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SECRET

December 17, 1942

Hon. Adelpa A. Berle
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Mr. Enrique Gedeo and his brother, Mr. Amoul Gedeo, both citizens of Cuba, propose to visit Spain on a mission which we think will be of value to this office and to the war effort.

Mr. Stewart B. Hoppo and Mr. F. Wiley Clark propose to visit Turkey on a mission which we believe will be of value to this office and to the war effort.

We would greatly appreciate it if the good offices of the State Department could be advanced to these gentlemen in assistance of their respective journeys.

In regard to the Gedeos, it would be very helpful if the Cuban Government were informed of the friendly attitude of our country in regard to the prospective journey of the two Gedeos.

Yours very truly,

William J. Donovan
Director

JLZinski, A 9479
x Lampel
x Poole

December 12, 1942

Dr. JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, Director
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter concerning Albert Grzensinski and Peter Martin Lampel, I understand that Lampel has never been in our employ in any way nor has he performed services of any kind for us, either directly or indirectly.

With regard to Albert Grzensinski, I understand he was formerly Prussian Minister of the Interior and is said to possess a wide knowledge of affairs in Germany and on German personalities. After leaving Germany as a refugee in 1933, he built up a large file of information on German personalities, both here and abroad. Much of this material was of interest to us in connection with our studies of Foreign Nationalities. Grzensinski has supplied our Foreign Nationalities Section with a series of memoranda and reports, principally concerning German political refugees and German politicians. I understand that the arrangement for the purchase of these reports ended on November 15, for the reason that he had supplied all the information that he was able to give. We know nothing of any activities Grzensinski may have carried on in the Chicago area, but I can say that he did not go to Chicago or any other place at our request or with our assistance. We have not requested that he make any law abiding activity of any kind, and it was our understanding that he merely furnished us reports and data assembled from files which were already in his possession.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
 Director

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



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

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2nd Floor
1st Floor

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Colonel William J. Donovan
Director
Office of Strategic Services
20th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have received information from a highly confidential source which in the past has proved reliable that Dr. Albert Grzesinski is presently employed by the Office of Strategic Services and has in cooperation with, or through one Peter Martin Lampel, a German refugee, been conducting certain investigations in German-American circles in Chicago, Illinois.

In view of the possibility that the investigations being conducted by these individuals may fall within the primary jurisdiction of this Bureau as determined by the Presidential Directive of September 6, 1939, I would appreciate being advised by you whether or not Grzesinski and Lampel are employed either directly or indirectly by the Office of Strategic Services and also whether or not you have any information concerning these individuals or the investigations allegedly conducted by them.

Sincerely yours,

BY SPECIAL AGENT

J. H.

Grzesinski 7479
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

SECRET

FROM D. C. Poole
TO Mr. James R. Murphy
SUBJECT

DATE: December 8, 1942

This morning you asked about Albert Grzesinski and Peter Martin Lampel. Apparently FBI thinks that we have been using them in FBI's "primary field."

Lampel is known to us and one of our men has talked to him a couple of times, but he has never been in our employ in any way or performed any sort of service for us. So far as Lampel is concerned, you can give FBI a complete negative.

From Albert Grzesinski, whom I first knew in Berlin a good many years ago, we purchased some reports for a period of about six months. Mr. Grzesinski was formerly Prussian Minister of the Interior and possessed an extraordinarily wide knowledge of affairs in Germany and of German personalities. After he left Germany as a refugee in 1933, he built up a large file of information on German personalities, both those who remained in Germany and those who fled abroad.

Of course, much of this material was of interest and value to us in the study of foreign politics in the United States. Grzesinski supplied us with a series of memoranda and reports on German political refugees who are here and also upon German politics in general.

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We ceased taking these reports from Mr. Grzesinski November 15 because we felt that we had about exhausted all that he had to give. There has been no definite connection between him and us since then, though he occasionally comes to see me. Indeed, he had just left my office when you telephoned this morning.

As I recall, the inquiry from FBI mentioned activities in Chicago. I have no idea what this may mean. So far as I know, Grzesinski was not in Chicago during any of the time that he was making reports for us. If he was, it was not at our request nor with our knowledge.

I think that you can answer FBI that we have not in any way invaded their appropriate field.

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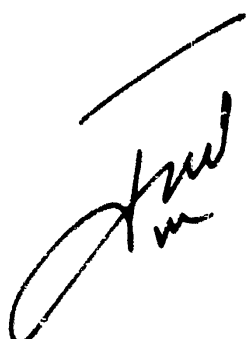
INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: Mr. C. Wiley
TO: Colonel William J. Donovan
SUBJECT: Albert Grzesinski

DATE: October 27, 1942

As requested, I have had Mr. Horton
prepare a preliminary sketch of Albert Grzesinski.

It is attached herewith for whatever
purpose it may present to you.



to investigate price usury and prohibited exports. Entering the Ministry of the Interior in 1925 as Commissioner of Price Control, he became, in October 1926, Minister of State and Minister of the Interior in Prussia, a post he held until February 1930. In this capacity he played a vital role in the dissolution of the large land-holdings of Prussia and did much to solve the administrative reorganization of the Rhenish-Westphalian industrial region.

From 1926 to 1930, he served twice as the President of Police in Berlin: from May 1925 to October 1926, and again from October 1926 to July 1930, when on the orders of Franz Pappe he was forcibly removed from office by the Reichswehr. It was in this capacity that Grzesinski in November, 1930, issued a deportation order for Hitler (who was then an American) as an undesirable alien, an order which the Reichswehr refused to countersign. Throughout his tenure in office Grzesinski took the position that the Communist Party was dangerous to the German Republic as the Nazis. For this reason the Communists still condemn him bitterly. As recently as February 1942, for instance, his name was attacked by a violent article in Truth, the Soviet trade unions, which was reprinted in the Daily Worker.

In view of this bitterness against Grzesinski, it appears,

... certain sections of the rank and file... was reinforced by the... from the Moabit prison... after his arrest and removal... According to the testimony of Franz Neumann, ... of the Legal Committee of the Social Democratic ... first traces were as follows:

... Committee of the Social Democratic ... to secure his (Grzesinski's) ... and I finally got permission from the ... General von Kundstedt to ... When I arrived at the prison, ... lawyer, Professor Max Alberg, had ... secured Grzesinski's release. Grzesinski ... document which he only partly re- ... is autobiography. The reprinted ... contains merely a promise to give up ... police president while, actually, ... to abstain from all further political ... ty... The impression that Grzesinski's re- ... upon the German workers was terrific. It was a feeling of shame that was created, but ... rank and file said that they did not ... from him, because it was under ... of the Prussian Ministry of

... prior that the Berlin police on July 1,
... "of workers to death."

July, 1937 - July, 1937

In Paris Grosinski was made president of the Inter-
national League of Polish Migrants which secured asylum
for Polish political refugees. During this time Benes
personally signed him to "write a daily re-
port on the political data on the Third Reich from 1933-
1937." In 1935 the French government created the Comite Con-
sultatif des Emigres, attached to the Ministry of the
Interior; Grosinski was made president of this body. At
the same time he set up the Social Democratic News Headquarters
in Paris. He published his memoirs: "Le Tragi-Comedie
de la Troisième Internationale", which in expanded form was
published in this country under the title,
"The German Party".

July, 1937 -

Grosinski arrived in New York July 27, 1937, with
his wife, Olga Grosinski, who was born in New York of
Polish parents. George Meersmith, Assistant Secretary
of the League, personally helped him acquire his first papers,
which were received on February 23, 1938. Both he and his
wife became American citizens this year.
Grosinski was made president of the German

tion, founded at that time to represent the
 German Social Democratic
 in the United States. It is recognized to a cer-
 tain extent by American labor and by the State Depart-
 ment. It turned to it for a list of "German Refugees
 persecuted by the Gestapo." Grzesinski also
 is the association of Free Germans, Inc., 31 Union
 Square, New York City, whose certificate of incorpora-
 tion was filed with the Department of Justice on Decem-
 ber 15, 1941. This organization, which is intended to
 represent the various political parties of the Weimar
 Republic, the German Republic, has offi-
 cially pledged to the Atlantic Charter as well as to the
 post-war reconstruction aims of the United Nations.
 Its releases that under Grzesinski's
 leadership it seeks to official recognition by the U.S.
 Government as well as to political power in post-war
 Germany.

It should be pointed out, however, that neither
 Grzesinski nor any single member of the Executive
 Committee of the Party and that, therefore, "neither the
 German Labor Organization nor the Free German Movement (read
 the association of Free Germans, Inc.) is authorized to
 speak for the Social Democratic Party."

Grzesinski may be regarded as a man of decided

Administrative ability and wide experience whose judgment in the fields indicated above is of considerable value. In other matters, however, his judgment is often biased by strong party factionalism and by a certain inflexibility of temperament that prevents his adjusting himself to changing circumstances. As a strong German nationalist, he is increasingly obsessed with the threat of Russian aggression and the problem of saving Germany from Communism.

CONFIDENTIAL*file*

December 31, 1942

TO: Mr. James R. Murphy
Lt. Commander Sterling Smith

FROM: Murray A. Gurfeln

SUBJECT: List of Incoming Passengers

After discussion with Mr. Dalbore I am taking the liberty of suggesting that in view of the recent directive authorizing a full exchange of information between the Service and OSS, we now ask the Navy to let us have lists of incoming passengers other than New York, together with their addresses of destination.

As the number of people coming from Europe decreases, it becomes even more imperative than before to interview, on a selective basis, those who are "knowledgable".

The Navy I believe, gets the manifests, as well as the bearing reports of its own officers. Without attempting to formulate the procedure in any detail, I should think that if OWI, Washington, issued a directive to the DIO in the various ports, copies could be mailed directly to OSS either in Washington, or in New York.

In the recent instance of the *Serpa Plata*, I might note for your information that the only way we had finally of getting a list of passengers arriving at Philadelphia and Baltimore was through our British friends.

I shall await with interest the results of your valiant efforts.

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November 28, 1942

Mr. F. A. C. Guepin
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York City

Dear Mr. Guepin:

I have your letter of the 14th, with enclosures. I am grateful for your thoughtfulness in sending this to me. It will be studied carefully and will be useful in our economic studies.

I am hopeful that it will soon be possible for you to come with us, and although I appreciate the difficulties, we are anxious to have you whenever you feel that you will be able to come.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

Guepin FHC 9255
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November 28, 1942

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Mason

FROM: Mr. Murphy

I am attaching a letter from F. A. C. Guepin, with
 enclosure. The Colonel has been trying to have Guepin
 come to work for us with S.I. or S.O. Apparently he is
 an expert in the area, and I believe the prospects of
 getting him are good. If you find that the material which
 he has forwarded is of any value, would you make it avail-
 able for distribution by S.I.

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* WORK *

To: Colonel Croghan

August 22, 1942

From: William H. Vanderbilt

The following is a copy of a memorandum submitted by Lt. Horn on August 19, 1942:

List of 35-X Transmitter-Receivers issued to Colonel Goodfellow:

<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>To/For</u>
July 2	1	Lt. Lyons
July 7	1	Sgt. Creaven
July 22	3	For Training Area "C"
July 23	4	Lt. Lyons
August 6	3	Capt. Low
August 13	1	Lt. Lyons
August 15	4	Col. Hoskins

17 Total

William H. Vanderbilt.
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Foreign Service
Section

October 22, 1942

MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : J.M.

On 10/21/42, an OSS (Republic 7400, Ex. 3325) tele-
phone call was received from a source who commenced certain negotiations
with a contact who would like to resume with someone
of the following subject:

The contact is head of a new division at
well known as "Foreign Service Section".
The primary purpose of this unit, as I
understand it, is to start a campaign
among American newspapers and magazines
using Axis statements by radio and other-
wise, pointing out their untruths and the
obvious propaganda aims of such statements.

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I realize this is rather vague, but in a brief telephone
conversation this is about all I could learn. Would you
please contact Mr. Godden and arrange
for a meeting, since he appeared to feel that OSS would
have a direct interest in the matter.

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Memorandum to: Colonel M. Preston Goodfellow
From: William J. Donovan

Med has shown me your memorandum of October 15 proposing certain work among foreign Nationals in addition to the Service Command Organization.

Such organizations (as you already have experienced) present difficult diplomatic and political problems. They do not belong in an organization like yours.

I feel that it is of the utmost importance that you concentrate solely upon the very important matter of the Strategic Service Command.

For Mr. J. Donovan

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

SECRET

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO Colonel William J. Donovan DATE: 15 Oct 1942

FROM Colonel Goodfellow

SUBJECT: Foreign Groups for Guerrilla,
S. O. and S. I. Warfare

More and more foreign nationals are looking to the Office of Strategic Services to help them fight our enemies. The approach months ago was political and military. Now it has become exclusively military.

These peoples see in the Office of Strategic Services a friendly governmental agency, flexible enough to render quick and effective help and definitely interested from an operations standpoint of military action.

These groups should be encouraged. They should come to us:

First - To aid in Guerrilla warfare. This means that we will have to help them get Lend-Lease aid to equip and feed them. Lend-Lease is more than willing to cooperate. We should do the military training and get them ready for service under theatre commanders. These peoples, with whom I have had intimate association, are a great reservoir of military strength.

Second - They will be the fountain from which we can secure many S. O. operators and be of great assistance in furnishing contacts in foreign lands.

Third - They offer an enormous possibility for intelligence. We are tapping some of these sources now, but the potentials for more information as we get closer to these people are great indeed.

The State Department and Lend-Lease look to the Office of Strategic Services to do this job and stand willing to help in many ways.

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Colonel Donovan

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15 Oct 1942

Recommend that I be instructed to work out a program with a number of these groups for submission to you and for further consideration by the Joint Chiefs when you are convinced the plan is a good one.

M. PRESTON GOODFELLOW
Colonel, AUS

MISSION TO PERSIA

June 13, 1942: Yesterday I had a telegram signed "Somerville", but
now signed saying there was a delay in negotiations between the Iranian
Government in Washington and State, and suggesting I do something about
it here.

I saw Mr. Dryfuss this morning. He said the Prime
Minister, Spiliak, told him there would be a cabinet meeting tomorrow,
following which he would telegraph their Minister in Washington to inform
State that every appointment - as Lieutenant General of the Iranian Army
was approved. It looks as though I am hooked. I certainly telegraphed
that appointment of a high ranking officer to that position would be
useful in the war effort, but I want Manser, not me.

However, it might be worse. I have Gillespie, who
is fine company and a mixer as Aide, and Barkers, last name Sgt., as
driver. He is primarily a motor mechanic, but has been pinching hitting
my extra check and can do anything. A fair fine looking soldier of 25 or
30. Also the Driver.

From the Persians, I want access at any time to the
Minister of War, Djamshidi, as a advisor - somehow access to the
Chief of Staff, for his information - an English speaking Persian
in Djamshidi's confidence, as Aide - all current expenses
to be disbursed by the Persian side - a car close to Djamshidi,
with a Latin lettered tyewriter, a car with driver and a general
authority to go anywhere and investigate anything, practically, money,
to meet a year for the Mission, and with other things, too, to get
started.

Under the Anglo-Persian, Iranian Treaty, the English
Government can do anything they want, and do. The Persians go
the other way and can do the same in the country only to keep internal order, and
that's all, even so that.

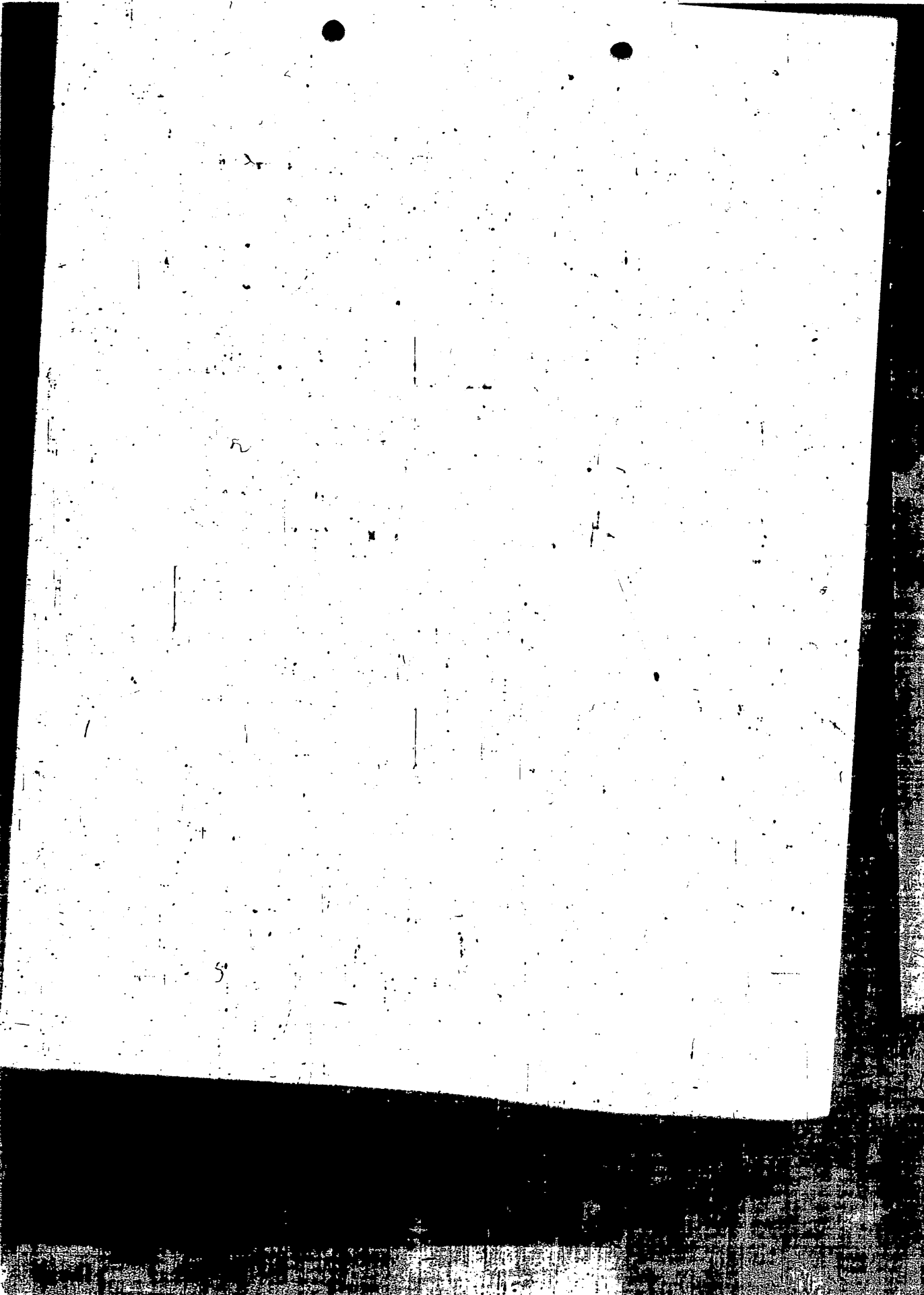
Walker, head of XV, came in and talked for an hour.
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Persians, and the country on a broad front, and in the
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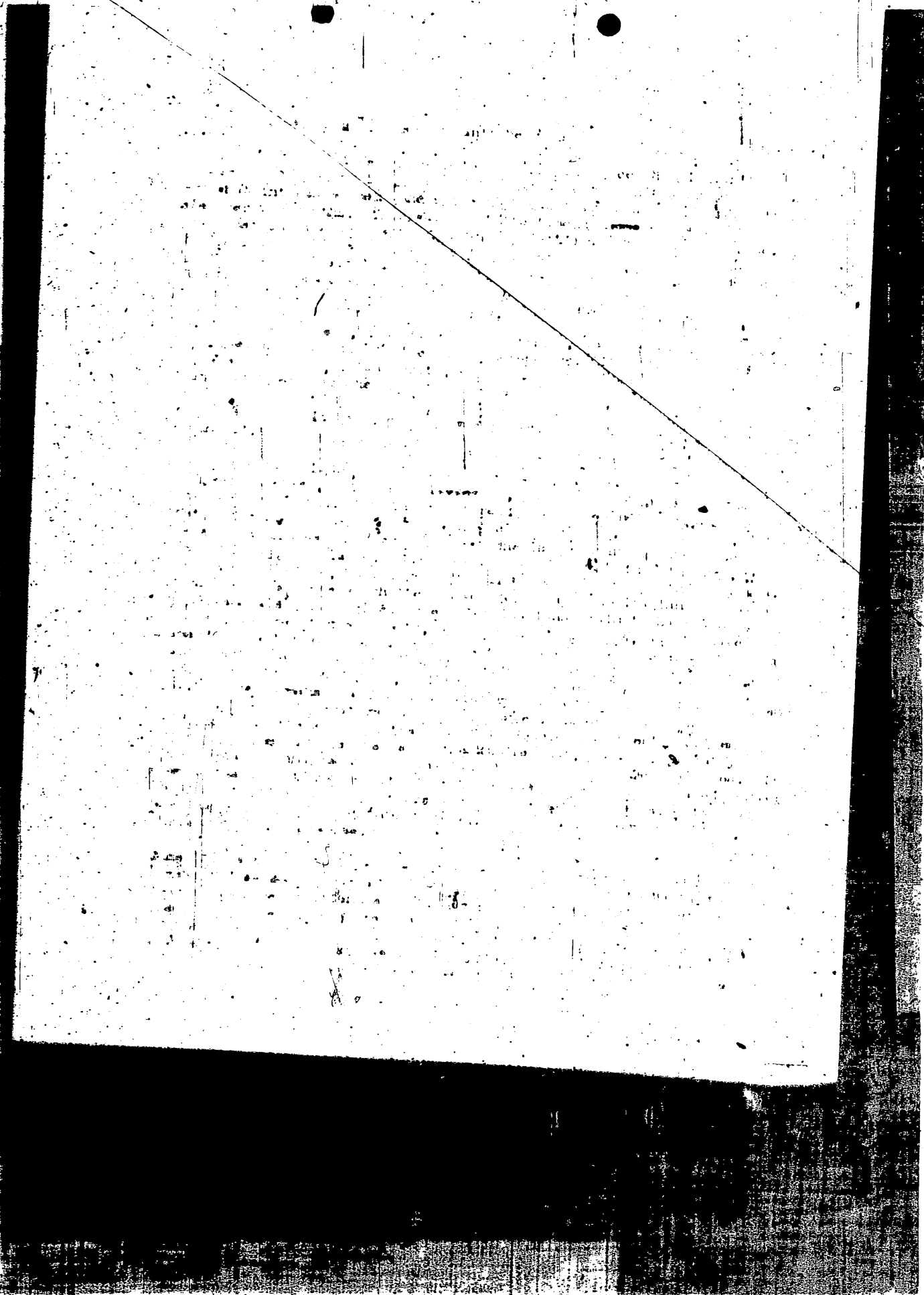
With regard to the Persian Army, he is a scorner
as were we. He says it exists only for graft, that there is plenty
of wheat in the country, mostly in the hands of the Cabinet, and that
the Persians can't run their own motor transport, UK should supply them
all in the country anyhow, and must be used for Persian needs. Incidentally
he said that the 'Steel Navigator' brand tires, truck tires assigned
to the Persians. It will be interesting to see what he does with them.

