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Handwritten:
Carl O. Hoffmann
War Dept

SECOND ENDORSEMENT

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

12 July 1943

TO: The Adjutant General, War Department

SUBJECT: Captain Carl O. Hoffmann, AUB

1. Captain Hoffmann represents OSS in highly confidential international and inter-service relationships which are of substantial importance in the successful prosecution of the war. These relationships are at present in a state of expansion and development and to replace Captain Hoffmann even temporarily would require a period of indoctrination and the introduction of a new personality which would retard the progress now being made.

2. We deeply appreciate the important emergency problem with which the Secretary of the Interior is faced and we would gladly endorse the Secretary's recommendation for the temporary assignment of Captain Hoffmann to the Deputy Federal Coal Mine Administrator if Captain Hoffmann were not now a vital part of a most important undertaking.

G. Edward Buxton
Acting Director

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JUL 2 1943

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I am desirous of borrowing temporarily the services of Captain Carl O. Hoffmann, AUS, for an indefinite period of time, which I hope will be short. Captain Hoffmann is at present attached to the Office of Strategic Services and is stationed in Washington.

Captain Hoffmann is most anxious not to have his commission or Army status affected, to which I am sympathetic. If his superiors agree to loan him temporarily to the Department of the Interior, Captain Hoffmann would serve here on a reimbursable basis as Special Assistant to the Deputy Federal Coal Mine Administrator.

I believe Captain Hoffmann's abilities would be particularly helpful in this most important current emergency problem.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Harold L. Ickes

Secretary of the Interior.

Hon. Henry L. Stimson,

Secretary of War.



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Sincerely yours,

Harold I. Hess

Secretary of the Interior.

Hon. Henry A. Stimson,

Secretary of War.

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Hoffmann, Carl O

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KADEL & HOFFMANN
THIRTY BROAD STREET
NEW YORK 4, NEW YORK

TELEPHONE
HANOVER 2-8800

CABLE ADDRESS
CARLOHOF

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New York, May 17, 1945.

Dear General Donovan:

I was happy, but not surprised, to learn of your satisfactory conference with the State and War Departments concerning the handling of the communications to our friend in the East.

I have been going into the New York office almost daily checking the cables. I find this keeps me more up to date with the situation than spending a few days in Washington each week. It is also easier for Wilson as he can reach me by telephone whenever a problem comes up. I write Wilson memorandums which I deliberately have not addressed to you so as not to unnecessarily swell the large volume of your morning mail, but it does give Wilson something to refer back to from time to time if he wishes to refresh his recollection of decisions made. I expect to be in Washington this week to review the situation and see what contribution I can make.

Carl Newton has been in the hospital for a hernia operation, but is now speedily recovering. I am having dinner with him tonight.

The financial and legal home front is extremely active. Many of the big opportunities for capital gains have disappeared, but there is still sufficient milk in the bottle to give one a modest new start in life.

Many people in Wall Street wonder when they will again see you on the "legal front", and I thought you would be interested to know that the inquiries are daily and recurring.

Respectfully,

Carl O Hoffmann

General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Administration Building,
25th and E. Sts. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

P.S. Congratulations--your new appointment has just been released. I assume they still believe in the theory that if you want to get a job done give it to a busy man.

On, B

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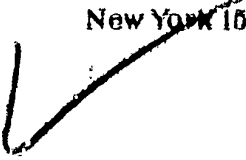
Hoffmann, Carl O.

The Continental Bank & Trust Company of New York

Thirty Broad Street

New York 10, N.Y.

FREDERICK E. HASLER
CHAIRMAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS



February 14, 1945.

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

My dear General:

Making it possible for Lieutenant Colonel
Carl O. Hoffmann to take a leave of absence when
he did was not only of direct help to our institu-
tion but also to matters directly connected with
the war effort.

I am most grateful to you for this and,
together with many other Americans, deeply appre-
ciate the sacrifice and contribution you are making
to our cause.

Sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES, 25th & E St., NW, 5 February 1945

TO: The Adjutant General

1. Approved.

2. Upon being relieved from active duty, however, Lt. Colonel Hoffman will remain in a civilian capacity in this organization. As a civilian he can more effectively carry out his present duties and be of greater effectiveness to this Agency as well as to the State Department which closely collaborates with OSS respecting matters under the direct attention of the subject officer.

3. In compliance with par. 2b of WD Circular 485, 1944, the following information is furnished:

a. There is an overall surplus in the command jurisdiction of officers qualified and available to fill any duty assignments of a military nature for which the officer concerned is qualified.

b. A replacement will not be required.

c. Services of the officer have been such as to entitle him to separation under honorable conditions.

d. No disciplinary or reclassification proceedings under AR 608-820 are pending or appropriate in this case.

e. No hospital disposition and/or Army retiring board proceedings are pending or believed to be appropriate.

f. Complete and up-to-date copy of officer's qualification card is attached (Incl 1).

