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August 2, 1941

Reference:
5-NY-3751

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

Dear Mr. Hoover:

There is enclosed a copy of the report of an investigation made by this Division of a complaint which alleged that Samuel Brody, WPA photographer, New York City, made a false statement in submitting an affidavit, WPA Form 608, to this Administration stating that he was not a Communist.

The report of this investigation is referred to your Bureau for your information and files.

Inasmuch as it appears that the charge is substantiated, a copy of this report has been referred to the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice for appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

Roger J. Bounds, Director
Division of Investigation

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FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY
WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

CASE No. 5-NY-3751

Intermittently

Place: New York, N.Y.	Dates of inv.: May 16 - July 14/41	Date of report: JUL 22 1941	Agent: JEFFERSON B. COHEN
Subjects: <u>SAMUEL BRODY</u>, Id. #84431, WPA Photographer, 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City.			Approved: <i>Clayton D. Hollinger</i> pc Status of investigation: COMPLETE

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION

Complaint alleging that **SAMUEL BRODY**, WPA Photographer, New York City, is a Communist, and has therefore submitted an affidavit (WPA Form 608) containing a false statement.

SYNOPSIS OF REPORT.

Four former members of the Communist Party variously state that Subject was a member thereof from 1927 to 1937. They declare that during this period he contributed to the "New Masses" and the "Daily Worker", was a member of the Film and Photo League fraction, the United American Artists Union fraction and the Workers Alliance fraction of the Communist Party.

An employee on the Art Project states that Subject has carried the "Daily Worker" frequently during the past four months and has stated that it is the only paper which contains the truth. Another co-worker advises that Subject is the most rabid radical on the project. Four present or former co-workers assert that they believe that Subject is a Communist, basing this belief on his conversations, his ridicule of the Communist investigations, his associations with Communists, his justification of Russia's invasion of Finland, his criticism of the capitalist system and his continual praise of Russia. A project employee states that in May, 1941, Subject participated in a protest against the suspension of 11 supervisors on the Art Project.

Another former co-worker advised that in the Spring of 1937 Subject lauded the Communist Party, praised the Communist form of government and advocated its introduction into this country. He further states that Subject was a member of the Workers Alliance from May, 1938 to January, 1939, when witness withdrew; that he continually spoke at meetings during this period and followed the Party line in his speeches. Two of these witnesses variously state that Subject picketed as a member of the Workers Alliance in 1937 and distributed handbills of this Union in 1939 and 1940.

"New Masses" in September, 1930 contains the name of SAMUEL BRODY as one of the contributing editors, as well as motion picture and book reviews written

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by him. In the "New Masses" of November, 1930 there is a book review by Samuel Brody. The name of Samuel Brody appears as one of the contributing editors of the "New Theatre" magazine in February, 1934, and in that issue there appears an article by him on "The Revolutionary Film Problem of Form". A protest against the "red scare" in the New York Times of May 19, 1930 contains the name Samuel Brody.

Neighborhood check revealed one witness who advised that Subject possessed books on the History of Communism in his apartment in 1938; that he was a constant reader of the "Daily Worker" and very radical. Two other former neighbors declare that they believe that Subject was a Communist but have no basis for this belief.

Subject denied that he was a Communist or had ever been a member of the Communist Party or had ever engaged in any Communist Party activities. He denied that he contributed to the "Daily Worker", "New Theatre" or "New Masses" or had ever been affiliated therewith, or that he had ever been a member of the Workers Alliance or attended any meetings of that organization.

R E P O R T

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This report is predicated upon a letter dated May 12, 1941, addressed to this office by Roger J. Bounds, Director, WPA Division of Investigation, enclosing a memorandum dated April 28, 1941 from Malcolm J. Miller, WPA Assistant Commissioner, in which he requests an investigation of the alleged violation of Section 15(f) of the ERA Act of 1941 on the part of Subject SAMUEL BRODY, Id. #84431, WPA Photographer.

Examination by Special Field Agent Jefferson B. Cohen of Subject BRODY'S employment record on file in the WPA Employment Division, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, on June 30, 1941, reflects that he was initially assigned to the Federal Theatre Project as a Dramatic Coach on 8/1/35; that he was transferred to the Writers Project as a Photographer on 3/18/36 and that he was transferred to the Art Project on February 11, 1937 as a Photographer, and that he is still active thereon in that capacity.

Attached hereto and marked EXHIBIT 1 is a photostated copy of WPA Form 608, executed by Subject Brody, under date of June 27, 1940, and sworn to before MAX STAVISKY, Id. #204561, WPA Timekeeper.

MAX STAVISKY, Id. #204561, WPA Timekeeper, residing at 2954 12th Street, Brooklyn, New York, on April 16, 1941 advised Special Field Agent Robert H. Deiss that he had been assigned to the Art Project to administer the oaths to several hundred workers thereon. He further asserted that he recalled nothing unusual at the time that any of these employees subscribed to the affidavits or swore to the contents thereof, except in the case of two persons, AUGUST HENCKLE and JOHN JOHNSON, and that their refusal to take the oath was noted on the affidavits, WPA Form 608, which bore their names. He advised that this assignment was his first trip to the Art Project.

SYLVAN POLLACK, Id. #730090, WPA Writer, residing at 642 West 172nd Street, New York City, on June 17, 1941 stated that he was a charter member of the Communist Party from September 1, 1919 to November 15, 1940, on which latter date his expulsion notice

appeared in the "Daily Worker". During his entire membership in the Communist Party, Pollack relates, he was always affiliated with District No. 2, which covered the Metropolitan area from New York City. He was assigned to the Writers Project in 1937 and 1938 while Subject was assigned thereto and frequently saw him on the project. Pollack asserts that he knew that Subject was a member of the Communist Party from 1927 to 1930 because he met him during this period at the headquarters of the Communist Party in New York City in the office of the "Daily Worker" and frequently at the Communist Party Workers' School at 30 Union Square, New York City.

POLLACK advises that during the period from 1927 to 1930 Subject contributed motion picture reviews to the "New Masses". He recalled an incident which occurred sometime between those dates on an occasion when he, Pollack, contributed a motion picture review to the "Daily Worker". After its publication Brody approached him and criticized his article because it was not in line with the Communist Party program. According to Pollack the Subject later criticized the article in a review in the "New Masses", setting forth the same reason.

MRS. HELEN DeSOLA, private citizen, residing at 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 24, 1941 advised Agent Cohen that she had been assigned to the Writers Project from November or December, 1935 to the end of 1936 and had been a member of the Writers Project unit of the Communist Party from 1932 to the end of 1936. She advised that she came in contact with him while she was employed on the Writers Project. She asserted that she had been the editor of "Red Pen", a Communist Party sheet published on the Writers Project in the latter part of 1935, and that she had been employed on the staff of the "Daily Worker" for one and one half years from the Spring of 1933 to August, 1935 as editor of the feature page. She further asserted that Samuel Brody had written a column for the "Daily Worker", signing it "Lens", consisting of personal comments on motion picture stars, for a period of about one year while she was associated with this publication, and that he had contributed articles for publication prior to her association with the "Worker". She further declared that Subject had been a member of the Film and Photo League, a Communist "front" organization, during the period that she was a member of the Party.

RALPH DeSOLA, Id. #365177, WPA Junior Superintendent, residing at 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 16, 1941, advised Agent Deiss that he had been a member of the Communist Party

from the fall of 1934 to December, 1936. He declared that he had been assigned to the Writers Project from 1935 to July 1940, and that he worked under Subject during the period that Subject was assigned to this project. He further advised that he knew that Subject was a member of the Communist Party during this period and that he had attended meetings of Unit 368, Section 24, of the Communist Party. Witness asserted that Subject was active in the Film and Photo League fraction of the Communist Party and was a member of the fractions of the Workers Alliance and of the United American Artists Union during the period that witness was a member of the Party.

MRS. FRANKIE DUTY, private citizen, residing at 239 West 115th Street, New York City, on June 12, 1941, advised Agent Cohen that she had been a member of the Communist Party from March 10, 1936 to October, 1938 in the Harlem Section, Frederick Douglas Unit thereof. She further asserted that she had been President of the Harlem and Washington Heights section of the Workers Alliance, having been elected at the convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in June, 1937, and had remained in that capacity to October, 1938.

MRS. DUTY declared that in 1937 she had received a telephone call from the headquarters of the Workers Alliance, then located at 306 Lenox Avenue, New York City, in connection with some publicity which the Communist Party desired relative to the Lula Coker family, tenant farmers from South Carolina. The person with whom she spoke told her that they were sending "Comrade" Brody to take some pictures of the family. She asserts that she interviewed the family for an article which was to appear in the "Daily Worker" and that Subject took pictures.

MRS. DUTY advised that she knew that Subject was a Communist at that time because of the nature of their conversation regarding the type of publicity to follow and the fact that he addressed her as "Comrade".

CLIFFORD SUTCLIFFE, former WPA Supervisor on the Writers Project, residing at 41 Morton Street, New York City, on June 17, 1941 advised Agent Sherry that he had known Subject Brody for three months in the Spring of 1937 when both were assigned to the Writers Project. Witness advised that Subject continuously lauded the Communist Party and condemned all those who were opposed to Communism, characterizing them as "Social Fascists". Sutcliffe asserted that he saw Subject reading the "Daily Worker" on the project site at 235 East 42nd Street, New York City, every day during the Spring of 1937. In conversation with him at or about this time, Brody praised the Russian form of government and continuously criticized the government

of the United States, advocating the introduction of the Communist form of government into this country.

Subject told him, Sutcliffe asserts, that he had joined the Communist Party in France, but did not state when he did so. Subject's language consisted largely of Party terminology, such as the "class struggle", the "proletariat", the "working classes". Witness further related that in 1937 Subject Brody was in the picket lines on several occasions in front of the project site in demonstrations sponsored by the Workers Alliance. In the Spring of 1937, Sutcliffe states, Subject asked him to join the Workers Alliance and the Photographers Union, in both of which Subject was active.

SUTCLIFFE further stated that Subject's close associates were DAVE ROSENBERG, SOL BECKER, ABE NEWMAN; and a man named KIRSTEIN, employees of the WPA Writers Project, all of whom were, in his opinion, Communists.

LISTON OAK, Id. #700861, former WPA Writer, residing at 63 Washington Square, South, New York City, on July 1, 1941, advised Agent Cohen that he had been a member of the Communist Party from the end of 1927 to the end of 1935, and that he had been assigned to the Writers Project from May, 1938 to January, 1939. He declared that he had known Subject Brody during the period that witness was assigned to the Writers Project, as both worked in the same building, and that he came in contact with him daily during that time. He stated that he knew that Brody was a Communist from the fact that Brody's closest associates on the project were ABE MOSCOWITCH and various other employees of the Writers Project whom witness believed to be Communists.

OAK asserted that Brody was a member of the Workers Alliance during the period from May 1938 to January 1939, as was witness, and that he frequently spoke at meetings, following the Communist Party line in his speeches. Oak advised that he had published articles in the "New Statesman", the "Nation" and one or two other periodicals in May, 1938 after he returned from Spain, and that the subject of these articles was the fact that Soviet Russia was as imperialistic as any other country. In May, 1938, witness asserts Brody denounced him in a speech at the Workers Alliance as a Fascist on the basis of these articles.

LILLIAN D. FERRICK, Id. #50261, WPA Senior Typist, residing at 104 West 19th Street, New York City, on June 3, 1941 advised Agent Cohen that she had been employed as Secretary to Girolamo Piccoli, former WPA Assistant Project Supervisor, and head of the Sculpture Division of the Art Project (Subject in Case 5-NY-3709),

from January to October, 1940. She asserted that Subject Brody had visited Piccoli's office on two or three occasions per week during this period. Miss Ferrick declares that she knows Subject to be a Communist and she basis this on a conversation which Subject held in or about the time that a mural painted for the Floyd Bennett Airport was destroyed due to the appearance therein of Communistic symbols (this occurred in June, 1940). She further predicates this belief on the opposition expressed by Brody to the investigation of Communism being conducted by Special Field Agent John Brann, then WPA Administrative Assistant, and the ridicule which he heaped on it.

MISS FERRICK relates the fact that during the entire time that she spent as Piccoli's secretary, Subject, as one of a group, freely discussed the defects in the capitalist system and the "class struggle" and used other Party terminology. She declares that he was continually in contact with Piccoli and Hirsch Stein, WPA Unit Supervisor (suspended) and Subject in 5-NY-3716, whether there was any necessity for it as far as the work of the Art Project was concerned or not, and she felt that they were engaged in some common activity on the outside.

JACOB NEWMAN, Id. #60145, WPA Senior Timekeeper, residing at 459 East 92nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 22, 1941, advised Agent Cohen that he knew Subject during the entire time that he was assigned to the Federal Theatre Project and from August, 1939 to the present while both were assigned to the Art Project. Newman asserts that Subject is definitely a Communist and he basis this on his conversations and on his associates. Witness further declares that Subject is the most rabid radical on the project. He states that Subject is active in the Workers Alliance and has been a spokesman for this organization and on various committees thereof from 1936 to the present date. He believes that he saw Brody in a picket line in May, 1941, protesting the suspension of the 11 supervisors of the Art Project suspended due to alleged violation of Section 15(f) of the ERA Act of 1941. He has also distributed circulars of the Workers Alliance in front of the project building at 110 King Street, Newman relates, on several occasions in the latter part of 1939 and in 1940. His closest associates on the project were Paula Bass and Jules Michel, WPA employees, whom Newman terms the outstanding radicals on the project.

JEROME FAY, Id. #632226, WPA Photographer, residing at 155 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, on May 20, 1941 advised Agent Cohen that he has been assigned to the Photography Unit of the Art Project since January, 1941. He asserts that he believes that Subject is a Communist from his conversations. Some time in April 1941, witness relates, Subject said that he admired the Soviet government as far as

the treatment of the working class was concerned. He further advised that on any occasion when Communism was discussed, Subject attempted to quiet the person discussing it and that in January, 1941, Subject told one of the project workers to conceal the "Daily Worker" as this Division was making an investigation.

ABE HOHAUSER, Id. #36502, WPA Senior Timekeeper, residing at 1049 Brook Avenue, Bronx, New York City, on May 22, 1941, advised Agent Bradigan that he has known Subject Brody on the Art Project for the past seven or eight months. He felt, witness declared, that Subject was a Communist but he has nothing on which to base this conclusion.

JOSEPH HOFFMAN, Id. #701893, WPA Photographer, residing at 200 Ross Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 20, 1941 advised Agent Cohen that in a conversation approximately six months ago, Subject had said that this country should not enter the war as it did not concern us and he also said that England was on the wrong side.

ALBERT NEY, Id. #97391, WPA Photographer, residing at 651 Rutland Road, Brooklyn, New York, on July 1, 1941 advised Agent Cohen that he had been assigned to the Photography Division of the Art Project since March 7, 1941, and that he has known Subject since that date. Ney states that Brody is a Communist. He asserts that he has seen Subject with the "Daily Worker" on many occasions during this period. In conversations with witness, Subject has declared that it was the only paper that told the truth and that a person could not believe any paper but the "Daily Worker". Subject has told him that people are better off in Russia and has continually praised that country. Brody denounced Finland, witness states, in connection with the Russian invasion of that country. He further declares that Brody associates only with the radical group in the Photography Division.

Twenty-five of the WPA Photographers assigned to the Photography Unit of the Art Project, as well as the office staff thereof, the Supervisors of the Art Project, except for those suspended and various WPA employees of the Art Project, interviewed during the course of the investigation of this case, in addition to those witnesses mentioned above, including Max Mougel, Id. #179719, WPA Artist, advised either that they did not know Subject or that they had no knowledge that he was engaged in Communistic activities.

Three WPA employees advise that they do not believe that Subject is a member of the Communist Party, SONIA VOLOCHOVA, Id. #730163, WPA Writer, reputed to be a former secretary to Leon Trotsky, residing

at 936 West End Avenue, New York City, on June 17, 1941 advised Agent Sherry that she had heard Subject say in 1939 and 1940 that all radical parties are wrong and that social change should be brought about by evolution and not revolution. HARRY BECKERMAN, Id. #421746, WPA Photographer, residing at 194 West 10th Street, New York City, on May 20, 1941 advised that he did not feel that Subject was a Communist as he did not believe that Subject could be responsible to any group. JOSEPH R. MASON, Id. #701944, WPA Photographer, residing at 457 West 50th Street, New York City, on May 20, 1941 advised that he does not believe Subject to be a Communist inasmuch as he always pokes fun at the Communist Party.

It is to be noted that ALBERT NEY, WPA Photographer, in an interview with Agent Cohen on July 1, 1941 advised that HARRY BECKERMAN was very friendly with Brody and was as "red" as Brody. This witness further asserted that in conversations, Beckerman had told him that Communism was the best form of government and that he had carried Communist magazines onto the project. He further alleged that Joseph R. Mason was closely associated with the "red" group in the Photography Division and with Subject Brody.

Examination of the files of the Special Committee to investigate Un-American Activities, commonly known as the Dies Committee, revealed the following references to Subject Samuel Brody, 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City:

Vol. I - Page 540; 558, Hearings, Dies Committee
 "New Masses", Contributor, "New Masses", issue of Sept. 1930 P. 19
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 " " Contributing Editor, "New Masses", issue of Sept. 1930, P. 3.
 " " Contributor, "New Masses", issue of Nov. 1930, P. 19
 League of Workers Theatres, Workers Dance League, and National Film and Photo League, Contributor, New Theatre, (New Theatre, February 1934, P. 22.)
 League of Workers Theatres, Workers Dance League, and National Film and Photo League, Contributing Editor, New Theatre, (New Theatre, February 1934, P. 3).
 League of Workers Theatres, Workers Dance League, and National Film and Photo League, Film Editor, New Theatre, (New Theatre, February 1934, P. 2).

On Page 538 of Volume 1 of the report of the Hearings before a Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 75th Congress, the New Theatre magazine is referred to as the organ of the League of Workers Theatres of the United States of America, which this report lists as a Communist "front" organization. On Page 540 of the report, Sam Brody is listed as one of the contributing editors of

this publication.

On Page 558 of the report of these Hearings, there appears a reference to a statement in the New York Times of May 19, 1930 in protest against what the signers term the "red scare" and one of the signers of the statement is Samuel Brody.

In the issue of the "New Masses" dated September, 1930, (Page 3) Samuel Brody is listed as one of the contributing editors of this publication. In the same issue under a mast head entitled "Movies" by Samuel Brody (Page 14) there appears a review of three motion pictures: (1) "Holiday", a Pathe Production, shown at the Cameo Theatre, New York City; (2) "The Law of the Siberian Taiga", a Kinosibir Production, U.S.S.R., shown at the Cameo Theatre, New York City; (3) "Raffles," a United Artists Production shown at the Rialto Theatre, New York City. In his review of the first picture, Brody states:

"Today the Pudovkins, Turins, Vertoffs and Elsensteins can look upon films like Holiday and justifiedly scoff at the incompetence and backwardness of American filmdom".

In the review of the Soviet motion picture mentioned above, Brody writes:

"There is something which defies words of description in these Soviet films dealing with the formerly oppressed national minorities and the new relationships created by the Revolution. They are the epics of the rise of unknown peoples. They are immortal documents of Communism's struggle to restore backward and downtrodden sections of many kind".

The third motion picture reviewed by Samuel Brody is condemned by him.

In the same issue of the "New Masses" (Page 19), therein published is a book review by Samuel Brody of a work entitled "Nouvelle Age Litteraire" by Harry Poulaille (Libraire Valois, Paris). An excerpt from this book review follows:

"No more appropriate conclusion that Lenin's oft-quoted remark could be cited here to characterize this hopeless mass of petty bourgeois intellectual gallimaufry: "People bend every effort to conceive something extraordinary, and in their zeal to intellectualize, they become ridiculous".

In the "New Masses", dated November, 1930 (Page 19), there is another book review by Samuel Brody of a work entitled "ABC of Television"

by R. F. Yates, (Norman W. Henley Publishing Co. -\$3.00) and the following excerpt appears therein:

"Even the most 'objective' of bourgeois scientific brains quiver in delight at the thought of being able to annihilate whole enemy armies sighted miles away from the actual scene thru the magic eyes of television."

The "New Theatre" magazine dated February, 1934, examined by Agent Cohen on July 10, 1941, contained no reference to Samuel Brody on Page 2 thereof. On Page 3, the following appears: "New Theatre Organ of the League of Workers Theatres of the U.S.A.(Section of the International Union of the Revolutionary Theatre), Workers Dance League and National Film and Photo League", and among the list of contributing editors is listed the name of Samuel Brody.

