prints your column and to which we could subscribe for a while. We could subscribe to the Daily Mirror, but that is a little bit distant from where we live, and it would be easier to subscribe to one nearer home.

We listen to your broadcast every Sunday evening, and we think you are certainly a true American.

Yours truly

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We would like to know subscription rates for The Daily Mirror.

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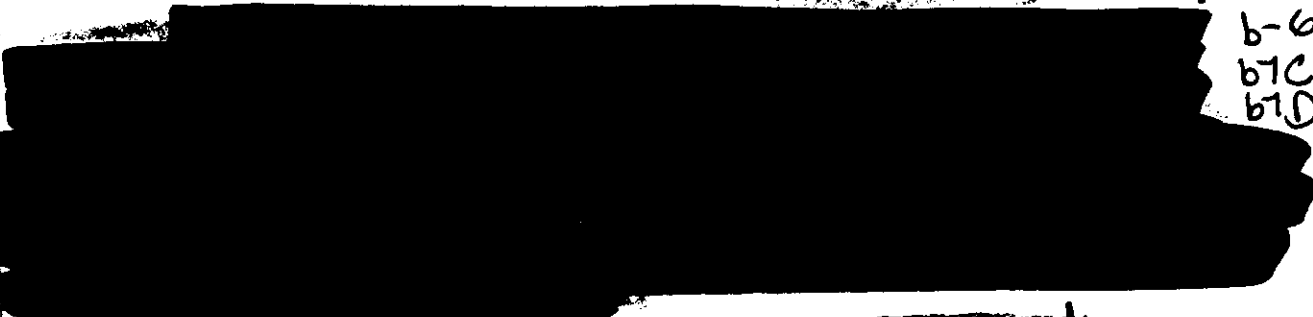
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Last night in his broadcast, Walter Winchell stated the rumor factory in Washington has it that there will be a shake-up in the presidential cabinet, - Lewis Atcheson to go to State; John Steelman to Labor; Paul McNutt to War; and Tom Dewey will replace Mr. Biddle as Attorney General. Winchell remarked that Dewey turned the offer down. However, in Washington, Winchell stated he contacted a person in a position to know who advised that the rumor is untrue. Winchell rhetorically inquired why is it that Herbert Ottgen of New York, who pedals German recordings such as speeches by Kuhn and Nazi songs under the guise of patriotic tunes, is allowed to broadcast for a German-American furniture company. He commented that no congressman did anything about it although he was barred by a United States Senator from broadcasting in Montana.



Mention was made of the conviction of George Sylvester Viereck, "General of the Hitler Command in the United States." Winchell described the conviction as the "first American victory over Germany" and added "thanks to the FBI and prosecutors Maloney and Hickey of the Department of Justice."

Winchell also stated that Japanese officials in Brazil had been placed under the custody of the police.

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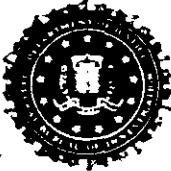
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March 16, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Winchell Program
for March 15, 1942

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Mr. Winchell, on his broadcast last night, called attention to the fact that Robert Noble of Los Angeles had been arrested on charges of sedition but that the Attorney General "in an attempt to protect everyone's free speech" had ordered Noble's release. Winchell then stated that California law makers had charged that Noble has made talks praising Japan and ridiculing General MacArthur. After stating that Noble is allowed to use his freedom of speech to vilify those who are fighting and dying to protect that liberty, Winchell remarked "why isn't something done".



Mr. Winchell mentioned that the editorial dealing with this country's foreign policy which appeared on page 10548 of the Congressional Record for 1940 had been inserted into the record and praised by the late Senator Lundeen and that the convicted Nazi agent Viereck worked and collaborated with Lundeen. Winchell also stated that recent CIO investigation had allegedly disclosed gangsterism and corruption among henchmen of John L. Lewis in Lundeen's drive to create a new anti New Deal Labor Empire.

Respectfully,

Keith E. Angell
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New York, N. Y.
March 10, 1942.

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It is quite evident that the hot water that Walter Winchell is in at the present time may mean that he is going to sever his relationship with the Hearst Synd through the King Features on November of next year. According to authentic information Winchell has already notified Hearst to this effect.

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Dear Mr. Hoover

may wonder why some of this mail is so old. We are just getting from under the Navy Relief mail avalanche.

sincerely

Rose Bigman

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Mar 22, 1942

Dear Ady-Gen. Biddle:

Please investigate the circumstances that permit Walter Winchell to BOY exemption from active Navy service with his salary from Jurgen's Lotion. Why isn't he over there fighting? Afraid of water? Why isn't he called? Who is saving him in the Navy Dept.? Can our boys get exemption by offering to work for Navy Relief Shows? We want to know as our boys do the dying! Respected American

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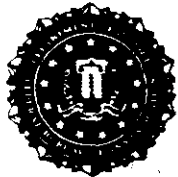
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Washington, D. C.