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News from Libya very bad - Uthman has been driven back to Sirte, with part of his Army apparently cut off in the area of Tobruk and to the east. It hardly looks as though Tobruk could be held this time, with control of the Mediterranean certainly passing from the British and Rommel having superior air. The British here and in the rear, admit serious defeat. I think they will have lost some of their tanks, and can be subject to heavy attacks from the desert. The British at Sirte are being told by the 1st Army to try to cover Sirte.

There is also the threat of an air attack, probably supported by the Italian fleet at sea. The British are being told to be ready for a possible air attack on the coast and to be ready to defend the coast.

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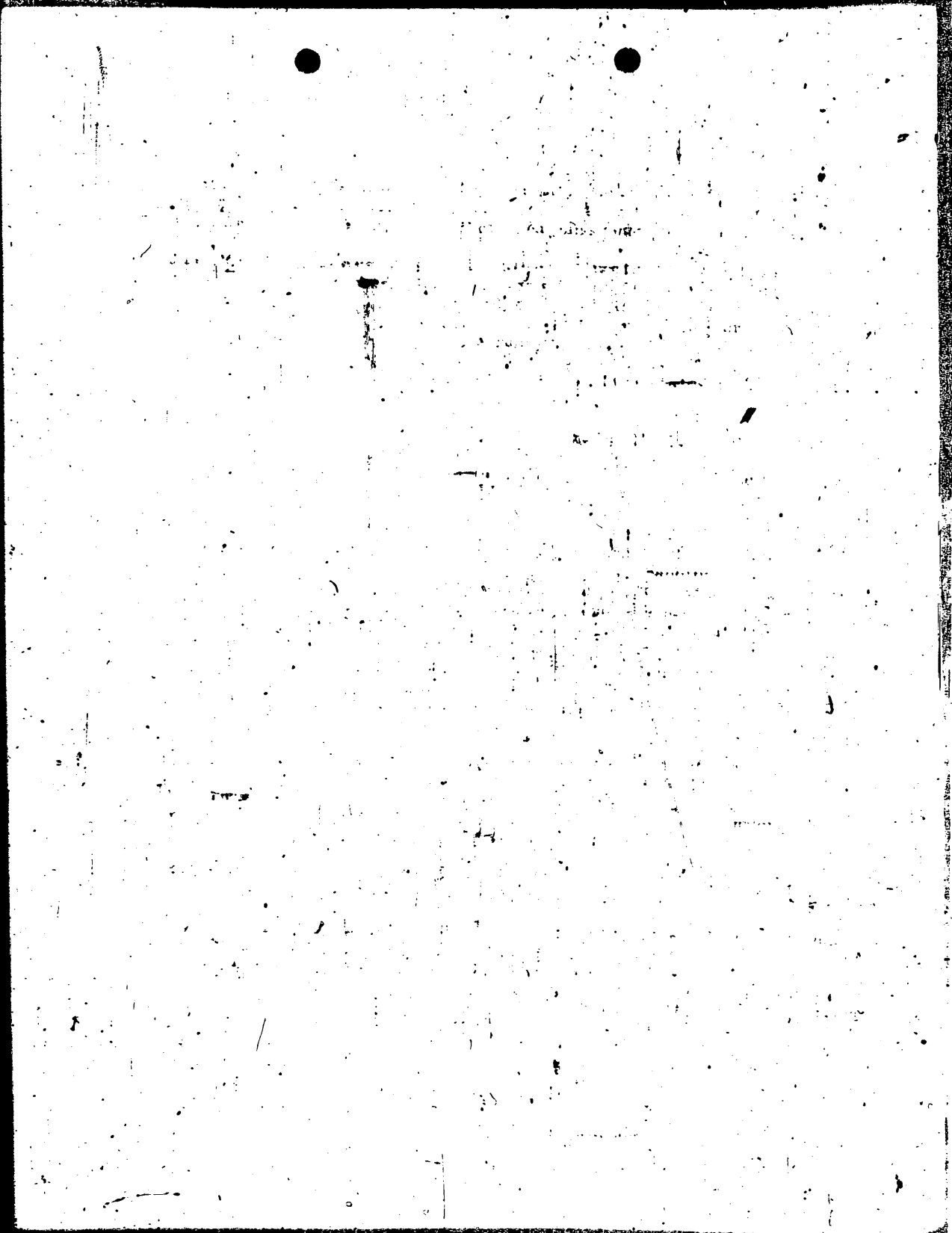
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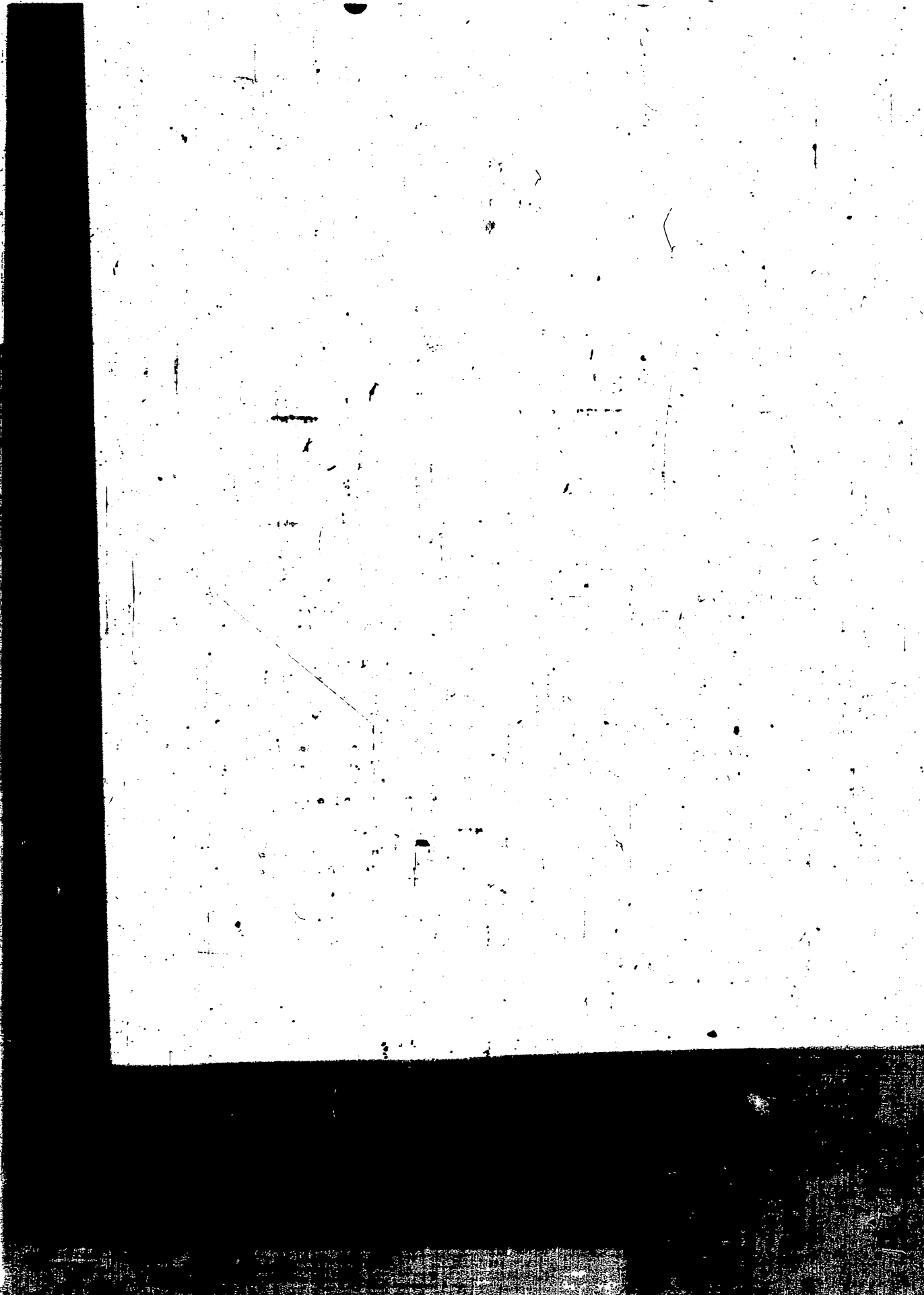
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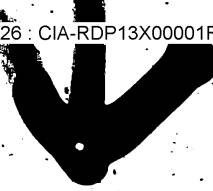
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... Germans say reports of the fallen. Although there is scattered fighting - also to involve Turkey is claiming Russian fleet is using Turkish flag as cover. ... not yet been taken although it has been attacked by ... and ... says he is through the battle ... against its last defense. The ... link ...

He is the principal one of eight contractors who are furnishing trucks - often through subcontracts down to one vehicle. He estimates that in this way he controls about 16% of the remaining 24% in country being largely military or unserviceable. UKDC pays by the ton-kilometer, with a fee to obtain trucks, controls tires and furnishes one every 4,000 Km. It's biggest service is Iranian supply, then gas for Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., then Gov't contracts, then private business. It has lately furnished 10 American Dodge trucks to contractors. Bulk of movement go to north, occasional trucks come back empty. He thinks with Ir. Gov't that the country will starve for this situation.

I sent off telegram asking for trucks - is urgent situation here, etc.

He talked for 2 hours with Gen. Chafai, Chief of Ont. He mentioned 1000 rifles, 100000 rounds, small arms. Can only buy 1000 rifles, then enough arms for infantry and MLs. They lost a lot taken from them by British and Russians, and lately had to supply more to go through - they had lost about 1/2 of their batteries of MLs. They also have batteries of MLs - 1000 rounds for each. They have only ammunition and few machine guns left, with some few weapons, but cannot make cases and primers.

Chafai talks factories - established in old plant - to produce small arms of arms, and that they would be largely used for other arms. He seemed to be not for the military control of Brit. - but more for the aid for the country. The arms are all funds milked from Iran.

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The first part of the document discusses the general situation in the country, mentioning the political and economic conditions. It notes that the government is working to stabilize the economy and improve the living standards of the population.

In the second part, the document details the government's policies regarding foreign relations and international trade. It emphasizes the importance of maintaining good relations with neighboring countries and participating in international organizations.

The third part of the document focuses on the social and cultural aspects of the country. It discusses the government's efforts to promote social justice, improve education, and preserve the national heritage.

Next, the document addresses the issue of labor and industry. It mentions the government's commitment to protecting the rights of workers and promoting the development of the industrial sector.

The fifth part of the document discusses the government's plans for the future. It outlines the long-term goals and strategies for economic growth and social progress.

In the final part, the document concludes with a statement of confidence in the government's ability to achieve its goals. It expresses the hope that the people will continue to support the government's efforts.

July 31: It was an ordeal. They are awfully nice and polite, but their parties never get started. We arrived at 8:30. I talked to an interesting Belgian architect, who had been in Moscow with Wayne. He told me only one Russian ever talked frankly with him. The man he met going in, talked freely on the most important political subjects, made a date with him, under the Krenshin bridge at dusk. He actually talked for 4 hours - and he never said a word about (tried to be a party for the Russians who had been seen in the city. The foreign offices were closed, but considered to be a great deal of a professor. Party minutes early on the 31st of July, 1954. He talked to me about the situation in the city. He talked to me about the situation in the city. He talked to me about the situation in the city.

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This morning I had a session with Col. Motor Transport, Marefi, Col., G-4, and Asst. Minister of Finance, and extraordinary personality - Mr. Amadi, dark, sharp, lean, intense with the longest thinnest hairs I ever saw.

Marefi is good man. He is being used to pinch-hit in everything G-4 or is old Chief, or Motor Transport should to. His old chief, who I was evidently to replace has a job ~~to give~~ as Forage Procurement ~~because he does not~~. Marefi has been to French Adde de 1^o Intendant speaks English quite well and is not only energetic, but can go to fundamentals when I said I was interested only in Army supply he said - what good does it do if I have bread and my wife and brother have none. He is short and with these faded hollow scars on face - not pretty but has life.

... has apparently decided to send Cavalry Brigade out to the front, which is sensible, Harley can be used to make bread in the rear. However, the very insert tells me, they are sending all the ~~the~~ troops to Reser which does not seem sensible. C/S has not yet seen Russian General Olig. at Tabriz and does not seem to want to, although I have offered to go there with him.

... he is to have a late through take N of S to Isfahan next week to look at aviation, also to stay over the week-end at Tabriz and see what is going on there.

I explained - lease-land prospects to the Asst. Minister. He did not seem to be surprised, although his chief has been telling the Majless that tires and trucks were coming from the U.S. He did not say when Amadi thought I could do something to help with the situation, see my dispatches. Marefi thought I might head up Interallied Commission to supply to Iraq via Persia, which I might as a Persian.

Headquarters, Tehran have broken Moscow - Tbilisi line.

July 1941 Greyfis had come from state just before we were looking for trucks, and he had a lot of things. He had a wish to ~~move~~ ~~back~~ from his position, but he can apparently not do either. (I think he is a bit of a case he was in the army and he is now a general but he will not fight.)

I talked Marefi over, and at lunch, he and I went to the garden. He is a very good man, and I think he is a very good man. He is a very good man, and I think he is a very good man. He is a very good man, and I think he is a very good man.

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The governor is short, fat and pleasant. The Gen. ... a big
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Dinner at hotel, where we found the Gueerigs. GI couple still has stomach ache and we had complications eating hot rice, etc. Mrs. Goring likes Isfahan because people are so pleasant and gentle, like Turks she says.

July 17: Lots of places in market, much like opal. But not as well done as at Branses. The first place of which we saw, had a lake in front, vegetation site, but was reflected in it, a room with a large table and chairs, and a large room with a large table and chairs, and a large room with a large table and chairs. The next palace on the place was much the same. The chief of the roof and saw much of the same - in music up with birds, but mostly clay. The third was high in portico to water the pool. This is to K, lace on west wall of garden. I should say with stone pool, 100 ft. diameter instead of 50 ft. diameter. The pool was now with a tree. The pool was surrounded by buildings for troops, and with grand balconies to front. There were several paths across the pool. The main building was on the north side of the pool and the main entrance was on the east side of the pool. The main entrance was on the east side of the pool. The main entrance was on the east side of the pool. The main entrance was on the east side of the pool.