In the report of the Hearings before a Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 75th Congress, on Pages 334 and 335, the National Film and Photo League, the Workers Dance League and the League of Workers Theatres are referred to as Communist "front" organizations. On Page 351 of these Hearings, the New Theatre magazine is referred to as a Communist or pro-Communist line publication.

In the issue of the "New Theatre" magazine of February, 1934 (Page 21, 22) there appears an article by Samuel Brody on "The Revolutionary Film Problem of Form". Several excerpts are quoted:

"The bourgeois film has vulgarized and perverted the greatest faculty of the movie, never having raised it above the level of the newsreel". The writer of this article advocates the filmed document as the proper sphere for motion pictures, and continues: "We are forging the film into a working class weapon. And workers' films will be most art when they are most weapon.... We must train working class camera-men whose function in the workers' film movement will correspond to that of worker-correspondents in the field of revolutionary journalism. We have as yet accomplished little in the sphere of the documentary film in which it is essential for us to intervene; to organize the raw material into a unified revolutionary interpretation.... Our best teachers in this respect are the Soviet directors of the documentary school who have tremendously enriched the arsenal of revolutionary film culture.... We must build up a 16 mm film library which will comprise a complete course in political education for workers. A joint task for the Film and Photo League and the faculty of the Workers School.....

"Three distinct branches of the documentary method, therefore, comprise the scope of our production. Film reporting, or the

recording of highlights in the class struggle which are of political value as events overflowing the frame which merely acts as the carrier, Ambridge, Scottsboro, Detroit Massacre, Tom Mooney Run, etc. The synthetic documentary, the effect and intent of which is one hundred per cent dependent on the intervention of the "editor", The Land of the Free, Imperial Valley, etc. The frankly educational film for purposes of direct political-economic instruction.

"The Film and Photo League is beginning to assume a status more commensurate with its great cultural-political importance in the struggles of the working class".

The WPA Employment records reveal that Subject SAMUEL BRODY resided at 394 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, New York, from September 27, 1937 to May 10, 1938.

This is a large brick apartment house containing about 50 apartments in a strictly residential section of Brooklyn.

IRENE CROISIETIERE, Superintendent of the apartment house at 394 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, interviewed by Special Field Agent Parkinson on June 12, 1941, related that she had resided at this address for the past 5½ years and that she remembered the Subject as the occupant of apartment 4-D for a short period of time. She said that in her opinion Subject was a Communist but said that she had nothing to base her opinion on. She further said that in that particular wing of the apartment house there were only three tenants who had been living there a sufficient time to have remembered the Subject and gave the names of Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. Brummer, and Mrs. Morox.

MRS. RUTH SCHMIDT, Apartment 4-A, 394 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., interviewed by Special Field Agent Parkinson on June 12, 1941, stated that she had lived at this address for the past 8 years and that Subject had occupied an apartment on the same floor with hers, but that she had never been on friendly relations with him and that Subject, to her recollection, had not lived there very long. Mrs. Schmidt added that Subject looked like a radical "as she had seen them portrayed in the movies", but that she had no other reason for the opinion. She admitted that many Communist pamphlets were passed around the apartment house during the night, but that this is true at this time and she couldn't connect Subject with any of this.

MRS. SAM BRUMMER, Apartment 3-B, and MRS. THELMA MOROX, Apartment 1-B, interviewed by Special Field Agent Parkinson on June 21, 1941, said that they had lived at this address for the past 8 and 8½ years

respectively and that they remembered a person named Samuel Brody resided at this address during the year 1938 but that neither of them could recall anything about Subject.

ALBERT CROISETIERE, son of the superintendent, and residing with his mother in apartment 1-H at 394 Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, interviewed by Special Field Agent Parkinson on June 12, 1941, said that he remembered the Subject very well and the thing that he most clearly recalled was having seen several books on the History of Communism in Subject's apartment during the time that he resided at this address. Witness further advised that Subject was a constant reader of the "Daily Worker" but that he wasn't sure about any other Communist publications. He declared that Subject was very radical and did not mingle with any of the tenants.

WPA records show that Subject SAMUEL BRODY resided at 897 Crotona Park North, Bronx, New York City, from May 10, 1938 to August 11, 1938. This address is a five story apartment house which has recently changed hands and is now in the process of being converted into a rooming house. Only four tenants, who have lived at this address for six months or more, now remain in the building. There are only two stores, a grocery store and a butcher shop in the vicinity.

MRS. F. LIEBEZEIT, superintendent of the apartment house at 897 Crotona Park North, Bronx, for the past 1½ years, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that Subject Samuel Brody is unknown to her; that no one by the name of Brody has resided in this building since she has been there, and that the building has changed hands within the last six months and she has no knowledge of the whereabouts of her predecessor as superintendent.

The following persons were interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, and stated that Subject SAMUEL BRODY was unknown to them:

MRS. H. ROSENSTEIN, housewife, residing at 897 Crotona Park North, Bronx, for the past 8 years;

MRS. P. CALFOGLOU, housewife, residing at 897 Crotona Park North, Bronx, for the past year;

MR. ALBERT MILLER, residing at 897 Crotona Park North, Bronx, for the past six months;

MR. JOHN J. RYAN, Democratic election captain, residing at 897 Crotona Park North for the past 30 years. Mr. Ryan stated that he was certain no person named Brody had ever occupied any of the apartments in this building as a tenant and that if Subject Samuel Brody had ever lived at this address he apparently rented a room from one of the regular tenants.

MR. JOSEPH SCHECTER, proprietor of a grocery store at 877 Waterloo Place, Bronx, New York City, for the past 20 years.

MR. WILLIAM RELKIN, proprietor of a butcher shop at 877 Waterloo Place, Bronx, New York City, for the past 6 years.

WPA employment records show that Subject SAMUEL BRODY resided at 1887 Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, from August 11, 1938 to July 30, 1940.

MRS. R. GOLDMAN, housewife, residing at 1887 Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, for the past 7 years, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that she knew Subject Samuel Brody when he resided at this address but that she had never had any political or other discussions with him or observed any action of his which would indicate that he was sympathetic with Communism. Mrs. Goldman added, however, that Subject Brody's wife had told her that she had been in Russia recently, visiting relatives there.

CHARLES STEIMAN, superintendent, 1887 Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that he had been superintendent of these premises for the past three months. He advised that Subject Samuel Brody was unknown to him and that he had no knowledge of the present whereabouts of his predecessor as superintendent.

The following persons, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that Subject SAMUEL BRODY was unknown to them:

DAVID WEINGRAD, proprietor of a confectionery store and newstand at 1879 Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, for the past 9 years.

JOSEPH SHERMAN, grocery store clerk at 1881 Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, for the past 9 years.

JOSEPH MILLER, proprietor of the drug store at 176th Street and Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, for the past 8 years.

LOUIS GINSBERG, clerk in the drug store at 176th Street and Marmion Avenue, Bronx, New York City, for the past 10 years.

WPA employment records reveal that Subject SAMUEL BRODY has resided at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, since July 30, 1940. The building at this address is a five-story apartment house situated opposite Crotona Park in a neighborhood of large apartment house buildings. There are no stores in the vicinity.

MRS. JOHN LEITHEAD, superintendent of the apartment house at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, for the past 10 years,

interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that she knows Subject Samuel Brody who has lived here with his family for a little less than one year; that the Brodys are quiet people and satisfactory tenants; that she had never heard Subject Brody make any statement which would indicate Communistic sympathies; and that she herself removes the trash from Subject's apartment and that she has never noticed any copies of the "Daily Worker" or other Communistic papers, books or pamphlets in or around Subject's apartment or in the trash which she has removed from there.

MRS. C. WASSEMAN, housewife, residing in apartment C-3 at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, for the past nine years, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, declared that she knows Subject Samuel Brody, who resides in apartment D-4 at this address, slightly but that she has never had any conversation with him and knows of no reason to regard him as being sympathetic with Communism.

MRS. ETHEL KAUFMAN, housewife, residing at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, in apartment C-4 for the past 5 years, interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that she knows Subject Samuel Brody and his family, who reside in the apartment immediately above hers but that she is not on "speaking terms" with them because they recently complained about the noise which Mrs. Kaufman's children were making. Mrs. Kaufman said she knew of no reason to suspect that Subject Brody was interested in or sympathetic with Communism.

The following persons interviewed by Agent Ewing on June 12, 1941, stated that Subject Samuel Brody is unknown to them:

MRS. ROSE FRIMETH, student, residing in apartment C-8, 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, for the past four years.

MRS. M. GOLDMAN, housewife, residing at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, in apartment C-5, for the past five years.

A list of persons to whom the "Daily Worker" of March 19, 1941 and the "Sunday Worker" of March 23, 1941 were sent through the mails in New York City, was secured from a confidential source but did not contain the name of Subject.

A list of signers of Communist petitions circulated in New York City in 1939 and a few in 1940 for the purpose of nominating Communist candidates for certain elective offices, which list was compiled from such petitions by the office of John Brann, former WPA Administrative Assistant (now in the possession of Stephen Birmingham, investigator for the Dies Committee in New York City), was checked by Special Field Agent Salzman and Subject's name was not found in such list. A list of signers of Communist petitions circulated in New York

City in 1940 and 1941, which list was compiled by the New York City Criminal Alien Squad under the direction of Captain Donnelly, was checked and Subject's name was not found in said list. This list does not contain the names of all of the signers of petitions for 1940 and 1941, as the compilation has not yet been completed, only about 65% of the names of signers of such petitions have been compiled to date.

The files of the New York City Police Department, including the Criminal Alien Squad, have been examined and contain no information concerning Subject.

In the Education and Experience Record, form WPA-NYC-89, filed by Subject SAMUEL BRODY, and dated September 26, 1939, he lists as his previous employment prior to his assignment to WPA:

1929-1932 Library Publishers, 25 West 125th St., New York City. Publishers - Proof reader, photographer and make-up, \$45.00 per week. Out of business.

1932-1933 Leslie Bain Productions, Astoria, Long Island. Films. Still and movie cameraman - \$35.00 per week. Reason for leaving: termination of production.

RALPH DeSOLA, Id. #365177, WPA Junior Superintendent, residing at 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 16, 1941, advised Agent Cohen that the firm listed by Subject as Library Publishers is probably the Workers Library Publishers, Box 148, Station D, New York City. This firm, witness advises, has published every important pamphlet of the Communist Party and the Department of Justice has forced them to register as a foreign agent after indictment before a Grand Jury in Washington, D. C.

As for LESLIE BAIN, by whom Subject states that he was employed during 1932 and 1933, DeSola relates that he was a negro, who was formerly a member of the Communist Party and whose testimony appears in the Dies Committee hearings. Although he may not have joined the Party until some time after the date that Subject states that he was in his employ, DeSola declares that Bain was close to the Communist Party for some time prior to his membership therein.

CHARLES WHITE, Id. #372845, WPA Recreation Leader, residing at 24 West 118th Street, New York City, interviewed by Agent Cohen on June 12, 1941, advised that he had been a member of the Communist Party from 1929 to 1936, an organizer for the Party in New Jersey, Cincinnati, Ohio and in Harlem, a member of the National Committee of the Young Communist League, and a candidate for State Senator on the Communist

Party ticket in Harlem in 1934. He advised that the Library Publishers published exclusively for the Communist Party and Communist Party organizations during the period of his membership in the Party. This concern published manifestos, Marxian works, brochures by Earl Browder and James W. Ford, and pamphlets for the Workers School and had its distributing headquarters at the Workers Bookshop at 35 East 13th Street, New York City.

It is to be noted that the records of the WPA Record Information Unit, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, state that Subject resided at 2700 Bronx Park East, Bronx, New York, from 7/21/37 to 9/27/37.

RALPH DeSOLA and CHARLES WHITE advised that this address was during the period of Subject's occupancy thereof part of the Communist Workers Cooperative Houses project. During the period that he was a member of the Party, White asserts, he knew that this house was owned by the Communist Party and that that organization used individuals as nominal owners but actually the profits were collected by the Communist Party. DeSola advised that only members of the Communist Party, or those who were close to the Party, would be permitted to reside at that address.

The WPA Finance Division, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, advised that Subject SAMUEL BRODY was paid a total of \$1,014.30 since July 1, 1940.

Subject SAMUEL BRODY, Id. #84431, WPA Photographer, residing at 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York City, interviewed by Special Field Agents Jefferson B. Cohen and Louis B. Morgenstein on July 2 and July 14, 1941, stated (Exhibits 2 and 3) that he had signed the affidavit, WPA form 608, dated June 27, 1940 (Exhibit 1). He denied that he was a Communist or had ever been a member of the Communist Party. Subject admitted that he had been a member of the Film and Photo League about 10 or 12 years ago.

Brody denied that he had ever contributed to the "Daily Worker", "New Theatre" or the "New Masses", or that he had read either of these publications on any occasion during the past three or four years; that he had attended any Communist Party meetings or advocated the introduction of the Communist form of government into the United States. He further stated that he had never been a member of the Workers Alliance nor had he ever attended any meetings of this organization, nor had he picketed for any Union. He denied that he had solicited funds for the Spanish Loyalists.

Subject advised that he had been employed by Library Publishers, but denied any knowledge of how he secured his position with

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this firm or of the type of literature published by it. He admitted that he had been employed by Leslie Bain, but denied any knowledge of Bain's political affiliations, and stated that he merely did some work on a documentary film on Harlem produced by Bain.

INVESTIGATION COMPLETED

July 14, 1941.

EXHIBIT 1

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED on this
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DATE 7/21/00 BY SPICKLEY

ENCLOSURE

101-1408-1

AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED BY THE EMERGENCY RELIEF APPROPRIATION ACT FISCAL YEAR 1941

Samuel Brody
(Print name)

Identification No. 84451

Bx

N.Y.

Case No. _____

(City or town)

(State)

being an applicant for employment or an employee paid from funds appropriated to the Work Projects Administration, and being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I am a citizen of the United States.
2. That I am not a citizen but owe allegiance to the United States.
3. That I do not and will not advocate or hold membership in any organization that advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States.
4. And further, that I am not an alien, nor a Communist, nor a member of any Nazi Bund organization, and that I will not become a Communist or a member of any Nazi Bund organization during any time I may be paid from funds appropriated to the Work Projects Administration.

☒ (Check one only.)

WITNESS TO SIGNATURE: (Required only when person signs by mark.)

(Name)

(Address)

(Town)

(Name)

(Address)

(Town)

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NOTICE

Attention is directed to a provision in the RRA Act, fiscal year 1941, to the effect that any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud the United States Government makes any false statement in connection with any application for any employment or relief aid under the appropriations in the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and fined not more than \$2,000 or imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

(Signature of employee)

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this

27 day of June, 1940, at

110 King St. New

New York City

(Signature)

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Clerk, 746 Adm. 70 Cal. Ave.

(Title and address of official administering oath)

STATEMENT OF SAMUEL BRODY, ID. #84431,
WPA Photographer, residing at 1564 Crotona
Park East, Bronx, New York, to Special Field
Agents Jefferson B. Cohen and Louis B.
Morgenstein, Division of Investigation, WPA,
on July 2, 1941, in the New York Field Office.

Special Field Agents Cohen and Morgenstein presented their
credentials and properly identified themselves to Mr. Brody.

- Q. Your name is Samuel Brody and you were assigned to the
Federal Theatre Project in August, 1935
- A. I was assigned to the Theatre Project but can't remember
the date
- Q. Are you familiar with the nature of the charge that this
Division is investigating
- A. Yes, thoroughly, from people you have interviewed
- Q. Let me explain it further. The charge is that you falsified
an affidavit, WPA Form 608, dated June 27, 1940, in which you
swore that you are not a Communist. Is that clear
- A. Yes
- Q. I show you affidavit, WPA Form 608, dated June 27, 1940, and ask
you whether that is your signature which appears thereon
- A. (After examining 608 form) That is
- Q. Before you signed the affidavit did you read the contents thereof
- A. Yes I did
- Q. Did you understand it
- A. Yes, thoroughly
- Q. Did you know it contained the provision which stated "and
further that I am not an alien or a Communist"
- A. That's right
- Q. Did you swear to the contents thereof after you signed your name
- A. Yes

EXHIBIT 2

Q. Mr. Brody, are you a Communist
A. No, I am not

Q. Have you ever been a member of the Communist Party
A. I have never been and I am not a Member of the Communist Party

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Have you ever been a member of any fraction or "front" group of the Communist Party
A. I never have

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Were you not a member of the United American Artists fraction of the Communist Party
A. I never was

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Have you ever been a member of the Workers Alliance fraction of the Communist Party
A. No, I never was

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Were you ever a member of the Film and Photo League
A. Yes - about 12 years ago

Q. How long a period of time were you a member
A. A few months

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Where were the offices of the Film and Photo League at the time you were a member
A. I believe on Lexington Avenue - about 27 and 28th Street.

Q. When were you a member
A. 10 or 12 years ago - as I have said

Q. What type of organization was the Film Photo League
A. Amateur photography club

Q. Did this League have any connection with the Communist Party
A. Not that I know of. If there were I was never a part of any

Q. As a member of that League did you make any photographs at any time for the Communist Party.
A. I never made any pictures outside of personal snapshots while a member of that league. I came to that organization upon the recommendation of one of my fellow students at the New York Institute of Photography. I joined for the purpose of implementing my studies

- Q. Is it not true that the Film Photo League was a Communistically controlled organization
- A. All I can state is - to my knowledge - it was not
- Q. Mr. Brody, did you ever contribute to the "New Masses"
- A. Never have in my life
- Q. Did you ever contribute motion picture reviews to the "New Masses"
- A. No, never
- Q. Did you ever contribute to the "Daily Worker"
- A. Never
- Q. Did you ever contribute to either publication as an author or photographer
- A. No, neither
- Q. Did you ever contribute motion picture reviews under the name of Lens to the Daily Worker
- A. Never
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Are you familiar with the "Daily Worker" and "New Masses"
- A. I have seen those publications
- Q. Have you read the "Daily Worker" in the last 3 or 4 years
- A. No, I have not
- Q. On no occasion
- A. On no occasion
- Q. Is it not true that even within the last 3 or 4 months you have regularly brought the "Daily Worker" to the project
- A. It is not true
- Q. Do you know anything about ^{the} Lula Coker family
- A. I have never heard the name mentioned before

- Q. Let me refresh your recollection. The Lula Coker family were from South Carolina. The Communist Party was very much interested in getting publicity as to the conditions of this family in the "Daily Worker". Now is it not true that you were sent to Harlem to take pictures of the Lula Coker family at the same time that the members of the family were being interviewed by Mrs. Frankie Duty
- A. I have never heard of those names, and I have never been up to Harlem at any time
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Did you ever receive an assignment from the Communist Party to take any pictures
- A. No, not having been a member of the Communist Party and not being a member of that organization I have received no assignment from them or been delegated to do anything by them
- Q. Have you ever attended any Communist Party meetings
- A. Never in my life have I attended Communist Party meetings
- Q. Have you ever attended any fund raising parties of the Communist Party
- A. No. I have attended parties but if for the purpose of raising funds for the Communist Party it wasn't to my knowledge
- Q. Have you ever attended parties at which funds were raised
- A. I have attended parties - what the purpose of it was I don't know. I have never been to one especially knowing that funds were being raised
- Q. I don't think you quite understand my question. Have you ever attended parties at which funds were raised
- A. No, never
- Q. Did you ever praise the Communist form of government in conversation with people
- A. Never
- Q. Did you ever praise the treatment of the working classes in Soviet Russia
- A. I never have
- Q. Did you ever advocate the introduction of the Communist form of government into this country
- A. No, never

- Q. Have you ever studied Communism (by Agent Morgenstein)
- A. Never, I am not interested
- Q. Have you read any books on the history of Communism
- A. I have seen such books but never read them
- Q. Do you have in your possession at your apartment a book on the history of Communism
- A. No
- Q. Have you any Communist Party pamphlets at your apartment
- A. No
- Q. Is the "Daily Worker" ever delivered to your apartment
- A. Never
- Q. Have you ever purchased the "Daily Worker"
- A. Never. On occasion vendors have knocked at the door, sometimes on Sunday, but I have never purchased it
- Q. Are you a member of the Workers Alliance
- A. I am not and I never have been a member of the Workers Alliance
- Q. Are you a member of the United American Artists Union
- A. I am not and I have never been. I belong to no union
- Q. Have you ever marched in any picket lines
- A. I have never marched in any picket lines while on WPA
- Q. Have you ever marched in any picket lines at all
- A. I have never marched in any picket lines while on WPA, on any occasion, or elsewhere
- Q. Did you participate in the May Day parade of 1941
- A. No I did not - unless my recollection is very poor I worked in May, 1941
- Q. Did you march in the May Day parade of 1940
- A. I did not