March 23, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

In his broadcast last night, Walter Winchell related that the evacuation of the Japanese aliens from the West Coast is a headache to the War Department. The housing of 100,000 Japanese aliens presents such a staggering problem that it is unlikely that other aliens will be moved from other coastal cities.

The Department of Justice will not seek convictions under the Sedition Laws of the "Joe McGraws". Unregistered enemies will be tried for a much more serious crime. They will be considered spies or guilty of treason.

Winchell mentioned that an article appeared in the March 14 issue of the Nation Magazine, written by Norman Cousins, Editor of the Saturday Review of Literature in which he asks "How much can the Chicago people know about the trial of George Sylvester Viereck and the doings of Congressmen Fish, Stephen A. Day and the late Senator Lundeen, if they read only the Chicago Tribune?" Winchell stated that he combed through the Tribune, but found no mention of this or other Nazi trials, but much criticism of the Administration.

Winchell also stated that William Dudley Pelley, who was sentenced to serve two to three years in the State Court for stock fraud and is now out on bail while his appeal is pending, is still spreading Swastika poison. Winchell inquired, "Why isn't something done about it?"

Winchell remarked that Attorney General Biddle in Collier's recently (3-21-42) defended his policy of giving free speech to Americans on the basis that the English are even more lenient. Apparently the Attorney General didn't see the article in the New York Post which revealed that the British have cracked down on their rabble rousers and jailed all their Oswald Mosleys and have broken all the Axis groups. He added "The Attorney General Biddles while the Normandie burns".

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THE DIRECTOR

Colonel Edwin Halsey, Secretary of the Senate, whose call was transferred to me from your office, advised the suggestion has been made that Walter Winchell come before the committee holding hearings on three bills concerning the deportation and centralization of Japanese from the West Coast. Colonel Halsey said he knew you and Walter Winchell are friends, and he thought he might get your reaction before anything was done about calling Winchell before the committee; he said it seems Winchell has talked a good deal about this matter on the air and seems to have some inside information on it. Colonel Halsey suggested to the committee that he get your reaction to the proposition.

I advised Colonel Halsey I would be in touch with you today, would mention this matter to you, and call him later in the day.

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

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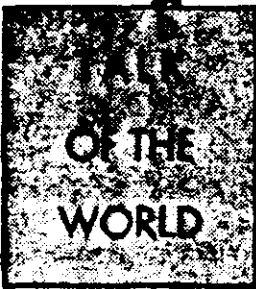
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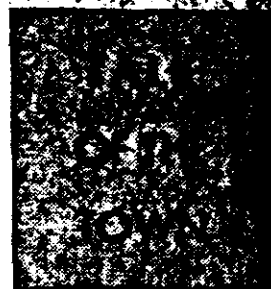
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NUSSBAUM MAXWELL WINCHELL



WALTER WINCHELL ON BROADWAY

A Reporter's Report to the Nation
(And U. S. Attorney-General Biddle)

Before the war there were more than ten thousand fully dressed fanatical Blackshirts in this country. They trained themselves in street fighting and took military training from the remnants of the World War. What's become of James True, the jerque who used to boast that he could get arms for subversive outfits? . . . Many of the spy-solutionist publications are urging their readers not to pay taxes. Isn't there any law against that? . . . The Nazi links of many so-called "mother" organizations have been exposed and confirmed many times. But a few of those outfits are still in business . . . Do Bundists still own their camps in strategic positions around the country? . . . Anyone who thinks Nazi Bundists will support our country in war don't know that every Bundist took an oath that he would support Germany in peace or war.

Swastikow-tower Gerald Winrod of Wichita is still spreading his periodical poison behind various fronts . . . The latest plan of the Hitlerate in this country is to try to make as much trouble as possible in the coming Congressional elections . . . Lawrence Dennis, who is now trying to wave the flag, used to write articles for a magazine put out by Frederick Auhagan, a convicted Nazi agent. So did a few of our congressmen . . . Herr Auhagan also used to teach at Columbia Univ. For some strange reason many pro-Axis stooges find it easy to get teaching jobs there . . . According to an official estimate, there are over a million Fifth Columnists in this country.