4. Officer's statement of leave is inclosed (Incl 2).

5. Subject officer was commissioned within this organization from civilian life on 15 March 1943 in order to carry out for the Director certain assignments covering the overseas activities of OSS. In the performance of these duties he saw service in the Far East Theater of Operations. Having completed these assignments in a superior manner, Colonel Hoffman was placed in charge of the Special Operations Branch of this organization and is now engaged in certain activities involving liaison with the State Department and other civilian agencies. Civilian status has now become essential to the effective performance of these duties.

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6. Upon the foregoing considerations, it is respectfully recommended that Lieutenant Colonel Hoffman be relieved from active duty.

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Incl 1. Gy WD AGO Form 66-1
Incl 2. Statement of Leave

CHARLES S. CRISTON
Acting Director

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30 January 1948

SUBJECT: Application for relief from active duty

TO: The Adjutant General,
Attention of Officers Branch, Separation Section,
Munitions Building, Washington, 25, D. C.

1. Under the provisions of Section III, Circular 488, dated 29 December 1944, request that I be relieved from further active duty in order that I may continue in my present assignment in the Office of Strategic Services in a civilian capacity.

2. Pursuant to par. 7, cited reference, the following information is furnished:

- a. Office of Strategic Services.
- b. Psychological Warfare and Secret Intelligence.
- c. Chief of Special Operations, Office of Strategic Services or Special Assistant to the Director.

To use the accumulated experience of subject officer respecting certain special situations to the best advantage of this agency and the State Department.

- d. Was on duty as Area Operations Officer as a civilian prior to being commissioned.
- e. I have been with Office of Strategic Services since 8 February 1945 as Area Operations Officer and Theater Officer, and the Chief of Special Operations from 10 April 1946 to date. Overseas service.
- f. Not applicable.

3. My position in OSS in the past required a commissioned officer because of my mission overseas to set up OSS units.

4. My present and contemplated duties require the experience I have had as well as my experiences in liaison work on special situations with the State Department in

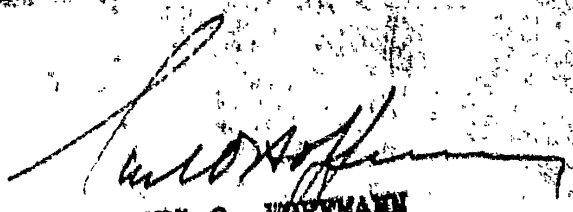
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Washington, D. C. Much of my present liaison with the State Department pertains to special situations respecting my assignment with OSS enables me to be of service but here again the military status presents complications.

5. Necessary contacts made by this officer with civilian agencies and secret contacts can now best be made in a civilian capacity.

6. I have had no military training or actual military experience other than that received in OSS, in which organization I was commissioned direct from civil life and which organization I served in a civilian capacity before it caused me to be commissioned.



CARL O. HOFFMANN
Lt. Colonel, AUS
O-923481

30 January 1943

SUBJECT: Leave of Absence

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

1. I was ordered to active duty as a captain,
AUS on 15 March 1943.

2. During my period of active duty I have taken
22 days leave of absence.

CARL O. HOFFMANN
Lt. Colonel, AUS

30 January 1948

SUBJECT: Leave of Absence

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

1. I was ordered to active duty as a captain, AUS on 18 March 1948.
2. During my period of active duty I have taken 89 days leave of absence.

CARL O. HOFFMANN
Lt. Colonel, AUS

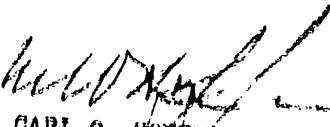
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

30 January 1948

TO: Mr. Charles S. Cheston
FROM: Chief, SO
SUBJECT: Lt. Colonel Carl O. Hoffmann;
Change of Status

1. I have discussed the attached with Colonel Bigelow who is agreeable that I proceed.
2. I have asked John O'Dara whether he wished the matter put through Headquarters then through him and to you and he stated that it could go direct to you as long as Headquarters approves the form.
3. Headquarters has approved the form.


CARL O. HOFFMANN
Lt. Colonel, AUS
Chief, SO

Files

8 February 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Colonel Roberts.

1. Transmitted herewith complete file for separation from the service of Lt. Colonel Carl O. Hoffmann. I am enclosing three copies of the job description on which approval for Colonel Hoffmann's appointment as Captain was based. I can see no real reason for including this job description in the file recommending relief from active duty.

2. The approval of the Personnel Board and of the Director have not yet been obtained in this case. Otherwise the case is technically complete. Provided proper approvals are obtained, will you kindly let me know so that we can arrange for Colonel Hoffmann's terminal physical examination.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

4 Incls.

1. Instr Col Hoffmann 30 Jan 45
with 1st Ind 5 Feb 45
2. Cy WD AGO Form 60-1
3. Statement of Leave
4. Job Description

R. H. OLIVER
Lt. Col., OAC
Executive Officer

OSS Form 1084b

DATE January 15, 1944

TO: Colonel Buxton

I thought this would be the best way to present this matter to you in view of present pressure on you.