- Q. Did you ever in conversation praise the Communist Party
- A. No, I never have praised the Communist Party in conversation
- Q. Did you ever in conversation condemn those opposed to the Communist Party
- A. I never did
- Q. Did you ever speak in defiance of the Capitalist system
- A. Never
- Q. Did you ever in any conversation justify the Russian invasion of Finland
- A. No
- Q. Do you believe it was justified
- A. I never expressed any beliefs in political matters whatsoever
- Q. Do you believe that Russia's alliance with Germany was justified
- A. I have no interest in foreign affairs
- Q. You say you marched in no picket lines at any time
- A. I have never marched in any picket lines
- Q. Did you ever march in protest against the suspension of eleven supervisors on the Art project
- A. Absolutely not
- Q. Did you ever make any statement in opposition to the investigation of Communism on the Art Project by John A. Brann, who was former WPA Administrative Assistant at 70 Columbus Ave.
- A. I have never heard of the name of John A. Brann. I have never spoken or said anything on the matter of suspensions to anyone at any time
- Q. Did you ever attend any meetings of the Workers Alliance
- A. I have never attended any meetings of the Workers Alliance. I have never belonged to that organization
- Q. Isn't it true that you frequently spoke at meetings of the Workers Alliance
- A. I have never in my life gotten up on any floor to make speeches with the Workers Alliance or anyone else

- Q. Isn't it true that at the Workers Alliance meeting you condemned a person who was attempting to secure membership in the organization and called him a Fascist because he condemned Soviet Russia as imperialistic
- A. I have never done such a thing in my life and I deny it absolutely and completely
- Q. Did you ever solicit contributions for the Abraham Lincoln Brigade or any other Spanish Loyalist group
- A. I have never solicited for any purpose
- Q. Are you a member of any organization at the moment
- A. At the moment absolutely none - union, political or any kind
- Q. Did you reside at 2700 Bronx Park East
- A. No I never have. My parents live there
- Q. When
- A. They still live there
- Q. How long have your parents resided there
- A. For many many years
- Q. What are the names of your parents
- A. Abraham Brody
- Q. Have you not resided with your parents at that address
- A. I have not resided at that address at any time. If my records so state they are incorrect. I have never resided there, or stated so on any application
- Q. You were employed by Library Publishers
- A. That's right
- Q. Where are they located
- A. Somewhere on East 125th Street, New York City
- Q. Is that the correct name
- A. I can't recall

- Q. Wasn't the full name the Workers Library Publishers
- A. I can't recall its too many years ago
- Q. How long did you work for that outfit
- A. About a year or so. I can't recall exactly. Maybe 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years.
- Q. In what capacity were you employed by Library Publishers
- A. Shipping clerk, proofreader, general handwork around the place, sweeping, cleaning up...
- Q. How did you secure your employment with Library Publishers
- A. I can't recall - someone's recommendation I think
- Q. Do you recall the recommendation
- A. No, I do not
- Q. Isn't it true, Mr. Brody, that every important pamphlet that the Communist Party has published has been published by Library Publishers
- A. I cannot say it is the truth. I worked there and limited myself to my duties there. Sweeping the floor and ...
- Q. You stated you were shipping clerk. In wrapping bundles you certainly observed what you were wrapping (question by Agent Morgenstein)
- A. I make it no particular business of mine to notice what goes on. I merely attend to my duties
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Could you help but notice what you were wrapping
- A. I couldn't recall at this moment what I wrapped 12 years ago
- Q. Isn't it a fact that they were bundles of pamphlets of the Communist Party
- A. I'm sorry I do not recall
- Q. You stated one of your duties was proofreading - isn't it a fact that they were pamphlets of the Communist Party which you proofread
- A. A proofreader will read a sheet in the most mechanical manner without paying any attention to the contents except technical errors

- Q. During the time you were employed there you do not recall any of the texts of any of the subject matter you reviewed
- A. I never read or reviewed any of the things I proofread. It is a purely mechanical process.
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Having been employed there for a period of one year, approximately, you had no knowledge of the fact that this outfit printed or published pamphlets of the Communist Party
- A. I had no knowledge of what was printed or published. I was interested only in my immediate functions - things to which I was assigned and my duties were so discharged
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) You were employed in a place of business over a period of a year or more and do not recall what type of business that place was
- A. As far as I know they were publishers
- Q. Publishers of what -- books, pamphlets
- A. As I recall generally speaking their literature ran all the way from novels to pamphlets of all sorts. All I was interested in was doing my work - whatever was assigned to me
- Q. Isn't it a fact that in order to obtain a position with the Workers Library you must be a member of the Communist Party and must be certified by the Communist Party to obtain the employment
- A. That cannot be so because I was never a member of the Communist Party and if that organization was connected with the Communist Party it is not a fact known to me
- Q. Can you explain, Mr. Brody, how you would be the one exception to the Communist rule
- A. If that is true you will have to ask them
- Q. Mr. Brody, you state in your Education and Experience Record that you were employed by Leslie Bain productions
- A. That's right
- Q. Do you know Leslie Bain
- A. Yes
- Q. Was he a member of the Communist Party
- A. I don't know if he was; I knew nothing of his political affiliations

- Q. Your employment by Leslie Bain productions had nothing to do with whether or not you were a member of the Communist Party
- A. I was never a Communist Party member in my life. My relations with Mr. Bain were purely technical. He employed me at a salary and that was that
- Q. In what capacity
- A. Technical assistant
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) What were your duties
- A. I changed lens, unloaded various ~~ph~~ equipment, took stock to the laboratory
- Q. What type of moving pictures were you producing
- A. I was not producing any pictures. I was employed by Mr. Bain who was producing a documentary film on Harlem entitled Harlem Sketches
- Q. What was the nature of that film
- A. Based on my knowledge it was a newsreel of shots taken in Harlem over a period of several years
- Q. Was that film released to any particular agency
- A. One screening of the film was given at the School of Social Research to an invited audience
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Where were you born
- A. London, England - January 6, 1907
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Are you a citizen
- A. I am a citizen of the United States. I was naturalized through my father. My father was naturalized in New York City. I don't remember the date - - 10 or 12 years ago.
- Q. Have You any knowledge, Mr. Brody, of Communist activities on the part of any employee on WPA and, if so, would you give this department that information
- A. If I had such knowledge and I thought it to the interest of the United States and WPA I would quickly volunteer that information

- Q. If you had any knowledge of the Communist Party, its meeting places, its members or activities would you give that information to the investigators of this division
- A. I would if I were requested
- Q. Have you any knowledge at all of the Communist Party or of its activities
- A. Absolutely not. Only superficial contacts such as people knocking at my door selling pamphlets, the "Daily Worker" being sold in the street. I have no connection or knowledge of the Communist Party.
- Q. Is any other member of your family named Samuel Brody
- A. No
- Q. Is there, to your knowledge, any other person in the city who has the same name and is engaged in the same occupation as yourself
- A. Not to my knowledge. I know there are several Samuel Brodys ...
- Q. Mr. Brody, I want to be fair and that is why I'm asking you if you can explain how it is that this division in making an investigation of your case has secured statements from people who were formerly on the staff of the "New Masses" and the "Daily Worker" who have told us that you were employed on these publications. Is there any possible explanation
- A. I have no explanation whatsoever
- Q. Did you ever sign any nominating petitions to place the name of a Communist Party candidate on the ballot
- A. I do not recall any such occasion - signing any such petition. I can only recall being approached and I did not sign - certainly not in the last 12 or 15 years
- Q. Did you ever register as a vote under the Communist Party emblem
- A. I have never registered as a voter of the Communist Party ~~emblem~~ in my life
- Q. Have you ever voted for any Communist Party candidate
- A. I never have voted for a Communist Party candidate
- Q. Do you wish to make any statement Mr. Brody
- A. Nothing special except what I have answered and I repeat what I have said that I have never been and I am not a member of the Communist Party and on no occasion have I ever expressed any subversive

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A. (cont'd.) opinions or discussed politics with anyone on WPA or anywhere; that for the years I have been on the WPA I have carried out ~~in~~ all my work conscientiously and I intend to continue doing so. That's about all.

The foregoing testimony
was taken and transcribed by
Olga L. Forte,
WPA Stenographer.

FURTHER STATEMENT OF SAMUEL BRODY,
ID. #84431, WPA Photographer, residing at
1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York, to
Special Field Agents Jefferson B. Cohen and
Louis B. Morgenstein, Division of Investigation,
WPA, on July 14, 1941, in the New York Field
Office.

- Q. Mr. Brody, you recall that at the time I spoke with you on July 2, 1941, I asked you the following question: "Mr. Brody, did you ever contribute to the New Masses" and your answer was "I never have in my life." In the issue of New Masses dated September, 1930, Samuel Brody is listed as one of the contributing editors of this publication, and in the same issue under the heading "Movies" there appears the name Samuel Brody as the person who conducts that column; furthermore, in the same issue of New Masses there is published a book review by Samuel Brody of a work entitled "Nouvelle Age Litteraire" by Harry Poulaille, and this book review was contributed by Samuel Brody. In the light of this, Mr. Brody, do you want to change your answer to that question
- A. I will not change any answer. I flatly deny any knowledge of such articles
- Q. You were not a contributing editor
- A. I was not a contributing editor of the New Masses
- Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Did you ever allow anyone to use your name
- A. I allowed nothing and I know nothing
- Q. Have you ever heard of Samuel Brody being an editor....
- A. I have previously answered that question. I have not known anyone by the name of Samuel Brody and know nothing about it appearing anywhere
- Q. In the New Masses of November, 1930, there is a review by Samuel Brody of a book entitled "ABC of Television", by R. F. Yates, and that book review was not contributed by you
- A. No
- Q. At no time did you contribute any article to the New Masses
- A. Correct

EXHIBIT 3

Q. Were you ever associated with the New Theatre Magazine

A. No

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Have you ever contributed any articles to any magazines of any kind

A. No

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Have you ever been an editor of a motion picture column

A. No

Q. Did you ever do any writing at all

A. No. Except for the project

Q. What project

A. This project

Q. The Art Project

A. Yes

Q. What writing did you do for the project

A. Writing little notes and outlines for the work I was assigned to do

Q. Were you ever connected in any way with the Writers Project

A. I was on the Writers Project as a photographer

Q. How long a period

A. Two years I think. I don't recall exactly

Q. Did you do any writing at that time

A. No, I was a photographer

Q. As a photographer what publications of the Writers Project did you contribute to

A. None. I was a photographer

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) What were your duties, as a photographer, on the Writers Project

A. Going on assignments and getting photographs

Q. Were any of your photographs used in any of the publications of the Writers Project

A. I believe they were. In a book called "Italians in New York" or "New York Panorama" - I don't remember which one.

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Is there any explanation for your name being used in that particular magazine mentioned

A. I have no explanation of anything. I am answering questions and I am not making explanations. I am merely answering the questions you ask me

Q. You stated you were connected in no manner with the New Theatre magazine

A. That is correct

Q. In the February, 1934, issue of the New Theatre magazine there appears an article by Samuel Brody on the Revolutionary Film Problem of Form - you contributed that article

A. No

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) I understand from the answer you gave my previous question that if you had knowledge of the Samuel Brody whom we are asking you about and whose name appears in these magazines that you would refuse that information to this division

A. I do not understand the question

Q. (repeated) I understand from the answer you gave my previous question that if you had knowledge of the Samuel Brody whom we are asking about and whose name appears in these magazines - that you would refuse that information to this division

A. I made no such statement. That is a distortion of any answer of mine. I stated at the last inquiry when I was here - I stated if I had any information about anything which I thought was detrimental to the interest of the project or my country I would not only give those answers but also volunteer the information. I stand on that statement

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) If you had knowledge of this Samuel Brody whose name appears in these magazines would you give that information to this division

to
A. That is implied in my answer/the other question. Certainly I would.

Q. In the New York Times of May 19, 1930, there is a protest against what the signers term the "Red Scare" and one of the signers of the protest is Samuel Brody. Did you sign that protest

A. No

Q. Were you ever in France

A. Certainly I was

Q. Were you a member of the Communist Party in France

A. No. My nerves after all these months are beginning to be weary of this continuous humiliation. The project workers know all about it and they think I am a Communist. I am laboring under terrific pressure and I am a nervous wreck. I have three dependents and worrying and wondering about this questioning and this investigation is impairing my health. I am not and I have never been and I will never be a member of the Communist Party and again I repeat I am laboring under terrific pressure. The questions are being asked in a police-like manner by two agents on both sides of me and a stenographer present taking notes. I am reaching a nerve-straining point. I was disturbed this morning from a creative assignment ~~in~~ of work. I am answering all these questions therefore under protest

Q. (by Agent Morgenstein) Mr. Brody, if your name appears or if the name of Samuel Brody appears in all these publications and appears on record as much as it does - certainly you want to clear that up as much as we want to

A. I will clear nothing. I will only answer questions which are put to me. I am not here to clear anything, but answer questions which I will do and continue to do.

Q. Mr. Brody, this division operates on the basis of complaints. Several members, former member, of the Communist Party who knew you on the project and who were members until very recently have stated that you were a member of the Communist Party. Its up to us to make a thorough investigation of that charge which we have done. We feel badly if your nerves are shattered by it but the investigation has been made in view of the fact that you signed an affidavit, WPA Form 608, and that is the reason for our present investigation and your reason for being here.

Q. (continued from preceding page) Some of the witnesses stated you were connected with the New Masses; they knew you at the time, they state, you were connected with the Daily Worker and that you are the same person affiliated with these publications

A. I have no concern of any such testimony or interest in it. I stand on everything I have said here.

Q. Mr. Brody, is there anything you wish to say

A. This entire investigation is a farce. You haven't a leg to stand on. I have a good reputation on the project among my co-workers. I have two children depending upon me for support and they are both as good Americans as I am or you or anyone else you will find anywhere.

The foregoing testimony
was taken and transcribed by
Olga L. Forte,
WPA Stenographer.

August 15, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER,
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Evidence has been received from the Work Projects Administration indicating that the following named former Work Projects Administration employees falsified when they executed a required affidavit to the effect that they were not Communists or members of a Nazi-Bund. If your files contain any pertinent information as to these subjects, it will be appreciated if a copy of such information be transmitted to the Department and that a copy be transmitted by your office directly to the office of the United States Attorney.

NAME	FILE NO.	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
Samuel Brody	117-51-216	1564 Crotona Park East Bronx, New York	Photographer
Marya Neer	117-51-217	2623 Beach 137th St. Belle Harbor, Long Island, New York	Teacher
John E. McCall	117-43-56	1211 Hitt Street Joplin, Missouri	Laborer
David A. Cones	117-43-55	1121 Roosevelt Rd. Joplin, Missouri	Laborer
Russell G. Collings	117-43-54	202 N. Michigan Ave. Joplin, Missouri	Laborer
Ollie Broce	117-58-31	2252 South 5th St. Columbus, Ohio	Laborer
Louis Ribak	117-51-215	34 East 21st St. New York, New York	Artist
Adolf Wolff	117-51-218	47 East 12th St. New York, New York	Sculptor

Respectfully,

WENDELL BERGE
Assistant Attorney General

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL WENDELL BERGE

Reference is made to your memorandum dated August 26, 1941, attaching your memoranda dated August 2, August 5, August 8, and August 15, 1941, and to your memorandum dated August 29, 1941, requesting pertinent information contained in the Bureau's files regarding certain former Work Projects Administration employees who reportedly falsified when they executed required affidavits that they were not Communists.

A review of the files reveals that information concerning Harry A. Berry, John E. McCall, Sam Atwell, David A. Cones, John W. Stewart, Russell G. Collings, Chris Apel, Roy M. Keltner, and Clarence E. Mitchell, has been previously furnished in memorandum form to Mr. Roger J. Bounds, Director, Division of Investigation, Federal Works Agency, Work Projects Administration, Washington, D. C. Copies of these memoranda were furnished to Honorable Matthew F. McGuire, Assistant to the Attorney General, under a cover memorandum dated April 3, 1941.

At the present time, a great many requests are being made upon this Bureau for information contained in its files. The stenographic and administrative forces of the Bureau are being taxed to capacity. Therefore, to avoid duplication of work, no additional memoranda are being submitted in those instances where it appears previous memoranda have been furnished unless there is some new information available.

It also appears that copies of the investigative reports of the Work Projects Administration have been furnished to the Criminal Division of the Department. The information contained in these reports and information obtained from the Work Projects Administration by other means is not being included in the enclosed memoranda which contain summaries of the pertinent information in the Bureau's files regarding the subjects of your inquiries. Extra copies of the memoranda are enclosed to be transmitted to the proper United States Attorneys.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Foxworth _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
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Memorandum for Assistant
Attorney General Wendell Berge

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No pertinent information is available with respect to the following persons: Marya Neer, August Grell, Mike Fuzer, Fred M. Yale, Esther Schorr, Hyman Hodes, Daniel J. Coleman, Edward P. McMullen, Larry Brooks, and John Krzyzak.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

September 29, 1941

MEMORANDUM

RE: SAMUEL BRODY

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Information has been received from a confidential source that on March 3, 1922, Samuel Brody received a \$22.00 check from the Russian Red Cross in America drawn on a New York City bank. (61-897-49; the Colonial Branch of the Equitable Trust Company)

Walter S. Steele, in his testimony before the Special Committee on un-American Activities, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on August 17, 1938, introduced evidence which indicated that on May 19, 1930, Samuel Brody was one of the individuals signing a statement which appeared in the New York Times in protest against the "red scare". Many of the persons signing the statement were said to be members of the American Civil Liberties Union which is reportedly Communistically controlled. The above information was placed before the Committee in connection with Steele's testimony in regard to the John Reed Club which was said to be a revolutionary organization composed of artists and writers in the United States. It was reportedly organized by Communists and the members at that time were carrying on a campaign denouncing attacks on Communists. (Vol. 1, Dies report, page 558)

Mr. Steele also introduced evidence before the Special Committee which indicated that one Sam Brody was one of the contributing editors to the "New Theater" which was said to be the organ of the agitational and propagandist theatrical and cinema movement and was said to be a Communist-controlled publication. (Vol. 1, Dies report, p. 540)

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In January, 1941, Samuel Brody, 416 East Ferry Street, Buffalo, New York, stated that he was Executive Secretary of the Workmen's Circle which is a Jewish fraternal organization and social group organized under the insurance laws as a mutual benefit organization. It is reported that Communists have attempted to enter the organization but it is said that only a few have succeeded in doing so. However, it has been reported that branches of the Workmen's Circle in other cities contain a number of Communists in their membership. (100-5670-29; A.A. Humphrey of the Frontier Metal Trades Ass'n.; Murray Mallon, Buffalo, NY)

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In August, 1941, information was received that Burton Brody, alias Bert Brody, is the son of Samuel Brody, 305 Avon Avenue, Newark, New Jersey. He was born August 4, 1921, in Tottenville, New York, and was very active in Communist work while a student at the University of Illinois. He was also said to be a member of the American Student Union at the University. (100-39984; Sgt. John J. O'Neill, Ill. St. Hgway Maintenance Pol. Dept; Fred H. Turner, Dean of Men, U.

There is no additional information available to indicate of Ill., that the above information concerns the subject of your inquiry. Urbana.

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**Motion Pictures For
Progressive Organizations**

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

I believe that Samuel Sillen's Hollywood series represent the first serious thinking on the problem in many a moon. And this is all the more reason why I must call your attention to a "boner" in the second article of the series entitled, "Films to Order Offer Broad Possibilities".

The article in question begins by discussing "the untapped possibilities of the film medium for trade union and political education" and reports the activities of United Productions of America in the field of "cartoon strip films".

Now, nowhere in this article does Sillen trouble to clarify the important fact that film strip cartoons are NOT motion picture films. I am not underestimating the value of film strip cartoons any more than I am any of the other media usually classified under the loose heading of "visual education". But the distinction must be made to avoid confusion in our own minds as to what we are talking about when we consider the "broad possibilities" of the respective media.

In light of this distinction, for instance, four thousand dollars, which can be considered a reasonable cost for a motion picture film, becomes a prohibitive sum for a cartoon film strip as far as labor organizations are concerned except in the most exceptional cases.

Furthermore, we are on solid ground in questioning the policy for working class organizations of falling back on cold-turkey commercial outfits ready to produce films "for the Chamber of Commerce as well as for the United Automobile Workers." The investment is nothing short of staggering in relation to most trade unions' and progressive organizations' educational budgets.