Former Bund groups in Long Island are now calling themselves "The Party" and are indulging in all kinds of party vandalism . . . World Service is the official Nazi overseas propaganda service. They have praised, advertised and distributed the bias of various Americaners. They include Gerald Winrod (of Wichita, Kansas);

Charles E. Hudson (of Omaha, Nebraska); James True (of Washington, D. C.) and Lizzie Belling, to mention a few. These people are still distributing their poison in America! . . . Many of the pro-Nazi German groups that weren't as noisy as the Bund still haven't disbanded.

If you want to find the source of the arguments of many so-called Americans who are now hurting the Commander-in-Chief, you should read the bunk written by Lawrence Dennis . . . Col. Sanctuary is still an Army reserve officer, although he has been a professional hate-spreader for a long time. Among those who have praised and advertised his activities are Gen. Moseley, Gerald Winrod and Coughlin . . . Joseph P. Kamp, who spreads Fascist propaganda, has had much of his bunk praised and distributed by Winrod . . . Another who has received such support is Charles E. Hudson, who flings paper bullets at this reporter for blinding him with the spotlight.

Once again pro-Axis outfits here are making plans to start a new political party . . . William Dudley Pelley has been convicted of stock fraud, but he is now appealing his case. This is the kind of man we give the benefit of our democratic privileges. A short time ago he released the copyright of one of his books titled: "No More Hunger" to the Japanese. The Japs printed about a million copies of the book and boosted Pelley via their short-wave radio. Pelley boasted and boasted about this "honor" . . . Now he is still distributing his pro-Axis literary arsenal.

Whatever happened to Robert Edward Edmondson, the professional hate spreader who made his headquarters in Stoddartsville, Pennsylvania? Is he still alive? Lambert Fairchild who used to make speeches before Bunders, still has his letters printed in big newspapers. Don't those editors know the man's activities? Or maybe they do know the kind of man he

is—because his letters always appear in newspapers that are still rapping the Commander-in-Chief.

Although Government agencies have done a wonderful job in weeding out Nazi influences in American industries, there is still too much of it . . . The attacks made on the President by various people in Washington are being spread by the Axis shortwavers. So it is no surprise that the same bunch has also tried to gag us . . . The last two Congressmen who vilified this reporter (Jake Thorkelson of Montana and John C. Schafer of Wisconsin) are now both ex-Congressmen! Both were linked with various hate-groups.

Harold Fish, who always was against aiding the Allies, wanted to aid Germany by selling our halium . . . The Westermann Book Shop, 41 West 48th St. in New York used to display pro-Nazi propaganda, until their activity was exposed. When the F. B. I. nabbed a man named Max Blank a few months ago, on charges of espionage, he said he was a customer for this book shop—yet he is still doing business . . . Do you notice that the material used by those who make no secret of their pro-Axis sympathies these days is the same kind of stuff the ostriches used to propagate—and they insisted that they were only being patriotic.

Edward James Smythe, a best described as a rabble rouser and hate spreader . . . His written and spoken utterances give comfort to those who see nothing the matter with Hitler and Company . . . Because of your correspondent's blinding spotlight—Smythe has been linked with various pro-Axis outfits for years . . . They have a complete file on him in Washington . . . In August, 1938, the Dies Committee subpoenaed him but he ignored it . . . And the entire matter was given a ticket to oblivion . . . Isn't it a crime of misdemeanor or something to ignore a Congressional subpoena? . . . If Mr. Dies is no longer interested, how about you, Mr. Federal Prosecutor Wm. Power Keenan?

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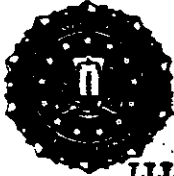
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

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Further reference is made to my memorandum to you of today regarding Walter Winchell's broadcast last night in which he mentioned three Army Reserve Colonels who have been definitely linked with the Nazi organizations, "Silver Shirts", "K.K.K." and the "Paul Reveres". According to Winchell, these men are Colonel E. M. Sanctuary, Lieutenant Colonel Winfield Jones of Missouri, and Lieutenant Colonel Marshall Hadley of Chicago.

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As a matter of information, Sanctuary reportedly is a retired Army officer interested in subversive activities in the United States and distributing German Nazi propoganda. He is the author of numerous pamphlets criticising the New Deal and also has written a song entitled, "America! A New Challenge", which tends to ridicule the Administration of President Roosevelt.

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According to information furnished by the Philadelphia Office, on May 6, 1937, Colonel Hadley was described in an article by John Spivak which appeared in the Sunday "Worker" on April 4, 1937, as the head of the "Paul Reveres". This article also charged Hadley with having attempted to set up Fascist groups on the college campuses of various universities in this country as early as two years previously.

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Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD *AS*

In his broadcast last night, Walter Winchell stated that Senator Tom Stewart of Tennessee will introduce a bill in Congress to deprive all Japanese, native-born or otherwise, of citizenship. The discretion of deciding their future status will be left to the War Department.