There are no copies circulating. The only copy made is in my file. I would appreciate an opportunity in having a chat with you when you when you have time.

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Sir Peter Pettigrew

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Hoffmann, Carl O.
JUL 15 1945
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

15 January 1945

TO: Colonel Buxton
FROM: Chief, SO
SUBJECT: Lt. Colonel Carl O. Hoffmann;
Application for Re-Assignment.

1. As is the case with every new organization, OSS had to begin its operations under a more or less "catch as catch can" basis. Branch heads had heavy responsibilities as in many cases precedents had not been established and many old established precedents had to be broken. Results had to be obtained without benefit of support of large organization or official recognition. Resourcefulness and improvisation was necessary. However, with passage of time experience indicated the type of organizational set up that was needed and staffs have been appointed to act. The job of Chief of SO has changed from that of heavy responsibility and decision to that similar to a sergeant or his company clerk. This is partially due to the new organization and partly due to change in circumstances.

2. The subject does not claim to be a good "organization man". He feels he has established a satisfactory record as a reorganizer and organizer and has been able to accomplish results requested on each assignment but his experience and training in life does not make him a fit subject to be a cog in the routine work which is now required of him.

3. Subject has requested he be placed in several other positions in OSS as they were recently created. This was done in the hope that he could capitalize on his experience with OSS and contribute whatever talents he has in organizing and "pioneering", but more suitable personnel was deemed available.

4. By strictly adhering to new procedures and channels subject can discharge all present responsibilities as Chief of SO in less than two hours a day, a few days a week.

5. In order not to appear impetuous, the subject has noted this trend now for some three months and has reported

Colonel Buxton

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18 January 1948

on same to General Donovan, Mr. Cheston, and Colonel Bigelow. This is not only a matter of concern to subject officer, but to every SO staff officer.

6. The subject does not feel justified at a time like this to make such little use of his time and effort and has reviewed requests made for him by the industrial front.

7. The subject has a great attachment and loyalty to the organization and respectfully suggests his training and experience may be of some genuine use to the organization and, Subject believes he can be of service to the organization and, therefore, to his country in an "economic or fiscal intelligence" division on a parttime basis fully realizing that such a division could probably not avail itself of the subject's time on a full time basis. Subject officer also believes it might be to the benefit of the organization if he continues his liaison work with the State Department on Thailand. Subject also respectfully suggests that if an "economic or fiscal intelligence" division is not now set up, it be set up at the earliest date possible as there are many opportunities to be of real service to the State Department, Treasury Department, and other military. The personal acquaintances and contacts of subject officer are being approached by other agencies and in course of confidential discussions with subject officer they asked his advice. It is thus that the matter was brought to subject officer's attention and was subsequently developed by him into a project now in process of submission by him as Chief of SO.

8. If this application is granted in whole or in part, the subject officer requests leave to become inactive as an officer of the Army of the United States, or for permission to wear civilian clothes.

A. D. Hoffmann
CARL D. HOPPMANN
Lt. Colonel, AUS
Chief, SO

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21 July 1944

201 Hoffmann, Carl G. (O)

SUBJECT: Promotion
TO: The Adjutant General

REFERENCES: a. OSS Memorandum to The Adjutant General, 15 July 1944.
 b. TAG Memorandum to OSS, 20 July 1944

1. It is respectfully requested that the promotion of this officer to the grade of Lt. Colonel, as recommended in reference a above, be reconsidered.

2. This matter is resubmitted because Major Hoffmann's promotion is of substantial importance to the operating effectiveness of this Agency. The Special Operations Branch, of which Major Hoffmann is the Chief, is the largest branch of the Office of Strategic Services and has the responsibility for the greater part of the operations which have been assigned to this Agency by the Joint U. S. Chiefs of Staff. These operations are at present being conducted in the European and Mediterranean Theaters and in the CBI and South East Asia Command Areas. In addition to special operations, properly so called, the SO Branch is responsible in these theaters for organizing the entire American effort in support of native resistance groups through supplies and organizers. This he is doing,

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in close working partnership with the British SOE organization, in France, the Balkans, and in Burma. Major Hoffmann's duties as Chief of the SO Branch require continual liaison and negotiation with U. S., British, and other Allied officers of considerably higher rank. For example, the commanding officer of the SOE, the British counterpart of SO Branch, is a Major General. The Washington representative of the corresponding Chinese Agency, with whom Major Hoffmann is in continual liaison, is a Colonel. In a number of cases SO commanders in the field who are under Major Hoffmann's direction and command hold the rank of Lt. Colonel or Colonel.

3. We believe it is clear from the foregoing that the position of Chief of SO Branch carries responsibilities which normally would call for at least the grade of Colonel, and that inevitably an officer of lower rank must be handicapped to some extent by that fact. It is testimony to Major Hoffmann's ability and leadership that despite this handicap, he has performed his duties as Chief of SO in a superior manner and with a record of substantial accomplishment. It is believed that his record fully justifies the Director's judgment that regardless of rank, he is the best qualified available officer for the position. Major Hoffmann's promotion at this time would, it is believed, enable him to perform his duties even more effectively, to the substantial advantage of this Agency and to its contribution to the military effort.