I believe the main emphasis in this vital question must remain on film production within and by the labor organizations themselves, at least until such time as these same organizations shall have developed solid professional independent set-ups able to produce progressive films with both feet on the progressive side of the fence rather than one foot in the trade unions and the other in the Chamber of Commerce.

SAMUEL BRODY

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEWARK

FILE NO. 100-33527 JHO

REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 3/14/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/2, 21/49 2/20, 21, 23, 24, 27/50	REPORT MADE BY TROY COLEMAN
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was. Sam Brody, Sam Broady, Samuel A. Brody			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Informants advised subject offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of the Communist Party of N.J. DAVID GAGE, Nashanic, N.J., advised his former wife, MARILYN GAGE BRODY and her husband, SAM BRODY, were communists. Subject employed by Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, N.J., until 9/23/49 as photography instructor. Subject an associate of JUAN EMMONUELLI, Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party. E. W. MEIDMAN, Chief Instructor, Central Institute, advised BRODY undoubtedly radical in his beliefs. Subject's description set out.			
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<p>DETAILS: This investigation was predicated upon information furnished by Confidential Informant Newark T-1, of known reliability, who advised on September 2, 1949, that one SAM BRODY had offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey Communist Party at Newark, New Jersey. BRODY advised DEAN that he was willing to do anything and that he could be reached at the Central Institute in Newark, New Jersey. BRODY further advised DEAN that he could get one WANNAWELLEN (PH), County Organizer, to vouch for him.</p> <p>On June 6, 1949, Mr. DAVID GAGE, Pilfour Farms, Nashanic, New Jersey, advised the Newark Office that he believed his former wife was a member of the Communist Party. GAGE advised he had married MARILYN LEIGHTON in May, 1942, and as a result of the marriage one child, LEIGHTON DAVID GAGE, was born in 1943.</p> <p>GAGE explained that subsequent to his divorce from MARILYN LEIGHTON he remarried and that within the past year he and his present wife HARRIET have had several contacts with MARILYN in order to</p>			
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arrange the custody of the child. GAGE related that during these contacts MARILYN has stated that she is presently married to one SAM BRODY of New York City. According to GAGE, BRODY who is known to them only as a school teacher in New York was described by MARILYN as being a Communist Party member in New York and very active in the Communist Party work there.

GAGE further stated that MARILYN told him that she herself is a Communist Party member in New York under another name, and that she attends party meetings there three times weekly. She further indicated that due to the Communist Party activity of her husband she is unable to live with him as man and wife in New York City and is presently living with her mother in Rahway, New Jersey.

GAGE stated that when the child came to his home from MARILYN's the child's belongings contained a booklet entitled "Marxist Study Series (First Course) Theory and Practice of the Communist Party." Handwritten notes that were contained in the booklet are, according to GAGE, in the hand of his former wife MARILYN.

Mr. JOSEPH P. DOUGHERTY, Director of the Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, advised Special Agent JOHN P. DEVLIN on September 21, 1949; that SAMUEL BRODY had been employed by that institute as a photography instructor since March 25, 1948. A questionnaire executed by BRODY reflected the following information:

Age: 41 years
Residence: 21 East 108th Street, New York City.
Education: Elementary and early high school grades in Paris, France. Townsend Harris High School, New York City, from which he graduated in 1926. Sorbonne University, Paris, France, 1928 to 1930. University of Virginia and City College of New York City, where he took special courses in visual arts and languages.
Employment: Teacher at Hollywood Evening High School, Hollywood, California, 1937 to 1939. Lansdowne Studios, 2016 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California, 1935 to 1939. Staff Photographer for "Women's Reporter" in Los Angeles, California, 1940 to 1942. Shearline Studios, 841 North McCaden Place, Hollywood, California, 1943 to 1946.

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Marzuez Studios, 1751 Lexington Avenue, New York City;
July, 1946, to February, 1947;
Editor for "Experimental Cinema" magazine;
American Correspondent for "Close", a united press
magazine in Switzerland.
Film maker of "Of These Our People"
"Fighting Beta"
"Camp Echo"

References:

LUIS LEISER, 839 North McCaden Place, Hollywood,
California.
PHILIP BONOSKY, in care of Radio Reporter, Daily News
Building, New York City.
PETER NEEL, Atco, New Jersey.
ESTHER WITFOGEL, 429 Riverside Drive, New York City.
ALICE NEEL, 406 Monmouth Avenue, Atco, New Jersey.
IRENE STRAUSS, 258 West 73rd Street, New York City.

Mr. DOUGHERTY advised that the subject's employment at the Central
Institute had been terminated as of September 23, 1949, and that he understood
the subject planned to go to Mexico.

Confidential Informant Newark T-2, of known reliability, advised that
in 1948 JUAN EMANUELLI, head of the Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party,
went to an apartment located at 21 East 108th Street, apartment 6, New York
City, occupied by one SAM BRODY, ALICE NEEL, and the latter's mother. Newark T-2
advised that this apartment was one of the Communist Party main "storage places
in Harlem." The purpose of the visit to the apartment was to obtain copies of
the booklet "The Crime of El Fangito" by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

It is noted that WILLIAM Z. FOSTER is the National Chairman of the
Communist Party, U.S.A., and one of the twelve persons indicted in New York
City for advocating the overthrow of the United States Government by force and
violence. It is noted that the name ALICE NEEL also appears as a reference in
the above quoted personnel questionnaire at Central Institute, Newark, New
Jersey. It is also noted that the name JUAN EMANUELLI, mentioned above, may
be identical with the EMANUELLI (PH) listed by Newark T-1 as a County Organizer.

Confidential Informant Newark T-3, another United States Government
Agency which conducts personnel investigations, advised that the 1934 issue of
"New Theater" reflects that one SAMUEL BRODY taught in the First Workers Film
School in America with headquarters at the "Film and Photo League of the Workers
International Relief", 116 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

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The "New Theater" was cited as a Communist Party publication by the Special Committee on UnAmerican Activities report dated March 29, 1944. It is noted that the Film and Photo League was cited as a "communist front for revolutionary films" which eventually merged into a new organization, "The New Film Alliance," by the California Committee of UnAmerican Activities report of 1948.

Confidential Informant Newark T-4, another United States Government Agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that one SAMUEL BRODY was associated with the "New Theater Guild" and was reliably reported to be very close to the Communist Party. Newark T-4 did not identify the "New Theater Guild."

Through investigation it was determined that Mrs. EUGENE LEIGHTON, 509 Hamilton Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, is the mother of MARILYN GAGE BRODY, alleged wife of SAM BRODY. Mrs. EUGENE LEIGHTON advised that SAM BRODY is no longer teaching "at that photography school in Newark." She stated she knew very little concerning her son-in-law and advised that she was not aware when or where her daughter MARILYN and SAM BRODY were married. She stated, however, that she believes SAM BRODY is presently working on a ship enroute to California and was to be joined by MARILYN in the near future. Mrs. LEIGHTON concluded that she believed SAM BRODY was from Pasadena, California.

Mr. H. W. MEIDMAN, Chief Instructor, Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, advised on February 23, 1950, that he was acquainted with SAM BRODY while BRODY was a photography instructor at Central Institute. MEIDMAN advised that it was necessary to ask BRODY to resign as an instructor due to his inability to get along with the other instructors and pupils. MEIDMAN advised that although he could remember nothing specific BRODY was undoubtedly radical in both his beliefs and activities.

He stated he had learned through conversations with some of the other Central Institute instructors that BRODY had discussed the Peekskill Riot and had defended PAUL ROBESON as a great artist who should not be subjected to such treatment. MEIDMAN could not identify his source of this information.

The concert at Peekskill, New York, in September, 1949, was sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress which was cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835. It is noted that at the above-mentioned Peekskill concert there were demonstrations and rioting.

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According to an article in the Newark Evening News, Newark, New Jersey daily newspaper dated September 6, 1949, VINCENT J. MCYLE, head of the Associated Veterans Committee which sponsored the protest demonstration at the Peekskill concert said ROBESON's "storm troopers" were to blame for the disorders.

The August, 1936, issue of "Soviet Russia Today" carried an article written by BEN DAVIS, JR. covering DAVIS' interview with PAUL ROBESON. DAVIS quotes ROBESON as saying, "The Soviet Union is the only country I've ever been in where I feel completely at ease. I've lived in England and America and I've almost circled the globe but for myself, wife, and son the Soviet Union is our future home."

During April, 1944, Confidential Informant Newark T-5, of known reliability, advised that PAUL ROBESON was a Communist Party member under the name of JOHN THOMAS.

Mr. WEIDMAN advised also that BRODY telephonically contacted him and his wife on September 23 and 24, 1949, and threatened their lives because of BRODY's requested resignation as an instructor at Central Institute. WEIDMAN advised he had complained to the Englewood, New Jersey Police Department, and had asked for protection. WEIDMAN advised that the subject has a brother named LOU BRODY in Los Angeles, California. WEIDMAN also advised that BRODY had a woman acquaintance whose given name was MARILYN and that she resided near 64 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

DAVID GAGE advised Special Agent REGINALD C. VINCENT on February 24, 1950, that one WILLIAM SHEELY, National Air Lines, Air Line Terminal Building, 80 East 42nd Street, New York City, who is personally acquainted with MARILYN GAGE BRODY, advised him, GAGE, that in 1948 he had seen MARILYN accompanied by three men, purchase air line tickets for Cuba. GAGE also advised that MARILYN has an uncle, IRVING TATE, who resides on St. George Street, Linden, New Jersey.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater Newark Incorporated, 24 Branford Place, Newark, New Jersey, dated July 5, 1949, reflect that SAMUEL A. BRODY, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, has resided at that address for the past twelve years renting a five-room apartment. It indicates he was a satisfactory tenant and well liked in the neighborhood. The records reflect that he was employed as a photography instructor at Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey; and was formerly employed by IRVING BEEKER, 480 Lexington Avenue, New York City; and Horizon Films, New York City. The name ALICE NEEL was also noted on the record.

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The records of the Englewood, New Jersey Police Department, reflect that Mr. H. W. MEIDMAN, 151 Sherwood Place, Englewood, New Jersey, had submitted a complaint to that police department alleging that one SAM BRODY had telephonically contacted Mr. MEIDMAN and threatened the lives of Mr. MEIDMAN and his family. The complaint also reflected that MEIDMAN requested the Englewood Police Department to afford he and his family protection. The complaint was assigned to Detective GEORGE TINES, Englewood, New Jersey Police Department.

Detective TINES advised that BRODY was never seen in Englewood, New Jersey, and that nothing further was heard from MEIDMAN.

Confidential Informants Newark T-6 and T-7, of known reliability, advised that neither SAM BRODY nor his wife MARILYN GAGE BRODY were known to them.

The following is a description of SAM BRODY as given to the Englewood, New Jersey Police Department by Mr. MEIDMAN:

Age:	About 40 years
Height:	5' 11"
Hair:	Black and bushy
Eyes:	Black
Complexion:	Dark
Peculiarities:	Hooked nose and protruding cheek bones.
Marital Status:	Married
Children:	Three or four children.

It is noted that MEIDMAN subsequently added that SAM BRODY was an exceptionally intelligent and well-educated person who is extremely nervous.

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The information received on June 6, 1949, from DAVID GAGE, Pilfour Farms, Nashanic, New Jersey, was taken from Newark file 100-32941 entitled, "Mrs. SAM BRODY, nee Muriel M. Leighton, aka Mrs. David Gage, Marilyn Gage; SECURITY MATTER - C."

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LEADS

THE NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will ascertain the subject's present residence and employment (noting that last known address was 21 East 108th Street, apartment 6).

Will obtain subject's photograph and complete description and forward it to the Newark Office.

Will consider advisability of recontacting Confidential Informant Newark T-2 in an effort to ascertain communist activities of the subject and MARILYN GAGE BRODY.

Will interview WILLIAM SHEELY, National Air Lines, Air Lines Terminal Building, 80 East 42nd Street, relative to MARILYN BRODY purchasing tickets to Cuba in 1948. Interview for the purpose of determining the identity of the persons who reportedly accompanied MARILYN to Cuba. (SHEELY apparently will know MARILYN BRODY by her first marriage name, MARILYN GAGE.)

THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Will through the subject's employment ascertain the subject's background and complete description and communist activities.

Will obtain the subject's photograph and forward it to the Newark Office.

AT PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

Will through sources of information and Confidential National Defense Informants ascertain the subject's communist activities.

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THE RICHMOND OFFICE

AT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

Will at the University of Virginia verify the subject's attendance and obtain any background information. (Subject apparently attended the University of Virginia prior to 1930.)

THE NEWARK OFFICE

AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Will attempt to ascertain subject's whereabouts and employment.

INFORMANTS

T-1 is [REDACTED]

T-2 is [REDACTED] in the report of Special Agent RUSSELL S. GARNER entitled, "Communist Party, U.S.A., District 2, New York Office; INTERNAL SECURITY - C" dated December 16, 1948, at New York.

T-3 is the investigative file of IRVING LERNER at the Civil Service Commission, Washington and Christopher Streets, New York City.

T-4 is information furnished by ONI, Third Naval District, (dates not indicated).

The information furnished by Newark T-3 and T-4 was taken from New York letter to Newark dated November 7, 1949, entitled, "Mrs. SAM E. RODY, nee Marilyn Leighton, was., SECURITY MATTER C" (Newark file 100-32941.)

T-5 is ANNA ADDISON.

T-6 is [REDACTED]

T-7 is [REDACTED]

Newark T-6 and T-7 were contacted by Special Agent FRANK M. RAISBECK on February 23, 1950.

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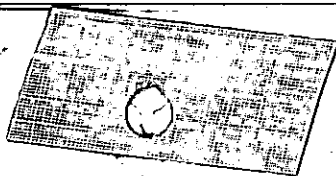
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Director, FBI

SAMUEL BRODY, was.

SECURITY MATTER - C

(Your file 100-33527)

(Bureau file 101-1408)

EX-20

Rerep of SA Troy Coleman dated March 14, 1950, at Newark.

For the completion of your file in this matter, you are being furnished herewith a photostatic copy of an investigative report dated July 22, 1941, prepared by the Work Projects Administration.

In view of subject's background and activities in the Communist Party, you should consider recommending the preparation of a Security Index card.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEWARK

FILE NO. 100-7967

REPORT MADE AT RICHMOND	DATE WHEN MADE 5/2/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/6/50	REPORT MADE BY DAVID J. MURPHY, JR. DJM:GL
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No record of BRODY's attendance at University of Virginia or at summer school or in Extension Division. No credit or criminal record at Charlottesville, Va.

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DETAILS:

AT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Mrs. E. F. PATTERSON, Registrar's Office, University of Virginia, after a search of their records advised that there is no record of any person bearing the same name of subject or his aliases as having been in attendance at this University.

Miss ANNE BRYDON, Registrar, Summer School, University of Virginia, advised that there is no record of the subject as having been in attendance at the Summer School.

Mr. C. A. VERNER, Head of the Extension Division, University of Virginia, advised that he does not have any record of the subject as having taken a course with the University through one of their extensions.

Mrs. C. D. HENSHAW, Retail Merchants Association, Charlottesville, Virginia, advised that there is no record of the subject in their files.

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Sergeant T. H. ADAMS, Charlottesville Police Department, advised that there is no arrest record for the subject with this Department.

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RH 100-7967

REFERENCE: Report of SA TROY COLEMAN, dated 3/14/50 at Newark.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEWARK

FILE NO. 100-32172

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 5/22/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/22,23,28;4/10,11,17,18,26,27;5/9-11,15,17/50	REPORT MADE BY KENNETH R. MERRILL ST
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was.		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject was born January 1, 1909 or 1910 in London, England; entered the United States in 1920 or 1921. Subject has lived in East with exception of two visits to Los Angeles, California since entering the United States; has never worked in the Los Angeles area. Subject is unknown to informants of Los Angeles area. No criminal or credit record located. Description set forth.

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DETAILS:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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PERSONAL HISTORY

Name

SAMUEL BRODY

Residence

Pretext interview with **LOUIS BRODY**, 839 North McCadden Place, Hollywood, California, subject's brother, on May 10, 1950 reflected that about

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six years ago subject resided at 64 West 118th Street, New York City, New York. LOUIS BRODY advised he had no knowledge of any other resident addresses for subject, nor did he know of his present whereabouts.

Employment

Available sources failed to reflect such an address as 2016 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California. Pretext interviews at 2014, 2016, 2016¹/₂, 2020 and 2022 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California failed to reflect that LANSLOWNE STUDIOS ever existed at 2016 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Available sources failed to reflect an address for or existence of "Women's Reporter."

~~Subject's~~ ^{MRS}brother LOUIS BRODY advised their parents, ABRAHAM and SOPHIE ~~BRODY~~, reside at 841 North McCadden Place, Hollywood, California, and that subject never operated any type of studio at this address.

Citizenship

Subject was born January 1, 1909 or 1910 in London, England according to LOUIS BRODY, subject's brother.

Background

Pretext interview with subject's brother LOUIS BRODY reflected the following:

Subject and LOUIS are the only children in the family, both born in London, England to ABRAHAM and SOPHIE BRODY. The entire family came to the United States about 1920 or 1921 and settled in New York. Subsequently LOUIS, his father and mother came to Los Angeles, California. Subject remained in the East. Subject first came to Los Angeles, California in 1941 or 1942 and again in 1948 or 1949, both times for short visits with his parents, who presently reside at 841 North McCadden Place, Hollywood, California, and have resided at this address for many years. To the best of LOUIS BRODY's knowledge, subject has never been employed on the west coast and has always worked and lived in the East, with the exception of the two short visits to Los Angeles.

^{MRS}About six years ago ~~LOUIS BRODY~~ married the daughter of ~~LOUIS~~ and ~~SALLY LEISER~~ and that they presently reside with the LEISERS at 839 North McCadden Place, Hollywood. ^{MRS}

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LOUIS BRODY pointed out that he has never been particularly friendly with his brother, stating that when he was in New York two years ago on business he did not even bother to look him up. LOUIS stated that due to the fact that his brother has lived and worked in the East most of his life, he cannot furnish any information regarding any of his (subject's) employments, residences, activities or associates.

Credit and Criminal

No criminal or credit record could be located on any known member of the subject's family in the files of the Identification Divisions of the Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, or in the files of the Retail Merchants Credit Association.

ACTIVITIES

T-1, who is generally cognizant of Communist activities within the Los Angeles area for the years 1930 through 1939, T-2 and T-3, all of known reliability, advised they had no information regarding SAMUEL BRODY.

T-4, of known reliability, advised that LOUIS BRODY, 839 North McCadden Place, Hollywood, California, as of May, 1947, was a subscriber to the "Daily Peoples World." The "Daily Peoples World" is a West Coast Communist publication.

DESCRIPTION

The following is a physical description of subject according to LOUIS BRODY, subject's brother:

Age	40 or 41
Born	January 1, 1909 or 1910
	London, England
Sex	Male
Race	White
Weight	180
Height	5' 9" to 5' 10"
Hair	Dark brown, curly
Eyes	Blue
Employment	Unknown
Residence	Unknown

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Records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association were checked by SE GEORGE C. LOWRY on May 11, 1950. Records of the Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office were checked by SE DONALD F. TACKITT on May 10, 1950. Records of the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters were checked by SE DONALD F. TACKITT on May 10, 1950. It will be noted that the files contain no record of the subject.

In lieu of subject's brother's statement that subject first came to Los Angeles, California in 1941 or 1942; had never worked in Los Angeles, and the fact that the other employments were probably fabricated, no attempt was made to ascertain if subject was employed as a teacher at Hollywood Evening School, Hollywood, California.

In addition to information regarding subject in the body of instant report, LOUIS BRODY further advised that subject has always been a person who sought employment only when forced to in order to exist. Subject has always attempted to "bleed" his parents or his brother for money, and for these reasons he and his brother never have been very friendly or brotherly towards each other. LOUIS BRODY pointed out that he had not seen his brother more than three or four times in the last twenty years.

The files of the Los Angeles Division fail to reflect any identifiable information regarding subject, subject's present wife MARILYN BRODY, subject's parents ABRAHAM and SOPHIE BRODY, or subject's brother's parents-in-law LUIS and SALLY LEISER. The only reference regarding subject's brother LOUIS BRODY was that regarding his subscription to the "Daily Peoples World."

In view of the fact that it is not known by the Los Angeles Division what investigation has been conducted to date or is contemplated in the future, no lead is being set out to attempt to verify subject's date and place of entrance into this country and possible subsequent naturalization.