It does not appear that the Bureau has any information regarding this proposed measure.

Winchell also mentioned that Chicagoans should not be alarmed at the return of the Chicago Labor leaders to Prohibition gangsters. "Do not be misled," he added, "because even the foremost "stooge" is under the scrutiny of the FBI."

Telephonic inquiry of the Chicago Field Office has resulted in determining that no investigation was being conducted in that area of labor leaders. It was recalled that a story had recently appeared in certain Chicago newspapers indicating that three men had been arrested and convicted for violating a Federal injunction prohibiting violence against the Peoria Railroad. It is not known whether Winchell had reference to this article.

Winchell also stated that two railroad bridges had been damaged by fire at El Centro, California, on the morning of March 29, 1942. He quoted the railroad officials as claiming that saboteurs were responsible for this damage.

The Bureau has been advised of these fires by the San Diego Office, and from present information they occurred in a desert, isolated area, but their cause has not as yet been determined. The San Diego Office is still working on this matter. INDEXED.

According to Winchell, Attorney General Biddle has begun a full-scale offensive against the German-American Bund. Special prosecutors, Winchell stated, are to arrive in Washington on March 30, 1942 for instruction. The New York branch of the German-American Bund is the first to be attacked. Fritz Kuhn will be brought from prison to testify. The Attorney General intends to cancel all citizenship proceedings of Bund members. They will be denaturalized and treated as enemy aliens.

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He added that over two hundred fifty cases are to come before the grand jury.

As you may recall, the Department very recently (March 27, 1942) notified the Bureau regarding its program of denaturalization proceedings. As a result, the Bureau has requested all field offices to submit by noon today a list of persons subject to denaturalization.

Winchell related that he has been called to testify before a Senate Investigating Committee concerning aliens. He indicated that the gist of his testimony will be: "Dangerous aliens are determined by what they think, and not where they were born."

Winchell further mentioned that the Department of Justice had charged George W. Christians of Chattanooga, Tennessee, with Sedition. He alleged that Christians was the leader of the "Crusader White Shirts" and the "Economic Liberty - -". He stated that one of the pamphlets circulated by Christians contained the comment that, "President Roosevelt had some neck for some rope."

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Mentioning Noblesville, Indiana, Winchell remarked, "Thanks to the Postal Authorities, the publication of William Dudley Pelley has been suspended". The Bureau has knowledge that the Postal Authorities refused to receive Pelley's publication for mailing.

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Mention was also made by Winchell of the raid and arrest by G-men, of sixty-seven Nazis at the German Seamen's Home at Hoboken, New Jersey, on March 28, 1942. He indicated that these men had been sending information to German U-boats by a diathermy machine and shortwave transmitter.

The Bureau recovered a diathermy machine, but there is no information indicating it was being used for signaling purposes.

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There are hundreds of pro-Nazi
and Jap groups operating in Amer-
ica now. Many people don't take
them seriously, because they seem
small and unimportant. But all of
these outfits cooperate with each
other, spread each other's lies,
boost each other's bunk. They are
organized and seem to be well sup-
plied with money ... Don't take
them lightly — that's what they
want you to do. They have been
and still are preparing for "Der
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is for an aroused people to demand
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

At the request of Walter Winchell, he was contacted by Special Agent John L. Madala of this office at the Roney Plaza Hotel, where he is stopping, on this date.

After reporting several matters pertaining to national defense in Miami, Florida, Mr. Winchell requested that you be advised that he ascertained that the source of the various anonymous communications concerning him which were sent to all of the Congressmen, developed to be the Chicago Tribune. Mr. Winchell indicated that this would be of interest to you.

Mr. Winchell also advised at this time that

[REDACTED] has returned to the United States within the past year, and according to his information is now a member of the Military Intelligence Service. Mr. Winchell stated that he was told by [REDACTED] who personally knows [REDACTED] is no good and that he has a brother-in-law who is a member of the High Command in the German Army.

Info provided
re: Winchell

Mr. Winchell had no further information relative to the background and activities of [REDACTED] and he requested that this information be conveyed personally to you.

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Respectfully yours,

R. G. Danner
R. G. DANNER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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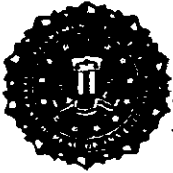
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Walter Winchell in his broadcast last night stated that the State Department has announced the names of 400 firms and individuals in Latin America, South America and neutral countries who have been placed on the American Trade Black List.

The Trade Black List as we know is changed constantly and such lists are furnished regularly to the Bureau by the State Department.