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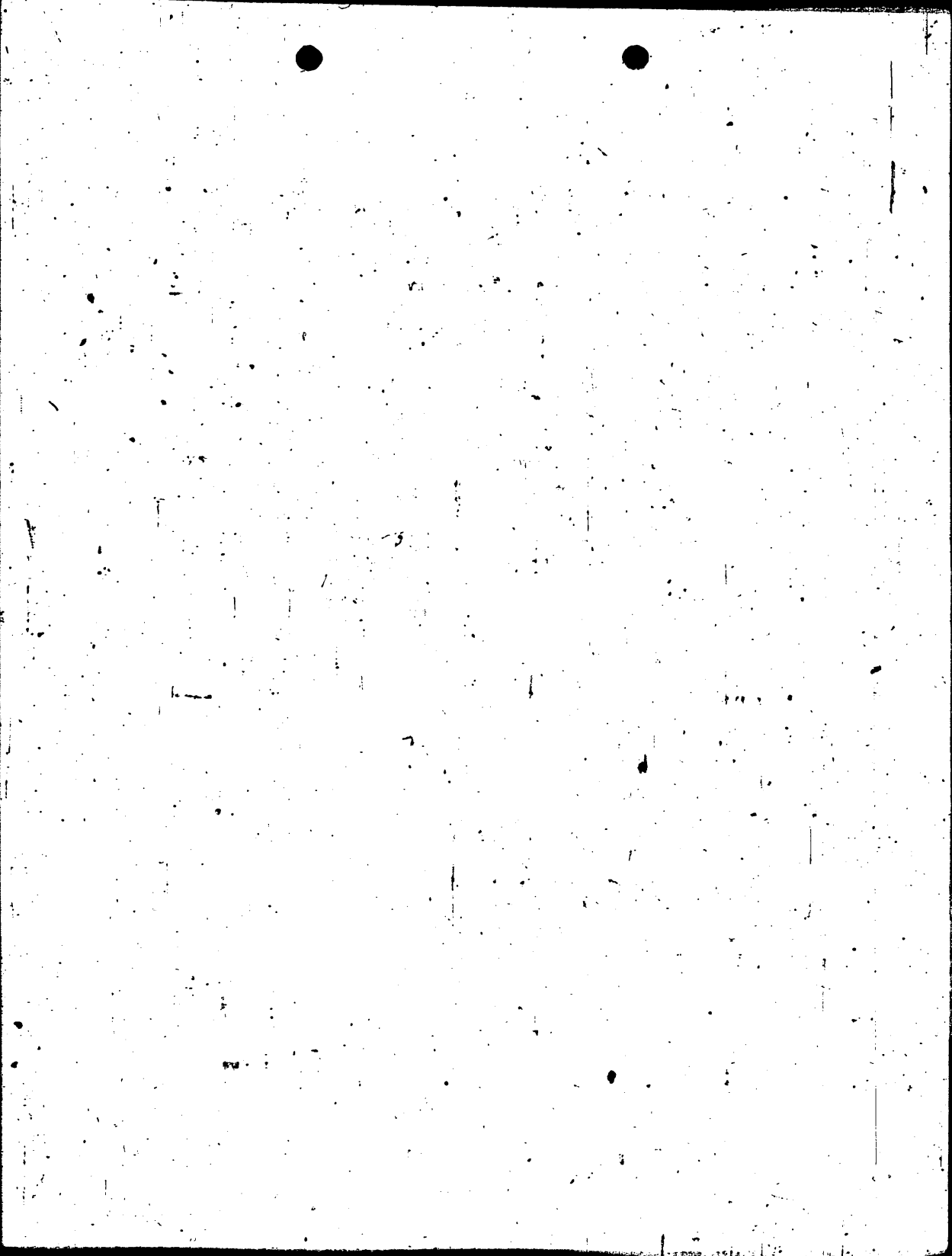
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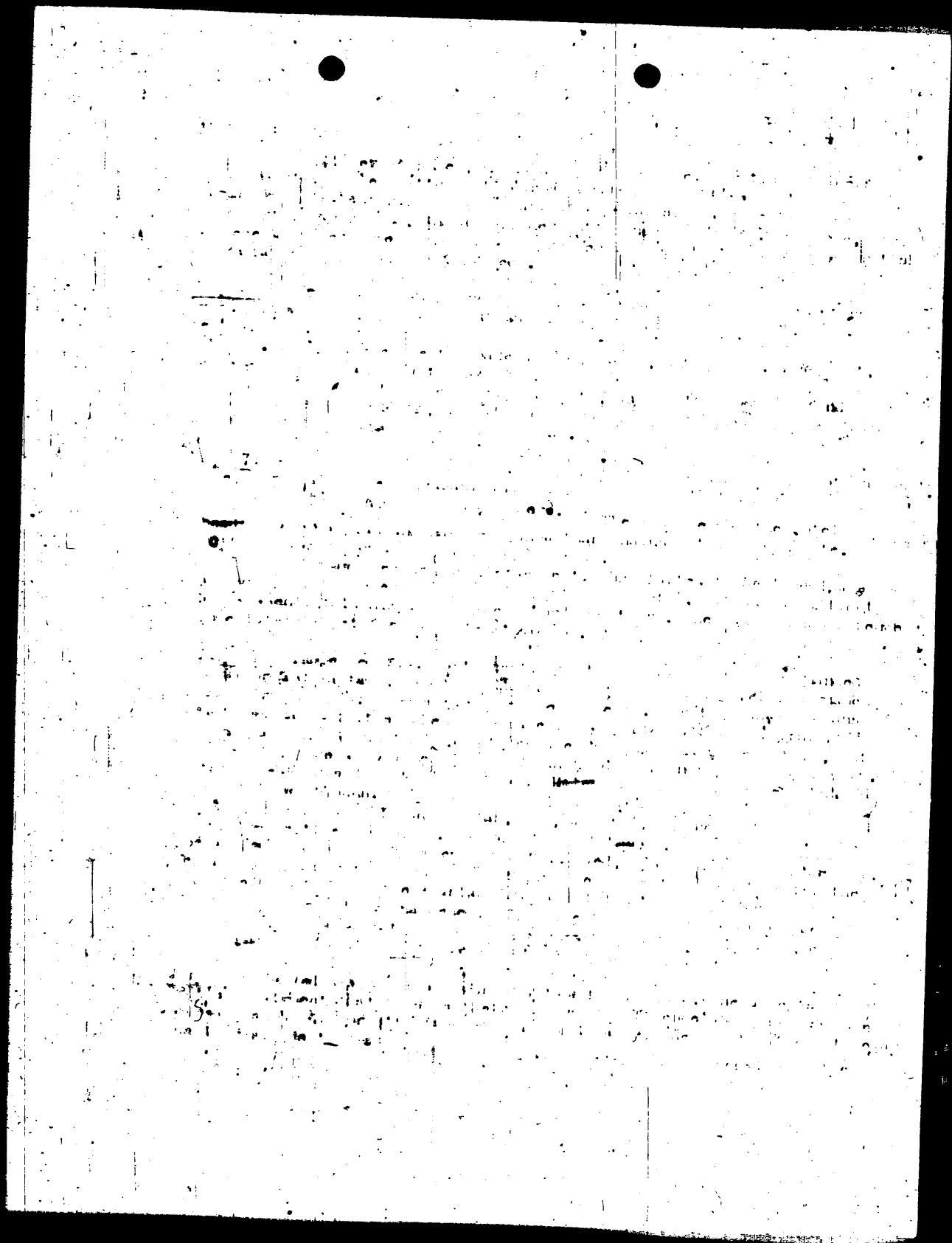
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He harks back to the fact that Iran asked for an officer to
act as Intendant General although I have told him, the I... and the
SO that I am acting as advisor to the I of S.

Went to lunch at Le Lion - first time in months.

Rice, and cooking has gone with steam running through it.

Boies was there and confirms Chernovitz that... is an
Soviet. He expected MI here today. He did not see water.

Bought a rice, 2... Khab... the MI... about

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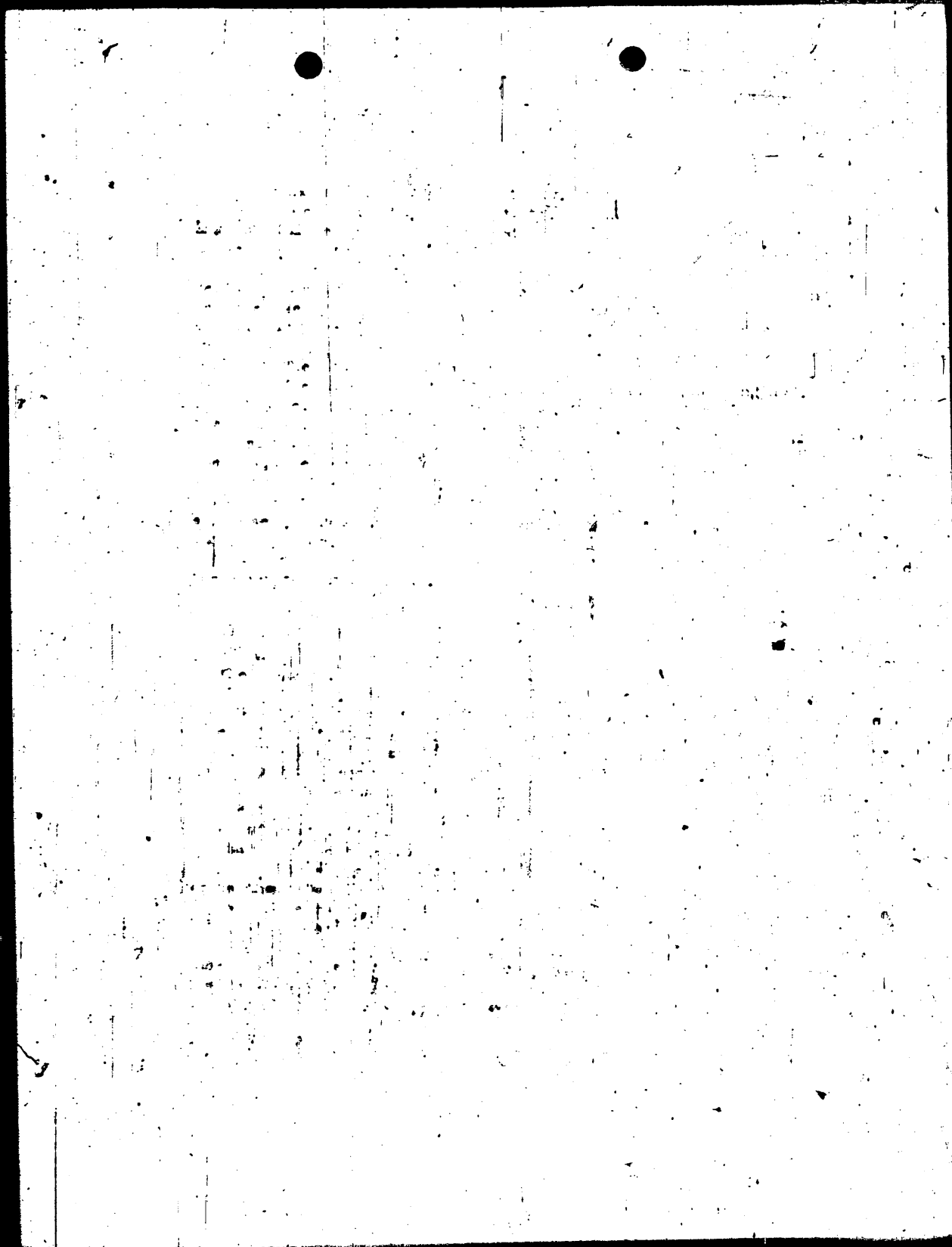
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Received interest note - attached - from
agente who is out after Hillis lost plane with a bunch
Russians. Commanding officer of it. He report that plane
between 1000 and 1100 hours. Exact time
was not given. The pilot that spoke
to me said he was forced to set the plane
down because of engine trouble.

He also mentioned he was ordered to go down
at a certain altitude. He mentioned a Canadian
pilot was also on board. He mentioned
that the plane was carrying a large amount of
ammunition. He mentioned that the plane was
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Tuesday, July 23, 1952
Ryan (up in the US)

Memorandum

For the Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel Donovan

DATE: Sept. 4, 1942

FROM: Hugh R. Wilson

SUBJECT:

With reference to your memorandum of September 1 (copy attached for your convenience) I have had a talk with Preston, who has apprised me of certain things of which I was unaware regarding this matter and concerning which I would like to speak to you before I go any further.

I have discussed this with David and we are agreed on delaying this matter until I can get at you.



Hugh R. Wilson

c.c. to Mr. Dulles

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September 1, 1942

MEMORANDUM

To: Hugh R. Wilson

From: W. J. D.

I have been talking with Preston Goodfellow about a certain French officer who has been keeping in touch with him and giving information for our use. I told Preston that I wanted all of these things properly organized now under S. I. He said that his particular contact had said he wanted to keep in touch with him, but I told Preston that I would see if arrangement with your office could not be made. Would you find if this can be done, so I can tell Preston?

BILL

Copy to Col. Goodfellow

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

July 21, 1942

Mr. Lester Goodman
Room 860 Willard Hotel
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Goodman:

I have shown to Colonel Donovan your letter of July 15th. Since he has recently undertaken special committee assignments from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, his entire time is now taken up with those meetings and preparations for them from Monday through Friday of each week. Friday evenings it is necessary that he go to New York to spend time in the New York office. It has, therefore, been impossible to arrange a meeting for you.

He has asked me to express his appreciation for your fine work and generosity in making available the valuable collection of motion and still pictures.

I have been told that you have applied for a commission in the Navy, and I am sure that in that capacity you will be able to continue your contribution in the war effort.

Yours very truly,

James R. Murphy



THE WILLARD HOTEL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 15, 1942.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

You will probably recall a few months ago through telephone call from New York City, I was introduced to you by our mutual friend Mr. Albert Lasker and as a result of this I returned to my home in San Francisco via Washington but my time here was limited and you were extremely busy that afternoon, therefore after a few minutes I was turned over to Dr. Hayden and I believe I was to return to your office later but this never materialized.

You probably will remember I am a Vice President of Gets Bros. & Co. of San Francisco, one of the leading import-export firms throughout Asia and in which capacity particularly as the Executive Foreign Vice President I remained seventeen years in the Orient and Far East.

My experience was unique, I not only have a good knowledge of the Malayan language, but my life in the Orient brought me in close contact and understanding not only with Chinese, Indians and other natives but with the British and American communities as well, this including all classes from the business men to a great number of the rulers and government officials.

I have been the President of the American Association of Malaya and am the only American who was ever the President of the Singapore Rotary Club composed of 175 members of 25 different nationalities. In addition I was on extremely friendly terms with the entire Royal family of Johore and was the one who sold the Sultan the idea of participating in the San Francisco exposition and in line with that action I served him as his honorary commissioner. I am also friendly with many other Sultans in Malaya and have acquaintances with many of the Indian government officials.

In connection with these affiliations, as well as my business, property and social interests, I gained a thorough knowledge of the resources, government, geography and peoples of British Malaya, The Netherlands East Indies, India, Burma and Ceylon and have a very fair knowledge from frequent visits of Thailand and French Indo China.



Colonel Donovan

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Therefore, in view of my experience, I want to serve my country at this time in the best manner possible and I know I possess facts and plans that are of genuine interest to your organization and wish to affiliate myself in some permanent position in the proper department for the duration of the war.

Although I have visited Washington for this purpose four times since our meeting, I regret to state that I have so far only experienced being passed from "pillar to post" and this disturbs me exceedingly as I know I possess practical, theoretical and material knowledge which very few Americans have.

I have already been recommended to you by Mr. Lasker who knew me personally in Singapore and who has knowledge of my activities and standing there. Other Americans who knew me in Singapore are Mr. Roy Howard, General Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Mr. James A. Moffett, Mr. Kenneth E. Davis, formerly American Consul General and now Administrative Officer of the State Department in Washington, and I can supplement this list by a large number.

I also have with me during this visit to Washington numerous books, credentials, etc., that will fully verify my position as one of the leading Americans in that territory.

A couple of months ago, through the courtesy of Mr. Fletcher Warren of the State Department, I was introduced to Lt. Col. Goodfellow who later turned me over to Commander William Vanderbilt and as a result of this I recently was appointed a temporary consultant by Major General Barrows, retired, your representative in San Francisco and this appointment was made on the instruction of Commander Vanderbilt principally for the purpose of submitting and identifying the large collection of motion and still pictures that I possess. I accepted this appointment simply as an opportunity of having the chance to show your organization that I have the ability claimed by me and have recently brought this material to Washington and am now at work on same but within a week this should all be accomplished and unless I can arrange a suitable appointment I shall return to San Francisco.

In view of these facts I would consider it a very great favor if you would grant me a few minutes of your valuable time to further discuss the possibility of my serving you.

Apologizing for this rather lengthy letter and awaiting your commands, I am

Very respectfully,

 LEWIS E. GOODMAN

Room 860, Willard Hotel

or
 Care of Mr. Ralph Warren, Pictorial Division
 Office of Strategic Services.

TO:

COLONEL DONOVAN

May 26, 1942

I attach herewith a copy of
a self-explanatory memorandum of
a conversation Poole and Dulles
had with Grzesinski, which I
think you will find of interest.



FROM: JOHN C. WILBY

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MAY 22, 1948

Mr. John C. Wiley

Mr. Hewitt C. Poole

Mr. Trzesinski met this morning with Mr. Dulles in Mr. Dulles' office. After some general conversation relating to the old days in Berlin, Mr. Trzesinski was told of the natural interest which we have in obtaining information from Europe at this time.

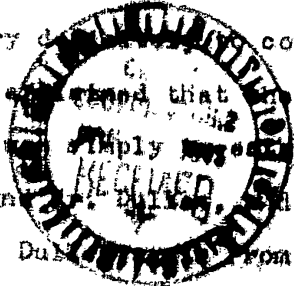
Mr. Trzesinski expressed his firm conviction that a kind of underground organization survived in Germany. The individuals were there who had previously been social democrats and in many cases were still of that conviction, but everything in the way of organization had been crushed or taken over by the Nazis.

Mr. Trzesinski said that he had contacts in London and in Switzerland, but he had no means of making them effective at this time. He was receiving no information from Europe. He wanted to be of use to the United States in any way possible. He thought his greatest usefulness might be in the appraisal of personalities since his earlier work in Germany particularly equipped him in this respect.

... about Mr. Spiecker, he spoke of him with approval. He said that he considered it to be completely out of the question that any connection could exist between Spiecker and the German General Staff any more in the terms which had become established under the Kaiser's regime. There was no longer a small group of strong personalities; the General Staff consisted now of ten thousand individuals. At the head, individuals came and went, always under the close supervision of Himmler. There was no longer the continuing political - military organism which had previously existed.

Mr. Grzesinski asserted very emphatically that the Weisses Hirschen group had no following whatsoever in Germany. As for Paul Hagen, Mr. Grzesinski knew positively that he was a member of the communist party as recently as 1930, in Prague. He regarded Hagen as an adventurer who was making a career mostly among gullible American women.

At the end, Mr. Dulles told Mr. Grzesinski that he wished very much to continue to be in contact with him. It was stated that the purpose of the meeting was merely to establish an acquaintance between him and Mr. Dulles, and that he would no doubt hear from Mr. Dulles from time to time.



WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON

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Honorable W. L. J. Donovan, Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Donovan:

This is in reply to your letters of July 9 and
July 13, relating to Army officers for duty in your office.

Lieutenant Colonel M. Preston Goodfellow is being
reassigned immediately to the Office of Strategic Services.
No action is being taken at this time on your recommendation
for the promotion of this officer; however, subsequent to
the transfer, a recommendation may be submitted to The Adjutant
General. In connection with such a recommendation, your atten-
tion is invited to the provisions of Circular 161, War Depart-
ment, May 26, 1942.

All interested agencies have been informed that
officers will not be relieved from the Office of Strategic
Services under the recently announced policy governing relief
of officers from civilian agencies.

Sincerely yours,



Acting Secretary of War.

Handwritten notes:
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July 9th, 1942:

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Will you kindly have Lt. Col. M. Preston Goodfellow, General Staff, transferred to the Office of Strategic Services. Major General George V. Strong, A. C. of S., G-2 has written me that he is agreeable to the transfer of this officer.

Col. Goodfellow was assigned as our liaison with G-2 when the Coordinator of Information office was established. He not only has been most valuable as a liaison officer, but he undertook the task of organizing secret operations in addition to his liaison work. This entailed setting up a number of training camps, securing camp sites, the arranging for the manufacture of large quantities of supplies not found in the regular supply depots of the services, the arranging for radio installations and the handling of large personnel. Col. Goodfellow has more than sixty officers from the Army, Navy and Marines in his Service Command, some with the rank of full Colonel.

There is a vacancy of a full Colonel in our

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allotment of grades and I respectfully recommend that
Lt. Col. Goodfellow be promoted to the rank of
Colonel.

Respectfully,

William J. Donovan

The Honorable

The Secretary of War

Washington, D. C.

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Washington*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION G-2
WASHINGTON

July 6, 1942.

Colonel William J. Donovan, Director
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Colonel Donovan:

I am very glad to have your letter of July 3 with refer-
ence to Lieut. Col. M. Preston Goodfellow, and am especially glad
to know that his services have proved so valuable to you. It has
proved equally beneficial to the Military Intelligence Division to
have Colonel Goodfellow maintain liaison with you on our behalf.

