

16 June 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/2

ATTENTION : [ ]

SUBJECT : Kiev Theater of Opera and Ballet

1. Attached are 3 short reports on the Kiev Theater of Opera and Ballet submitted by AECASSOWARY-4.

2. Your attention is called to the fact that ~~O.~~ KLIMOV, not KONTAR, is named as the conductor in the article regarding LOENGRIN.

3. The following names also were submitted by AECASSOWARY-4 as Ukrainian emigres in the United States who might be able to supply more current information on subject theater.

\* Miss Valentina PEREJASLAVEC  
102-17 62nd Road  
Forrest Hills, New York  
Telephone: TW 7-0683

\* Miss Evdokia DYCHKO-BLAVATZKA  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Miss BLAVATZKA and a Miss W. ZAYKAN conduct a Ukrainian radio program in Philadelphia every Sunday.

\* Miss Lydia CHERNYCH  
Detroit, Michigan

\*AECASSOWARY-4 thinks Miss CHERNYCH may now be married, so her name may be changed.

4. Please let me know whether or not you wish to have AECASSOWARY-4 approach any of the above-named individuals to determine what information, if any, they might be able to supply. He is not personally acquainted with the individuals mentioned above.

5. Scanning of Soviet Ukrainian publications will continue for any information regarding subject theater.

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LOENGRIN ON THE UKRAINIAN STAGE

On 18 April the UkSSR T. H. SHEVCHENKO THEATER, OPERA AND BALLET presented the premier performance of the opera LOENGRIN by Richard Wagner. The spectacle was presented by the Theater in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the death of the composer.

The director-producer, national artist of the UkSSR ~~V. SKL'ARENKO~~; conductor, honored artist of the ~~UkSSR~~ O. KLIMOV; choir-master, ~~V. KOLESNYK~~; artist, ~~V. L'UDMYLIN~~.

The creative collective worked long on the stage settings of this Wagnerian opera which last appeared in Kiev more than 30 years ago.

Taking part in the presentation were ~~P. BILYNYK, H. SHCHLIKA, E. TOMM,~~  
D. HNATYUK (GNATYUK) and others.

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The 16 February 1958 issue of RADYANSKA KULTURA, in an article titled, BOHEMA (NEW PERFORMANCE OF THE KIEV OPERA THEATER), mentioned the following as participants in the presentation:

- ~~X~~ E. TCHAVDAR (probably TSCHYAVDARA)
- ~~X~~ B. SHAKHNOVSKY
- ~~X~~ V. SHILOV
- ~~X~~ KHULOBA
- ~~X~~ H. SECLYIA
- ~~X~~ V. TYMKHIN (sang the role of Rudolph)
- ~~X~~ Ya. KARASYK - Directed
- ~~X~~ L. VENEDIKTOV - Choir-master

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June 12, 1958

Dear [ ]

Enclosed you will find three photocopies: Radianska Kultura of May 29, Radianska Kultura of February 19 and Radianska Ukraina of April 19. The names you are interested in are underlined with the red pencil.

I am also sending the following addresses: 1) Lydia Chernych (maiden name), probably married, now living in Detroit, Mich. 2) ~~Valentyna Perejaslavet~~, 102-17, 62nd Rd., Forrest Hills, New York., Tel. TW 7-0683. 3) ~~Sydokia Dychko-Blavatzka~~ living in Philadelphia, Pa. Missis Blavatzka together with Miss W. Zaykan are conducting a radio program in Philadelphia each Sunday.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George".