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TITLE VINCENT POBORNIS, was		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Dr. THEODORE STAPRANS, Salem, Ore. has meager acquaintance with subject and family. Has no information of Communist affiliations of any member of family.			
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REFERENCE: Bureau File # 105-10016. Report of SA EDGAR C. FORREST dated 2/12/48 at New York City.			
DETAILS:			
<u>AT SALEM, OREGON</u>			
<p>Dr. THEODORE STAPRANS, surgeon, Oregon State Hospital, (Institution for the mentally deranged) was interviewed by SA VERN F. DAVIS and the writer. Dr. STAPRANS informed that he had heard of subject while at Esslingen, Germany, displaced persons camp, but only by name. At the time it meant but little; but later he met subject and the latter's wife at the German Port of embarkation, when both were about to come to the United States. At this time he was called to treat subject's wife. He then learned that subject was the son of MARTIN POBORNIS, with whom he had had a very casual acquaintance in Riga, Latvia over the years.</p> <p>Dr. STAPRANS advised that he spoke but little to the subject enroute to the United States, though both were from the same country because of the disparity in their ages and their interests. Dr. STAPRANS considered the subject none too social. He states that he has no information concerning subject's political beliefs and he has no suggestion of people in the U.S. who do. He has a close friend, Dr. A. LIETUVIETIS, 21350 Crestan Ave., Bronx 53, New York City, but he does not believe that this person is any better acquainted with</p>			
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subject than himself.

Dr. STAPRANS stated that his acquaintance with MARTIN PORMANIS, subject's father, dates to the early 1920's. He knew him to be a Social Democrat by politics until all political parties were dissolved in the early 1930's. Dr. STAPRANS was also a Social Democrat. He recalls that MARTIN PORMANIS was a "Comptroller" in the city government of Riga, Latvia. He has no information that MARTIN PORMANIS was ever associated with the Communist Party.

Dr. STAPRANS claims to have no knowledge of the political beliefs or other activities of subject's mother. He describes his relationship with the PORMANIS family as arising from occasional contact on official matters and a coincidental acquaintance with the name as that of another family in Riga.

Dr. STAPRANS noted that the newspapers "CINA" was a recognized Communist paper but stated that the workers on the paper were not necessarily Communists.

Dr. C. S. BATES, Acting Superintendent, Oregon State Hospital, advised that Dr. THEODORE STAPRANS once told him that he had been number 11 man under KERENSKY in the original Russian Revolution. He also stated that if that fact had been known to the Soviets he would have probably been sent to Siberia, when the Russians gained control of Latvia. Dr. BATES has stated that he considers STAPRANS a very competent surgeon and from various conversations has concluded that STAPRANS himself is no security problem.

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