I believe that there is no obstacle whatever to having
Col. Goodfellow transferred to the Office of Strategic Services
and I am giving instructions to the Military Intelligence Service
to have this accomplished as soon as practicable.

With reference to Lieut. Col. Goodfellow's promotion to
the grade of Colonel, I find that it is impossible for this Divi-
sion to have his promotion accomplished prior to his transfer to
your office. There are at the moment no vacancies for the grade
of Colonel in the Military Intelligence Service, and furthermore,
there are quite a number of Lieutenant Colonels in M.I.S. who are
senior to Lieut. Col. Goodfellow and occupy positions which would
warrant their consideration for promotion prior to Lieut. Col. Good-
fellow's promotion. However, I realize the importance of the duties
performed for both this Division and your office would certainly
warrant his early consideration for promotion.

Since I am not able to accomplish his promotion prior to
his transfer to your office, may I suggest that in the Tables of
Organization probably to be set up in the working committee of the
Joint Psychological Warfare Committee or in such of your own office
as may be statutorily reorganized, there might be several positions
for the grade of Colonel. If such should develop, I should imagine
that you would have no difficulty in having Lieut. Col. Goodfellow
selected to fill one of those vacancies.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. Arnold
W. H. ARNOLD,
Major General,
A. C. of S., G-2.



Goodfellow, 6264
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

July 3, 1942

Major General George V. Strong
Military Intelligence Division
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Strong:

As you know Lt. Col. M Preston Goodfellow has been acting as our liaison with G-2 since this office was first organized. He has rendered very valuable service to us and after Colonel Solberg was sent abroad Colonel Goodfellow undertook the job of completely organizing our special operations work. He has also completed arrangements for collaboration with the British services. He has set up training schools, has prepared various projects, some of which are now in the course of execution.

I feel that Colonel Goodfellow has qualified himself to handle all of our special operations activities as head of that section. It is contemplated that this work will be greatly expanded under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He now has more than sixty officers serving under him, some of them with the rank of full Colonel. I understand that he has been six months in his present rank. I feel that he is entitled to promotion to the rank of full Colonel on his merits and in addition such rank is necessary for him to carry out his assignment here as head of special activities work.

It is, therefore, respectfully recommended

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that Lt. Col. M. Preston Goodfellow be transferred to this office from G-2 for duty, and that he be promoted to the rank of Colonel. I should greatly appreciate any consideration you can give.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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Good friend 6264
War Dept.
A. P. ...

May 21st, 1942

Brig. General Hayes A. Kroner,
Chief Military Intelligence Service,
War Department,
Munitions Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear General Kroner:

First, my heartiest congratulations on your well merited promotion. May the new Star be most kind to you and attract other Stars to it.

In regard to Preston. I know you felt about him as I do and am sure that when the opportunity comes his value to the Army will receive proper recognition. Very few in G-2 know he has more than fifty officers in his Service Command beside the officers in his G-2 section. A number of these are Lieutenant Colonels.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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WAR DEPARTMENT
 WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF
 MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION G-2
 WASHINGTON

May 19, 1942.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
 Coordinator of Information,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I am glad to have your letter of May 16 and to have the opportunity of expressing to you my great appreciation of the splendid work which Preston Goodfellow is doing and to say that my interest in him, both personally and officially, will not let me overlook any opportunity to put him up for promotion at the earliest possible date.

As you know, he is at present assigned to the Military Intelligence Service, and we have a definite limitation on the number of colonels we can maintain. We have at present more than the authorized number and very frequently we have colonels transferred to us. In order to clarify this situation we are hoping at an early date to have ways and means approved which will introduce a reasonable flexibility in the promotion system.

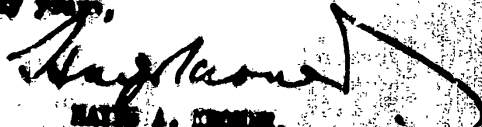
If I find that the promotion of Preston is unduly delayed then I shall ask you for a specific recommendation which will, I am sure, assist me in bringing about his promotion.

I have asked Preston from time to time to take over to see you the principal affairs of the Military Intelligence Service, on an informal basis. I hope as time goes on all of us will get better acquainted and that many of my associates will learn to appreciate the splendid machine which you have, and the inspiring and practical leadership which you maintain at the head of it, in your person.

I too look forward to many more pleasant visits with you and let me assure you that I always feel much benefited and inspired after we are together.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,



HARRY A. TRUMAN,
 Colonel, General Staff
 Chief, Military Intelligence Service.



Goodfellow 6264

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May 16, 1942

Colonel Hayes A. Kroner
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Kroner:

I know that you are interested in Preston Goodfellow, but that apart from interest in him, like me, you believe in a well deserved promotion. He is doing a job that fully merits his being raised to full colonelcy. Can you do that on your own, or would it be of any value if I were to make formal application?

I enjoyed my visit with you the other day and hope that we are going to sit down together soon again.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: E. C. Huntington, Jr.

DATE: May 2, 1942

TO: Mr. James R. Murphy

SUBJECT: Investigations - Unnumbered Special

I am enclosing an additional memo from one of our investigators which contains information relating to the matter concerning whom you have previously received a complete report.

E. C. Huntington, Jr.
Eliery C. Huntington, Jr.
Security Officer

Attachment

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W. G. Smith

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... senior partner of Redmond & Company ... years, he stated that Goldsmith ... (faint text) ... after year, and that he has ... intimately associated with Joseph P. Kennedy. ... not been recently in contact with Gold- ... Kennedy is associated with him in his ... apartment. It is our opinion, for which ... the telephones are extensions ... into the Goldsmith apartment and ... in the bank as a private syndicate ... The privacy with which he ... is thus readily explained by the ... not wish his activities to become ... and his transactions identified.

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We secured a list of the telephone calls placed by Goldsmith
on 7th Street extension phones from the period of April 14 to
April 21, inclusive. Some could not be identified because of
omissions in the list, but the attached list, constituting the
bulk portion of the calls, have been definitely identified. For
convenience, we have divided them into rough classifications.
We believe that a study of these calls made over a period of four
days substantiates the observations which we made in the previous
report. Goldsmith is in touch with the office of Naval Intelligence,
the Jewish Organizations, Propaganda Organizations, and Publicity
Organizations.

General Offices

Office of New Intelligence 50 Church St.

Religious Organizations

Jewish Social Service Association 71 West 42nd
Jewish Board of Guardians 228 East 19th
American Jewish Committee 386 Fourth Ave.

Political

Sons of Democracy 103 Park Ave.
American Action Inc. 55 West 42nd
League for Democracy of German Descent 285 Madison Ave.
League for Democracy Inc. 11 West 42nd
Political Information Services 30 Rockefeller Plaza

Business

Radio Company Inc. (Adv) 9 Rockefeller Plaza
RCA Broadcasting Station 117 West 46th
Financial Publicity Service 103 Park Ave.

Wholesale & Retail

L. F. Rothschild 120 Broadway
Farrell Bros. 50 Broadway
J. S. Basche & Co. 36 Wall
Ralph F. Samuel & Co. 115 Broadway
Griagayle & Co. 420 Lexington Ave.
Market Analysts Inc. 8 West 40th
Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Co. 61 Broadway
Equitable Holdings Corp. 17 East 42nd
Fred'k H. Hatch & Co. 63 Wall

Specialized Published Numbers

Stanley A. Lynch 106 West 69th
William Durant 131 West 119th
Mrs. Gertrude Schairer 2 West 45th

Miscellaneous Calls

J. & G. Corp. (His own Co.)
 Joseph Tomello (unlisted)
 S. S. Steels Inc.
 S. Weinstein
 Mrs. Sidney Galsch
 Tomulis Inc.
 Federal Housing Administration
 State National Bank
 Ludlow Garage
 J. Bruno
 Reliance Printing Co.
 Whittemore Brothers
 Air Reduction Co.
 National Jewelers Inc.
 J. A. Paulding and
 United Piece Dye Works
 181st Street Bus Terminal
 F. A. Saunders
 N. Y. State Racing Commission
 Lenox Hill Hospital
 Herbert Schorr
 Artex-Pascoe Inc.
 William Jameson & Company Inc.

136 West 52nd
 600 West 52nd
 369 Lexington Ave.
 485 Madison
 145 West 86th
 68 West 48th
 2 Park Ave.
 18 Pine
 350 East 54th
 421 Seventh Ave.
 228 East 45th
 11 West 42nd
 60 East 42nd
 630 Fifth Ave.
 4 East 70th
 1440 Broadway
 502 181st
 8 West 40th
 745 Fifth Ave.
 36th & Park Ave.
 272 West 90th
 640 Madison Ave.
 630 Fifth Ave.

Accounts

Proskauer, Rose & Paskus
 Saul Bernstein

11 Broadway
 475 Fifth Ave

Gogate, Dr. R.V. 6275

X India

X Studebaker, J.W.

3/3/43

Mr. Gogate came in today and talked with Colonel
Buxton. Major Doering then took him in tow
and talked with Norman Brown of R. & A. who had
already known of Mr. Gogate. There does not seem
to be any opening for him at this moment and Major
Doering explained he would bear him in mind.

Yogate, R.V. 5275
x India
x Studebaker

Mail
Will you see this
man D. [unclear]

1606 -17th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C

Phone : NO 8549

My dear Col. Donovan :

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I enclose two letters to recall me to your mind. I was thinking of sending these to Mrs Roosevelt but

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brief time.

Respectfully your's

s/

R. V. Gogate

Col. V. J. Donovan
Administration Building
25th and E. Street
Washington D.C.

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Col. Wm. J. Donovan
Administration Bldg.
2504 E St. N.W.
Washington - D.C.

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United States Government
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
Washington, D.C.

April 2, 1942

Hon. J. W. Studebaker
Commissioner
U. S. Office of Education
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Studebaker:

I have your letter about Dr. R. V. Gogate.
I am taking this up with the proper people in the
office, and will see that Dr. Gogate receives the most
careful consideration.

Thank you for writing me about him.

Sincerely,

/s/ WILLIAM J. DONOVAN

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
U. S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION
WASHINGTON

March 31, 1942.

Col. William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
Administration Building,
25th and E Streets, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Colonel Donovan:

During the past few years I have been helping in various ways one Dr. R. V. Gogate. He was born in India and has lived in this country more than 20 years. He married an American woman in Denver and they now have 1 or 2 children. There was some complication about Gogate's citizenship but I understand the matter is cleared now and he has acquired his citizenship after these many years.

Dr. Gogate is a graduate of Columbia University and is an exceedingly capable person. He knows the life of the Far East and of this country intimately. It occurs to me that he might be exceedingly useful in some capacity in your organization. Naturally you will wish to have someone gather full information about him. Therefore, I assume that your Personnel Division will communicate with him and will request the information you desire. He (Dr. R. V. Gogate) can be reached at 1272 Washington Street, Denver, Colorado.

Very cordially yours,

HENRY J. W. STODOLAK
Commissioner

Henry J. W. Stodolak
Commissioner

x Studebaker

COPY

1734 F St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.
Sept. 14, 1942

Col. Wm. J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
U. S. Government
Washington, D. C.

My dear Colonel Donovan:

On April 2 of this year you wrote to Dr. John W. Studebaker, who had called my name and interest to your attention for possible utilization of my service. I was waiting to hear from your office (in Denver) and wrote you a personal letter giving several points in my case. But to this day, neither that personal letter so marked, nor your previous assurance that my case "will receive most careful consideration" at the hands of proper people to whom you had referred my case, has had any result!

I am now in Washington and men like Dr. Studebaker and Counsel General Carol H. Foster of the State Department and others who have known me think that my Indian background and recent Americanization should be of definite use to my adopted country if you could see me personally and give

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tisly consideration to my offer. Will you be kind
enough to grant me an appointment at your convenience
and oblige?

Respectfully yours,

/s/ R. V. Cogate

My phone: ME 3834

Col. Wm J. Donovan
 Coordinator of Information
 U.S. Government
 Washington, D.C.

1757 F. St. N.W.
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 Sept 14/1942

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My phone: ME 3834

Respectfully yours,
 R.V. Gogate

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 4, 1942.

File

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. James Murphy
From: Richard Halander

I have your memorandum of April 25th relative to Mr. Gogate. Inasmuch as we do not have a place for him here in Washington, I am forwarding your memorandum and attached material to Mr. Ed Taylor in New York with the request that he investigate the possibilities of finding a place for Mr. Gogate there.

PH

Vogate, V. R. V. 5275
** India*
** Studebaker, S. W.*

April 2, 1942

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Commissioner
U. S. Office of Education
Washington, D. C.

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Thank you for writing me about him.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

WJD:hj:be

cc: Mr. Hester

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COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 1942

Levin 4823
Spring
X 22000, psychopathology

File

TO: Mr. J. R. Murphy
FROM: Mr. Tryon
SUBJECT: Acknowledgment of Dr. Gulick's Letter

In response to your request for my acknowledgement of Dr. Gulick's letter, you will find a reply attached which may be forwarded to him if you wish.

Att.

Gulick 4822

March 17, 1942

Dr. Luther Gulick
National Resources Planning Board
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Gulick:

Colonel Donovan has suggested that I answer your letter in which you raise the question as to whether anyone in COI is analyzing the German psychopathology toward the last war and toward the current one. I have looked over the outline of Dr. Spiegel and find the content quite interesting.

We have been making a study of the impact of events and propaganda upon the German people and have, of course, considered quite a number of the items listed by Dr. Spiegel without, perhaps, giving as much stress to the psychoanalytical slant as Dr. Spiegel's outline would require.

Sincerely yours

Robert C. Tryon, Chief
Psychology Division

RTY:esm

TO:

Dr. Tryon

3/14/42

Please acknowledge.

J. R. Murphy

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL RESOURCES PLANNING BOARD
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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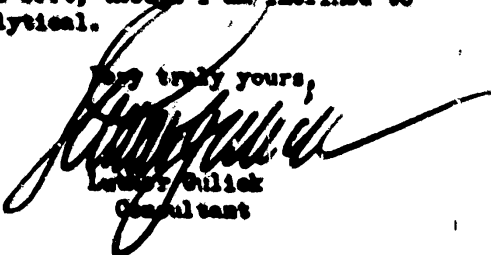
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Hon. William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
Administration Building
25th & E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill Donovan:

Is anybody in your organization analyzing the German psychopathology toward the last war and toward the current one? If so, will you give him the inclosed outline which comes from a New York psychologist, Dr. Leo A. Spiegel.

While I was in Oxford talking with A. J. Toynbee's group, I heard a good deal of talk, in connection with the analysis of current German and continental newspapers, about the psychological analysis of changing opinions under the impact of events and propaganda. It may be that they have something under way of this sort, though I am inclined to think it is less psychoanalytical.

Very truly yours,

Lester K. Gillik
Consultant

Inclosure

Psychopathology of Post-War Germany's Attitudes toward the Last War

A. Loss of Last War.

1. Denial of actual defeat.

- a. Theory that Germany was not actually defeated. Evolution of theory in post-war Germany-- by whom fostered, by whom denied.
- b. Development of subsidiary theories to account for the "apparent" loss of the war. Germany betrayed; the capitalists, the Jews, etc.
- c. The emotional needs that are fulfilled by the denial of defeat. The mobilization of anxieties by the admission of defeat. The ideologies that are threatened by the admission of defeat. An ideology of "rightness" requires infallibility for its preservation.
- d. What permits a nation and its individual components to accept defeat (accept used in a special sense of being a normal reaction to it.)
- e. What factors are responsible for the development of such ideologies?
- f. The role of the national ideology in the individual ego. Supportive role. The death instinct.
- g. Admission of error and defeat means re-evaluation of ideologies. The various paths taken. Attitudes of various groups. 'Junker, industrial, liberal, etc.'
- h. The psychological characteristics that develop as a result of the denial of loss of war. Paranoid trends, self-exaltation, pathological trends toward other groups, unreality of approach, spread of unreality to other fields, influence of the pleasure principles.

3. Psychopathology of Germany's Role and Germany's Suffering in the War.

1. Responsibility; leader responsibility, denial of individual responsibility. Attitudes toward war leaders. Attitude towards punishment of leaders.
2. Groups that believed Germany guilty. Their attitude toward collective German ideology, toward patriotism.
3. Relative influence of groups who believed in war guilt of their own countries, in Germany and in England.
4. Recognition of German suffering in war. Appreciation of suffering of other countries.
5. German ideas on role of Germany in constellation of nations. Evolution in post-war period.

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February 23, 1942

Rear Admiral T. S. Wilkinson
Chief, Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Wilkinson:

I am attaching a copy of a letter received from Colonel Buxton. We are very glad to advise you fully of all that is being done. I think I have brought you substantially up to date, but if you wish I will be glad to have Colonel Buxton talk with anyone you designate. In fact, it might be well to have someone appointed with whom we could take up this particular matter.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

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NEW YORK

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21 East 40th Street

February 20, 1942

SECRET

Colonel Wm. J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
25th and E Streets
Washington, D.C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

Yesterday Alfred Gomez, Cape Verdian of New Bedford, called me on the telephone. He said that a representative of OWI, First Naval District, had called on him and wanted to discuss the Islands with him and that he understood he had knowledge, through relatives, of Island affairs. Gomez said he told the Navy that he was giving me any information that he had and preferred not to deal with any other Agency. He says that he said nothing about any of our plans.

The Navy man returned after communicating with his superiors and told him that this situation was perfectly satisfactory to them and they would like him to continue talking to the Donovan Organization.

Please show this memorandum to Colonel Selberg.

Sincerely yours,


Edward Burton

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COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

SECRET

February 17th, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO COLONEL DONOVAN

After talks with Dr. Hornbeck and Mr. Hoskins of the State Department, an active Korean has been sent on a secret mission to the West Coast and Southwest in an effort to get data about informational channels to the Far East. He was instructed to pick up any additional data about Jap activity on the Coast that could be obtained.

We have been seeing much of Dr. Sigmund Rhee, provisional President of Korea, and have been working with the State Department to bring delegates from Hawaii and Chung King to the Korean Convention in Philadelphia.

M. P. Goodfellow
M. P. Goodfellow

SECRET

To Mr. Hayden
Jan - 27th - 1942

CONFIDENTIAL

**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION**

Goodman 5849C
WALSH

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Jim

FROM: Security Office

DATE 7/19/42

TO: Mr. James R. Murphy

SUBJECT Lester Goodman

A copy of our letter to Commander Riheldaffer on the Subject is enclosed for your information.

It is our understanding that Commander Vanderbilt has no further interest in the Subject, and we also understand from Mr. O'Brien that Visual Presentation does not expect to employ the Subject. Mr. O'Brien indicated that you had some interest in the case and that you might have some adverse information on the Subject.

If you have any adverse information which you think it advisable to consolidate in our files on the Subject or which you think should be forwarded to the Office of Naval Intelligence would you please advise us.

For the Security Officer:

James F. Lawrence
1st Lt., JIS, Adjutant
Security Officer

CONFIDENTIAL

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.
July 18, 1948

Security Office

Commander John L. Rhoads, USN, Ret.
Navy Department
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Washington, D. C.

Dear Commander Rhoads:

Subject: Lester Goodson

This Office is advised that the Subject whose permanent address is the West Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco and who has spent many years in the Far East is being considered for a commission in the Navy with possible assignment to duty with the Office of Naval Intelligence in San Francisco.

Because of the Subject's experience and because of numerous still and moving pictures of the Far East, which he had taken, he has been under consideration for a position with the Office of Strategic Services. However, in view of an adverse report on the Subject which was obtained from the Pacific War Divisions of this Agency which were interested in the Subject as to intention of employing him although they hope to obtain some of his pictures which may be of value.