For the information of the Newark Division, T-1, T-2, and T-3 are in general cognizant of Communist activities within greater Los Angeles, including Pasadena, California.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Source T-1

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information furnished to SA ROY ANDREW PETERS
on May 11, 1950

T-2

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information furnished in November, 1945
to SA FRED G. DUPUIS

T-3

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information furnished in spring of 1947
to SA E. BRUCE RYDER, etal

T-4

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information furnished to Agents of the
San Francisco Office on May 13, 1947

REFERENCE:

Report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 3/14/50

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEWARK**

NY FILE NO. 100-93268 mdc

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE JUN 7 1950	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17, 19, 21; 5/3, 5, 15, 16, 18, 22, 23, 24/50	REPORT MADE BY KENNETH R. ALBERT
TITLE CHANGED SAMUEL BRODY, was., Samuel A. Brody, Sam Brody, Sam Brody, Samuel Brodetsky.			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

WILLIAM SHEELY, National Air Lines, Air Lines Terminal Building, 80 East 42nd Street, NYC, unable to identify person who reportedly accompanied MARILYN GAGE to Cuba in late 1947. Subject resides with ALICE NEEL, 21 East 108th Street, NYC, and is unemployed. Subject registered with selective Service Board October 16, 1940; classified 4F at Los Angeles, California, in August 1943 because of psycho-neurosis. Subject married CLAIRE GEBNER 10/29/28 at Brooklyn, NY. Name S. BRODY appeared as a signer of a communication to Judge HAROLD R. MEDINA, SDNY, protesting the trial of the eleven members of the National Board of the CP.

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ON 7/21/00

DETAILS:

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The title of this case is being marked "changed" to reflect the new alias, SAMUEL BRODETZKY, which is subject's true name as reflected in the file of subject's father, ABRAHAM BRODY, maintained by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City.

At New York, New York.

Mr. WILLIAM SHEELY, National Air Lines, Air Lines Terminal

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Building, 80 East 42nd Street, New York City, advised that late in 1947, MARILYN GAGE checked in for a flight to Cuba. SHEELY stated that he thought she was accompanied by one man, and that he thought this man was MARILYN GAGE's employer. Mr. SHEELY advised that he believed this man to be with a newspaper or printing company in Patterson, New Jersey.

Mr. SHEELY advised that he had no way of determining who accompanied Miss GAGE on this trip, inasmuch as the records are destroyed six months after each flight.

PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

On May 15, 1950, SAMUEL BRODY, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, was interviewed under suitable pretext by the writer and SA GERALD M. GOSNELL.

The subject advised that he has resided at this address for the past nine years, and is presently unemployed.

The name, ALICE NEEL ^{Brody} was noted on the building directory of this apartment building. When questioned about this, the subject stated that ALICE NEEL was his wife, using her maiden name because of her occupation which is that of an artist. The subject further advised that he registered for military service in 1940 from 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York.

The files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City, disclosed that the subject's father, ABRAHAM BRODY, entered the United States under the name ABRAHAM BRODETZKY on June 16, 1920 at the Port of New York aboard the SS Leopoldina. The files disclosed that he was born November 29, 1878 in Starobech, Russia, and was naturalized February 14, 1927. His address was listed as 109 East 104th Street, New York City.

The files reflected the following information concerning the relatives of ABRAM BRODETZKY:

Wife
Born
Place of Birth

Sophie SHATSKY BRODETZKY
SOPHIE SHATSKY BRODY
May 5, 1883
Osarloe, Russia

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Son	SAMUEL
Born	January 1, 1907
Place of Birth	England
Son	LOUISA BRODY
Born	December 25, 1910
Place of Birth	England

Records of Selective Service Headquarters, 516 West 34 Street, Manhattan, disclosed that SAMUEL BRODY, 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York, registered ^{for} selective service on October 16, 1940 under order #1466 with local draft board 97 in the Bronx.

BRODY listed his birth date as January 1, 1907, London, England, and Mrs. CLAIRE BRODY, 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, as the person who would always know his address. Records also reflect that he was transferred to local board #218, Los Angeles, in August 1943, and that on August 26, 1943, he was given a medical examination, at which time he was rejected for service and classified 4F. Cause for rejection was listed as amnesia, claustrophobia (present for eight years), and many sematic complaints which were summarized under the title of psycho-neurosis.

Records further disclosed the following information concerning the subject:

Residence 1940 to 1943:

- 1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, New York.
- 860 East 172 Street, Bronx, New York.
- 258 West 91 Street, New York City.
- 2445 Fillmore Street, San Francisco, California.

C/o BOWKER
Santo Paulo Lemon Company, Santo Paulo, California.

C/o ABRAHAM BRODY
2749 Barker Avenue, Bronx, New York.
(father)
1706 South Robertson Boulevard,
Los Angeles, California.

Education

Eight years grammar school,
Two years high school.

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Employment:	March 1941	Works Progress Administration, 110 King Street, New York City. Social Security #116075141
	June 1942	J. KANDEL, 1600 Broadway, New York City. Manager of motion picture theatre.
	September 1942	Kaiser Shipyards, Portland, Oregon.
	October 1942	Hunters Point Naval Yard, San Francisco, California.
	April 1943	Federal Shipping and Drydock Company, Kearney, New Jersey.
Relatives as of 1943:	Mother	SOPHIE BRODY, 1706 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.
	Wife	CLAIRE BRODY (divorced) 1706 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. Age 32 Married October 1928, Brooklyn.
	Son	JULIAN BRODY 1706 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. Age 12.
	Daughter	MADY BRODY 1706 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. Age 5
	Son	HARTLEY SHEVRINE NEEL (illegitimate) Resides with mother at 21 East 108 Street, New York City.

Records of the Marriage License Bureau, Borough of Brooklyn, disclosed that SAMUEL BRODY and CLAIRE GEBNER were married on October 29, 1928 in Brooklyn, New York. Witnesses were ABRAHAM KAPLAN and ABRAHAM BRODY.

The records revealed the following information concerning the subject and his wife:

Name:	<u>Mrs. SAMUEL BRODY</u>	<u>CLAIRE GEBNER Brody</u>
Residence:	70 East 110 Street, New York City.	206 Rodney Street, New York City.
Occupation:	Copy reader	Artist
Birth:	London, England	Krewinetz, Russia <u>GEBNER</u>
Mother:	SOPHIE SCHATSKY, born Russia.	MARY SAXE, born Russia.
Father:	ABRAHAM BRODY, born Russia.	<u>Mrs. MICHAEL GEBNER</u> , born Russia.
Age:	22	18
Color:	White	White
Times Married:	Once	Once

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the name S. BRODY appeared as a signer of a communication to Federal Judge HAROLD R. MEDINA, Southern District New York, United States Court House, Foley Square, New York City, protesting the trial of the eleven members of the National Board of the Communist Party.

MISCELLANEOUS

Records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of Manhattan disclosed that SAMUEL BRODY, 21 East 108th Street, registered to vote as a member of the American Labor Party in 1947, but no record was located for subject in 1948 or 1949.

It is to be noted that the American Labor Party has been cited by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities on March 29, 1944 as a Communist front organization.

Records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, were checked by SA AUGUST J. MICEK and failed to disclose any information relating to the subject.

No record was located for the subject at the Credit Bureau of

Greater New York.

Records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of Manhattan disclosed that the subject was approximately 40 years of age and was born in England. He claimed citizenship through his father who was naturalized in approximately October of 1925 in the Southern District New York.

The following Confidential Informants, all of known reliability, advised that they had no information concerning the Communist activities of the subject:

T-3, T-4, T-5, T-6, T-7, T-8, T-9, T-10 and T-11.

The following description was obtained from the files of Selective Service Headquarters, 516 West 34th Street, New York City, and from personal observation of the subject:

Name	SAMUEL BRODY
Age	43 years
Birth date	January 7, 1907
Place of Birth	London, England
Race	White
Height	5' 10"
Weight	150 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Dark brown
Build	Medium
Complexion	Light
Characteristics	Protruding nose
Occupation	Copy reader, photography instructor, laborer.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

On April 11, 1950, Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, was recontacted and advised that he has not seen the subject since the one time he had occasion to meet him in 1948 at 21 East 108th Street, New York City, and could furnish no additional information other than that set out in referenced report.

The indices of the New York Office contain no additional information other than that set out in referenced report of writer's report.

Records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of Manhattan were reviewed by SE CLINTON E. POLLOCK.

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were checked by SE RALPH E. MURDY.

Referenced report of SA TROY COLEMAN dated March 14, 1950 at Newark, set out the information that MARILYN GAGE was reportedly accompanied by three unidentified men in 1948 when she purchased tickets to Cuba from WILLIAM SHEELY, National Air Lines, 80 East 42nd Street, New York City. However, Mr. SHEELY, during reinterview on May 23, 1950, advised that the subject was only accompanied by one unidentified man.

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NEWARK

At Newark, New Jersey.

Will submit FD 128, making the New York Office the office of origin and will forward all pertinent serials.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, New York, New York, dated JUN 7 1950, are as follows:

T-1	Miss E. GORMAN, secretary to Federal Judge HAROLD R. MEDINA, Southern District New York, contacted by SA GEORGE SULLIVAN.
T-2	[REDACTED] contacted by S A VICTOR A. LEMAITRE.
T-3	[REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-4	[REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-5	[REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-6	[REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-7	[REDACTED] contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-8	[REDACTED] contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.
T-9	[REDACTED] contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.
T-10	[REDACTED] contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.
T-11	[REDACTED] contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 3/14/50.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Newark
SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
SECURITY MATTER - C
(BuFile 101-1408)

DATE: 6/27/50

The captioned individual has been the subject of a security investigation by this office. The New York Division has verified the permanent presence of the subject in its division as residing and working at the addresses listed below. The New York Division is being considered the new office of origin.

Residence Address: 21 East 103rd Street

New York, New York

Business Address: Unemployed

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Check the following applicable statements:

- ☐ This individual has been the subject of a Communist Index Card.
- ☐ This individual is the subject of a Security Index Card.
(The Bureau is requested to make the appropriate changes in the Security Index at the Seat of Government. The New York Division should affix the addresses reflected above and the appropriate case file number.)
- ☐ This subject was tabbed for Detcom.
- ☐ This subject was tabbed for Comsab.
- ☐ This subject was carried as a Key Figure or Top Functionary.
- ☐ Handwriting specimens have been furnished to the Bureau.
- ☐ A photograph has been furnished to the Bureau.

The following pertinent items are being forwarded to the new office of origin with its copies of this letter:

Security Index Cards

Serials (specify)

- 1 Report of Agent JEFFERSON B. COHEN dated 7/22/41, at New York (FWA)
- 1 Report of SAA KENNETH R. MERRILL dated 5/22/50, at Los Angeles
- 1 Report of SA DAVID J. MURPHY, Jr. dated 5/2/50, at Richmond
- 3 Report of SA TROY COLEMAN dated 5/27/50, at Newark (Separate Cover)

cc: New York

Division (Enc.)

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **NK 100-33527 MMD**

REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE 4/6, 7, 10, 21; 5/3, 5, 11, 15, 16, 22; 6/6, 22/50	REPORT MADE BY TROY COLEMAN
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Informants advised Subject member of the CP from 1927 to 1937, and had made speeches, written articles, and attended meetings of CP and front groups. Informant advised Subject signed Federal Works Agency Affidavit in June, 1940, to the effect he was not nor had he ever been a Communist or member of the CP or one of its front groups. Informant advised Subject born 1/6/07, at London, England. Subject's son **CHRISTOPHER ALLEN BRODY** was born at [redacted] on [redacted] Hospital records reflect Subject unemployed and residing at 509 Hamilton St., Rahway, N. J.

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DETAILS:

SYLVAN POLLACK, residing at 642 West 172nd Street, New York, New York, on June 17, 1941, advised Confidential Informant Newark T-1, another Government agency which conducts personnel and security investigations, that he, **POLLACK**, was a charter member of the Communist Party from September 1, 1919, to November 15, 1950, on which latter date notice of his expulsion from the Communist Party appeared in the "Daily Worker".

POLLACK advised Newark T-1 that during his entire membership in the Communist Party, he was affiliated with District #2 of the Communist Party which district covered the Metropolitan area of New York.

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POLLACK, according to Newark T-1, asserted he knew the Subject was a member of the Communist Party from 1927 to 1930, because he had met him during this period at the Communist Party Headquarters in New York City, in the office of the "Daily Worker", and frequently at the Communist Party Workers' School at 30 Union Square, New York, New York.

POLLACK advised Newark T-1 that during the period from 1927 to 1930, Subject contributed motion picture reviews to the "New Masses".

POLLACK, according to Newark T-1, recalled an incident which occurred between 1927 and 1930, on an occasion when POLLACK contributed a motion picture review to the "Daily Worker". After its publication, the Subject approached POLLACK and criticized the article because it was not in line with the Communist Party program.

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

"New Masses" was cited as a Communist Party periodical by the Attorney General of the United States in September of 1942.

Mr. Ralph DeSOLA

Mrs. HELEN DeSOLA, residing at 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 24, 1941, advised Newark T-1 that she had been employed by the Work Projects Administration from the end of 1935 to the end of 1936, being a member of the Writers Project of that administration, and had been a member of the Writers Project unit of the Communist Party from 1932 to the end of 1936.

According to Newark T-1, Mrs. DeSOLA stated she had been editor of the "Red Pen", a Communist Party sheet published on the Writers Project in the latter part of 1935, and she had been employed on the staff of the "Daily Worker" from early 1933, to August, 1935, as editor of the feature page.

Mrs. DeSOLA further stated, according to Newark T-1, that Subject had written a column for the "Daily Worker" signing it "Lens", consisting of personal comments on motion picture stars, for a period of about one year while she was associated with the "Daily Worker".

According to Newark T-1, Mrs. DeSOLA declared that the Subject had been a member of the Film and Photo League during the period she was a member of the Communist Party.

RALPH DeSOLA, residing at 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, New York, on May 16, 1941, advised Newark T-1 that he had been a member of the Communist Party from June of 1934, to December of 1936. DeSOLA, accord-

ing to Newark T-1, advised that the Subject was a member of the Communist Party from 1935 to 1940, and that the Subject had attended meetings of Unit 368, Section 24 of the Communist Party.

According to Newark T-1, DeSOLA concluded by saying the Subject was active in the Film and Photo League section of the Communist Party, was a member of the Workers Alliance, and was a member of the United American Artists Union during the period DeSOLA was a member of the Communist Party.

The Film and Photo League was cited as a "Communist front for revolutionary films" which eventually merged into a new organization "The New Film Alliance", by the California Committee on Un-American Activities report of 1948.

United American Artists was cited as a "Communist front" by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report of March 29, 1944.

The Workers Alliance was cited as subversive and Communistic in U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark's letter to the Loyalty Review Board released December 4, 1947, and September 21, 1948.

Mrs. ~~FRANKIE~~ DUFY, residing at 239 West 115th Street, New York, New York, on June 12, 1941, advised Newark T-1 that she had been a member of the Communist Party from March, 1936, to October, 1938, in the Harlem Section, Frederick Douglas Unit, New York, New York.

Mrs. DUFY, according to Newark T-1, further advised she had been president of the Harlem and Washington Heights section of the Workers Alliance, having been elected at the convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in June, 1937, and had remained in that office until October, 1938.

Mrs. DUFY, according to Newark T-1, advised that in 1937, she had received a telephone call from the Workers Alliance, then located at 306 Lenox Avenue, New York, New York, in connection with some publicity which the Communist Party desired relative to the Lula Coker family, tenant farmers from South Carolina. Mrs. DUFY advised Newark T-1 that the person with whom she spoke told her they were sending "Comrade" BRODY to take some pictures of the Coker family. She also told Newark T-1 that she had interviewed the Coker family for an article which was to appear in the "Daily Worker", and that BRODY took photographs.

(It is noted that the Subject is a photographer by profession).

Mrs. DUFFY advised Newark T-1 she knew the Subject was a Communist at that time because of the nature of the conversation regarding type of publicity to follow and the fact that BRODY addressed her as "Comrade".

CLIFFORD SUTCLIFFE, residing at 41 Morton Street, New York, New York, on June 17, 1941, advised Newark T-1 that he had known the Subject in 1937. According to Newark T-1, SUTCLIFFE advised him that the Subject continually lauded the Communist Party and condemned all who were opposed to Communism, characterizing them as "Social Fascists".

SUTCLIFFE stated further to Newark T-1 that he had seen the Subject reading the "Daily Worker" many times in 1937.

SUTCLIFFE continued by advising Newark T-1 that the Subject praised the Russian form of government and continually criticized the Government of the United States, advocating the introduction of the Communist form of government into this country.

Newark T-1 advised that SUTCLIFFE told him that the Subject claimed he had joined the Communist Party in France but did not state when.

SUTCLIFFE further advised Newark T-1 that the Subject's language consisted largely of Communist Party terminology, such as "class struggle", the "proletariat", and "working classes".

ALBERT NEY, residing at 651 Rutland Road, Brooklyn, New York, on July 1, 1941, advised Newark T-1 that he had known the Subject since March of that year.

NEY stated to Newark T-1 that the Subject was a Communist.

NEY advised Newark T-1 further that he had seen the Subject reading the "Daily Worker" on many occasions and that the Subject had stated the "Daily Worker" was the only paper that told the truth.

According to Newark T-1, the name SAMUEL BRODY appears as one of the contributing editors of the "New Theatre" magazine in February, 1934, and in that issue there appears an article by BRODY on the Revolutionary Film Problem of Form".

The "New Theatre" was cited as a "Communist Party publication" by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report dated March 29, 1944.

Newark T-1 advised that the Subject on June 27, 1940, signed under oath a Federal Works Agency Affidavit required by the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act Fiscal Year 1941. This Affidavit reflects that the Subject is a United States citizen, is not a Communist nor a member of any organization advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States.

* Brody
The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, [redacted] New Jersey, reflect that a son, CHRISTOPHER ALLEN BRODY, was born on [redacted] to MARILYN MURIEL LEIGHTON, 509 Hamilton Street, Rahway, New Jersey, 29 years of age, born in Alabama; and SAMUEL BRODY, unemployed, 42 years of age, born in London, England. Records reflect that this is a legitimate birth.

Records of [redacted] Hospital, [redacted] New Jersey, reflect that MARILYN MURIEL LEIGHTON, 509 Hamilton Street, Rahway, New Jersey, entered the hospital clinic on [redacted] 1950, and remained for a period of four days. FOIA (b) (6) - (C)

The records further reflect that SAMUEL BRODY was unemployed and resided at 509 Hamilton Street, Rahway, New Jersey.

Confidential Informant Newark T-2, of known reliability, advised that MARILYN MURIEL LEIGHTON advised that her husband was unemployed. She entered the hospital clinic and requested the services of a staff physician.

Newark T-2 stated that although this is not unusual, it is very unusual for a patient whose husband is unemployed to pay hospital charges immediately upon leaving the hospital. Newark T-2 stated that the hospital charges of \$69.75 were paid by Subject's wife upon discharge from the hospital on [redacted] 1950.

Newark T-2 remarked that the Subject was not present at the hospital any time during the entire period of his wife's confinement.

Confidential Informant Newark T-3, of known reliability, advised that the Subject's stepson, LEIGHTON DAVID GAGE, was placed in the Lincoln School, Rahway, New Jersey, in March of 1950, by his maternal grandparent, Mrs. EUGENE LEIGHTON, 509 Hamilton Street, Rahway, New Jersey.

According to Newark T-3, 509 Hamilton Street is not within the Lincoln School district and Mrs. LEIGHTON was so advised; however, Mrs. LEIGHTON stated that the Subject and her daughter MARILYN expected to obtain an apartment at 132 Elm Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, which is in

the Lincoln School district and, therefore, sought to enter the boy in the Lincoln School for that reason.

Confidential Informant Newark T-4, of unknown reliability, advised that a person she believed to be the Subject applied for an apartment at 132 or 136 Elm Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey. Newark T-4 said the Subject stated he had one child and that his wife was expecting another in the near future.

According to Newark T-4, the Subject related that he passes the apartment house at 132 Elm Avenue on his way to work each morning. Newark T-4 stated he believed the Subject commuted to his work from Rahway, New Jersey, and indicated he is an office worker.

HENRY ROTH, Union Radio and Television Company, 63 Third Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, advised that the Subject purchased a Brush recorder from his company. ROTH advised the Subject told him he needed the recording apparatus in his business.

ROTH advised that in conversations with the Subject, BRODY indicated he previously worked in California but that he had been employed by the Film Documents, Inc., in New York, New York, for three years.