Winchell stated rumors persist that Federal Grand Jury indictments (referring to the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D. C., probing subversive activities) will reach into Congress.

It would appear that Winchell apparently has in mind the inquiries regarding the activities of Congressman Clare Hoffman of Michigan, who, according to the press, has been subpoenaed to appear before the Grand Jury, and whose activities have been the subject of newspaper articles during the past week. It is known, of course, that Congressman Hoffman and Senators Wheeler and Nye have in the past been criticized for repeated alleged un-American attacks on the Administration and its foreign policy. The press has also carried articles in the recent past that Congressman Hamilton Fish has also been called to testify before this Grand Jury.

Winchell commented that Attorney General Biddle has widened his attacks on enemies within to include newspapers and publications and that corporations can now be guilty of sedition. Winchell commented that it can now be said that the writings of Father Coughlin are also subject to Department of Justice investigations.



Winchell stated that the Cartel Patent investigation by the United States Senate will disclose sensations regarding Nazi interference with the war effort. He said American orders to American concerns were turned down because of contracts with the Nazis.

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It appears that Winchell is referring to the present inquiries regarding the Standard Oil Company which has been accused of combining with German organizations in the exchange of patents. The press has carried articles on this matter during the past week in which it was noted the Standard Oil Company has denied the accusations. Inquiries are presently being made by the Antitrust Division of the Department on this subject. The Bureau has very recently written to the Department regarding the alleged connections of the Standard Oil Company with various German organizations. The Department has advised that when its investigation is completed it will furnish the Bureau with its complete findings.

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Winchell stated that when William Dudley Pelley was arrested by the FBI last week he was found in the home of George B. Fisher of Darien, Connecticut, who is a retired businessman. In 1940 as stated by Winchell, Fisher told the Dies Committee that he had given \$20,000 to aid Pelley's army of Silver Shirts. Winchell said that Fisher should be among those who should be considered for denaturalization.



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In his next comment, Winchell started out by addressing same particularly to the attention of William Powell Maloney, Special Prosecutor of the Department of Justice. Winchell stated that if he ever saw a concrete example of sedition and treason it was this. He then indicated that he was quoting a paragraph from a pamphlet mailed by the Social Republic Society of America to district memberships. "Do not neglect your arsenals, buy arms and keep them in a place where readily accessible. No immediate emergencies are foreseen but there is no time to prepare like now. Also keep a plentiful supply of ammunition." Winchell stated that the mailing address of the individual who was handling the mailing of these pamphlets is Davis Baxter, Colton, California.



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Memo for Mr. Ladd

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Winchell stated that Rudyard S. Uzzell, Jr., the son of Mrs. Mary Uzzell who, it was stated during an Dies investigation during May of 1939 was engaged in pro-Nazi activities in New York, is presently a member of G-2 attached to the Third Corps Area. Winchell stated that Mrs. Uzzell was once an associate of Fritz Kuhn and that her son Rudyard S. Uzzell, Jr., would chauffeur her to Nazi meetings. Winchell stated that Rudyard S. Uzzell, Jr., is presently assigned to investigate groups and persons endeavoring to undermine morale. To this Winchell remarked "Why doesn't he start working in his own home".

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Winchell stated that Gerald P. Winrod of Wichita, Kansas, was up before the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D. C. Winchell stated "It was about time."

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Respectfully,

WEH
W. E. Hopton
[Signature]



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Dear Sir:-

If bottom item on enclosed clipping is true, might as well waste some more time and investigate me, as believe the same.

Believe it to mean - Walter Winchell
Dry Dock Lieutenant Commander in our Navy, fast
and furious bal of head of your department. The
so called expert on national affairs, raiser of 40
thousands of dollars for Navy Relief fund is just
a louse under it all and confidentially think
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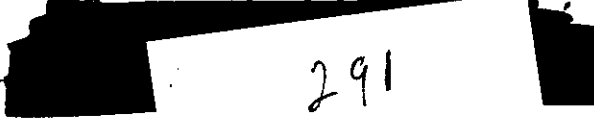
With a war going on
your department would be very busy but
such junk as mentioned in clipping should
your attention, why of course, include me as
one who don't like your pet of the Daily Mirror and
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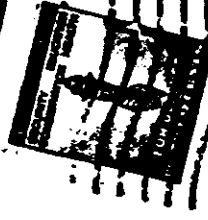
Unfinished Business