Immediately you have already, or would obtain, before specifically offering the Subject a Commission in the Navy the report from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. However, it has been suggested that in view of the contents of the report to your attention on the chance that certain individuals who have had preliminary investigations with the Subject may not be aware of their existence. The Subject has indicated that he was offered a Commission as Lieutenant Commander by Dr. Joseph P. Kamp who is understood to be Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy. It is also understood that the Subject was sent by Dr. Fletcher Hurns of the same Department to see General Keenan of the Office of Naval Intelligence and that the possibility of a Commission was discussed with General Keenan.

It is suggested that the information referred to in this letter is to be kept in the hands of the individuals chiefly concerned and is not to be made public for the purpose of any check which you might wish to make on this matter.



Very truly yours,

Very truly yours,

Henry G. Huntington, Jr.
Lieut. Col., USN
Specialist Advisor

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



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

Case # 100-10677
Confidential
J. E.

MAR 14 1942

Colonel William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

It was certainly thoughtful of you to make available the copy of the letter dated February 19, 1942, and enclosure, addressed to you by Mr. Lester L. Goodman, 64 Pine Street, San Francisco California, which you forwarded under cover dated February 28, 1942.

Mr. Goodman's observations concerning the newspaper advertisements are indeed interesting. I have taken the liberty of making copies of his communication and the enclosure available to the Office of Naval Intelligence and the Military Intelligence Division as well as to the State Department as I believe that they, too, will be interested in them.

Sincerely,

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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OFFICE OF FACTS AND FIGURES
WASHINGTON

THE DIRECTOR

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March 4, 1942

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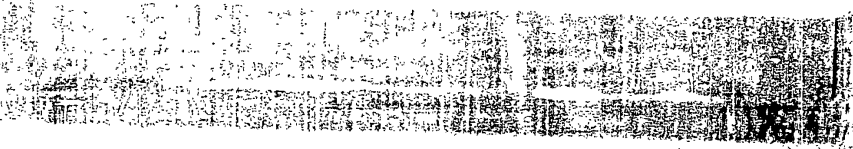
Dear Bill:

Thanks for many things -
first, for letting us see a photostat of
the letter from Mr. Lester L. Goodman; and
second, for lending us the various state-
ments put out by the British Ministry of
Information for the guidance of newspapers
and broadcasters. Both have been most
helpful.

Faithfully yours,

Am
Archibald MacLachlan

Colonel Wm. J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.



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Serial 365616

**NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
WASHINGTON**

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MAR 4 1942

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I have your letter of February 28th with which you enclose correspondence from Mr. Lester L. Goodman, San Francisco, relative to advertisements which appeared in the Singapore press at the time of the outbreak of the war.

Thank you for your kindness in forwarding these clippings and Mr. Goodman's letter.

Sincerely yours,

T. S. Wilkinson,
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy,
Director of Naval Intelligence.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
Washington, D.C.

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THE OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP
WASHINGTON

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March 2, 1942.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
25th and E Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

The enclosure with your letter of
February 28, relating to advertisements published in
Singapore, is most interesting.

The possibility of hidden communi-
cations in advertising was discussed at length by this
Office recently with representatives of the publishing
industry and safeguards are under consideration.

With thanks, and good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Byron Price

Byron Price,
Director.



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February 28, 1942

Mr. Archibald MacLish
Office of Facts and Figures
Washington, D. C.

Dear Archie:

I send you herewith copy of a
letter from Lester L. Goodman in San Francisco,
together with the enclosure.

I thought you might like to see
an interpretation of the enclosed clippings
as notice given to the Japanese community
in Singapore that the Japanese naval or
military activity was impending. There
has been suggested to me the possibility
of similar procedures in this country.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

Enclosure

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February 28, 1942

General Raymond Lee
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Raymond:

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letter from Lester L. Goodman in San Francisco,
together with the enclosure.

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Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

JW:js
Enclosure

Spokane, 3-6-9/3-
1942

February 28, 1942

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Edgar:

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Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

Enclosure
WJ

February 28, 1942

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Chief of Naval Intelligence
Department of the Navy
Washington, D. C.

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of similar procedures in this country.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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To: [unclear] 38636
[unclear]

February 28, 1942

Mr. Byron Price, Director
Bureau of Censorship
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Price:

I send you herewith copy of a letter from Lester L. Goodman in San Francisco, together with the enclosure.

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Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

Enclosure

Goodman 3869b
 xerox type

LESTER L. GOODMAN
 84 PINE STREET
 SAN FRANCISCO, U.S.A.

February 19, 1942.

Col. Wm. Donovan
 Co-ordinator of Information
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Col. Donovan:

I just received some newspaper items mailed from Singapore which I thought possibly would be of interest to you as I believe they bring out some facts which you undoubtedly are already aware of, that is, the Fifth Column activity that no doubt took place in Malaya.

The first one I will discuss is the small advertisement which appeared in the Straits Times of Friday, the 5th of December 1941, which also appeared in other issues of the Straits Times. This advertisement was inserted by Nakajima & Co. For your information, Nakajima & Co. were the leading photographers in British Malaya. They were a Japanese firm as their name will imply. Nakajima has photographed practically all of British Malaya and many strategic places. If one was to ride in the Federated Malay States railways and sit in the dining cars he would notice large photographs of different parts of Malaya that had been taken by Nakajima. Many of these small picture postcards which tourists send abroad showing the city of Singapore and other places in Malaya were also photographed by him, and as I stated he was no doubt the leading photographer.

Now reverting back to his advertisement, you will note that advertisement had the date of 3-12-1941. The English method of dating is to put the day first, the month second and the year third, so that means that ad was put in as of December 3, 1941. You will note that it calls for the payment of his bills within one week. I believe this has a double significance. In the first place, Nakajima had been established in Malaya for well over twenty years and it seems rather peculiar that he would close down just about the time that hostilities were to commence and that he was to give notice of this on the 3rd of December. The second significance is that he says his bills will be paid within a week thereof. Within a week would place the time within the 10th of December. Nakajima was a leader in his Japanese community and I believe that this statement of payment within a week, which was within the 10th of

December, was a notice to the Japanese community itself.

Now I want to report to you on the second newspaper advertisement. This appeared in the Singapore Sunday Times of December 7 and it is an advertisement of Echigoya & Co. Ltd. Echigoya was a firm located in a de luxe retail establishment on Middle Road in the heart of the Japanese business community of Singapore. Echigoya had been in Singapore for well over twenty years and conducted a very fine class of Japanese silk stores, selling Japanese silks to the Europeans and better class native trade. This was always considered a very prosperous firm, the same as Nakajima was always considered.

When I was in Singapore around April of 1941, at that time in one of the Singapore newspapers was an article advising how this same Echigoya had called on the editor of the newspaper and presented a check for his company in the amount of one thousand Straits Dollars, to be given to the war fund, which usually falls in line with Japanese hypocrisy.

But now reverting back again to Echigoya's ad, you will note that the ad states as from the 9th of December 1941 the premises at 131 Middle Road (which is his only address) will be closed for business until further notice and that was put into the newspaper on December 7, the date on which the attack was made on Pearl Harbor. I take this also to be a notice to the Fifth Column element in Malaya and I believe that it is very close to the realm of possibility that the date given of the 9th of December had some meaning as to military or naval activity of the Japanese in that community.

I thought you would no doubt be interested in these articles and possibly in my contention concerning same.

Recently I have written you a couple of other letters of which I have not as yet received any acknowledgment or replies and no doubt you are very busy at the present time and will get around to this correspondence in due course.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

cc Mr. J. J. Hayden
cc Mr. Albert Lasker

THE SUNDAY TIMES

The Leading Sunday Newspaper in Malaya

Sunday, December 7, 1941

NOTICE

**ECHIGOYA
& CO., LTD.**



As from 9th December,
1941, the premises at
181 Middle Road will
be closed for business
until further notice.

STRAIT TIMES PRESS, SINGAPORE

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM

To Colonel William J. Donovan February 25, 1942
From J. A. Hayden *JAH*
Subject Clippings submitted by Mr. Lester L. Goodman

1. Mr. Goodman's interpretation of these clippings as notice given to the Japanese community in Singapore that Japanese naval or military activity was immediately impending is a reasonable one.

2. I suggest that the clippings, together with Mr. Goodman's letter, be referred to M.I.D., O.N.I. and the S.B.I. They may fit into information already in the possession of these agencies, and they suggest fifth column procedures which ought to be guarded against in the United States.

Attachments

3/9/42

Memorandum for Mr. Wilgus:

If you have not already done so,
would you please look into the possi-
bilities of using Mr. Goodman.

I would appreciate your views

JRM

*Palmer v papers, plus
letter from Rashkull
after phone conversation
with you re to Goodman.
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3/9/42 COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

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Forward
to Mr. [unclear]
W. [unclear]
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COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

333 MONTGOMERY STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

February 27, 1942

Mr. Walter Wilgus,
Coordinator of Information,
25th and E Streets, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Wilgus:

In reply to your message saying that the Colonel would like us to get in touch with Mr. Lester Goodman in connection with projected Malayan programs, this office was in touch with Mr. Goodman several weeks ago and he was deemed to be of no use to us in this respect. Previous to your message I had been asked by Miss Estelle Frankfurter and I sent her a memorandum advising her to this effect.

I realize that you know all this by now, but this is to confirm on paper what I told you over telephone. It occurred to me that you should have the information in letter form in case the Colonel should request it of you.

Cordially yours,

L. D. Rashall

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LDR/a

Goodman Letter

3869a

LESTER L. GOODMAN
 64 PINE STREET
 SAN FRANCISCO, U.S.A.

W. J. D.

March 5, 1942.

Col. Wm. J. Donovan
 Coordinator of Information
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Col. Donovan:

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With kindest regards,

cc Mr. J. R. Hayden

Sincerely yours,

John Rodwell

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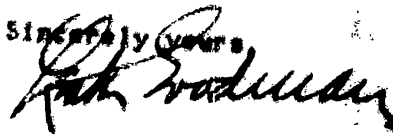
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Kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



La. Loran 3869a

February 25, 1948

Mr. Lester L. Goodson
54 Pine Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Goodson:

I am much interested in your report of the lack of appreciation by the people on the Pacific Coast of their responsibilities regarding the war. The duty of informing our people regarding the seriousness of the situation and of strengthening their morale, however, has not been assigned to the Coordinator of Information, but to other agencies of the Government. Chief among them are the Office of Facts and Figures, and the Office of Civilian Defense. It would be appropriate for you to bring your exceptional qualifications to participate in their work to the attention of these agencies.

I appreciate your sending me the two advertisements from the *San Francisco Chronicle* which indicate that the Japanese business men have learned that had advanced knowledge of the military actions which Japan initiated in the Pacific area on December 7. It seems to me that your interpretation of these notices is a reasonable one. This material is of significance because it indicates the ease with which enemy agents within this country may serve the interests of those who have placed them here, and I will bring it to the attention of the proper authorities.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

WJD/MS

Sent 2/26

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

Goodman 3869a
✓ Civilian Defense
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MEMORANDUM

To: Colonel William J. Donovan

February 19, 1942

From: J. A. Hayden

Subject: Letter to Mr. Lester L. Goodman *440-*

1. There is attached a letter to Mr. Lester L. Goodman, for your signature.
2. I am informed by Mr. Wilgus that the San Francisco office of the Foreign Information Service has been in contact with Mr. Goodman and does not feel that they can use his services.

Attachment

Colonel William J. Donovan

February 18, 1942

J. R. Hayden

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Attachments

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DATE 2/18/48

Dr. Hayden

Will you please prepare a reply
for my signature.

WJD

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

LESTER L. GOODMAN
34 FINE STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, U.S.A.

February 12, 1942.

Col. Wm. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Col. Donovan:

As you are possibly aware, since the outbreak of the American-Japanese hostilities I have been working on the San Francisco Civilian Defense Council as Chairman of the Blackout Precautions Advisory Committee.

It so happens that today there was a press conference at which representatives of local and national newspapers and magazines were present and at which I reviewed for their information the activities of my committee in this particular territory. At this meeting it was brought out by certain members of the press, and which fact I have encountered quite often on the Pacific Coast and one which in advising you of I am going to write you in all frankness. I feel that you would rather have me be perfectly frank and give you the benefit of the information I have secured rather than be tactful and polish up my statements.

It was particularly commented on that on the Pacific Coast, and I presume to a certain extent this exists in other parts of the United States, that the people here still lack the sense of being at war. They do not have the true sense of their responsibilities, nor the knowledge of what is expected of them and the consequence of not preparing their morale etc. for the effort and consequence we have before us. I believe that there is a lot to be done, particularly in this part of the world through various methods which would bring these facts more forcibly before the public. It is my idea that the public should have them brought forcibly and as quickly as possible to their attention.

I believe that in this work I can be of a great deal of assistance to your department, and if I am not incorrect I think a lot of it comes under the realm of your jurisdiction. I should like to take on this job and believe that I am qualified to do same for you. If, however, what I am writing does not come under your particular direction, then I would appreciate very much if

Goodman, Lester 3869a
Civilian Defense Council
1 Minute

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... would refer the matter to whatever department it belongs to.

With my knowledge of Asia, Australasia, South Africa, as well as the Pacific Coast of the United States, I believe that I am fully qualified to act in this capacity that I have mentioned above. With my experience in business organization I feel confident that I could carry out this job to your full satisfaction.

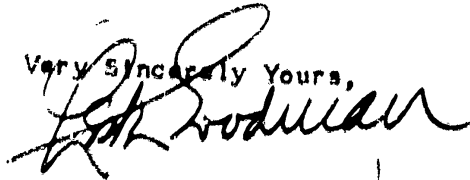
There is another point that came up that was full of comment at today's meeting and one on which I would like to be clear. Mrs. Ford Brown, a staff writer on the Saturday Evening Post, who was present at this meeting this morning, commented on having inspected yesterday in Oakland a number of American airplanes and one Japanese airplane, all in damaged condition, which had been brought over from the Hawaiian Islands. No doubt these had been brought over for examination by the military and naval authorities. But the thought has been brought out that if these planes could be utilized in various cities in the United States to educate the population of just what this story means, that it would have a great effect in bringing home the realization of war. People must be made to forget "business as usual", must be educated to the enormous task before us and to their part and effort in this task. If such equipment as these damaged planes could be utilized in various cities, for example if they could be exhibited in the Civic Center of San Francisco for public inspection, it would bring this thought home to them quicker than a great many things, specially than by simply showing a photograph of them in the local newspapers.

This of course is only one thought, there are hundreds of things that can be done. Time is going on and I am keenly interested in utilizing my energy and ideas to a constructive basis and would appreciate your consideration of these facts at your earliest convenience.

With regards, I am,

Hq/ag
cc J.R. Hayden
cc Albert Lasker

Very Sincerely Yours,



Goodman 5867
x Adler
x Cuhel
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LESTER L. GOODMAN
84 PINE STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, U.S.A.

February 2, 1942.

Mr. Hayden
c/o Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hayden:

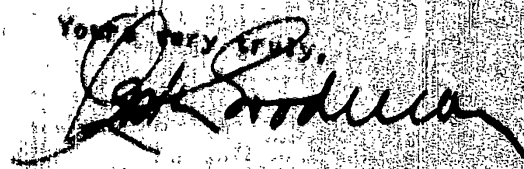
Over the weekend I have been giving considerable thought to people who might be of immediate service to you in the Far East and there are two names that come before me that might be of particular interest to you.

In the city of Singapore there is an American named Ed Adler. Adler has lived there continuously, with the exception of short leaves to the United States, for the past 33 or 40 years. As a matter of fact, Adler was the originator and first president of the American Association of Malays. Being in Singapore at the present time he might be of special service to your department.

In Batavia another name comes before me and that is Mr. Frank Cuhel who is import manager for the Chinese firm of Kian Guan and also Special Representative for the American firm of Dodge & Seymour. Frank Cuhel is an American who lived for about two years or so in Singapore and for the past approximately three years has been in the Dutch East Indies. As stated, Cuhel is at present in Batavia and he has been broadcasting recently at regular intervals over short wave from Batavia through the Mutual Broadcasting System as their correspondent in the Dutch East Indies. Cuhel is exceptionally intelligent and I am sure could be of valuable service to you.

If you desire me to assist in contacting these people I shall be only too happy to be of service to you.

Yours very truly,



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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
WASHINGTON

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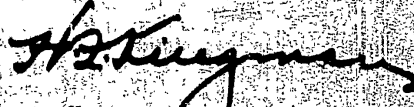
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My dear Colonel Donovan:

In reply to your letter of March 31, 1942, I regret to inform you that the services for intelligence duties of Lieutenant Richard W. Grissold, U. S. Naval Reserve, attached to the Commandant's Office of the Washington Navy Yard, cannot be spared.

I have, however, been able to make available to you Ensign C. M. Stuart, U. S. Naval Reserve, who I feel should give very satisfactory service as an investigator. If Stuart is satisfactory to you I will be glad to request the necessary orders for him.

Very sincerely yours,



H. P. Kirkman,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
Assistant Director of Naval Intelligence.

Colonel William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Copy sent Kirkman's investigation 4/17

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
MEMORANDUM

Griswold - 3849
6 VI
Lincoln

To: Mr. J. R. Murphy
From: William A. Kissel
Subject:

March 5, 1942

When reply to our letter to Admiral Wilkinson
requesting assignment of Lt. Griswold to this office is
received, may I please see a copy? Thank you.

W.A.K.

In reply refer to initials
and No.
Serial 820416

Jill Griswold 3849
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X Liaison Off.

**NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
WASHINGTON**

MAR 3 1942

Dear Colonel Donovan:

This will refer to your letter of February 16th inquiring whether Lieutenant Richard W. Griswold, USNR, could be made available for detail to your office.

I have taken this matter up with the Commandant of the Potomac River Naval Command, to whose organization Lieutenant Griswold is attached, and I have now been advised by the Commandant that Lieutenant Griswold is not available for transfer from his present duties.

Sincerely yours,

T. S. Wilkinson,
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy,
Director of Naval Intelligence.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
Washington, D.C.

3897
Liaison Office

February 16, 1942

Dear Admiral T. S. Wilkinson
Director, Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

My dear Admiral Wilkinson:

It is respectfully requested that Lieutenant
Richard W. Griswold, now attached to the Commandant's
office, at the Washington Navy Yard, be assigned for
duty here.

The reason for this request is that we are in
need of the services of an officer, experienced in
making investigations of personnel selected to repre-
sent this office in foreign areas. I understand that
Lieutenant Griswold has had experience in this type
of work. I should be very grateful if you could find
it possible to have him assigned to our Liaison Office
in order that rapid investigations of personnel can be
made before action is taken upon appointments of foreign
representatives.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM

To: JESSE W. COLEMAN

FEBRUARY 16 1942

From: WILLIAM A. KINGSLEY

Subject: LT. COLONEL W. GRISWOLD

THE ATTACHED LETTER IS SUBMITTED FOR
YOUR SIGNATURE, IF APPROVED. I HAVE DISCUSSED
THE MATTER INFORMALLY WITH COMMANDER RHELDAPPER
OF O.N.I., WHO HAS INDICATED THAT THIS IS THE
PROCEDURE AND THAT WHILE HE CANNOT GUARANTEE A
FAVORABLE DECISION, HE IS INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT
ADMIRAL WILKINSON WILL GRANT YOUR REQUEST.



W. A. K.

Attachments

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x Liaison Officer

Attache: PC

SECRET

March 31, 1942

Rear Admiral T. S. Wilkinson
Director, Office of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

My dear Admiral Wilkinson:

On the 16th of February last I wrote you asking your aid in having Lieutenant Richard W. Grissold, now attached to the Commandant's office of the Washington Navy Yard, assigned to this Agency for duty as assistant to our Liaison Officer. It was our desire to use Lieutenant Grissold in connection with the investigation of certain applicants destined for special foreign service. You notified me on the 3rd of March that Lieutenant Grissold could not be released from the duties he was then performing.