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4. At the present time SOANT and the American Commanding General in the Mediterranean Theater are making every effort to insure that the substantial American aid to French and Balkan resistance groups received adequate recognition. The failure now to promote Major Hoffmann, whose Branch plays so important a role in this operations, can only, we believe, give rise to harmful speculation and misunderstanding.

5. In view of the foregoing considerations, the Director feels that it is important to this Agency that Major Hoffmann's promotion to the grade of Lt. Colonel be favorably considered at this time.

Charles S. Ghestem,
Assistant Director

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

**WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

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AGPO-P 201-Hoffmann, Carl Otto
(15 Jul 44)

20 July 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC SERVICES:

Subject: Promotion.

1. Reference is made to letter, your office, 201 Hoffmann, Carl O., dated 15 July 1944, subject as above, recommending the promotion of Major Carl Otto Hoffmann, O-923421, Army of the United States, to the grade of lieutenant colonel, Army of the United States.

2. The Secretary of War's Personnel Board does not favorably consider the recommendation for promotion of Major Hoffmann.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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J. A. ULLO,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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AGPO-P 201-Hoffmann, Carl Otto
(25 Jul 44)

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Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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Hoffmann, Carl - 10-902
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Delhi, India
 January 20, 1944

SUBJECT: Major C. O. Hoffmann

TO: General W. J. Donovan
 Director C.S.S.
 Washington, D. C.

1. I have met no one in C.S.S. and few elsewhere that has impressed me as has Major Hoffmann. He has met every situation that has come up, both here and in China, with tact and a most intelligent understanding. His ability to call his shots and predict the moves of both Miles and the Chinese have been uncanny. I feel certain that Carl has left me in a strong position with the Chinese and in a workable one with Miles, but as a result he will have Miles' resentment as long as he lives and I feel that Miles will leave no stone unturned to weaken and hurt him. I have had several of Miles' officers tell me what a little "Upstart" he is and I feel that they will endeavor to plant this feeling in Washington. None of these officers had any dealings with Carl so this feeling must originate with their chief. I can assure you that while Carl was a strong advocate in conferences he was respectful to Miles around his men.

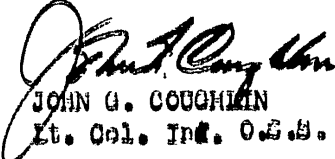
2. I feel that Carl is a realist and has an excellent understanding of conditions out here, both in the C.B.I. and in S.E.A.C. Given sufficient backing in Washington he will be able to not only obtain the necessary personnel and equipment, but more important, he will see that it reaches us. Carl now knows that both Heppner and I are working against time for personnel and equipment; in this respect he faces a real task and his greatest fear is that he will be delayed by "Organizational channels". The last large shipment that enabled both Heppner and I to act at once was an unorthodox one and he knows that we need more like it but doubts he can upset C.S.S. enough to do it without getting into the trouble he got into last time.

3. C.S.S. is not a regular outfit and therein lies the secret to its strength and possibilities. I well realize all the commands watching for the chance to leap on anything the least irregular, but also feel that Carl is intelligent enough to know when he can cut red tape and get away with it and when he must stay in line. I am asking that you allow him to use his judgment in Washington to the same extent that you have out here. There may be some explaining to do from time to time along the way but feel that the results in every case will more than justify the explanations.

4. Carl's position is not made easier by his rank. He does not hesitate to "wade into" rank when occasion requires, however he would show to better advantage and with less resentment on the part of the opposition if he were a colonel. I don't think that there can be any question as to his judgment and ability being suitable for such. I know that you are well aware of all this and I mention it only as a reminder in case more pressing things have caused you to forget. Carl does and will fight to see that others

are promoted but will never be able to mention his own case.

5. I will not try to report the situation as it is at the present time for I know that Carl will be able to do that much better. I will shortly, when some of the projects now in their inception have had a chance to progress a little further.


JOHN G. COUGHLIN
Lt. Col. Inf. U.S.A.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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5 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR CARL O. HOFFMANN

Subject: Orders

1. You are hereby directed to proceed in accordance with your military orders to London, Cairo, Algiers, New Delhi, and Chungking. Upon completion of your duties you will return to your permanent duty station at Washington, D. C. and report to the Director of Strategic Services. You are authorized to stop at such intermediate points and to make such substitutions and omissions in the foregoing itinerary as may be necessary or appropriate to the proper execution of your duties.
2. You will report to the Strategic Services Officer of each Theater to which you proceed in accordance with these instructions.
3. You are authorized and directed to make inquiry of any and all OSS personnel at the places referred to in paragraph 1 with reference to the operations, personnel, equipment and administration of this Agency within the Theater concerned, in accordance with verbal instructions of the Director of Strategic Services.
4. You are authorized to enter into discussions on behalf of this Agency with U. S. Army and Navy and Allied military and civilian authorities with reference to the operations of OSS in China and in the South East Asia Command. However, no agreements shall be entered into on behalf of OSS except with the approval and concurrence of the Director of Strategic Services.