Confidential Informant Newark T-5, of known reliability, advised that the Subject purchased the Brush recorder in August, 1949, for \$199.95 on a time payment plan. Records of T-5 reflect, however, that payments were not made and the recorder was returned.

The credit application filed at the time of this purchase reflects the Subject resided at 21 East 103rd Street, New York, New York, and his former employment is listed as Film Documents, Inc., 542 East 89th Street, New York, New York.

The application further reflects the Subject in August, 1949, was employed at Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, and resided at 58 Third Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

(It is noted that previous investigation disclosed the Subject is no longer employed at Central Institute and no longer resides at 58 Third Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

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Investigation reflects that 58 Third Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, is the location of the K and W Cleaners where MARILYN LEIGHTON BRODY was employed until just prior to the birth of her son on [REDACTED]

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FOIA(b) (7) - (C)

Investigation also reflects that the K and W Cleaners and the Jersey Cleaners, 159 Irvington Street, Rahway, New Jersey, are owned by one SOL R. KRAMER, 59 Stacker Street, Newark, New Jersey, and one MORRIS WEISS, 128 Paine Street, Irvington, New Jersey.

The New York Office is Office of Origin in the case entitled MAX MORRIS WEISS, was; INTERNAL SECURITY - C; New York file 100-18672.

A review of the Newark file relating to WEISS reflected he was born in Newark, New Jersey, and has been active in the Communist Party in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Ohio.

It is noted that the file on WEISS reflects that in 1947 and 1948, he traveled from Newark, New Jersey, via National Airlines, to Cuba.

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NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will review New York file 100-18672 and check with Informants to determine whether or not the Subject of this file is identical with MORRIS WEISS residing at 128 Paine Street, Irvington, New Jersey, owner partner of the K and W Cleaners and the Jersey Cleaners.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

- Newark T-1 - Report of Agent JEFFERSON B. COHEN, Federal Works Agency, Work Projects Administration, Division of Investigation, New York, July 22, 1941.
- Newark T-2 - Miss MAY GRAY, Office Manager [REDACTED] Hospital, [REDACTED] who requested her identity be kept confidential. FOIA(b) (6)
FOIA(b) (7) - (C)
- Newark T-3 - Mrs. L. D. CAMPBELL, Principal, Lincoln School, Rahway, New Jersey, who requested her identity be kept confidential.
- Newark T-4 - Mrs. EDWARD HICKMAN, wife of building superintendent, 132 and 136 Elm Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, who requested her identity be kept confidential.
- Newark T-5 - Records of the National Newark and Essex Banking Company, 744 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, which were produced by N. J. CLURE, Cashier, on May 22, 1950.

REFERENCE: Report of SA TROY COLEMAN dated 3/14/50, at Newark.
Report of 6/7/50, by SA KENNETH R. ALBERT at New York

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 14, 1950

FROM: SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRADY, was.;
SECURITY MATTER - C*Brady, Samuel*

Re report of SA TROY COLEMAN dated 6-27-50 at Newark.

A review of New York file 100-18672 disclosed that MAX MORRIS WEISS is a Communist Party functionary in the Chicago Field Division and does not appear to be identical with the MORRIS WEISS mentioned in reference report.

Inasmuch as there appears to be no additional investigation to be conducted in the New York Office this case is being closed.

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Dear Sirs,

This is to report to
you the existence of a Communist
Party member who ~~DECLINED RECORDING~~
opinion, is attempting through
that Party to overthrow this
government. His name is Sam Neal
Neal (uncertain of spelling) and
he lives in Harlem in New
York City. Don't have his exact

address either.

He has a child in
the Rudolph Steiner School in
N. Y. C., and I expect he

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could be traced through them.

I hate reporting people,
and don't regard myself as
an alarmist. I am convinced,
however, that you should have
him on your list of those
to be picked up should war
start. I am sure he would
do absolutely anything to
further the Communist Revolution.

My address is 303 E. 17th St.,
N.Y.C., 3. I should be glad

to supply any further information

Business address:

Wiley & Sons, 440 Fourth Ave.,

16. Please do not
implicate the company.

Very truly yours,

E. F. Moody Jr.

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Mr. E. F. Moody, Jr.
303 East 17th Street
New York 3, New York

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 7/21/00 BY SPIC/ML

Dear Mr. Moody,

Your letter dated December 27, 1950, has been received, and the interest which prompted your communication is indeed appreciated.

In view of the nature of the information furnished by you, I have requested Mr. E. Scheidt, Special Agent in Charge of our New York Office, to designate a Special Agent of this Bureau to contact you in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

SAC, New York (with cc of incoming)

You are directed to arrange for an immediate interview with correspondent and obtain all information in his possession concerning the Communist associations, affiliations and activities of the individual mentioned in attached communication. You should thereafter be guided by the provisions of SAC Letter 48, Series 1950, dated July 25, 1950. The Bureau should be promptly advised of the results of this interview.

Bureau files reflect no identifiable information concerning correspondent.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 31, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SAM NEAL;
SECURITY MATTER - CALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 7/21/00 BY SPICULBYRebulet of 1/8/51 to Mr. E. F. MOODY, 303 East
17th St., NYC, care of NY office.Mr. EDWARD F. MOODY, Jr. was interviewed on
1/23/51, and he advised that he met SAM NEAL (ph) and
his wife on only one occasion and that was at a private
party in NYC last August.Mr. MOODY said at this party NEAL indicated that
he greatly admired Russia, and he constantly derided the
capitalistic system. In addition Mr. MOODY said NEAL
asked him to sign the Stockholm Peace Petition.Mr. MOODY said NEAL advised him that he was
unemployed and that he spent his time picketing meetings
and speakers that met with his disapproval.Mr. MOODY said he had a friend, whose identity
he did not care to reveal, who was acquainted with NEAL,
and he said NEAL admitted to this friend that he was a
card-carrying Communist and that he was known to the
F.B.I. In addition Neal advised this individual that
"comes the Revolution there would be a big bonfire at
Times Square and right on top of this bonfire would be the
Editor of the "New York Times" along with DEAN ACHESON
and J. EDGAR HOOVER." NEAL further said at this time
that he would willingly sacrifice his family's life and his
own for the good of the Communist Party.Mr. MOODY said that he had very little background
information regarding NEAL other than that he resided in
the Harlem Section of NYC and that he had a child attend-
ing the Rudolph Steiner School, Inc., 15 E. 79th St., NYC
and that he had a son attending the University of Virginia.Mr. MOODY said his friend suspects that he has
reported NEAL to the F.B.I. and as a consequence he never
discusses or gives any information regarding NEAL. Mr.
MOODY furnished the following description of the NEALS.TJH:FCM
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SAM NEAL

Age: 43-44
Height: 6'1" (stooped shouldered)
Weight: 190
Color: White
Sex: Male
Build: Heavy
Hair: Light Brown (balding)
Occupation: Unemployed
Residence: Harlem Section, NYC

MRS. SAM NEAL

35-38
5'
140
White
Female
Heavy
Brown
Artist

The indices of the NY office were negative regarding SAM NEAL, SAM NEIL, SAM NEILL and the Rudolph Steiner School, Inc.

The above is being furnished to the Bureau for informational purposes. The NY office is continuing investigation of this case in an effort to secure additional information regarding NEAL.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

NY FILE NO **100-93268** TJD

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE MAR 22 1951	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/23, 31; 2/5, 8, 13, 28/51	REPORT MADE BY THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR. (A)
TITLE CHANGED SAMUEL BRODY, was.: Sam Neel			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject in January, 1951 was attempting to obtain signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition. In March, 1950 he attended lecture by V. J. JEROME, NYC. Subject in October, 1950 reportedly divorced from MARILYN LEIGHTON GAGE BRODY and presently residing at 21 E. 108th St., NYC, apt. 6, with his wife, ALICE NEEL. Subject in 1948 self-employed as a photographer and reportedly unemployed at the present time.

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ON 7/2/00

DETAILS

At New York City

This report is being marked changed to reflect the additional alias of the phonetic spelling of SAM-NEAL as furnished by Confidential Informant T-1, of unknown reliability. Additional investigation reflected the true alias is SAM NEEL.

Confidential Informant T-1 in January, 1951 advised that he met SAM-NEAL (phonetic) and his wife on only one occasion and that was at a party in New York City last August.

Confidential Informant T-1 said that at this

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party the subject indicated that he greatly admired Russia and he constantly derided the capitalistic system. In addition, T-1 said that the subject asked him to sign the Stockholm Peace Petition.

Confidential Informant T-1 said the subject had advised him that he was unemployed and that he spent his time picketing meetings and speakers that met with his disapproval. The informant said he had very little background information regarding the subject other than that he was residing in the Harlem section of New York City; that he had a child attending the Rudolph Steiner School; that he had a son attending the University of Virginia and that the subject's wife was an artist.

In connection with the Stockholm Peace Petition Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that the Communist Party and numerous Communist front organizations have been extensively engaged in obtaining signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that the NEELS have two children attending the Rudolph Steiner School, Inc., 15 East 79th Street, New York City, and that SAM NEEL's home address is 21 East 108th Street, New York City. In addition, the informant advised that tuition for the above school was approximately \$500.00 a year.

The records of the Board of Election, 400 Broome Street, New York City, reflect that ALICE NEEL, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, registered for the American Labor Party in 1948, 1949 and 1950. There was no record found for SAM NEEL. However, SAM BRODY from the same address registered for the American Labor Party in 1947.

It is to be noted that the American Labor Party has been cited by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities on March 29, 1944 as a Communist front organization.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, in 1948 advised that JUAN XIMONUELLI, head of the lower Harlem section of the Communist Party, went to apartment 6 located at 21 East 108th Street, New York City, occupied by SAM BRODY,

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ALICE NEEL and the latter's mother. T-4 advised that this apartment is one of the "main storage places in Harlem". The purpose of the visit to the apartment was to obtain copies of the booklet "The Crime of El Fanguito" by WILLIAM FOSTER, National Chairman of the Communist Party, USA. The informant, at this time, advised that the subject was self-employed as a photographer.

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, in May, 1950 advised that SAM BRODY, apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, stated that he was unemployed and that his wife, ALICE NEEL, resided with him at the above address. In addition, the subject advised T-5 that his wife was an artist and because of this she used her maiden name.

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, in March, 1950 advised that ~~SAMUEL BRODY~~ attended the lecture of V. J. ~~JEROME~~ given in February, 1950 at the Hotel Capitol in New York City. T-5 said that the subject stated JEROME's talk should be made available in mimeograph form for the use of writers, speakers, educators and so forth because of the keen Marxist analysis of JEROME's lecture.

It is to be noted that V. J. JEROME was listed as Editor of "Political Affairs" as shown in the August, 1950 issue.

It is also to be noted that JOHN ~~GATES~~, Editor of the "Daily Worker", an East Coast Communist newspaper, while testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee on the Mundt-Nixon Bill on May 28, 1948, called "Political Affairs" the theoretical organ of the Communist Party.

Confidential Informant T-7, of unknown reliability, in October, 1950 advised that MARILYN LEIGHTON GAGE ~~BRODY~~, alleged wife of the subject, resided with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. EUGENE ~~LEIGHTON~~, 136 Elm Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, and that she was divorced from SAM BRODY.

~~Communication Industry~~

V.J. Jerome - Employer by - PENDING -
(Empl. CD) POLITICAL AFFAIRS

~~MARILYN LEIGHTON BRODY~~

~~Communication Industry~~

JOHN GATES - Employed by Daily Worker - 3 -
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Confidential Informant T-1 also advised that he had a friend, whose identity he did not care to reveal, who was acquainted with the subject and NEEL admitted to this friend that he was a card-carrying Communist and that he was known to the FBI. In addition, NEEL advised this individual that "comes the Revolution there would be a big bonfire at Times Square and right on top of this bonfire would be the editor of the 'New York Times', along with Dean Acheson and J. Edgar Hoover". NEEL further said that he would willingly sacrifice his family's life and his own for the good of the Communist Party. .

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that his friend suspected that he had reported NEEL to the FBI and as a consequence he was unable to obtain any additional information through this source.

The Board of Election records of New York City were checked by SE CLINTON E. POLLOCK.

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NEW YORK

At New York City, New York

Will follow the recommendation submitted on FD 122.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA (A) THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR., dated MAR 22 1951 at New York, New York, are as follows:

- T-1 EDWARD F. MOODY, Jr., 303 East 17th Street, New York City, as set forth in Bureau letter dated January 8, 1951 and who was interviewed by the writer on January 23, 1951.
- T-2 [REDACTED] FOIA(b) (7) - (D)
- T-3 KATHARINE REEVE, Executive Secretary for the Rudolph Steiner School, Inc., 55 East 79th Street, New York City, who was contacted by the writer under suitable pretext on February 5, 1951.
- T-4 [REDACTED] as set forth in report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER in case entitled "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, DISTRICT #2, NEW YORK OFFICE; INTERNAL SECURITY - C", dated December 16, 1948.
- T-5 Interview of SAM BRODY, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, under suitable pretext on May 15, 1950 by SAS KENNETH R. ALBERT and GERALD M. GOSNELL.
- T-6 [REDACTED] contacted by SA HERBERT P. LARSON on March 30, 1950.
- T-7 Mrs. EDWARD HICKMAN, 136 Elm Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey, as set forth in Newark letter dated October 30, 1950.

REFERENCE

Report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, 6/7/50, New York.
Bureau letter to E. F. MOODY, Jr., 303 East 17th Street, copy to New York dated 1/8/51.
New York letter to the Bureau, 1/31/51.

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
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X It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the
above captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be
changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME SAMUEL BRODY
ALIASES Samuel A. Brody, Sam Brody, Sam Broady, Samuel
Brodetzky, Sam Neel.
RACE White SEX Male NATIVE BORN NATURALIZED X ALIEN
COMMUNIST X SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE
MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)
TAB FOR DETCOM X TAB FOR COMSAB
DATE OF BIRTH January 1, 1907 PLACE OF BIRTH London, England
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 21 East 108th Street, New York City
BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)
Unemployed

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Strategic and Vital Industry List)

Encs (5) see

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 3, 1951

FROM: SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was;
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In view of the fact that the Bureau has approved of form FD-122 for the subject and there are no outstanding leads remaining, this case is being considered closed.

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March 3, 1952

Director, FBI (65-40602)

FRIEDA GEBINER SCHWARZFELLER, was.
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

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Re WFO let February 7, 1952, in which Bureau authority was requested to conduct an interview with Mrs. Murray Blitz of Kensington, Maryland for the purpose of clarifying the degree of association between the subject and William Schwarzfeller, the former husband of the subject, whose present whereabouts is unknown.

For the information of the Baltimore and Washington Field Offices, Bureau files reflect that Claire Gebiner, which is the maiden name of Mrs. Murray Blitz, was formerly married to Samuel Brody, the subject of Bureau file 101-1408, entitled "Samuel Brody, was., Security Matter - C." The New York Office is the office of origin in the Brody investigation, and the case is presently closed.

In connection with a loyalty investigation entitled "Julian Brody, aka Elmer Jo Brody, Jr., Scientist and Engineer (Mathematician) - Applicant, U. S. Civil Service Commission" (Bureau file 121-29990), Mrs. Murray Blitz, nee Claire Gebiner, who is the sister of the subject, was identified as the mother of Julian Brody. The investigation of Julian Brody failed to reflect any derogatory information relative to Mrs. Murray Blitz other than the fact that she was formerly married to Samuel Brody, who has been identified as a member of the Communist Party.

The Baltimore Office is authorized to interview Mrs. Murray Blitz for the purpose of obtaining all information in her possession relative to the previous activities of the subject, as well as the activities of the subject's former husband, William Schwarzfeller.

It is noted that the Washington Field Office has previously furnished the Baltimore Office a copy of the summary report of Special Agent Donald G. Hamming, dated September 27, 1951, at Washington, D. C., for its use in connection with this investigation.

The Bureau desires that this interview be expedited, inasmuch as facts involving Frieda Gebiner Schwarzfeller have been furnished to the Department for consideration under the provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950 and for the purpose of possible interview of the subject before a federal grand jury.

CC: Washington Field (65-4977)
New York (100-93260)
New York 65-10386

NOTE: Frieda Gebiner Schwarzfeller was formerly married to William Schwarzfeller, who disappeared mysteriously in Russia in (Note continued on page 2)

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the early 1940's. The subject returned from the Soviet Union in 1942 and is presently residing in Washington, D. C., without obvious means of support. Previous investigation in this case indicates that William Schwarzfeller is identical with one Herbert Olheiser, with whom the subject traveled to Moscow in 1938. Louis Gibart has advised that William Schwarzfeller was probably liquidated by Red Army Intelligence and that subject has previously contacted him regarding the disappearance of her husband. Subject admitted in an interview with agents that she had with her information regarding her previous activities. An interview is desired with the subject's sister in an effort to obtain further information concerning the subject's activities, as well as those of her former husband, William Schwarzfeller.

DIRECTOR, FBI (65-40602)

February 7, 1952

SAC, WFO (65-4977)

FRIEDA GEBNER SCHWARZFELLER, was
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Rebulet January 11, 1952.

For the information of the Baltimore Office, by above-referenced letter the Bureau requested the Washington Field Office to submit its observations concerning an interview with the subject's sister, Mrs. MURRAY BLITZ, of Kensington, Maryland, for the purpose of clarifying the association between the subject and WILLIAM SCHWARZFELLER.

Inasmuch as practically all logical leads in this case have been exhausted with negative results and since it is felt certain that subject's sister, both through the subject and their mother, is aware of the Bureau's interest in the subject, it is felt that Mrs. BLITZ should be interviewed at this time.

In order that the Baltimore Office may be cognizant of the ramifications of this case and to enable them to conduct the requested interview, there is enclosed herewith for the Baltimore Office one copy of the investigative summary report of SA DONALD G. HANNING dated September 27, 1951, at Washington, D. C. It is requested that this copy be returned to the Washington Field Office after it has served its purpose.

In view of the fact that the Bureau requested this office to submit observations only concerning interview with Mrs. BLITZ, the Baltimore Office should await Bureau permission before such interview is conducted.

CC - Baltimore (Encl.)
New York (Info) 65-10386

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: SEP 23 1952

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

Card U.T.D.

10-7-52 By [signature]

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
SM - C

The captioned individual has been the subject of a security investigation by this office. The Philadelphia Division has verified the permanent presence of the subject in its division as residing and working at the addresses listed below. The Philadelphia Division is being considered the new office of origin.

Residence Address: 946 Penn AvenueReading, PennsylvaniaBusiness Address: Textile Machine WorksWyomissing, Pennsylvania

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Check the following applicable statements:

- ☒ This individual has been the subject of a Communist Index Card.
☒ This individual is the subject of a Security Index Card.
 (The Bureau is requested to make the appropriate changes in the Security Index at the Seat of Government. The Philadelphia Division should affix the addresses reflected above and the appropriate case file number.)
☐ This subject was tabbed for Detcom.
☐ This subject was tabbed for Comsab.
☐ This subject was carried as a Key Figure or Top Functionary.
☐ Handwriting specimens have been furnished to the Bureau.
☐ A photograph has been furnished to the Bureau.

The following pertinent items are being forwarded to the new office of origin with its copies of this letter:

- ☒ Security Index Cards
 Serials (specify)
 1 Copy of report of SA TROY COLEMAN, 3/14/50 and 6/27/50 at Newark
 1 Copy of report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, 6/7/50 at New York
 1 Copy of report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR., 5/22/51 at New York
 A summary report is to be prepared by New York.

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ON 7/2/10

Date: October 31, 1952

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Chief, Security Division

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of InvestigationSubject: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Information has been developed to the effect that the above-captioned individual, the subject of a security investigation by this Bureau, is presently employed by the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania, a Key Facility in which your Department has an interest.

I am enclosing for your information one copy each of the following reports reflecting the results of the investigation conducted by this Bureau on Brody:

Report of Special Agent Troy Coleman made at Newark dated March 14, 1950.

Report of Special Agent Kenneth R. Merrill made at Los Angeles dated May 22, 1950.

Report of Special Agent Kenneth R. Albert made at New York dated June 7, 1950.

Report of Special Agent Troy Coleman made at Newark dated June 27, 1950.

Report of Special Agent Thomas J. Hurley, Jr., made at New York dated March 22, 1951.

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The foregoing is furnished for your confidential information and should not be disseminated outside your Department.