Since I wrote you on February 16th the need for an expansion of our investigating facilities has become acute due to an increase in our activities in foreign areas. In order to meet this need, we are at the moment engaged in reorganizing our entire Security Division. This Division has been expanded and its responsibilities considerably increased. One of the principal needs of this Division

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Rear Admiral F. S. Wilkinson

March 31, 1942

is for the services of an Investigating Officer. Lieutenant Griswold, we feel, would meet our requirements admirably.

I take the liberty of asking again for Lieutenant Griswold's assignment only because our problem is serious and because he seems particularly well fitted, by virtue of his experience and training, to perform the work we would like to entrust to him.

Very sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

Guerin, Paul 2708
X Blair, Floyd

April 26, 1943

Brig. Gen. Wm. J. Donovan
1647 - 30th St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear General:

Before leaving on my mission, I wish to express to you all my thanks for the facilities which were granted me through your kind intervention.

I sincerely hope that my trip will prove to be helpful in the common interests of the United States and the French people. It is my intention, when the agreement between all Frenchmen will have been completed, to ask again for an assignment in Washington, and to continue our relations, of which I retain a most pleasant memory.

With all kind regards, I wish to remain

Very sincerely,


PAUL Guerin

Guerin 208
Blair

Lieut. Guerin, Hobart 2036, would like an apptmt.
with the Col. He is going to New York on Wednesday
for a rather extended stay and would like to know
about apptmt. tomorrow.

G. S. Blair
10/28/41

Guerrero 2705

April 20, 1942

To: Hugh R. Wilson
 From: Allen W. Dulles

The following report comes from C. She reports that since Thursday no copies of cables of a political nature have come to her department and she has little to give.

The atmosphere around the Embassy reminds one of the last days, in June 1940. Everyone is very busy making arrangements to save as much of his own skin as possible when the end comes. There is but little official business. Oct. de S. still thinks that the Navy can be saved from the Germans, but he is bitter, sad, and disillusioned about Laval, and feels that any demands on his loyalty are things of the past.

Walter Sargis spends most of his time in contact with the State Department. He sees Villard and Murray many times a day and seems to be trying very hard to bring the sensational news that these gentlemen do not seem able to give. He is leaving for New York this afternoon (Friday, April 17). He is receiving many frantic calls from the Spanish Embassy (from Mrs. A., his mistress who lives there). They are quite frantic calls. He is also receiving a number of calls from a certain Miss Jones at the ex-S.S. (Republic 7800, Embassy 71800).

Everyone here sees a ray of hope from the Vichy point of view in the fact that Admiral Leahy will have to postpone his departure on account of his wife's recent operation. They seem to think in these two or three weeks that things can be picked up.

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Blair
Guerra, Lt.
x Blair

October 13, 1941

Mr. Floyd Blair
56 Wall Street
New York, New York

Dear Floyd:

Thank you very much for your letter. I
will call Lieutenant Guerra this week and try to
visit with him.

When are you coming down this way?

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

FIFTY-FIVE WALL STREET
NEW YORK

Handwritten initials

October 7, 1941

Colonel William J. Donovan
Federal Trade Commission Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill,

You will recall that on one of your trips abroad since the war, I sent you a letter of introduction from Lieutenant P. Guerin to his father, who is one of the leading citizens of French Morocco. The senior Guerin is Managing Director of the French railways and principal public utilities.

Young Guerin was here with the French Purchasing Commission, returned to France, and later came back again on a special mission for Generals Weygand and Nogues. He has been here about a year and is now informally representing North Africa. While he is closely connected with the French Embassy, he is not attached to it, although he is recognized at the State Department as a person active for France in North African matters.

Lieutenant Guerin said today that he would like very much to establish contact with you. He feels that he might be helpful in giving you information of North Africa, and, at the same time, that possibly you might be helpful to him in dealing with some of his problems of keeping North Africa supplied with goods from this country.

Lieutenant Guerin spends most of his time in Washington and has a house at 1230 31st Street, Georgetown. His telephone number is Hobart-2086. I told him that I would mention the matter to you and would let him hear from me as soon as I had word; that possibly you might get in touch with him directly.

I believe Guerin is quite pro-English in his views. I think he is well known to British officials, particularly in the Embassy. I know, however, that he is also a friend of Madame Cardenas and particularly of her sister.

I am passing this word on to you with the thought that Guerin might be of some real assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

Flavel Blair

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June 9, 1942

The Hon. C. Richard Shaw
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Shaw:

Early in April, the Department of State, acting upon our request was good enough to authorize this office to appoint a representative of assistance to Mr. Richard Shaw on the U. S. Broadcasting Board's recent voyage to and from London. Mr. Charles Grey's presence on this trip was particularly helpful to this organization and the range of information by Mr. Grey has been received and distributed.

I am now approaching you with a similar request. Would it be possible to have Mr. Grey appointed to join the return trip on the U. S. Broadcasting Board's recent voyage? The same procedure could be followed as in the case of Mr. Grey's appointment as Assistant to the State Department representative in charge of the trip. Should this procedure be approved, Mr. Grey would have to proceed to London to depart within the next day or two in order to arrive in London before the departure of the Broadcasting Board.

This office will take care of Mr. Grey's salary and expenses.

Trusting that this suggestion will have your approval.

I am,

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8 November 1948

Mr. A. E. Cieganski
The Public Printer
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. E. A. Ritter

Dear Mr. Cieganski:

This is in reply to your letter of October 20,
1948. The Office of Strategic Services does not
plan to have printed an annual report this year.

Yours very truly,

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

C. G. Sawyer, Jr.
Major, USA
Chief, Secretariat

LEW:BLAKE

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Annual Report

November 11, 1948

Memorandum

TO: Captain James G. ...

FROM: A. William ...

SUBJECT: Annual Department Report

(1) Reference is made to the ...
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referred to in the attached ...
Department Printing Office, ...

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

**OFFICE OF
THE PUBLIC PRINTER**

October 20, 1943

Mr. General William J. Donovan
Director
War Relocation Authority Services
Washington, D. C.

Minutiae of documents accompanying annual department reports are required by law to be furnished to the Public Printer by the first day of November of each year. The annual report itself must be submitted by November 15. Fifteen days are allowed for return of complete revised proof of the documents and 25 days on the report. (U.S. Code, title 5, sec. 108, as amended.)

Due to the necessity of utilizing all possible production facilities in the manufacture of printed matter essential to the armed services, you are respectfully asked to require that your Department adhere strictly to the law governing dates for submission of copy and proof. If either, particularly the copy, could be submitted in advance of the established dates it would be especially helpful. So far, practically nothing in the way of copy has been received from any of the departments and this Office cannot look forward to a lullaby of composition between November 1 and November 15 without some misgivings.

If your Department anticipates elimination of the printing of the report in the interests of conservation, it will be appreciated if this Office can be notified immediately of such decision, so that the facilities which would otherwise be needed can be scheduled for production of war work.

Enclosed copies of this letter are included with the suggestion that they be distributed to your printing clerks, publication chiefs or other interested persons.

Very truly yours,
A. E. OISENGROCK
Public Printer

R. A. Ritter
R. A. RITTER
Production Planning Assistant
to the Public Printer



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Passenger List
Lambert, Lloyd

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: General Donovan
FROM: Commander Vanderbilt *WFD*
SUBJECT

DATE: 28 October 1945

I am attaching herewith memorandum received from Lloyd W. Lambert which may be of some use and interest to those contacting the passengers returning aboard *M/V Gripsholm*.

Dr. Reimer has been reformed of the contents of this letter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
 OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
 CALIFORNIA OFFICE

74 NEW MONTGOMERY STREET

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

25 October, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: Commander Wm. H. Vanderbilt

From: Lloyd W. Lambert *lwl*Subject: Passengers Enroute Aboard M/V Gripsholm, Due to Arrive in New York, December 2d.

Among the passengers enroute to New York aboard the M/V Gripsholm, the following names appear; there are a number of other passengers known to me, however, I am only listing the people whose background is familiar to me.

I have had a number of talks with Lieutenant Commander Chas. Parsons, who is a business associate in civilian life, and was an exchangee from the Philippines on the previous trip of the M/V Gripsholm. Based on his observation, the white people and the natives in the countries overrun by the Japanese Military, fall in two general classifications: collaborating and cooperating. The people who have ideas of becoming wealthy government officials and those who wish to profit personally are classified as collaborating. Those who are forced to assist in the operation of public utilities and like organizations, rendering service to the public and to the community, and those who are compelled to operate private industry, are classified as cooperating. The Philippines in the Philippines draw a definite line, and those who are now collaborating, as they term it, are listed.

I am of the opinion the people I have listed were more than likely internees and would not fall in either classification, with the exception of Dulan and the two Lader boys. The FBI will no doubt go over them carefully, and an explanation will have to be made as to how they were able to be selected as exchangees since they were of no importance from a political or business angle.

Mr. A2 - R. YOSTER PAIK. Mr. Paik was in the Philippines with a group of Americans that were in some way connected with the U. S. Bureau of Mines, making a survey for the Philippine Government pertaining to the development of minerals in the Philippines. Mr. Paik is a very high-type person of about 60 years of age.

Mr. 316 - HAROLD BEKERSON. Mr. Bekerson for a number of years made his headquarters in Manila, and I believe at a later date in Shanghai, representing an American firm handling drugs, etc. Both he and his wife are of the talkative type, and I seriously doubt if he would knowingly have information of importance.

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Commander Wm. H. Vanderbilt
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148 - CONNELL SIDNEY FRANKLIN. Judge Franklin was for many years a prominent Shanghai businessman, and was connected with the government in handling the affairs of the International Settlement in Shanghai. I believe he retired some years ago as a very wealthy man and built a beautiful home in or near Shanghai. He would probably have considerable information about the activity in North China.

149 - JOSEPH M. RUPPMAN. Mr. Ruppman for a number of years handled the Ford Motor Co. program in China and the Philippines, and would have excellent knowledge of roads and motor transport in both places.

150 - HARRY E. NEEDLER. Dr. Needler, I believe, was a U. S. Army contract doctor and remained in the Philippines after the Spanish-American war and became a very wealthy businessman. He has a large family and has been quite sick for a number of years. He would have some knowledge of what was going on in Manila.

151 - JOHN MARTIN REESE. He is the adopted son of Julius S. Reese, who lives in the Gotham Hotel in New York City, and whose proper name is Reis, originally came from Ohio and was a soldier in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war, and later became one of the most important Manila businessmen. He was the Ford representative in the Philippines, which is a sub-assembly plant, and John Reese was brought out to learn the business.

152 - WALD SELPH. Mr. Selph is a member of a very prominent law firm in Manila, well connected in Philippine Island politics, through the senior partner Ross, who has been for many years very close to President Quezon. He should have a lot of information on the Japanese program in the Philippines.

153 - CESAR STEEN. Mr. Steen was the top man in the Far East for the President Line and formerly headed the Dollar Steamship lines in the Far East. He should have considerable information on shipping and commerce.

154 - JAMES STEVENSON BOLAN. Mr. Bolan spent many years in Shanghai and at one time was one of the wealthy group in Shanghai. Later he came to Manila and worked for the Chamber of Commerce and was in Manila when the Philippines fell. I believe the State Department has a complete record, as this person was at one time connected with activities being investigated by Treasury agents in the Far East.

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Commander Wm. H. Vanderbilt
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22 October 1943

625 - ARTHUR LADOW. Arthur Ladow was a clerk in the Philippine Education, which is a company selling books, school and office supplies. The firm is quite a large firm and Ladow, who is about 30 years of age, was a satisfactory employee. I doubt seriously if he would know anything other than gossip that would come to one in the internment camp.

626 - WILLIAM LADOW. William Ladow was in this country until shortly before Pearl Harbor, and went to Shanghai. He is of no importance.

997 - MARY CURTIS SIMMIE. Mrs. Simmie is well known to the writer as she is the wife of George W. Simmie, a business associate and friend of long standing. She is a resident of North China, having lived there for practically her entire life. Her father was an Englishman and her mother a Japanese. She is a member of the wealthy Eurasian group in the Far East and is about 60 years of age. She gets her American citizenship by reason of her marriage to American citizens on two occasions.

Arthur and William Ladow are her sons by a previous marriage. She has two more sons by the same marriage, who are no doubt now in North China. I am of the opinion that the two Ladow boys and Dolan were able to obtain passage on the Gripsholm by reason of assistance from Judge Cornell Franklin, who no doubt assisted Mrs. Simmie. As I am in constant contact with Mr. Simmie, who at the moment is in Australia by reason of his ship being diverted there shortly after Pearl Harbor. Mr. Simmie has a large group of men from his organization in Manila, which was the Lunan Stevedoring Co., working with the Army in Australia and is well known in Army and Navy circles since the Spanish-American war. Mr. Simmie has never mentioned the fact that Mrs. Simmie was planning on coming to this country.

There are a number of National City Bank executives on this vessel from the Far East and F. A. Kinnoch, Vice President of the American Trust Co., in San Francisco, is now in New York and will give me their names upon his return.

I do not believe any of the group listed above would do other than collaborate with the Japanese in exchange for personal comfort and freedom from abuse and would be perfectly willing to give such information as would be in their possession.

Gold, William J. -12, 890
~~X Deferment~~

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO General Donovan
FROM Secretariat
SUBJECT Attached Letter from DeWitt C. Poole

DATE: 20 October 1943

A copy of this letter has been referred to the Deferment Committee and will receive their consideration when the case comes up.

Colonel Burton thought that you would be interested in reading the letter, in any event.

EJP
Edwin J. Putsell, Jr.
Ensign, USNR
Acting Chief, Secretariat

Gold, William J. -12,890
 X Deferment

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
 630 FIFTH AVENUE
 NEW YORK, N. Y.

October 15th, 1943

General G. Edward Buxton
 Assistant Director, Office of Strategic Services
 25th and E Streets,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Ned:

You may remember a personal talk we had while General Donovan was away. It related partly to the book I was working on at the time I came to Washington; partly to the personnel situation in FM.

Last Spring I had built up a FM staff of extraordinarily high quality; then in the course of the summer it was necessary to give up, by reason of the draft, not less than eight important officers, literally almost the whole heart of the staff. Now the one "old hand" remaining to me is to be inducted next month. This is William J. Gold, my number three man and what the acrobats call the "under-stand" for the whole organization. I am in New York nearly half time you know. Well, Gold keeps things moving on an even keel in Washington six (or if necessary seven) days a week.

Gold is a pre-Pearl Harbor father. He is barely thirty, but can hardly make a first class soldier since even with glasses he has reading vision in only one

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eye. He can still be kept for OSS by acceding to S.I.'s desire to have him as a Reports Officer in Cairo. However I think he should be kept in FN through deferment, since the integral part which he has had in the development of the Branch from its beginning and his peculiar aptitude for our work render him as "indispensable" as any individual can be.

It is he who edits all our output. Please note that for a long time the Branch has kept out of trouble, despite the explosive character of much of the material which it circulates. This is a point deserving serious consideration. Editing of the kind in question is a skill not readily acquired, and in our particular situation makes the possessor of the skill as near to "indispensable", I repeat, as anyone can be.

When I am back in Washington next week I shall, unless I have heard from you to the contrary, refer the case to the Deferment Board, which has already held one session on the subject. Meantime, however, I am writing to you in order to make a little more precise what I said on the subject during the conversation referred to at the outset of this letter.

I want to emphasize to you, and through you to General Donovan, how serious a blow for FN Gold's departure would be; and I also want to make plain my feeling that it is time FN had a break. I am told that the work of the Branch is now considered to be important and well done. This

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if correct means that the Branch has successfully achieved a pioneer undertaking across a terrain filled with an extraordinary number of nasty pitfalls; and this has been accomplished, I submit, without any very noticeable amount of special help or encouragement, at least until very recently.

For a second time now (in consequence of our personnel losses last summer) the Branch is just beginning to approach adequate staffing. To have Gold go would now knock the props out once more. I hope very much that you and General Donovan will consider Gold's case, not just on its own merits but with reference to the whole history and position of the Branch.

With best regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,



DeWitt C. Poole

DCP:tg

12-6-43
GRIPSHOLM
x M. O.
x Recruiting
x Japanese
x Interment Camp

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel E. G. Buxton
FROM: Lt. Patrick Dolan, MO
DATE: 11 Sept 1943
SUBJECT: GRIPSHOLM -- Opportunity for MO Far East Recruiting

1. The GRIPSHOLM will be arriving in Rio de Janeiro approximately November 20 with a load of Americans from Japanese internment camps who have been exchanged for Japanese internees in this country. Going over the passenger list, we discovered that it is chuck full of potential MO people.

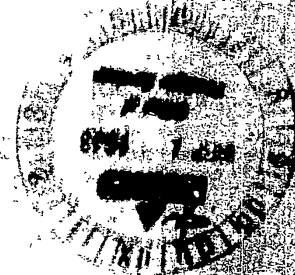
2. It is our understanding that SI is sending down Judge Allman to meet the GRIPSHOLM at Rio. Judge Allman is primarily going for intelligence purposes, but I suppose he will keep a sharp look out for SI recruits.

3. Because of the difficulty of obtaining Far East recruits for MO, who have had very recent experience in the Far East, it seems to us eminently desirable to send an MO recruiting man down to Rio to meet the GRIPSHOLM. If we wait until these people get to New York and other agencies give them a going over, we will wind up with very little, if anything at all.

4. Accordingly, do I have your permission to send a man to Rio to meet the GRIPSHOLM and come back to New York on the boat so that he has a good chance to meet and talk to the potential recruits in comparative freedom.

*9/13 OK
43. [initials]*

[Handwritten signature]
P. D.



Copies to:
General John Magruder
Major Herbert Little

SECRET

Gray, Charles G. 12,129
** State Dept*
** Lisbon*

PLEASE RETURN CORRESPONDENCE TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
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September 7, 1943

CONFIDENTIAL *817*

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Director of the Office of Strategic Services and acknowledges the receipt of a letter dated August 31, 1943 regarding the visit of Mr. Charles Gray to England en route to his post at Lisbon.

The Department of State has approved Mr. Gray's visit and appropriate instructions have been issued to the American Embassy at London.



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12,129

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
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August 21, 1943

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Director of the Office of Strategic Services and acknowledges the receipt of a letter dated August 13, 1943 regarding the assignment of Mr. Charles G. Gray to Lisbon as Attaché to the American Legation.

The Department of State has approved Mr. Gray's assignment and has issued appropriate instructions to the American Legation at Lisbon. A letter of designation has been sent to Mr. Gray.



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THH

Grey Ch G - 12,129
x State Dept
x Lisbon

August 11, 1943

Mr. S. Howland Shaw
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Shaw:

I should greatly appreciate it if you could make the necessary arrangements to appoint Mr. Charles G. Grey as an attache at the American Legation in Lisbon. He will work closely with Gregory Thomas as well as with other officials at that post. If it is agreeable to you, I would like in this case to take care of the financial arrangements and expenses in order to avoid necessity for administrative bookkeeping between the two agencies. Mr. Grey is ready to leave at your convenience and I understand that the State Department will arrange his transportation.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

COPY

Goerup, Heanow 11,616
~~Germany~~
 x Lazarus, Isadore
 May 14, 1943
 x Wilson, Hugh

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Hugh Wilson
 From: Irving H. Sharnan
 Subject: Information about G.