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0. You are authorized in accordance with the authority contained in your military orders to carry such secret and confidential documents as may be necessary to the proper performance of your duties. These may be shown to authorized persons but must be retained by you at all times until delivery to the persons to whom they are addressed.

William J. Donovan
Director

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- Opinion
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- Proposed Draft
- Order
- Receipt
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Law Office
CARL O. HOFFMANN
 Thirty Broad Street
 New York

Tel. MAnever 2-1779
 Cable -- Corchol

DATE: December 10th, 1942.

TO: Whom It May Concern

SUBJECT: RESUME OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES AND EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.

Name: Carl O. Hoffmann

Place of Birth: New Jersey, U. S. A.

Profession: Lawyer

Education:
 Public Grade Schools.
 Stevens Preparatory School.
 University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School of Finance and Commerce.
 Columbia Law School.

Age: 36 years.

Business Experience:
 During the course of my practice because of business experience obtained, I was elected to directorships in banking and industrial firms. Herewith list of corporations in which I have been elected as director:

- The Continental Bank & Trust Company of New York. - General Banking Business.
- Arkansas Utilities Co. - Power and Light.

Missouri Utilities Co. - Power and Light.
 L. W. Minford & Co. - Import and export,
 primarily off shore sugar.
 Orange Knitting Mills, Incorporated. -
 Textile.
 Court Square Buildings, Inc. - Maryland In-
 dustrial Real Estate.
 New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Co. -
 Primarily engaged in the hauling of heavy
 freight.
 Pere Marquette Railway Company. - Primarily
 engaged in the hauling of heavy freight.

My law work covers the business fields in which the above cor-
 porations serve as well as a great deal of work in organization
 and reorganization of corporations involving the handling of con-
 tracts and negotiations. It would perhaps be advisable to cite
 specific instances to give a cross section of my experience:

1. I served in the dissolution and winding up
 of the Bank of the United States, represent-
 ing the stockholders' interests. This work
 involved formulation of plans, settlement
 of assessments, etc. My work in this respect
 was reported, in part, in the New York Times
 under date of October 7th and 8th, 1931.
2. I have negotiated oil contracts which in-
 volved \$30,000,000 and in excess. These
 activities were reported in the newspapers
 in April, 1932.
3. I have negotiated contracts for the handling
 of personnel; some of the contracts negotiated
 and written by me involved the following in-
 dividuals:

John Charles Thomas
 Freddie Bartholomew
 Edwin C. Hill
 Bert Balchen
 Clyde Pangborn

4. I handled work in the reorganization of the
 following enterprises which involved the ne-
 gotiation of numerous contracts and the dis-
 posal of rights of many interests:

Bush Terminal. Reported in New
 York newspapers, July 27, 1935.
 Community Power & Light
 General Public Utilities
 Hunters Baltimore Rye
 Horter Pilsner Brewing Company

5. I have handled mergers of corporations involving numerous contracts, take-over agreements, etc., one of which was reported in the Wall Street Journal, New York Times and Herald Tribune, January, 1939, as the Central Coal System Merger.
6. I was active representing the Trustee in the \$75,000,000 Allegheny readjustment, reported in the newspapers, notably the Sun, Times, Herald Tribune and Wall Street Journal during the years 1939 and 1940.
7. I was active in the dissolution of the Chesapeake Corporation and took part in the rearrangement of the Board of Directors of the Chesapeake & Ohio, Pere Marquette and Nickel Plate railroads.

In addition to the foregoing, I represent country banks as well as city banks and participated in test cases under the Securities Act.

I am general counsel to the Super Market Institute.

Present Earnings:

For the last 5 years my annual income has varied from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Present Service:

I am presently a Chief Boatswain's Mate in the United States Coast Guard in charge of and running security patrol boat. This service is being discontinued and I have an opportunity of becoming discharged for the convenience of the government and am desirous of re-enlisting my services in the United States Government in any field in which my business experience may qualify me.

Reference:

If I were to give one reference of a recognized citizen who is most fully familiar with my activities, I would give:

Frederick E. Hasler, President of Pan-American Association and Chairman of the Board of Directors of The Continental Bank & Trust Company of New York.

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I have
written Fisher
telling him
we want him
to come for us
and to come
quickly
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Blaine, Idaho 10,684

Announced

4 Apr. '45

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB
DENVER

Mountain Valley School,
Colorado Springs, Colo.

30th March 1945.

Dear General —

This is rather unexpected news: I am engaged to marry Deborah Frelicher, a wonderful girl, whose father is headmaster of this school where I have been teaching while on leave of absence from you. I hope this meets with your approval, or better, that you are enthusiastic.