Mrs. Roosevelt must be serious about running for Congress from New York as people who claim to represent her are lining up potential campaign workers in Greenwich Village . . . Chief Justice Frank Murphy, recently mentioned for other posts, tells friends that if he dons his judicial robe it will be to don a khaki uniform (Murphy served as Captain of Infantry, on combat duty, in World War I) . . . The U. S. has taken over 75 hotels in the Miami area; officers are now quartered at the smart Versailles, at Miami Beach, and the glittering Royal Palm nite club becomes a mess hall for Army lads . . . Visitors returning from the Florida resort claim that porters, apparently working under a central control, have bought up all the train reservations and are profiteering from the emergency . . . Local Communists fear the Milton Mayer article in Readers Digest praising Maxim Litvinoff will prove a "kiss of death" for the Soviet Ambassador, because of Mayer's recent controversial article in the Saturday Evening Post . . . A well-known Brooklyn doctor wrote to the sponsor of a radio columnist, referring to the broadcaster as "a bedroom historian who is not qualified to discuss international affairs." The doctor is now under investigation by the FBI for "subversive activities."

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Oust Winchell, Rep. Hoffman Urges F. D. R.

Quotes Columnist's
Charge Sen. Reynolds
Aided Nazi Defender

By WILLARD EDWARDS

Walter Winchell, purveyor of gossip about the private lives of prominent citizens, was accused in the House yesterday of spreading reports which give aid and comfort to the enemy.

Winchell has been under fire in Congress for use of his commission and uniform of a Navy lieutenant commander to help him garner juicy tidbits in Broadway night clubs which he prints in his syndicated column and broadcasts weekly by radio.

Quotes Radio Attack

Representative Clare E. Hoffman (R.), of Michigan, himself one of the targets for abuse by Winchell, told members that the cabaret commander in a Sunday night broadcast attacked Senator Robert R. Reynolds (D.) of North Carolina, chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

Hoffman quoted Winchell as asserting that Gerald L. K. Smith, whom he identified as a pro-German propagandist, had "received the written support of the chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the Senate."

"Think of it!" said Hoffman. "This Winchell is an officer of the Navy and members of the Naval Affairs Committee tell me he is on the staff of the President himself. Let him produce the record if that is not correct. This Winchell announces that a pro-Axis propagandist has received the written support of the chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee. Is that not good news to Hitler? Let the President get rid of this man who is spreading that kind of propaganda."

Denounced by Army

A week ago, Winchell was accused by an Army spokesman of broadcasting rumors "detrimental to the armed forces of the United States." This was after Winchell had broadcast slurs upon an officer in the Army. The spokesman said that "Further publicity on this matter is contrary to the military interests."

Sometime ago, the Naval Affairs Committee heard that Winchell was to be ordered into active duty or relinquish his uniform and commission. But no announcement of action towards this objective has been made.

Hoffman informed the House that he had appeared again yesterday morning before a District of Columbia Grand Jury investigating Axis propaganda in the United States. He had previously been summoned after a copy of a House speech he made entitled "Don't Haul Down the Stars and Stripes" and condemning efforts to include the United States in a world federation of nations had been mailed out by an agent reportedly representing a subversive group.

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Accuses Maloney

Hoffman at that time condemned Special Prosecutor William P. Lacey as "a smear artist" who boasted he was out to "get all publican isolationists." Maloney called this charge an "unmitigated lie."

The Michigan Representative said he was asked yesterday tell the Grand Jury where he got his information about Maloney's alleged remarks. He said a clerk in his office, Miss Boyer, had been given the information by a man named Ahearn, a Washington resident. Ahearn, called before the jury, denied he had quoted the prosecutor to Miss Boyer, Hoffman said.

"I am making this statement Maloney's request," Hoffman told the House. "But I am not retracting nor apologizing. I repeat to Maloney, with perhaps the exception of Charlie Michelson (Democratic National Committee president) is an expert smear artist." Hoffman said he was turned down all requests for purchase quantities of his "Stars and Stripes" speech except to the person personally known to him. He received checks, money orders, cash for tens of thousands of copies, he said, but is returning the money because of the mis-copies by third parties.

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Rep. Hoffman Asks House Probe His Charges of 'Smear'

By Charles Mercer
 Post Staff Writer

Representative Clare E. Hoffman (Republican), of Michigan, yesterday sought a Congressional investigation of what he alleges was an attempt to "smear" him after he went to be questioned by a special grand jury on Axis agents.

In a speech on the floor of the House he asked Speaker Sam Rayburn to appoint a committee to determine:

Whether Special Attorney General E. A. Tamm Power Maloney is making an effort to defeat Congressmen who were isolationists before Pearl Harbor.

If a reporter for The Washington Post has obtained access to grand jury records "in some unauthorized way."

There was no immediate indication that such an investigation would be undertaken.