In connection with Allen's request for information about G., I went to see Isadore Lazarus alias Lee Lane, who is interned in the Prisoner of War Internment Camp, Camp Forest, Tenn. I knew Lazarus well in Germany when he was travelling under the name of Lane, and had run into him in this country prior to our entry into the war, and over the period of years which I knew him, I learned enough to suspect that he was working for G. It was with the hope of getting something that we could use out of him, that I undertook the trip.

The facts which follow, properly used, and at the right time, could be extremely uncomfortable for G.

Isadore Lazarus was a Russian Jew (though he pretended to be an American). Since the advent of Hitler, his business consisted chiefly of buying protection for Jews; getting them out of concentration camps, and getting them passports to leave the country. In all cases, they were Jews of means, who were well able to pay Lazarus.

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handsomely. In each case, at least half of what he got, he paid over in cash to G. There were many such transactions, but specifically, for obtaining the release of Herr Klausner (the head of the Leiser Shoe Company), Herr Guggenheim (the head of the Michel Department Store on the Kurfurstendamm), Dr. Fritz Meyer (a well-known physician), Lazarus paid G. in cash 250,000-300,000 marks. These are names, which in Germany, would be well known to the average German citizen.

Prior to Hitler's coming to power, G. was relatively penniless. Lazarus being confident that events would take the turn they did, got in G's good graces by paying approximately 25,000 marks of his personal debts.

One of the very large Swedish Banks owned \$25,000,000 of Kruger & Toll dollar obligations. When Kruger & Toll got into difficulties, the market for these bonds disappeared and Lazarus was called in to attempt a transaction with G's assistance. G. arranged the following:

The bonds were sold in Germany under government auspices for marks. The proceeds were used to build large boats (I believe tankers). The boats were sold for foreign exchange in England, the proceeds of this going to the

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Swedish Bank, which thus received a very handsome price for its bonds. For this transaction, Lazarus paid G. in cash 500,000 marks. I hope to get additional names and amounts in other transactions, and I shall pass them along in due course.

I have no question whatsoever as to the reliability of this information. Whereas, I could not know the exact figures involved, I was sufficiently familiar with the surrounding circumstances in all of the above mentioned items, to know that this story is true.

I cannot help but think that under the proper circumstances, publicity to the effect that Lazarus, a Russian Jew, was in constant touch and paying large sums to G., to obtain the release of Jewish individuals, whom everyone knows, might give G. some very uncomfortable moments.

/s/ Irving H. Sherman

COPY

Green, Edward J. 11, 611
* Navy Dept Pass

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May 11, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services.
To: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
Via: The Secretary of the Navy.
Subject: Lieutenant Edward James Green, USNR

1. It is requested that Lieutenant Green who is now on duty in the 9th Naval District be assigned to duty with the Office of Strategic Services.
2. Lieutenant Green has special qualifications which fit him for an important assignment in the Office of Strategic Services.

William J. Donovan.

Prinsland Harold 11,514

June 18, 1949

TO: General Henry G. Henshaw, Jr.
FROM: R. Davis Halliwell
SUBJECT: Harold (Prinsland)

On June 11th, I wrote General Donovan outlining the situation as it then stood in regard to this subject. As a result of a Security investigation, a special report on him is provided under date of June 15th, which would indicate that a policy decision had to be made as to whether or not the man could be used by us.

The background is that if, on, and when HEN would like to the foreign spot, we might be able to use his services to some extent under the absolute direction and supervision of our people already in the field.

Pending a reply from General Donovan to my memorandum of June 11th, I do not believe any further steps whatever should be taken on this man, and it is suggested that for purposes of control, all inquiries be referred to the writer.

R. Davis Halliwell
IA, Commander, USAF
Chief, SO

SECRET

cc: Mr. Hodge
General Donovan ✓

SECRET



Guinsburg 11, 544OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 12, 1943

SECRET

TO: Brigadier General William J. Donovan
 FROM: R. Davis Halliwell
 SUBJECT: Harold K. Guinsburg.

You will recall that there is some possibility that this man might be sent to Turkey by one of the other agencies, in which case he is very anxious to see if he could not be of some service to us there.

I have spent a good many hours with this man and was impressed with the alertness of his mind, but it is my opinion that he would be rather hard to control.

The matter was left somewhat along these lines:

If the Board of Economic Warfare sent him to Turkey, it was possible that we could some time later on make some use of his services. We could not, however, speak for the men we have in the field and it would be entirely up to their discretion as to whether he could be used and what his assignment would be. He would be completely under the control of our people there insofar as any portion of OSS activity in which we are concerned.

Mr. Guinsburg seems tremendously anxious to get into the OSS, but we have retained a somewhat neuter and lackadaisical attitude.

In the meantime we applied to the Security Department for what information they might have about him. We have been advised that his file was turned over to OWI at the time of his separation from the GOI organization.

The Security Department, after examination of the man's file, wrote us the attached report (dated 6/10)

Unless you have some profound conviction of this man's beneficial use, I would be just as happy to let the matter go into default.

[Signature]
 R. Davis Halliwell
 Lt. Commander, USNR,
 Chief, SO

RDM:ak
 Attachment
 cc: Mr. [unclear]
 Lt. [unclear]

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CONFIDENTIAL

Captain Freeman Lincoln

June 10, 1943

Security Office

QUINERNS, HAROLD E.

In accordance with your request of June 5, we examined the base file of the Subject, and find that all references and employers recommend him highly as to loyalty, reputation and character. However, the investigation did disclose the fact that the Subject was a member of the executive committee of the allegedly Communist affiliate organization United Citizens Committee for the American League against war and Fascism for 1935. The Dies Committee also reflects that Subject's wife was a member of the League of Women Shoppers of New York City, an alleged Communist-front organization.

In view of these allegations, it would be necessary for us to reopen the investigation ourselves, in order to see just how seriously these statements should be taken, as we suggested to you verbally a day or so ago, it would probably prove sufficient if you were to obtain letters from the members in this organization whom you mentioned, to the effect that this man would be satisfactory to their regulations of the tendencies toward Communism that seem indicated in the above paragraphs.

W. S. [Signature]

c c Mr. O'Keefe ✓

Swinsburg, Harold 11544

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICIAL DESPATCH

[Handwritten signature]

DATE MAY 17 1943

FROM

TO

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

ACKNOWLEDGE

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BRIG. GENERAL WILLIAM J DONOVAN
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES.
WASHINGTON DC.

(FOR INFORMATION)

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REGARMS HEADINGS

MR NEWYORK NY 1129 AM MAY 17 1943

RECEIVED

WILL YOU HAVE ANY FREE TIME WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY OF THIS WEEK?
REGARDS.

HAROLD K GULZBURG 18 EAST 48 STREET.

1240PM..

Reply

*Yes - Thursday
10:00am
morning, by command for you*

[Handwritten mark]

Guigui Albert 11,229
* Visa

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: General Donovan
 FROM: Whitney H. Shepardson
 SUBJECT:

DATE: April 9, 1945

SECRET

Answering your query of April 6, 1945 about cable #OS202 from George Pratt (London) to Arthur Goldberg (here).

Guigui is a Frenchman whose record and opinions, in the opinion of Goldberg, are precisely as described by Pratt. Guigui and his C.G.T. people have been of very considerable use to us, and may be counted on in future for a substantial contribution to our work. Subject wishes to come here, with full Trades Union approval. He is well thought of by Levin.

Goldberg and I agreed that cable should be sent to Pratt, suggesting he see Winant and get Winant to assist in the matter of visa if, as is probable, Winant approves of Guigui. However, if Winant has a good opinion, but still feels it is not appropriate for him to intervene, we will ask you to send a letter to State recommending favorable action.

This is what you have done in a few similar cases before, with beneficial results all around.


 W. H. S.

~~Juliot, H. ...~~
* Visa

April 7, 1948

Mr. Howard I. Traverso
Chief, Visa Division
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Traverso:

I am advised by my office in London that Albert Guignat has applied for an entry visa to the United States. Mr. Guignat is a French national who in recent months escaped from France and is now in London. Mr. Guignat held an official and leading position in the C.G.T., the French trade union federation, and has for many years been an active trade unionist in France.

Since his arrival in London Mr. Guignat has rendered very valuable aid to our office here and has furnished us with information of strategic value. He has assured us of his continuing cooperation and has placed at our disposal valuable contacts on the Continent.

Mr. Guignat's coming to the United States is of interest to this office and I should greatly appreciate it if favorable action on his application for an entry visa may be expedited.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

SECRET**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

April 7, 1943

To: General William J. Donovan

From: Arthur J. Goldberg *A.J.G.*

Subject: entry Visa for Albert Guigui

Attached is a draft of a letter which I have prepared for your signature. The letter is addressed to the Chief of the Visa Division, Department of State. It requests favorable action on the application of Albert Guigui for an entry visa to the United States. Guigui is a prominent French trade unionist who recently escaped from France and is now in London. Shortly after his arrival in London George Pratt of our London office contacted Guigui who furnished Pratt with valuable and recent information about conditions in France. Guigui brought with him from France official credentials showing that he represented important elements in the underground resistance group in France.

Guigui's application for a visa to the United States is apparently being held up on the ground that he is allegedly communist. Our London office points out that there is no truth in this charge. Cable #03202 from Pratt refers to this subject.

In view of the services Guigui has rendered to our office and in view of the fact that he is an important link to valuable contacts in France, I recommend that we intervene in his behalf in this matter. It is for this purpose that I have drafted the attached letter for your signature.

Attachment

Standard, Inc. R. 10,728

May 10, 1943

Mr. James F. Grandin
"Rockford"
Wilmington, Delaware


Dear Mr. Grandin:

Your papers are now before the Civil Service Commission for appointment to our Administrative Management Staff.

As soon as these clear, we can start you in our Administrative Officers' training course, and I hope that this work will offer you interesting opportunities for service.

The papers should clear within a few days, and at that time we can make definite arrangements for you to come down.

Very truly yours,


Charles M. Sears, Jr.
Major, A.U.S.
Executive Officer

CC: General Donovan

Jarrdin J. R. 10, 728
Navy Dept, Pers.

March 17, 1943

Mr. James H. Grandin
"Hockford"
Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Mr. Grandin:

With further reference to our recent conversation, I am enclosing herewith two copies of Form 57, "Application for Federal Employment", one copy of Form 5721 "Personal History Statement", and two copies of Form 1 "Application for Employment and Personal History Statement".

In the event you are still interested in the possibility of a connection with the Office of Strategic Services, I will appreciate it if you will complete all of these forms and return them to me at your early convenience.

There is a good possibility that the work in our Administrative Officers' training course would be of interest to you. Any appointment in this course would be subject to Civil Service classification and I am, therefore, unable to tell you what the initial compensation would be. I believe, however, that the initial rate would be \$3000 per year.

I realize that you are hoping that your Navy application will develop into something definite but if you will return the enclosed forms we can start the necessary procedures so that we could be in a position to offer you an appointment if you are still interested.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Charles H. Jones, Jr.
Executive Officer



Grandin 10,728
Chief of Naval Personnel

NAVY DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

REFER TO NO: Pers-365IN-LMT
CRS/PL4-1
(160283)

WASHINGTON, D.C.

February 24, 1943

FROM: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
TO: Mr. James Robertson GRANDIN,
 Rockford,
 Wilmington, Delaware.

VIA: The Director, Naval Officer Procurement,
 Richmond, Virginia

SUBJECT: Application for appointment in U.S. Naval
 Reserve

Reference: (a) Your application dated December 5, 1942.

1. You are advised that, after careful consideration, the Bureau is unable to approve your application for appointment in the U.S. Naval Reserve for the reason or reasons indicated below:

Your particular qualifications are excellent for one in your field of endeavor. However, the Bureau regrets that there are no vacancies for a person with your abilities.

2. Your interest in the Naval Reserve is appreciated, and it is regretted that you have failed to meet the requirements for appointment therein.

RANDALL JACOBS
 The Chief of Naval Personnel

DNOP First Endorsement
CR/PL4-1 Office of Naval Officer
 Procurement
 Richmond, Virginia

(sgd) F.S. Crosley
 By direction

(sgd) G.H. Haley
 By Direction

26 Feb 1943

*See memo 10/6/68
x 8/2/68*

February 22, 1943

To: Mr. James Murphy
From: Captain Gurfeln
RE: Sound effects, in New York.

This is to report that Captain Cunningham and I agreed that in view of the fact that New York was the locale, it was more desirable for OWI to do the job than for us to do it. Accordingly Captain Cunningham cleared with Arch Murray, who gave a clearance to Mr. Montague of the Film Division, OWI, New York.

L.L.G.

H. I. G.

Guthrie, Connop 10,667
* Higgins, Arthur
* Transportation

SECRET February 24, 1943

Colonel Ray T. Maddocks
War Department
3E-744, Pentagon Building
Arlington, Virginia

Through: Brigadier General J.R. Deane

Dear Colonel Maddocks:

✓ Sir Connop Guthrie and Mr. Arthur Higgins are now enroute from the United Kingdom to the United States via a commercial airline. Their arrangements, which were made in London, called for their coming into New York directly, however, now they wish to change their itinerary and come via Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Miami, Florida.

We would, therefore, like to request priority for these two gentlemen from Port-of-Spain to Miami on the first plane after February 25, 1943.

These two gentlemen are associated with the British Security Coordination with whom we have a reciprocity arrangement to facilitate travel whenever possible.

Sincerely,

SECRET
William J. Donovan
Director

Green Jas H 10477-A
Transportation
CAIRO

May 6, 1955

SUBJECT: Request for Transportation

SECRET

TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, War Department General Staff, Room 2 E 203, Pentagon Building, Arlington, Virginia

FROM: Brigadier General John E. Dunn

1. It is requested that transportation be made available to Cairo by aircraft available at your disposal for the US personnel listed below:

1a. (1st Lt) James E. Green, USAF
File No. 10076

2. We are advised that by cable to the War Department (DD-200-1000), the Secretary General has approved the dispatch of the foregoing personnel.

3. Since the above transportation is a member of the U. S. Army, we have requested all travel orders directly through the Office of Travel Services.

William J. Bennett
Director

SECRET

Green, James Holt 10, 477
Navy Dept. Personnel

Mr. G.
Supers/674

May 6, 1945

From: The Director of Strategic Services.
To: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
Via: The Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Subject: Lieutenant Robert Earl Green, US-V (O)

1. It is requested that Lieutenant Green who is now on duty with the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, U.S. Naval Operating Base, Bermuda, be ordered to duty with the Office of Strategic Services.

2. Lieutenant Green would be assigned as Chief Medical Officer for an overseas mission with a total personnel up to 100. He has had an extensive special training in industrial diseases which would make him particularly available for duty with a foreign mission. It is expected that he would be on foreign duty within five days from the present date.

3. It is understood that Lieutenant Green's commanding officer would interpose no objection to his being transferred.

William J. Donovan

10,477
Green, James Holt
X Navy Dept. Personnel

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copy to Comdr Smith

February 22, 1943.

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.

To: The Director of Naval Officer Personnel,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Subject: Lieut. (jg) James Holt GREEN, USN(S), USN,
Cancellation of orders for.

Reference: (a) Refers cancellation orders Form-2112-OF
214370 dated February 20, 1943.
(b) Refers orders Form-2112-OF 214370
dated February 20, 1943.

1. Reference (a), which cancelled reference (b), is hereby revoked.

Copy to:
Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.
Naval Officer in Command,
Naval Station, Navy Dept.,
Washington, D. C.
Comdr, USN(S) J. H.
Galt.

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Green, James H. 10,477
** Navy Dept. Files.*



February 28, 1943.

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.

To: **Lieut. (jg) James Holt GREEN, D-7(S), USNR,**
P. O. Box 623,
Burlington, North Carolina.

Via: **Director of Naval Officer Procurement,**
~~Washington, D. C.~~

Subject: Active duty with pay and allowances - chargeable against appropriation. "Pay, Subsistence and Transportation of Naval Personnel".

References: (a) Art. 1711, Bureau of Naval Personnel Manual.
(b) ~~Order for Procurement of USNR (Green)~~
~~dated January 13, 1943.~~

Enclosures: (A) Affidavit re pension or disability allowance.
(B) Form BUP 323.

1. Upon acceptance of appointment as a **Lieutenant (jg), D-7(S),** U. S. Naval Reserve, you will proceed to such place and report to such medical officer as may be designated by the Director of Naval Officer Procurement in your District for physical examination. You are hereby ordered to active duty for this purpose and will be considered in an active duty status during the time required for physical examination and for travel necessary for compliance with these orders. In view of the provisions of reference (a), and since physical defects were waived by reference (b), further waiver will not be required if the disabilities are essentially the same as to character and degree.

2. If found not physically qualified, you will immediately return to the above address and upon arrival consider yourself released from active duty. In this event the examining medical officer will advise the Bureau of Naval Personnel by dispatch, stating the defects in detail together with his recommendation.

3. ~~If found physically qualified, or if the disabilities are essentially the same as to character and degree as waived by reference (b), you will continue to serve in the U. S. Navy and report to the Chief of Naval Operations, Navy Department, at such time as in the office of Strategic Services.~~

Chief of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.
Naval Officer Procurement,
Naval Department, Navy Dept.,
Washington, D. C.
Encls., GREEN S.S.
JHG.

RUSSELL JONES

(AM)

(AM)

Grey has 10,295'
✓ Cable
✓ Comblance
✓ Budget monthly

Colonel Berman

January 28, 1963

W. L. Reha

Charles Gray in Comblance called on the 15th that the monthly budget for Comblance would run about \$64,000 and for England \$38,000.

He called me to check this because the figures seemed high. I have just received a cable saying that those figures should be \$400,000 and \$300,000, respectively.

To Col Reha
This seems low.
WLD

*Rept. 10 249.
The Dept. Personnel*

27 January 1943

This is to certify that if a commission in the Army of the United States is offered to Robert K. Coock, at present Chief of the Western European Section of the Branch of Research and Analysis, no obstacle will be interposed to his release.

William J. Donovan
Director

WJ/eb

Handwritten notes:
10/24/43
10/24/43
Mr. Langer

W. H. Murray 10, 18-14
X London

SECRET

May 17, 1945

SUBJECT: Request for Transportation and Orders
TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations
Division, War Department General Staff,
Room 3 H 804, Pentagon Building, Arlington,
Virginia
THROUGH: Brigadier General John H. Deane

1. It is suggested that transportation to the United Kingdom be provided by first available air passage for the OAS personnel listed below:

✓

Captain Harvey I. Gurfain, ASN
ASN 000000

2. We are advised by cable dated May 10, 1945 (OH-12-0760, May 11, 1945) to the War Department, that the Theater Commander has approved the dispatch of the foregoing personnel.

3. Attached for transmittal to the Adjutant General is a memorandum requesting issuance of appropriate orders.

William J. Donovan
Director

Attachment (2)

SECRET

SECRET

May 18, 1948

SUBJECT: Orders.

FROM : Chief, Colonial Subjects Section, OFO, Room 3070, Pentagon Bldg.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. Request necessary orders directing Captain Harry J. ...
 ... to proceed from Washington, D. C., and/or New York City
 N.Y., to London, England, when directed by the Director of Strategic
 Services for temporary duty, reporting on arrival to the Director, Office
 of Strategic Services, London, England, for duty.
2. It is requested that the OFO War Department General Staff
 designate the mode of travel, in accordance with transportation request
 enclosed.
3. It is requested that a rate per diem of \$1.00 be authorized
 while travelling by air and subsistence allowance of the United States.
4. Prior to departure from his present station he should be relieved
 for extended field service, providing adequate insurance and health, and
 such, 1 month, etc., etc. ...
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 ...
5. Officer should be authorized to wear civilian clothing in the
 performance of his duties.
6. Request that an OFO be designated for this officer while on
 duty in England.
7. Indorsement for the expenses incurred in connection with the
 travel will be made to the War Department by the Office of Strategic
 Services.