Our intention is to be married the first week in June and then after a short wedding trip return to Washington. My health is fully restored now: I can't tell you how grateful I am to you for giving me — in fact encouraging me — to take this

recuperative leave. Originally I had intended, and planned with Ole Doering, to come back early in June and start plowing again with you. I hope this slight extension is reasonable. I have written to Ole — and will again, to keep him fully acquainted with my plans —

I am already impatient and keen to get back working with you. You will enjoy this lovely girl I have found!

Warm regards —

Fisher

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Form 69 (Revised)

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICIAL DISPATCH

DATE 19 MAY 45

FROM HEADQUARTERS, COMMUNICATIONS ZONE, EUROPEAN
THEATER OF OPERATIONS, US ARMY, PARIS, FRANCE

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Office of the Dean

April 10, 1945.

Telephone Monday

Mr. Charles S. Cheston,
Assistant Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
26th and "E" Streets, N.W.,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Charlie:

I slept little last night as I turned over in my mind the question of taking the post in Germany. You can understand how profoundly I was moved by the need for doing the job and with what regret I have come to the conclusions stated in the accompanying copy of my letter to General Draper.

I deeply appreciate Bill Donovan's having thought of me and I appreciate as much your own handling of the whole matter.

With best personal regards to you, to Colonel Buxton, and to General Donovan, I am

Sincerely yours,

William F. Friedman
WFF

CEH:PK
Encl.

P.S. After dictating this letter, Dean Hoover had to take a plane for Houston, Texas, where his sister is desperately ill. He asked that I attach this post-script to the letter in explanation of his inability to sign the letter.

William F. Friedman
Secretary to
Dean Calvin B. Hoover.

J. E. 242

April 10, 1946.

General William Draper,
Room 2E342 Pentagon Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Draper:

It is with the greatest regret that I have come to the conclusion that it will not be possible for me to be away from my university duties and from my family for a period as long as a year in view of my repeated and extended absences in the public service in the past. I will not enlarge on the difficulties which would be involved in obtaining leave since I discussed them with you orally. I took up with Charlie Cheston somewhat more fully the personal problems involved and he will no doubt explain this angle to you. I am writing to you at once so that any inconvenience on account of your having considered me for the post will be as small as possible.

Please believe that I fully realize the importance of the post which you were good enough to offer me. In spite of the magnitude and difficulties of the problems with which we would have had to deal, I would have counted it a privilege to have worked with you and your staff if I could have made the necessary arrangements.

If it would have been of use to you, I should have been willing to try to get leave from the University for some four months; that is, until the beginning of the fall term. I might have been able to help organize a staff and to get the work under way. If I were in your place, however, I should doubt whether this arrangement would be worth the trouble involved for all concerned.

Please convey my regrets and regards to Colonel Howard, Mr. McConnell, and the other members of your staff. If I can be of any service in connection with the great national task which you have undertaken, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Calvin B. Hoover,
Dean.

CBH:RK

P.S. After dictating this letter, Dean Hoover received a telegram stating that his sister in Houston, Texas, was desperately ill and wanted to see him. Dean Hoover, by driving immediately to the airport was able to obtain passage on a plane. The last thing he told

General William Draper
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me was to append a note to this letter explaining why he was unable to sign it himself.

Secretary to
Dean Calvin E. Hoover

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Wade, Cal

3 April 1948

*Letter not sent. Mr. Hoover. See
in person*

Mr. Calvin Hoover
Office of the Dean
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Calvin:-

I am glad to know from your letter of 30 March that you have been at least somewhat shaken from your negative resolution to keep out of government service. It seems to me very obvious that at a time like this men of your competence should be brought into the picture, and I am convinced that any contribution you might be able to make would redound to the advantage of your University as well as to yourself.

Of course, I cannot know what the situation at Duke may be. It seems best, therefore, to come down to the aspects of the problem on which I can throw some light. We had a lengthy conversation here the other day with Brigadier-General Draper who is to be in charge of all the economic work of the U. S. Group of the Control Council for Germany. This Council will be organized in twelve or fifteen divisions, and it is my understanding that Draper will have general supervision of the economic division. He tells me that he is very badly in need of a first rate economist who knows something of Germany to head up his staff. In fact, he begged me to make such a man available from the OSS staff. It was in this connection that I thought of the possibility of your rejoining us, a suggestion which Bill Langer seconded with great enthusiasm.

I thought it well, therefore, to get in touch with you and put the proposition before you. The details could, no doubt, be worked out satisfactorily later once we know that you would be available. I

*Talked with Langer who would like to
H. as they do not. Have talked with Hoover*

*He is prepared to come any and
will I am with Draper. I will
H. over we would like him on our staff
any time? Come to Langer or Hoover.*

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

#2, Mr. Calvin Hoover

3 April 1948

would not think that there would be any difficulty about giving you adequate status. I would suggest that if this thing worked out properly, you would be attached to my staff, reporting directly to me, though of course we would hope to have you work very closely with the rest of the OSS mission in Germany.

I think you will agree with me that this is a position of very considerable importance and one where it will be necessary to have a man who possesses not only sound knowledge but good judgment. I hope you will give it your very best thought and see if something cannot be worked out with the University. If the thing appeals to you and if it seems feasible, I think it would be well for you to come up to Washington so that we can discuss it at greater length.