Asks Committee Study Case

"The Speaker should appoint a committee to call before it Special Attorney Maloney, reporters for The Washington Post and the grand jury investigators and ascertain whether or not the present investigation is being conducted as a smear campaign in an effort to defeat all those who prior to December 7, 1941, have been considered as isolationist," Hoffman declared.

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"Such a committee should inquire as to whether the special attorney himself did not, when seeking the extension of life of the grand jury, make the statement that if he were given three additional months he could defeat every Republican for Congress who had been opposed to our entry into war.

"Source" Denies It

"Also I suggest that the committee investigate and determine whether the proceedings of the grand jury had been secret, as required by law, and whether a reporter for The Washington Post had not, in some unauthorized way, obtained access to the grand jury records."

When Hoffman charged last week on the floor that he was being "smeared" because of his isolationist activities, Majority Leader Charles McNamara demanded the authorization for his statement. Hoffman said at the time that it was

answer for the grand jury. Yesterday he declared that during his morning appearance before the jury he told Maloney he got information that he was being smeared with other isolationist Congressmen from his secretary, Miss Helen Boyer.

"He (Maloney) wanted to know where she got it," Hoffman continued. "I suggested to him that only information I had on that course, was she had said to me she had obtained the information from a man named Ahearn, lived here in Washington..."

"This morning the attorneys advised me that they had called Ahearn and that he had been making such a statement to Miss Boyer and that he therefore wanted me to retract and apologize.

"Well, now, I am not retracting and I am not apologizing. I am saying this. It now appears by statement of Mr. Ahearn, under oath, that he did not tell Miss Boyer. It also appears under oath she says he did. Whether they misunderstood either or whether that came out, sir, I have no way of knowing. I am giving it to you as I got it."

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From Walter Winchell:

"Who is he?"

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Walter Winchell
U.S.A.

Dear Mr Winchell

Congratulations on your ^{who is?} newspaper-gang exposure last Sunday
Confidential - Wash. Star

While expressing my admiration for your straight-forward statement on the above subject to one BAILEY of the Star, I was astonished to hear him condemn you bitterly - but he had nothing apparently to say against the Tribune or the Herald. In fact to me, he merely echoed the Herald. This Bailey is, I believe, assistant to the managing editor ^{as} a contact man to the public ^{has} a chance to talk to ^{one} who ^{didn't} know there's a ^{or} ^{didn't} care, ^{or} was ^{playing} a game. Sincerely,

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Order to you - keep your program clean & patriotic and you can do much.

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March 25, 1942 [REDACTED]

Walter Winchell
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Winchell:

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Confidential - Wash. Star

While expressing my admiration for your straight-forward statement on the above subject to one BAILEY of the Star, I was astonished to hear him condemn you bitterly - but he had nothing apparently to say against the Tribune or the Herald. In fact to me he merely "echoed" the Herald. This Bailey is, I believe, assistant to the managing Editor, and as contact man to the public has a chance to talk to many in this vein.

He impressed me as one who didn't know there's a war on or didn't care - or was playing a game.

Sincerely,

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P.S. More power to you. Keep your program clean and patriotic and you can do much.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

April 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Walter Winchell in his broadcast last night stated that the Department of Justice has ordered a permanent Grand Jury to convene in California to probe subversive activities.

Winchell stated it has been reported that the next witness to be called before the Grand Jury in Washington, D. C., is Gerald L. Smith of Detroit.

Gerald L. K. Smith was mentioned in my memorandum on the Winchell broadcast last week, and Winchell makes another reference to Smith later in this same broadcast.

Winchell stated that on Tuesday of this week the State Grand Jury at Sacramento, California, will hear evidence on a complaint against Robert Noble and F. K. Ferenz for failure to register as a member of a subversive organization.

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Winchell reported that Mr. and Mrs. George K. Bodenschatz pleaded guilty in the United States District Court at Louisville, Kentucky, last week on a charge of failing to register as agents of a foreign principal and that each received a sentence of five years and total fines of \$6,000. Winchell stated that United States Attorney Ely Brown told the judge that Mrs. Bodenschatz had written a letter to Hitler in 1933 in which she stated she could render Germany a great service in the United States because of her membership in a number of American women's clubs. It was reported by Winchell that United States Attorney Brown also told the judge that Mrs. Bodenschatz had made financial contributions to Elizabeth Dilling of Chicago.

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Winchell stated that at a meeting of the Women's Club on April 20, 1942, in New York City, the members discussed the Life magazine article of April 13, 1942, regarding subversive publications. He related that the article in Life mentioned Mrs. Livingston Rowe Schuyler. According to Winchell, Mrs. Schuyler at this meeting denied the statements in Life and remarked that Walter Winchell had apologized to her for his remarks on the radio. In answer thereto, Winchell stated that he has never mentioned her name and that therefore he never apologized to her.