WALTER J. ...
 ...

SECRET

Protocol Series 10, 174
X Navy Capt Arnold

January 25, 1943

From: Director of Strategic Services
To: Chief of Naval Personnel
Via: (1) Vice Chief of Naval Operations
 (2) Chief of the Bureau of Medicine
 and Surgery
Subject: Grotzky, Benjamin (a), Chief Boatswain,
 U. S. Navy
 Recommendation for promotion.
Reference: (a) Alnav #254
Enclosure: (1) Report of Physical Examination
 Form #17

1. It is highly recommended that the subject-named chief boatswain be advanced in rank to Ensign, U.S.N., in accordance with reference (a).

2. Since assignment to this organization Chief Boatswain Grotzky has proved himself to be definitely of officer caliber, being a very capable and efficient officer especially as a leader of men. He is in charge of the enlisted personnel, (which at present consists of 126 naval reserve photographic specialists), their indoctrination and discipline, and assumes responsibility in matters requiring organization of the enlisted men.

3. In addition to the above duties, Mr. Grotzky is expected to be placed in charge of enlisted men on certain photographic missions which are expected to materialize. Surely a man with his background and experience in the U. S. Navy will be of great advantage.

William J. Donovan
 Director

Gounouilhou 10,153
x Visa

January 23, 1943

Mr. Edward K. Travers, Chief
Visa Division
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

SECRET

My dear Mr. Travers:

Quite recently, Colonel Gustave Gounouilhou was in the United States and conferred with this Office on important matters in which he was most helpful to us. Mr. Kimbel's letter to you of January 20, 1943 has given the pertinent details of this case.

Colonel Gounouilhou is now in Canada and we are anxious to confer with him once more before he returns to London.

I shall appreciate your granting Colonel Gounouilhou a visitor's visa to come to Washington from Montreal as approximately February 1st and to remain here about one month.

Sincerely yours,

William F. Donovan

2-2-43
 x space

February 2, 1943

Mr. F. E. Reynolds
 Commissioner of Public Buildings
 Public Buildings Administration
 7th & D Sts., SE
 Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Reynolds:

Here is a copy of the wire from the Unicon Co. together with a letter and drawings. I have no other copy of the drawings and would like to have them returned when you have finished with them. I hate to bother you because you are so continually helpful and courteous to us. But we really are up against it. It is not only a question of the inconvenience of having four or five men in a room -- that might not be so bad. It is the serious problem of security and of the impairment of our efforts to get the job done. Demands are increasingly heavy and the lack of space is really harmful to our efforts.

I can well understand your difficulty in getting us space and I do hope that if this can be speedily accomplished you will help us to start doing it at once.

I am not concerned with any particular kind or type of building so long as we are housed to do our work and I send this telegram only because it would mean that we would have some place to house us quickly.

I know you are doing all you can, but if you could put a little more pressure on various people we would be most grateful.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
 Director

January 26, 1943

Mr. E. S. Gaigron, Jr., President
Gaigron Company
912 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Gaigron:

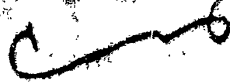
Your letter of January 23 addressed to
Mr. James H. Murphy has been referred to me.

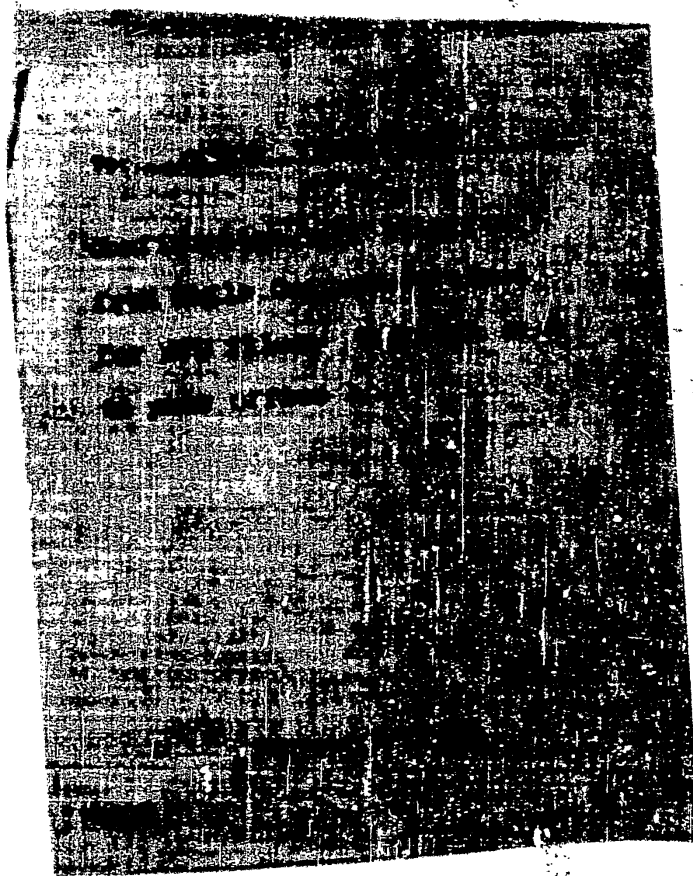
We are not at this moment in a position
to know whether or not we can proceed with
the construction of a building such as that
manufactured by your company. As soon as we
have any definite information we will get in
touch with you.

Thank you very much for sending us the
sketches and recommendations.

Sincerely,

William H. Vanderbilt
President, USWA
Vice President, American





*Question Enville 10.112.
* Eddy
* Space*



UNICON COMPANY

CARRIBE & CARSON BUILDING • 912 BALTIMORE AVE. • KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

January 23, 1943.

Mr. James R. Murphy
Office of Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

WTHU

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Attached hereto is confirmation of Night Letter sent to Colonel William J. Donovan January 22.

Enclosed herewith are the sketches referred to and preliminary recommendations. This information is being sent in response to your telegraphic request regarding additional office space and follows up our telephone conversations of yesterday.

Please understand that the sketches have been prepared hurriedly and can be further developed as soon as we receive additional data regarding the actual floor areas and type of building which would best suit your requirements.

Our recommendation is that the "H" type structure on Detail #1 would be the most satisfactory for several reasons, particularly that all buildings have open court areas and complete visibility throughout. The interiors may be placed as shown on our detail or any other recommended position. We have laid out the receptionist's desk in positions that might be occupied by guards and wish to call your attention to the fact that the guards have a clear view of the main corridor. The flexibility of Unicon will be quite obvious and its particular adaptability to this type of structure. One elevation will show a gable type roof and the other a flat deck roof subject to your choice. Partitions and office space can be worked out in any plan to suit your own requirements. The entire structure being one story and each bay identical would recommend it for speed of erection.

Under separate cover we are Air Mailing samples of exterior panel and interior panel that may be used. These samples, we understand from the manufacturer, are deemed non-critical and can be delivered quickly.

UNICON COMPANY

Page #2
Mr. James E. Murphy
January 23, 1943.

One sample known as "AFAC" manufactured by Keasbey and Mattison Company, Ambler, Pa., is for exterior use.

Two samples, trade name "CHEVRON" manufactured by Barclay Manufacturing Company, New York City, is for interior use.

Please understand that any type of materials may be used in conjunction with Unicon units and Unicon system. However, our reason for sending these samples is that the interior panels are pre-finished and may be readily cleaned. The exterior panels are fire resisting and waterproof.

If you will be kind enough to give us further data and your suggestions at the earliest possible moment, we will follow through on your inquiry immediately, and can arrange to have one of our architectural engineers come to Washington to further discuss this subject with you.

We appreciate the opportunity of furnishing you this information and hope we may be of further service to you.

Very truly yours,

UNICON COMPANY

E. S. Guiguen, Jr.
E. S. Guiguen, Jr.
President

ESG:hw
Enc.

J.R.M. - 2/6/43.

I suggest you
give Mr. Guignon
a letter of introduction
to Mr. Reynolds of
PBA, who can
have one of his people
talk to him and give
him all the dope -
WHTU.



UNICON COMPANY

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Handwritten: 7 1/2" x 11" Space, 1
Jill

January 30, 1943.

Mr. James R. Murphy
Office of Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jim:

We are in receipt of a letter today from
Commander William H. Vanderbilt in regard to sketches and
comments sent your office last week.

As we have advised Commander Vanderbilt, if
it is possible for us to furnish him any further information,
we shall be glad to have him call on us and this letter is
to tell you that it is my hope to be in Washington during
the week of February 7 as I am going to Dayton and from
there to Cleveland and hope to come on to Washington. I
will advise you in advance.

With best personal regards,

Very truly yours,
Chute

EF:hw

*Quinn on Envelope 10112
X Building
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE JANUARY 22 1943

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TO

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

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FOR INFORMATION

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES.

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RETEL WILL CALL YOU THIS AFTERNOON TWO O'CLOCK OUR TIME.

E S QUINON JR.

1242PM..

Quigley Building 10110

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE

SEPTEMBER 21 1945

TO

MR ERIC QUIGLEY
400 OHEAR LESLIE BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

FROM

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

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WASHINGTON DC 21 1945

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TRANSMIT

THERE IS URGENT BUSINESS. WE ARE DESPERATELY IN NEED OF OFFICE SPACE AND I RECALL YOUR MAGNANIMOUS OFFER TO PUT UP QUIGLEY A SEVERAL BUILDING OVER NIGHT. WE WILL FURNISH THE BONUS DRIVER. PLEASE SEND ME ALL THE DETAILS AND LET ME KNOW HOW SOON WE CAN EXPECT TO HAVE THE BUILDING ERRECTED.

JAMES R. MURPHY.

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INITIALS OF RELEASING OFFICER

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

SECRET

March 15, 1943

To: Colonel William J. Donovan

From: Arthur J. Goldberg *A.J.G.*

Subject: Trip to West Coast

I wish to report to you briefly on my trip to the West Coast. I spent two days in Los Angeles with Mr. Martin Easton and two days in San Francisco with Lt. Col. Hall and Mr. Thomas Wilson. I also spent a good part of one day in San Francisco with Col. Harris who was most cooperative.

I have arranged with Messrs. Easton and Wilson to establish a ship observers setup in the different West Coast ports. My survey of the shipping situation on the West Coast convinces me that there are important avenues of intelligence in this field which can be developed there.

The plan is for Mr. Easton to cover Southern California and for Mr. Wilson to cover Northern California and the other ports on the West Coast which are North of San Francisco. They will maintain contact with each other and will collaborate so that the work on the West Coast in this field will be synchronized. They will report directly to me and carry on these operations under my supervision in accordance with your directive revising the California setup. In addition to the ship observers work, they will likewise develop other channels of intelligence through labor sources in a manner similar to the operations carried on by the representatives of the Labor Desk in New York and London. I reviewed this setup with Col. Hall and he was most cooperative.

I believe that for the time being, at least, we will not require additional personnel on the West Coast.

Arthur J. Goldberg

January 22, 1943

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The bearer of this letter Mr. Arthur J. Goldberg is going to Montreal at my request and on official Government business. I would greatly appreciate any courtesy that may be shown in order to expedite his journey.

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William J. Donovan
Director

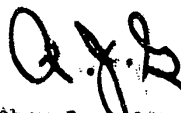
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

January 21, 1943.

TO: Colonel William J. Donovan
FROM: Arthur J. Goldberg

In connection with the work of the [redacted] Desk
it is necessary for [redacted] to make a trip to Montreal to
confer with certain officials of the International
Labor Organisation. In this connection I should appreciate
it very much if you would give me a letter stating
that I am making this trip in behalf of the Office
since this will expedite passage through the Immigration
and Customs authorities, etc.



Arthur J. Goldberg

Goldberg, Arthur 9973

Y Memos #89,48 #647
(Semi Economic and Political Studies)

January 13, 1948

TO: Arthur J. Goldberg
FROM: Colonel Donovan

Thank you very much for the papers, all of which I have read and noted.

I am especially interested in page 5 of Memo #47 and wish you would let me know how these contacts might be established.

On Memo #46 I am having Mr. Ochsner and Mr. Halliwell read the same and then return it to you.

I notice that some of these memoranda are economic and political studies. All this is being done by R. & A. and it is important that it be concentrated there. Of course when it is simply a report from a representative, that is a different matter, but R. & A. should get that report. Will you please tell your people about this.

On Memo #48, I think this is valuable and I would appreciate your giving all the names to Mr. Cottrell who is keeping an index of personnel.

I think Memo #99 should be seen by R. & A. to determine whether or not they have the list of these orders.

The document that has come from the Labor Desk in London seems excellent to me, and I would like to examine it a little longer. I am sending a copy of it on to Sady.

The information contained in the letter of Dec. 2nd from Pratt to Sweden we are taking up with the Airforce. This I will return later.

I think the letter of December 7th from Pratt to you is excellent and I want to make a little further use of

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of it before I return it.

Thanks very much for sending me this material.
It was very helpful and gives me the kind of information I
want.

William J. Donovan

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

File

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Col. W. J. Donovan

DATE: January 12, 1945

FROM: Emilie Despres *ED*

SUBJECT: David Grove

Mr. David Grove, of our Agriculture and Standard of Living Section, reports that he has been offered a place in a short training course leading to a commission in the Quartermaster Corps, provided he leaves his present job at once. I have for some time been seeking to retain Mr. Grove's services and to send him to Enemy Objectives Unit, London, but without success.

I am certain that Mr. Grove's special qualifications would be more effectively used in connection with the war effort at EOU, London, than in the Quartermaster Corps. The Eighth Air Force is definitely relying on EOU for intelligence material immediately essential for planning its operations. The material being provided by EOU, although recognized as of excellent quality, is seriously inadequate in quantity, owing to shortage of trained personnel. Such personnel is scarce; the capacity of EOU, London, would be diminished, not increased, by the addition of mediocre or untrained personnel. Mr. Grove is specially qualified, through his work experience here, for this work in London.

In the interest of most effective use of manpower, I feel obliged to exhaust every possibility of securing a commission or deferment for Mr. Grove before telling him that we will do nothing here. I will give him some word tomorrow. Because of your concern about this problem, and because of the urgency of time, I am taking the liberty of addressing this memorandum directly to you.

Dear Mr. Donovan
As we have discussed
the possibility of
securing a commission
for Mr. Grove
before telling him
that we will do
nothing here
I will give him
some word
tomorrow
because of your
concern about
this problem
and because of
the urgency of
time
I am taking
the liberty of
addressing this
memorandum
directly to
you

X FBI

February 17, 1943

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Edgar:

Many thanks for your letter of February
13th. I greatly appreciate your prompt assistance
in obtaining the papers from Dr. Grallon.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

February 17, 1943

MEMORANDUM

TO: Major Preston James

FROM: Mr. Murphy

I am attaching the correspondence from the FBI containing the material which you wanted from Dr. Grallen. Please note the memorandum from Weston Howland, and I will appreciate it if you will see that he has access to these papers in order that he may take out portions in which he is particularly interested.

SECRET

**WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER**

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Joint Chiefs of Staff

January 10, 1943

**COMMANDING GENERAL
US ARMY FORCES, MIDDLE EAST
AMSME CAIRO EGYPT**

*Guenther, Col Gustav 926?
Middle East
X Wednesday, 10/10/43*

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Guenther
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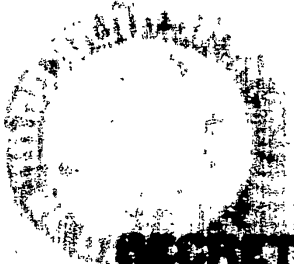
Number 2791

The War Department has authorized the designation of Colonel Gustav Guenther as Director of OSS activities in the Middle East. For Andrews from Deputy Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff. It is expected that Colonel Guenther will leave London by the 20th of January. Please pass this information to the U. S. Minister at Cairo.

ORIGINATOR: JCS

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COPY TO 24

THIS MESSAGE IS A SECRET COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IN FORMER

THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON

x Middle East -
x Wedemeyer -

January 11, 1943.


SECRET

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Director of Strategic Services,
25th and E Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 9th concerning the designation of Colonel Guenther as Director of OSS activities in the Middle East. In accordance with your request I have dispatched a message to General Andrews informing him of Colonel Guenther's appointment and that he expects to leave London by the 20th of January. I have also requested General Andrews to inform the Minister at Cairo.

Sincerely,


FORREST B. ROYAL,
Captain, U.S. Navy,
Deputy Secretary.



SECRET

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Middle East
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January 9, 1943

Brigadier General John R. Deane,
Joint U.S. Chiefs of Staff,
Public Health Building,
Washington, D.C.

Dear General Deane:

Thank you for sending me the memorandum from
General Milsom about Colonel Guenther.

Could you be good enough to advise the Minister
at Cairo and General Andrews that Colonel Guenther has
been designated the Director of OSS activities for the
Middle East. It is expected that he will leave London
by the 20th of January.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON

SECRET

*Quartermaster Col 5.9863
Middle East
Weckemeyer, Brig Gen.*

January 7, 1943. *J*

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL DEANE:

Subject: Colonel Gustav Grentner.

1. The War Department has no objection to the appointment of Colonel Gustav Grentner as head of the Office of Strategic Service mission in the Middle East; however, favorable consideration cannot be given at this time to his promotion to the grade of brigadier general. If after a period of service of two or three months in the Middle East, he is acceptable to General Andrews for permanent detail, his promotion will be reconsidered.
2. Recommend you inform Colonel Donovan of the above and suggest that he resubmit a recommendation for the promotion of Colonel Grentner at a later date.

JOSEPH T. MURPHY
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Staff.

Encl.
LTR to Gen. Deane
fr Col. Donovan, 12/22/42.

To Col. Donovan
J



*Approved
Gen. Deane*

SECRET / 8743

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 22, 1942

Brigadier General John R. Deane,
The Joint U.S. Chiefs of Staff,
Public Health Building,
Washington, D.C.

My dear General Deane:

Pursuant to Directive 166/1/D, dated December 17, 1942, covering Special Operations in the Middle East, we are desirous of designating Colonel Gustav Guenther as head of the mission in that area.

As you have already been advised, Colonel Guenther has, for the past several months, acted as head of our OSS operations in Europe and the Balkans Theater. He has done an excellent job for us there and has been commended to me personally by General Clark. He is very familiar with the nature of this work, enjoys the confidence of the men who are associated with him, and I feel, for that reason, he is peculiarly well qualified to represent us in the Middle East.

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For these reasons it is most desirable that the head of this mission have the rank of General. If General Marshall would feel that Colonel Guenther's record would justify his being promoted to the rank of Brigadier General I am sure our task would be made easier.

If General Marshall agrees, I would greatly appreciate the Theater Commander being informed. I will promptly let you know the names of those who would accompany Colonel Guenther on the survey provided for in the order.

Sincerely,

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December 22, 1942

Brigadier General John A. Deane,
 The Joint U.S. Chiefs of Staff,
 Public Health Building,
 Washington, D.C.

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December 21, 1942

Brigadier General A.C. Wedemeyer,
Room 21726
Washington Field
Washington, D.C.

My dear General Wedemeyer:

I tried to get hold of you and I am sending this so that you can receive word before Colonel Guenther reaches you.

Before doing anything else about the Middle East, I wanted to clear the situation with him. I talked to him today and told him that I could not be sure that he would be promoted if we did send him to the Middle East, and asked him whether or not he wanted to go if the promotion were not forthcoming.

He then suggested that he would like to talk with you about that. I did not tell him of our talk, although I did say that I had spoken to you and to General McFarney and General Deane. I told him I would have no objection to his speaking with you and that if he wanted to go to the Middle East I would ask for his designation.

I am getting this word to you so that you will be fully advised in the event he should see you.

Sincerely,

Walter D. Brown

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