With warm regards as always,

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
Director

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DURHAM
NORTH CAROLINA

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
Office of the Dean

March 30, 1945.

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

It was good to hear your voice again, even over the 'phone. I reacted to it as an old war horse might be expected to do. I had realized that the government would almost surely wish to conscript me in connection with the economic situation in Germany. I had firmly resolved that I was not going to have any part in it. The situation in Germany, and indeed in all Europe, is so bad and is likely to be handled so miserably that I have been reluctant to have any responsibility for such an utterly desperate situation. Your call, however, shook my negative resolution somewhat.

There would be serious difficulties, however, in the way of my taking on the task which you mentioned. First, it would be extremely difficult for me to get leave from my work here. I have been away on government service off and on since late 1933. Before that I had been gone for two periods of a year each in Russia and in Germany. My responsibilities here are heavy and not easy to escape from, even temporarily.

Second, my decision would have to depend upon who is appointed to be economic advisor for Germany. It is likely to be someone with whom I am personally acquainted. We might or might not be compatible. If not, it would be of first importance that you get someone else to do the job you have in mind.

Third, closely associated with the above is the question of status. My status would need to be such that I could operate effectively. This would depend in part upon cordial relations with the economic advisor, the Army, and the State Department. These relations, taking into account some personal relationships which I already have, could probably be worked out adequately with your support. My status would also depend upon an appropriate title, recognition of my direct relationship with you, and so on.

I hope I may take for granted the realization that my concern in this matter does not arise from any personal delusions of grandeur but instead is based upon long experience in government. If I were to undertake the job without adequate arrangements of this sort, I would be constantly embarrassed in dealing with men on higher

Major General William J. Donovan
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echelons whom I would probably know well personally and professionally but who could not cooperate with me adequately if the matter of status had not been properly arranged.

If you think it worth going into the matter further, I would be glad to come to Washington to talk the matter over. I would not want to take on the task at all without discussing it with you personally. I could consult with you in Washington on short notice. Short notice would probably involve your secretariat arranging an air priority for me from Raleigh, North Carolina, to Washington and return.

I repeat that I cannot forecast whether or not the University would release me but if it becomes advisable I could see what I could do. If you could find someone else to do the job, it would certainly relieve my mind.

Please give my regards to Dave Bruce, Whitney Shepardsen, Bill Langer, and my other friends.

Sincerely yours,

Calvin

CBH:RK

25 February 1945

Mr. Calvin Hoover
Dean, Graduate School of
Arts and Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Calvin:

Thanks for your letter and the enclosure which I am glad to have. As you probably know, these raids took place on every embassy except that of Russia, which was the only one that did not have Italian employees.

Sincerely yours,



Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
Office of the Dean

February 21, 1946.

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I am sending you a copy of Nazioni Unite which has an item or two of considerable interest. I have no doubt that our Italian section has it and in any event the information must have been noted last September by the appropriate United States agencies in Rome. It is, however, of considerable interest aside from its purely Italian aspects. The reference on page two (page three in the Italian section of the paper) to the wholesale removal and photographing of documents from foreign embassies in Rome might be of interest to the State Department.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Calvin Hoover

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as per
J. H. C.

OBH:RK
Encl.

Dear Calvin -

Thanks for your

*letter and the brochure which I am
hard to have. As you probably know
there really are few places in Europe
except that of Russia - where
only in that area we have had*

W. J. ...

I read and I re-
spect it again.
This generation
has a rendezvous
with destiny.
F. D. Roosevelt

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE ROSSELLI MURDER

Following is the transcript of the judicial examination of some of the high officers in the Fascist army who are being tried before the Special Court for the Punishment of Fascist crimes.

The trial, which started in Rome on January 22, is expected to bring out spectacular revelations and throw a hard light on the methods pursued by Mussolini in his foreign policy.

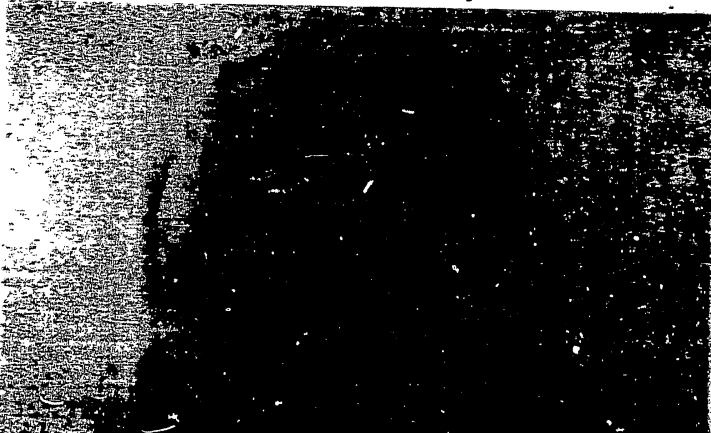
The documents are chiefly concerned with the murder of the Rosselli brothers, Carlo and Nello, who were assassinated on order of the Fascists by their French accomplices (the Cagouliards) at Bagnoles de l'Orne (France).