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Herald P.
Robert R.
Ray O.

Winchell stated that last Sunday night he revealed that Senators Nye and Reynolds, and Congressman Woodruff had given endorsements to Gerald L. K. Smith. He went on to state that on the floor of Congress, Congressman Clare E. Hoffman of Michigan denounced him for "giving false information" and that he then demanded the President to "get rid of Winchell". Winchell stated that Hoffman then implied that he, Winchell, was a bum reporter. In answering Congressman Hoffman, Winchell stated that subsequent to Hoffman's remarks, Senators Nye and Reynolds publicly confirmed that what he, Winchell, had said was true.

Respectfully,

W. E. Hopton
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May 3, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: Walter Winchell Broadcast
Sunday, May 3, 1942

During his broadcast tonight, Walter Winchell stated that the Department of Justice will start the most spectacular expose of subversive activities in the history of the United States on May 15, 1942.

The particular significance of this date is not known to the Bureau, but it is believed that he possibly has reference to numerous grand juries being called throughout the country for the purpose of listening to evidence in sedition cases.

Mr. Winchell remarked that the activities of United States Attorney Biddle this week extended over two continents. Upon information furnished by the Director, the Brazilian Government, according to Mr. Winchell, has arrested two hundred Axis ringleaders in Brazil for destroying a secret radio broadcasting station.

As you are aware, the clandestine radio groups were closed by local Brazilian authorities as the result of information furnished to them by the Bureau. So far as the Bureau is aware, the Brazilian Police to date have arrested approximately fifty-two or fifty-three individuals.

Mr. Winchell remarked that the Axis diplomats have started the ground work for peace, but their overtures will be rejected by the President.

According to a recent expose in Life magazine, Mr. Winchell remarked, one Mrs. Agnes Waters of Washington, D. C., in a speech at Philadelphia labelled the men at Pearl Harbor when she screamed, "The President ought to be killed." According to Winchell, Mrs. Waters is said to have screamed this treason at Philadelphia on February 24, 1942. Winchell then remarked that much publicity appears to be going to phoney women's patriotic clubs, and then rhetorically inquired, "why don't the real women's patriotic clubs do something about the activities of this woman?"

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Mr. Winchell also stated that the Grand Jury at Kansas City returned an indictment yesterday against another pro-Hitler rag named "Publicity". The publisher of this periodical is E. J. Garner, who, in the words of Mr. Biddle, is a "dirty little sheet promoter".

The information concerning this indictment was furnished to the Bureau by the Kansas City Office immediately following its return, and you are already aware of information regarding Garner and his paper. Today's newspapers carry the full story regarding this matter.

As a matter of information, Mr. Winchell also stated that the Northwestern insurance companies were protesting against the Eastern insurance companies regarding their refusal to take war insurance risks.

Respectfully,

L. L. Laughlin
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May 10, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: Walter Winchell Broadcast
Sunday, May 10, 1942

During his broadcast tonight, Walter Winchell, in discussing events of the war during the past week, reported that the American authorities are of the belief that the main Japanese battlefleet is in reserve for possible attack on Alaska.

Mr. Winchell stated that the Vatican Secretary of State is taking a serious view of the new charges made by the Cardinal of Munich, who alleges that Hitler is waging a ruthless war of extermination against the Catholic Church.

Winchell related that the Department of Justice has expressed keen interest in the reported statement of Archbishop Mooney, who in voicing approval of the Department of Justice suspending "Social Justice" allegedly said, "My understanding with Father Coughlin is sufficiently broad and firm to exclude effectively the recurrence of any such unpleasant situation."

According to Winchell, the greatest victory of the United States Navy to date is the delivery of nearly \$1,000,000,000 worth of war material to Russia.

It was also reported that the split between Hitler and the German Staff is more acute than last fall. One of Hitler's Generals has reputedly told him that he already has lost a generation of German youth and is now losing the war; however, the General added that Hitler will not be privileged to lose the life of the German nation.

Winchell stated that he has learned from indisputable diplomatic sources that the Germans hope to win by fifth and sixth columns what they could not win on the battlefields. If the Russian campaign fails, Hitler will be deposed and the German General Staff will pose as the savior of the world from Bolshevism. Winchell added, however, there is only one rub, and that is that Hitler himself is planning it all.

In calling attention to saboteurs and spies, Winchell reported that for the purpose of strengthening the hand of "G-Men" the Attorney General will ask the death penalty for enemy saboteurs who are found guilty. All members of the German-American Bund who are reservists in the German Army will not be

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