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SECURITY INFORMATION - ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 9-30-52

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

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NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

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BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List)

Key Facility - Item # 35330; Security Responsibility Army

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)
 SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY
 SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 1-20-53

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

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BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

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NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List) _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

Unknown. Former residence - 946 Penn Avenue, Reading, Pa.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)(100-38294)
 SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY,
 SM-C;

DATE: 2/3/53

ALICE NEEL BRODY,
SECURITY MATTER - C

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Remylet to New York dated 10/30/52.

In relet to New York, it was pointed out that SAMUEL BRODY resigned his position at the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., on 5/9/52, because he did not wish to fill out a security questionnaire from the U. S. Army.

Upon resigning, BRODY told the management of the Textile Machine Works that he would return to New York City. Subsequently, Mr. CARL REIMER, Assistant Postmaster, Wyomissing, Pa., advised that BRODY left the following address: c/o NIEL, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, N. Y.

Relet requested that Mr. and Mrs. BRODY's residence and employment in New York City be verified.

It is again requested that the BRODYS' residence and employment be verified in New York City in compliance with Section 87c, Part (9)(a) of the Manual of Instructions.

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cc: New York (100-93268)

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April 30, 1953

Director, FBI (100-398000) **RECORDED-57** 101-1408)-16 ✓

ALICE E. BL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - C

SAMUEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re Philadelphia letter dated 4/2/53. You are instructed to verify subject's employment and residence without further delay.

2cc - Philadelphia (100-37944) (100-38294)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (101-1408) DATE: 4/2/53

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37944) (100-38294)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - C

Alice Neel Brody
SECURITY MATTER - C 100-398800

G.I.R.-6

Remylets to New York dated 10/30/52, and 2/3/53.

It is again requested that the BRODYS' residence and employment be verified in New York City in compliance with the Manual of Instructions 87C, Part (9) (a) quoted herein:

"If a subject of a Security Index card moves from an address within one division to an address within another division, the office receiving a request to verify the new address shall assign the matter immediately, and it shall receive expeditious attention. The results of efforts to verify the new address must be transmitted to the Office of Origin within two weeks of the receipt of the request."

In Philadelphia's previous letters to New York on the above-captioned matter, it was pointed out that SAMUEL BRODY resigned his position at the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., on 5/9/52, because he did not wish to fill out a security questionnaire from the U. S. Army.

Upon resigning, BRODY told the management of the above firm that he would return to New York City. Subsequently, Mr. CARL REIMER, Assistant Postmaster, Wyomissing, Pa., advised that BRODY left the following address: c/o NEIL, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, N.Y.

The New York Division is again requested to expedite verification of the subject's residence in New York City in order that the office of origin in this case may be changed.

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cc: 2 - New York (100-93268)

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268) (100-107686)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was: Sam Nell, Samuel Brodetsky
SM - C

ALICE NEEL BRODY
SM - C

DATE: 4/30/53

Re Philadelphia letter to New York 10/30/52

MARY SANTIAGO, tenant, 21 East 108th Street, New York, New York, has been interviewed on numerous occasions. She has advised that all persons residing at the above address are Puerto Rican, but that one apartment on the third floor while rented was not occupied. She had been unable to learn the name of the person who paid the rent.

On 4/27/53 MRS. SANTIAGO advised that an ALICE NEEL now occupies the rooms and is a piano teacher. It was noted that the name NEEL now appears on the bell. MRS. SANTIAGO has been watching but has been unable to observe any man with NEEL. The name SAMUEL BRODY is not familiar to her.

It has been determined through investigation that the subject's son is a teacher at the University of Virginia. The subject's case file indicates that he has a son named JULIAN BRODY and an illegitimate son named HARTLEY SHEVRINE NEEL or HARTLEY BRODY. No other details are known regarding these persons.

It is requested that Richmond ascertain the name of SAMUEL BRODY'S son at the University of Virginia and by means of a mail cover or other means available discreetly determine SAMUEL BRODY'S whereabouts.

New York will submit report in this matter without fail by 5/22/53.

2cc: Philadelphia (100-37944) (100-38294)
2cc: Richmond (100-7967)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944) (100-38294)

DATE: 5/18/53

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY
 SECURITY MATTER - C

ALICE NEEL BRODY
 SECURITY MATTER - C

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Rebulet 4/30/53 and New York letter 4/30/53.

MR. FLOYD FOGELMAN, Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., advised SA MAHLON J. PRICE in May 1953, that he received a letter from subject BRODY in January 1953. BRODY had loaned FOGELMAN a motion picture he made on tropical fighting fish. The letter to FOGELMAN was for the purpose of having him return the film to BRODY. FOGELMAN was instructed to send the film to Apartment #6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, in care of NEEL, which he did. In his letter, BRODY stated that he was employed as a television cameraman and was very busy with his new job. According to FOGELMAN, BRODY did not state what studio he was working for, but FOGELMAN volunteered that it would not be a difficult job to locate BRODY as there would not be many television studios in New York City and vicinity. New York is requested to determine BRODY's employment and residence.

MRS. JOHN HAFER, 946 Penn Avenue, Wyomissing, Pa., advised SA PRICE that she recalled BRODY. She advised that he roomed in her rooming house for a short period of time. MRS. HAFER stated she did not get to know him very well although she recalled that he told her he was married. She advised, however, that she never met his wife and his wife never lived with him in Wyomissing. She also advised that the name ALICE NEEL was unfamiliar to her. MRS. HAFER advised that she has no idea where the subject is now. As ALICE NEEL never resided in Wyomissing, and as New York has determined her new residence, FD-128 is submitted on ALICE NEEL BRODY, and the case on ALICE NEEL BRODY is considered RUC to New York, the Office of Origin.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 5-13-53

FROM : SAC, Richmond (100-7967)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was: Sam Nell, Samuel
Brodetsky
SECURITY MATTER - CALICE NEEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - CALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 7/24/60 BY SPIC/KJ

Reference New York letter to Bureau, dated April 30, 1953.

Mrs. ELOISE SNEAD, Recorder, Registrar's Office, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, advised that her files reflect that JULIEN BRODY, son of SAMUEL HARVEY BRODY and CLARA GEBNER BRODY, attended the University of Virginia from September, 1950 until June of 1951, and was in their graduate school. She stated that this student listed his home address as 3920 Decatur Street, Kensington, Maryland, his date of birth being July 13, 1930, New York City, N.Y. She informed that JULIAN BRODY majored in mathematics and did part-time instruction in this subject while at the University. Mrs. SNEAD stated that she learned from another source at the University of Virginia, that JULIAN BRODY was presently at Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, doing graduate work and, possibly doing part time teaching.

Referenced letter requested the Richmond Office to ascertain the name of SAMUEL BRODY's son attending the University of Virginia, and discretely determine SAMUEL BRODY's whereabouts by means of a mail cover or other means available.

The Newark Office at Princeton University is requested to carry out the latter instructions and advise the Bureau and the New York Office.

The New York Office will consider the advisability of requesting the Baltimore Office to conduct the appropriate investigation at 3920 Decatur Street, Kensington, Maryland, to determine if SAMUEL BRODY is residing or has resided at that address. RUC.

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2 cc: New York (100-93268), (100-107686)

2 cc: Philadelphia (100-37944), (100-38294)

2 cc: Newark

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: June 29, 1953

FROM : ^{DSH} SAC, NEWARK (100-33527)SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY,
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Re Richmond letter to Bureau, dated 5/13/53, one copy of which was enclosed for the information of WFO.

Mrs. AGNES HENRY, Secretary to the Chairman of the Mathematics Dept. at Princeton University, Princeton, N.J., reported that the subject's son, JULIEN BRODY, departed for Washington, D.C. during the first week of 6/53, and he will be employed there with the Washington Logistics Research at George Washington University, 707 - 22nd St. N.W.

Washington Field is requested to attempt to obtain information requested in referenced letter, and the Newark Office will continue to work its sources of information to attempt to obtain the subject's present address.

Pending.

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SAMUEL BRODY, was.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re Washington Field letter of July 31, 1953, captioned "Samuel Brody, was., Security Matter - C, Alice Neel Brody, Security Matter - C"; and Newark letter of June 29, 1953, under the same caption.

You are advised that Philadelphia Office is origin in captioned case and should be furnished copies of results of investigation conducted by your office. The residence of Alice Neel Brody in New York City has been verified.

Single Photostats of referenced communications are being transmitted herewith for the completion of the files of the Philadelphia Office.

2cc: Philadelphia 100-37944 (W/Enclosure)

2cc: New York 100-93268

2cc: Newark 100-33527 (for information)

2cc: Richmond 100-7967 (for information)

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Subject on SI. His whereabouts have been unknown in recent months.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 7/31/53

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-27978)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
Sam Nell, Samuel Brodetsky,
SECURITY MATTER - CALICE NEEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - CALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Re Richmond letter to Bureau dated May 13, 1953,
and Newark letter to Director, copies to Washington Field
Office, dated June 29, 1953.

On July 17, 1953, the following information
regarding JULIAN BRODY was obtained from the Personnel
File at Washington Logistics Research, 700 22nd Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.: JULIAN BRODY, born July 13, 1930, at
New York City; employed part-time at George Washington
University, and assigned to the Washington Logistics Research.

BRODY is single, and resides at 3920 Decatur Street,
Kensington, Maryland, with his mother and sister; mother's
name listed as Mrs. CLAIRES BLITZ (sole legal guardian), D.C.
sister's name listed as MADY BRODY; father's name listed as
SAMUEL BRODY, with the notation that JULIAN BRODY'S parents
have been divorced for ten years, and his father's address
is unknown; father's birthplace listed as England.

BRODY'S file further reflects that he has been
employed during the past two winters at Princeton University.
His former addresses were listed as follows:

From March, 1941, to February, 1943, 6304 47th Avenue,
Riverdale, Maryland;
From February, 1943, to July, 1945, 258 West 91st
Street, New York City;
July, 1945, to March, 1949, 1704 South Robertson
Boulevard, Los Angeles, California;
March, 1949, to April, 1950, 258 West 91st Street,
New York City;

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2- New York (100-93268), (100-107686)

1- Richmond (100-7967) (RM)

1- Newark (100-33527) (RM)

2- Baltimore (RM)

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April, 1950, to August, 1950, 706 Quincy Street, Washington, D. C.; Employed September, 1949, to June, 1950, as part-time Mathematics Aid, Hydrodynamics Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, under FORREST R. GLENNON, 1201 East California Street, Pasadena, California.

References listed as HERBERT A. FORRESTER C/O Los Alamos Laboratory; THOMAS F. STRONG, California Institute of Technology; PAUL C. EATON, California Institute of Technology.

BRODY lists one trip outside of the United States for pleasure, in 1950, to Tiajuana, Mexico.

Report of SA ROBERT N. WINGARD, dated November 5, 1951, at Washington, D. C., entitled JULIAN BRODY, Junior Scientist and Engineer (Mathematician) - Applicant United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., Loyalty of Government Employees, Bureau file 121-29990, Washington Field File number, 121-19555, indicates the following information of pertinence to this investigation:

MARY BRODY, sister to JULIAN BRODY and daughter of subject, advised Mrs. FRANCES STRASSER and Mrs. DORTHY MILLER, both of 704 Quincy Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., that MARY'S real father, SAMUEL BRODY, was residing in California, and that she received mail from him at regular intervals.

In view of the information set out in above paragraph, the Baltimore Office is instructed to set out a mail cover on JULIAN BRODY, also known as ELMER JOE BRODY, and sister, Miss MARY BRODY, also known as MADY BRODY, both at 3920 Decatur Street, Kensington, Maryland; and further conduct such-additional investigation as deemed appropriate to locate Subject.

BORN 7/13/30 NYC. N.Y.

Copies of this letter are being designated to the Richmond and Newark Offices for information, and to the New York office so that New York may furnish Baltimore additional pertinent information. - RUC -

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 8/13/53

Re New York letter dated 4/30/53, and my letter dated 5/18/53.

Recontact with Mrs. JOHN HAFFER, 946 Penn Avenue, Wyomissing, Pa., reflects that she has not obtained any information as to the present whereabouts of the subject.

New York is requested to cover the leads set out in referenced Philadelphia letter by contacting television stations in the New York area in an effort to determine at which station the subject is employed.

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SAC, Philadelphia (100-37944)

September 23, 1953

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SAMUEL BRODY, was.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re New York letter dated September 2, 1953, captioned
"Samuel Brody, was., SM-C; Alice Neel Brody, was., SM-C."

For the information of the Baltimore Office, the
present residence of Samuel Brody in New York has been verified.
Your office should disregard the lead set out in Washington
Field Office letter of July 31, 1953, to establish a mail
cover in Kensington, Maryland, in an attempt to locate the
subject.

Philadelphia should execute Form FD-128.

2 cc - New York (100-93268)

2 cc - Baltimore

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-1408)

DATE: SEP 2 1953

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
SM-CALICE NEEL BRODY, was
SM-C

Re Philadelphia letter to Bureau 5/18/53.

Mrs. MARY SANTIAGO, tenant, 21 E 108th Street, who previously verified the residence of ALICE NEEL at the above address, advised on 8/7/53 that SAMUEL BRODY now resides with ALICE NEEL in Apartment 6.

Records of The National Broadcasting Co. (WNBT); The Columbia Broadcasting Co. (WCBS); The American Broadcasting Co. (WABC-TV); The A. B. Dumont Co. (WABD); WPIX, the television station of the "Daily News", and WOR-TV all fail to reflect that SAM BRODY has ever been employed as a television camera man.

It is noted that there are numerous independent motion-picture companies in the NYC area which produce motion pictures for television.

Philadelphia is requested to recontact Mr. FLOYD FOGELMAN, mentioned in relet, to determine if he has learned the company by which the subject is employed.

A 30-day mailcover was placed on 21 E 108th Street, but failed to reflect information which might lead to the subject's location or employment.

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[] and [] have been unable to furnish information relating to the subject's employment.

RM

- 1- Bureau 100-398800 (ALICE NEEL BRODY)
- 4- Philadelphia
 - (2- 100-37944 (SAMUEL BRODY)
 - (2- 100-38294 (ALICE NEEL BRODY)
- 1- NY 100-107686

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)
FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)
SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
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DATE: 9-10-53

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The captioned individual has been the subject of a security investigation by this office. The New York Division has verified the permanent presence of the subject in its division as residing and working at the addresses listed below. The New York Division is being considered the new office of origin.

Residence Address: Apt. 6, 21 E. 108th Street,
New York City, New York

Business Address: Unknown

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
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DATE: 10/16/53

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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE NOV 2 1953	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/28,29:6/22, 23:8/25:9/2,8, 10,14:10/13, 23/53	REPORT MADE BY THOMAS S. LOVERING imh
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-1 stated that JULIAN BRODY, the son of the subject, is currently residing in Room B of Pyne Tower, Princeton, N. J. but T-1 has received no information as to the present address of the subject.

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DETAILS: The following information is concerning the subject's son, JULIAN BRODY.

Miss HOUSTON SCOTT, Secretary to the *Vand. DC.* Dean of the Graduate College of Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., displayed records reflecting that JULIAN BRODY was born 7/13/30 at New York City. His parent or guardian is listed as Mrs. CLARE BRODY residing at 3920 Decatur Avenue, Kensington, Maryland. He received his B.S. Degree in 1950 at the California Institute of Technology and studied for two academic years from 1950-1952 as a graduate student at the University of Virginia. During the last year there, he was a teaching fellow and an assistant. He enrolled in the Princeton University Graduate College on December 22, 1952 and studied in the Mathematics Department until June, 1953. He then returned to his residence at Kensington, Maryland for the summer vacation and about 9/8/53 returned to his studies at Princeton University and resumed his residence in Room B of Pyne Tower at the Princeton University Graduate College, Princeton, N. J., which he had previously occupied during the academic year 1952-1953.

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Mrs. AGNES HENRY, Secretary to the Chairman of the Mathematics Department, Princeton, N. J., stated that when JULIAN BRODY completed the academic year of 1952-1953, he accepted temporary summer employment with the Washington Logistics Research Project at George Washington University, 707-22nd St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

Miss MARIE FLEMING, Acting Secretary to the Dean of the Princeton University Graduate College, stated that JULIAN BRODY returned to his previous residence in Room B of Pyne Tower of the Princeton University Graduate College about 9/8/53 and was expected to continue his graduate studies in Mathematics for the current academic year. She stated she had no additional information concerning him.

PETER LAPPAN, Steward of the Princeton University Graduate School Dormitory, verified that JULIAN BRODY resided in Room B of Pyne Tower of that unit during the academic year 1952-1953 and had continued his occupancy of this same room upon his return to Princeton, N. J. about 9/8/53. Mr. LAPPAN stated that he knew little about JULIAN BRODY except that he appeared to be "an average graduate student in all his activities and interests" and he knew nothing whatsoever about the present location of JULIAN BRODY's father.

Newark Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, stated that from September 20, 1953 to October 20, 1953, JULIAN BRODY received only the five pieces of mail listed below:

DATE REC'D.	RETURN ADDRESS	POSTMARK	ADDRESSEE
9/26/53	3920 Decatur Ave. Kensington, Md.	Kensington, Md. 9/25/53	JULIAN BRODY
10/1/53	First Nat'l. Bank Princeton, N.J.	Princeton, N.J. 10/1/53	JULIAN BRODY
10/6/53	C. BLITZ , 3920 Decatur Ave., Kensington, Md.	Washington, D. C. 10/5/53	JULIAN BRODY

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DATE REC'D.	RETURN ADDRESS	POSTMARK	ADDRESSEE
10/14/53	C. BLITZ, 3920 Decatur Ave., Kensington, Md.	Washington, D.C. 10/13/53	JULIAN BRODY
10/17/53	Princeton Univ. Office Controller, Princeton, N. J.	Princeton, N.J. 10/16/53	JULIAN BRODY
10/19/53	No name or return address	NY 17, NY 10/17/53 12:00 PM	JULIAN BRODY

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An information copy of this report has been designated for Baltimore inasmuch as that office has been maintaining mail covers on JULIAN BRODY and his sister, ~~MARY~~ BRODY at Kensington, Maryland.

An information copy of this report has been designated for New York as it is the previous office of origin in this case and is conducting investigation directed towards locating the subject.

INFORMANT

T-1 is Postmaster CHARLES F. MURRAY of Princeton, N.J.

REFERENCE: Richmond letter to Bureau dated 5/13/53.
Newark letter to Bureau dated 6/29/53.
Bureau letter to Baltimore dated 8/19/53.

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TO : L. J. ... , FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 11/16/53

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY was
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Rebulet to Philadelphia, 10/16/53.

Mr. JULIUS GLANTZ, Apt. 3, 21 E. 108 St., advised that there was an individual answering the subject's description residing in Apt. 6. He said that he thought this individual's name was NEEL. It is noted that SAM NEEL is one of the subject's aliases.

SA MICHAEL J. NICHOLAS, who conducted the above interview, made a pretext call to Apt. 6. The individual who answered the door, answered the subject's description and was identical with the photographs of the subject contained in his case file. The subject, however, stated that he knew no person named BRODY. He added that his name was CHEVRON. He said that the apartment was rented by ALICE NEEL and that she resided alone. He did not know of her having a husband.

A pretext telephone call was later made to ALICE NEEL by SA NICHOLAS. She advised that SAMUEL BRODY was formerly her husband but that she had divorced him many years ago. She could offer no information as to his whereabouts. She said that she resides at this address with her two children.

JULIUS GLANTZ was re-contacted on 10/12/53 at which time he advised that the man residing in Apt. 6, 21 E. 108 St., is employed as a photographer and he appears to work on specific assignments out of his home address since he brings equipment to and from that place and his home a great deal of the time.

This information is furnished to Philadelphia for inclusion in a summary report.

1 - Philadelphia (100-37944)

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REPORT MADE AT: PHILADELPHIA	DATE WHEN MADE: 2/2/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/14,15,18-20/54	REPORT MADE BY: MAHLON J. PRICE (JFG)
TITLE: CHANGED SAMUEL BRODY, was. Samuel Brodetzky, Sam Neel, Chevron, Lens			CHARACTER OF CASE: SECURITY MATTER - C

SUMMARY REPORT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SAMUEL BRODY variously listed birth date as 1/1/07, London, England, and 1/1/09, Paris, France. Subject presently resides Apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, with ALICE NEEL and is employed as a photographer. T-3 reported subject joined CP in France. T-3 also reported subject wrote column for "Daily Worker" around 1933 and signed column "Lens." According to T-3, subject was a member of Workers Alliance and United American Artists Union, around 1934 to 1936. T-5 reported that in 1948 subject's apartment was one of CP's main storage places in Harlem. T-6 reported subject offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of New Jersey CP in 1949. T-7 reported S. BRODY protested trial of 11 Communist leaders. Subject registered ALP in 1947. T-8 reported subject attended lecture by V. J. JEROME in 1950. T-9 reported subject made statement in 1951 he was a Communist, and reported subject soliciting signatures to Stockholm Peace Petition at that time. Subject unknown to informants in Reading and rural Berks County, Pa. No criminal record located at Wyomissing, Pa.