June 9, 1945

Reading the list of those charged with some and abetting the heinous crime is General Mario Roatta, former Chief of Staff at the time of the 1941 armistice and through most of the early period of the Italian liberation. He was also chief of the Fascist Military Intelligence and commanded the Italian expeditionary force in Spain during the civil war.

Not all the persons mentioned in the charges have been arrested. Only seven are at present on trial; the others are either in hiding or in Northern Italy with the fascists. Among those to be tried in absentia is Filippo Anfuso, now fascist Republic Ambassador to Berlin and formerly Ciano's executive assistant.

From the intelligence of the ... it is to be noted that



affairs connected with the policy of the time.

"During the war in Spain and precisely in 1937, the political circles around Ciano were worried by the activity in Paris of Carlo Rosselli, who had founded a newspaper 'Giustizia e Libertà' and had promoted and given language to voluntary recruitment of Italians for the war in Spain on the side of the Reds. I do not know precisely who it was that took a radical and ferocious decision with regard to Rosselli, but it is certain that one day, when I was the Head of the S.I.M., the then Col. Paolo Amadio (now a general and pres-

Colonel Eusebio Senta, former police officer, whose statement before the examining magistrate appears in its entirety in this issue, was subsequently arrested and is of great use of the secret material who are on trial in Rome.
Giuseppe Ciano, Mussolini's secretary, was according to the officer who charged the

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June 21 1945

Wilton Mass.

8, 136
Newbury, Weston

Dear General

It was a generous suggestion that I remain a member of the Office of Strategic Services on leave of absence at the time when I was forced for reasons of health to resign my post as Strategic Services Security Officer.

At that time I was notified that you had assigned me to the staff of the Assistant Director Lt. J. E. Buxton. Now I understand that Lt. Buxton is resigning his post and I feel that I should also tender my resignation.

My kindest regards to you &
Sincerely Victor Garland

Handwritten:
 [Signature]
 Security Officer

August 16, 1954

Mr. Weston Howland
 The Ambassador
 Park Avenue at 51st St
 New York City

Dear Mr. Howland:

Thank you for your letter of August 13th.

It is with great regret and reluctance that I accept your resignation as Security Officer, in the period of over a year and a half in which you have served in this capacity the Office of Strategic Services has achieved its capability, has established the overseas missions and operations and has selected the majority of its personnel. During this period the security of our personnel, its physical equipment and operations has been a responsibility of vital importance. You have discharged this responsibility in a most superior manner and have set an example to all of us by your single-minded devotion and unstinted labor. You have consistently displayed a high degree of tact, good judgment and imagination in handling the many delicate problems of security and human relations that were regularly referred to you for solution. I know I am speaking for General Donovan and the entire Agency when I express my own sincere personal appreciation for your past service and sense of loss that you cannot continue at your post as Security Officer.

I cannot, of course, urge you to reconsider this decision in the face of your doctor's recommendations. Effective immediately, therefore, you are relieved as Security Officer and attached as an assistant to the Office of the First Assistant Director.

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You should, by all means, take whatever period of leave is required to restore you to full health. We shall look forward to your return and the valuable aid you will render this Agency.

Yours very sincerely,

G. Edward Nixon

Acting Director

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x Security Officer



The Ambassador

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PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
BY THEODORE AND L. LAURENCE

August 19 1944

Col. G. Edward Buxton Acting Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington D. C.

Dear Colonel Buxton,

As you are aware I have found it necessary to take extended leave from my duties in the OSS to undergo a course of medical treatment for a sciatic nerve injury incurred in a riding accident some years ago. As you are also aware this condition has during the past six months become aggravated until I was reluctantly compelled to take this extended leave. I am glad to report that I am making definite progress toward full recovery from this injury. I am informed, however,



The Ambassador

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that I will require a further leave of approximately sixty days before I can return to active duty.

Under these circumstances I am asking that I be transferred from my position as Chief of the Security Branch and carried under whatever classification may seem most appropriate to the Acting Director.

May I express the hope that the title of Chief of the Security Branch may be given my Deputy, Mr. Archibald Van Horn who has for the past weeks carried the responsibilities of my duties in a manner which I understand has been fully satisfactory to the Director's Office.



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The Ambassador

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I have greatly appreciated my opportunity to serve in the OSS and hope sincerely that circumstances will be such that I may have the opportunity of continuing my active membership in the OSS at a later date.

Most sincerely

Norton Howland

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Newland Weston 8,136
x Security Officer

Dear Ned

I hope Weston is coming up to help you - I had thought at first that it would be possible for him to continue to run "Security" at least for a time concurrently - Further thought convinces me that this is wrong - No one on the level to which he is changed should have such direct responsibility over S - So much is definite that it must be done. He must pick a man - The Bureau should be one of those considered but we must pick a very superior fellow.

W