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DETAILS:

The title of this case has been marked "Changed" to reflect the new aliases, CHEVRON, which was reported by Confidential Informant T-10, and LENS, reported by HELEN DE SOLA.

All informants mentioned herein are of known reliability unless otherwise designated.

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Birth Data

T-15, a reliable Confidential Source, advised that SAMUEL BRODY indicated that he was born January 1, 1907, at London, England.

Mr. GERALD WILS, Assistant to the Personnel Manager of the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., advised SA BENNIE J. RIEGES on October 20, 1952, that on his application for employment the subject indicated that he was born January 1, 1909, at Paris, France.

B. Citizenship

Mr. GERALD WILS, advised that the subject indicated that his United States citizenship was derived from his father, ABRAHAM BRODY, who was naturalized at New York City February 14, 1927.

Confidential Informant T-1, another Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised SA KENNETH R. ALBERT that the subject's father entered the United States under the name ABRAHAM BRODETZKY on June 16, 1920, at the Port of New York aboard the "SS Leopoldina." Subject's father was born November 29, 1878, in Starebech, Russia, and was naturalized February 14, 1927.

C. Education

Mr. JOSEPH P. DOUGHERTY, Director of the Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, N.J., advised SA JOHN P. DEVLIN on September 21, 1949, that on his application for employment, the subject indicated that he had the following education:

Elementary and early high school grades in Paris, France;
Townsend Harris High School, New York City, from which he graduated in 1926.

Sorbonne University, Paris, France, 1928 to 1930

University of Virginia and City College of New York, N.Y., where he stated that he took special courses in Visual Arts and Languages

D. Marital Status

The records of the Marriage License Bureau, Borough of Brooklyn, N.Y., reflect that SAMUEL BRODY and CLAIRE GEENER were married October 29, 1928, at Brooklyn, N.Y.

T-15 advised that as of October 16, 1940, the subject was divorced from his wife, CLAIRE BRODY, and that she was living in Los Angeles, Calif.

On June 6, 1949, Mr. DAVID GAGE, Pilfour Farms, Nashanick, N.J., advised the Newark Office that his former wife, MARILYN LEIGHTON was married to the subject.

Mrs. EDWARD HICKMAN, 136 Elm Avenue, Rahway, N.J., advised the Newark Office in 1950 that MARILYN LEIGHTON GAGE BRODY resided with her parents at 136 Elm Avenue and was divorced from SAM BRODY.

Confidential Informant T-2 advised on May 15, 1950, that the subject at that time was living with one ALICE NEEL in Apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City.

T-15 advised that as of October 16, 1940, the subject had an illegitimate child named HARTLEY SHEVRINE NEEL. T-15 also said that at that time the child was living with its mother at 21 East 108th Street, New York City.

E. Military Service

T-15 advised that on August 26, 1943, the subject was rejected for Military Service and classified 4-F. See I below.

Records of the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., reflect that the subject had no Military Service.

F. Criminal Record

Records of the Englewood, N.J., Police Department reflect that Mr. H. W. MEIDMAN, Chief Instructor at the Central Institute, 838 Broad Street, Newark, and residing at 151 Sherwood Place, Englewood, had submitted a complaint to the department alleging that SAM BRODY had threatened the lives of Mr. MEIDMAN and his family. MEIDMAN had found it necessary to request BRODY's resignation from the institute and for this reason BRODY threatened him. The record reflects that MEIDMAN requested the Englewood Police Department to afford him and his family protection. There was no record of any arrest in this matter.

Patrolman JACOB WEBER, Wyomissing, Pa., Police Department, advised that the subject has no record with that department.

G. Employment

Mr. JOSEPH P. DOUGHERTY, Director of the Central Institute, furnished a questionnaire executed by the subject reflecting the following employment:

Teacher at Hollywood Evening, School, Hollywood, Calif., 1937 to 1939
Lansdowne Studios, 2016 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, Calif., 1935 to 1939

Staff Photographer for "Women's Reporter" in Los Angeles, Calif., 1940 to 1942

Shearline Studios, 841 North McCaden Place, Hollywood, Calif., 1943 to 1946

Marzuez Studios, 1751 Lexington Avenue, New York City, July 1946 to February 1947

Editor for "Experimental Cinema" magazine, no date given

American Correspondent for "Close," a United Press magazine in Switzerland, no date given

Film maker of "Of These Our People," "Fighting Beta," and "Camp Echo," no dates given

Mr. DOUGHERTY advised that BRODY was employed by the Central Institute on Marcy 25, 1948, as a photography instructor and his employment was terminated on September 23, 1949.

Mr. H. W. MEIDMAN, Chief Instructor at the Central Institute, advised that it was necessary to ask BRODY to resign as an instructor due to his inability to get along with the other instructors and the pupils. Mr. MEIDMAN also advised that BRODY telephonically contacted him and his wife on September 23 and 24, 1949, and threatened their lives because of BRODY's requested resignation. Mr. MEIDMAN stated that he reported the threat to the Englewood, N.J., Police Department.

T-15 advised that subject was employed at the following places:

March 1941, Works Progress Administration, 110 King Street
New York City

June 1942, J. Kandel, 1600 Broadway, New York City

September 1942, Kaiser Shipyards, Portland, Oregon

October 1942, Hunters Point Naval Yard, San Francisco, Calif.

April 1943, Federal Shipping and Drydock Company, Kearney, N.J.

The records of the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., as made available by Mr. GERALD WILS, reflect that the subject was employed there as a French translator from March 11, 1952, to May 9, 1952. He resigned on the latter date because he did not wish to fill out a security questionnaire from the U. S. Army. These records list the following employment furnished by the subject:

1932 to 1934, Fordell Films, New York City

Since 1934, free lance contact work in translation, writing, and research for such organizations as Har-Court Brace (Mr. JAY LEYDA); Metro-Goldwyn Mayer; Dal Housie University, Halifax, Canada; Central Institute of Newark.

Mr. JULIUS GLANTZ, Apartment 3, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, advised SA MICHAEL J. NICHOLAS on October 12, 1953, that the subject, using the name of NEEL, was residing in Apartment 6 of that building and was employed as a photographer working on specific assignments out of his home.

H. Residences

Mr. JULIUS GLANTZ, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, advised that the subject resides in Apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City.

Records of the Textile Machine Works, Wyomissing, Pa., as made available by Mr. GERALD WILS, indicate the following addresses for the subject:

946 Penn Avenue, Wyomissing, Pa.
21 East 108th Street, New York City
183 West 79th Street, New York City

T-15 said the following were residences of the subject:

1564 Crotona Park East, Bronx, N.Y.
860 East 172nd Street, Bronx, N.Y.
258 West 91st Street, New York City
2445 Fillmore Street, San Francisco, Calif.
c/o BOWKER Santa Paulo Lemon Company, Santo Paulo, Calif.
c/o ABRAHAM BRODY, 2749 Barker Avenue, Bronx, N.Y.
1706 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.

I. Status of Health

T-15 said that on August 26, 1943, the subject was given a physical examination at which time he was rejected for Military Service and classified 4-F. The reasons for rejection, he said, were given as amnesia, claustrophobia (present for eight years), and many semantic complaints which were summarized under the title of psychoneurosis.

II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY

SYLVAN POLLACK, 642 West 172nd Street, New York City, on June 17, 1941, advised Confidential Informant T-3, another Government agency, which conducted personnel and security investigations, that he, POLLACK, was a charter member of the Communist Party having joined the Party on September 1, 1919. POLLACK asserted that he was no longer a Party member but stated he knew the subject was a member of the Communist Party at least from 1927 to 1930 because he had met him during this period at the Communist Party Headquarters in New York City, in the office of the "Daily Worker," and frequently at the Communist Party Workers' School at 30 Union Square, New York City.

POLLACK also advised that during the period from 1927 to 1930 the subject contributed motion picture reviews to the "New Masses." According to POLLACK, he himself contributed a motion picture review to the "Daily Worker" on one occasion. He recalled that after its publication the subject approached him and criticized the article because it was not in the line with the Communist Party program.

The "Daily Worker" is an east coast Communist newspaper.

"New Masses" was cited as a Communist Party periodical by the Attorney General of the United States in September 1942.

Mrs. HELEN DE SOLA, 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., on May 24, 1941, advised T-3 that she had been a member of the Writers Project Unit of the Communist Party from 1932 to the end of 1936. She stated that she also had been employed on the staff of the "Daily Worker" from early 1933 to August 1935, as editor of the feature page. She recalled that for about one year during that period, the subject wrote a column for the "Daily Worker" signing it "Lens." The column consisted of personal comments on motion picture stars. ✓

Mr. RALPH DE SOLA, 5 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., advised T-3 on May 16, 1941, that he had been a member of the Communist Party from 1934 to 1936. He recalled that the subject was a member around that time and he also

recalled that the subject attended meetings of Unit 368, Section 24 of the Communist Party. Mr. DE SOLA stated that the subject was active in the Film and Photo League Section of the Communist Party, was a member of the Workers Alliance, and was a member of the United American Artists Union during the period that he, DE SOLA, was a member of the Party.

The Film and Photo League was cited as a "Communist front for revolutionary films" by the California Committee on Un-American Activities report of 1948.

United American Artists was cited as a "Communist front" by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report of March 29, 1944.

The Workers Alliance was declared by the Attorney General of the United States to be within the purview of Executive Order 10450.

Mrs. FRANKIE DUTY, 239 West 115th Street, New York, N.Y., on June 12, 1941, advised T-3 that she was a member of the Communist Party from March 1936 to October 1938, in the Harlem Section, Frederick Douglas Unit, New York, N.Y. She stated that from June 1937 to October 1938 she was president of the Harlem and Washington Heights section of the Workers Alliance. Mrs. DUTY stated that in 1937 she received a telephone call from the Workers Alliance in connection with some publicity which the Communist Party desired relative to the LULA COKER family, tenant farmers from South Carolina. She advised that the person with whom she talked told her they were sending "Comrade" BRODY to take some pictures of the COKER family. According to Mrs. DUTY, she interviewed the COKER family for an article which was to appear in the "Daily Worker" and BRODY took photographs. Mrs. DUTY advised that she knew the subject was a Communist at that time because of his conversation with her regarding the type of publicity to follow and because he addressed her as "Comrade."

CLIFFORD SUTTCLIFFE, 41 Morton Street, New York, N.Y., on June 17, 1941, advised T-3 that he knew the subject in 1937 and he recalled that the subject told him that he had joined the Communist Party in France, but he did not state when he joined.

Confidential Informant T-4, another Government agency which conducts personnel investigations, advised that the 1934 issue of "New Theater" states that SAMUEL BRODY taught in the first Workers Film School in America with headquarters at the Film and Photo League, 116 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

The "New Theater" was cited as a Communist Party publication by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report dated March 29, 1944.

Confidential Informant T-5 advised in 1948 that JUAN EMMONUELLI, head of the Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party, visited the apartment of the subject and ALICE NEEL. Informant advised that it was Apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City. T-5 also advised that this apartment was one of the Communist Party's main storage places in Harlem. The purpose of the visit was to obtain copies of the booklet "The Crime of El Fanquito" by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

It is to be noted that WILLIAM Z. FOSTER is the National Chairman of the Communist Party, USA.

On June 6, 1949, Mr. DAVID GAGE, Pilfour Farms, Nashanic, New Jersey, advised the Newark Office that his former wife, MARILYN LEIGHTON GAGE, was married to SAM BRODY. Mr. GAGE advised that it was necessary for him to contact his former wife from time to time relative to custody of their child. GAGE stated that MARILYN told him that her husband, SAM BRODY, was a Communist Party member in New York City. According to GAGE, MARILYN also stated that she too was a member of the Communist Party. MARILYN further told GAGE that she attended Communist Party meetings in New York City three times weekly. GAGE also advised that when his child came to his home, the child's belongings contained a booklet entitled "Marxist Study Series (First Course) Theory and Practice of the Communist Party." Handwritten notes contained in the booklet are, according to GAGE, in the hand of his former wife, MARILYN.

Confidential Informant T-6 advised on September 2, 1949, that SAM BRODY had offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey Communist Party. BRODY told DEAN that he was willing to do anything, and that he could be reached at the Central Institute in Newark, N. J.

Confidential Informant T-8 advised March 30, 1950, that the subject attended the lecture of V. J. JEROME given in February 1950, at the Hotel Capitol in New York City.

It is to be noted that V. J. JEROME was listed as Editor of "Political Affairs" as shown in the August 1950 issue.

It is also to be noted that JOHN GATES, who was formerly the managing editor of the "Daily Worker" and who was convicted on October 14, 1949, for conspiracy to advocate the violent overthrow of the Government, while testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee on the Mundt-Nixon Bill on May 28, 1948, called "Political Affairs" the theoretical organ of the Communist Party.

Confidential Informant T-9 in January 1951 advised that he had a friend whose identity he would not reveal and that the subject made the statement to this friend that he was a card carrying Communist. The subject also said that when the Revolution comes there would be a big bonfire at Times Square and right on top of this bonfire would be the editor of the "New York Times," J. EDGAR HOOVER, and DEAN ACHESON.

III. FALSE STATEMENTS MADE BY SUBJECT INCLUDING USE OF ALIASES

Confidential Informant T-3 advised that the subject on June 27, 1940, signed, under oath, a Federal Works Agency Affidavit required by the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act Fiscal Year 1941. This affidavit reflects that the subject is a United States citizen, is not a Communist nor a member of any organization advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States.

Confidential Informant T-9 advised on January 23, 1951, that the subject uses the name SAM NEEL.

Confidential Informant T-10 advised on October 12, 1953, that the subject uses the name CHEVRON. ✓

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Connections with the American Labor Party

Records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of Manhattan, as made available to SE CLINTON POLLOCK, disclosed that SAMUEL BRODY, 21 East 108th Street, New York City, registered to vote as a member of the American Labor Party in 1947.

It is to be noted that the American Labor Party was cited by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities on March 29, 1944, as a Communist front organization.

B. ^Connections with the
Stockholm Peace Petition

Confidential Informant T-9 also advised on January 23, 1951, that the subject was attempting to obtain signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition.

In connection with the Stockholm Peace petition, Confidential Informant T-9 advised that the Communist Party and numerous Communist front organizations have been extensively engaged in obtaining signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition.

The following Confidential Informants, who have a general knowledge of the membership and activities of the Communist Party in Reading and rural Berks County, Pennsylvania, advised on the following dates that they do not know the subject:

T-12 January 9, 1954
T-13 January 9, 1954
T-14 January 19, 1954

C. Physical Description

The following physical description is a composite description of the subject as ascertained by review of records previously mentioned in this report and interviews with Confidential Informants:

Name and Aliases	SAMUEL BRODY , was. Samuel Brodetzky, Samuel, Chevron, Lens	<u>Summary</u>
Sex	Male	
Race	White	
Birth	January 7, 1907, London, England, and also given as January 1, 1909, Paris, France	
Residence	Apartment 6, 21 E. 108th St., New York City	<u>PA</u>
Height	5'10"	
Weight	170 pounds	
Build	Medium	

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T-3: Federal Works Agency, Works Progress Administration, New York, N.Y., as set out in report of SA JEFFERSON B. COHEN, Division of Investigation, New York, 7/22/44	Info re subject's CP activities from SYLVAN POLLACK, HELEN DE SOLA, RALPH DE SOLA, Mrs. FRANKIE DUTY, CLIFFORD SUTCLIFFE	August 1941	Bureau	100-93268-6
T-4: Civil Service Commission, Washington and Christopher Sts., NYC., from the investigative file of IRVING LERNER	Subject mentioned in "New Theater" issue of 1934	1946	SA JOHN A. MORRISON	100-70015-15 P.12
T-5: [REDACTED]	Subject's apartment used as a CP storage place	4/27/48	SA ALFRED B. NOVAK	[REDACTED] FOIA(b) 7) - (D)
T-6: [REDACTED]	Subject's offer to help ELWOOD DEAN	9/2/49		
T-7: Not used				

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T-8: [REDACTED]	Info re lecture by V. J. JEROME & comments made re the lecture by one SAMUEL BRODY	3/30/50	SA HERBERT P. LARSON, SE STEPHEN W. JENNINGS	100-93268-1A2
T-9: EDWARD F. MOODY, Jr., 303 E. 17th St., NYC	Characterization of Stockholm Peace Petition Re subject as a card carrying CP member.	1/23/51	SA THOMAS J. FURLEY, Jr. (oral)	100-37944-7
	Re use of SAM NEEL	"	"	" FOIA(b) (7) - (D)
	Re Stockholm Peace Petition	"	"	"
T-10: Interview of subject by SA MICHAEL J. NICHOLAS under a suitable pretext	Re subject's use of the alias, CHEVRON	10/12/53	SA MICHAEL J. NICHOLAS	100-37944-31
T-11: Not used				
T-12: [REDACTED]	Negative info re subject	1/9/54	SA MAHLON J. PRICE (oral)	Instant report
T-13: [REDACTED]	Negative info re subject	1/9/54	SA MAHLON J. PRICE (oral)	Instant report
T-14: [REDACTED]	Negative info re subject	1/19/54	SA MAHLON J. PRICE (oral)	Instant report
T-15: SS Headquarters, Background 516 West 34th St., NYC		1950	SA KENNETH R. ALBERT	100-93268-5 P.3

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, dated 3/14/50.
Report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, New York, dated 6/7/50.
Report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, dated 6/27/50.
Report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, Jr., New York, dated 3/22/51.
New York letter to Director dated 11/16/53.

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No additional indexing required.
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individuals listed herein other than
subject previously reported or is
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to these persons.

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T-5: [redacted] as set out in report of SA RUSSEL S. GARNER, entitled "CP, USA, District #2, N.Y. Office; IS-C," dated 12/16/48, at New York	Re subject's apartment and CP storage place	Awaiting	documentation from New York	
T-6: [redacted]	Subject's offer to help ELWOOD DEAN.	9/2/49	Awaiting	documentation from Newark

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T-13: [REDACTED]	Negative info re subject	1/9/54	SA MAHLON J. PRICE (oral)	Instant report
T-14: [REDACTED]	Negative info re subject	1/19/54	SA MAHLON J. PRICE (oral)	Instant report
T-15: Selective Service, 516 W. 34th St., NYC	Background	Unknown	SA KENNETH R. ALBERT	File number where located. Report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT at New York, dated 6/7/50

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5/14 (5-12-52)

Date _____, 19____

Memo To: Director, FBI (101-1408)

SAC _____ Title: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
 ASAC _____
 Supervisor _____
 Agent _____
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 Special Employee PH File No. 100-37944

ACTION DESIRED

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 Correct _____ Send serials
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 Undeveloped leads in your district awaiting attention.

Attached are 5 copies of amended pages 12 and 13 of the report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE dated 2/2/54 at Philadelphia. It is also requested that T-11 on page 10, paragraph 3 of SA PRICE's report be changed to T-8, *because when N.Y. furnished documentation they advised that T-8 and T-11 are identical. Therefore no memo being submitted D.A.C.B.*

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S.A.C. ABBATICCHIO
 Office PHILADELPHIA

(In intra office use return this with notation as to action taken or explanation.)

Consolidation

The "New Theater" was cited as a Communist Party publication by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report dated March 29, 1944.

Confidential Informant T-5 advised in 1948 that JUAN EMMONUELLI, head of the Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party, visited the apartment of the subject and ALICE NEEL. Informant advised that it was Apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street, New York City. T-5 also advised that this apartment was one of the Communist Party's main storage places in Harlem. The purpose of the visit was to obtain copies of the booklet "The Crime of El Fanquito" by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

It is to be noted that WILLIAM Z. FOSTER is the National Chairman of the Communist Party, USA.

On June 6, 1949, Mr. DAVID GAGE, Pilfour Farms, Nashanick, New Jersey, advised the Newark Office that his former wife, MARILYN LEIGHTON GAGE, was married to SAM BRODY. Mr. GAGE advised that it was necessary for him to contact his former wife from time to time relative to custody of their child. GAGE stated that MARILYN told him that her husband, SAM BRODY, was a Communist Party member in New York City. According to GAGE, MARILYN also stated that she too was a member of the Communist Party. MARILYN further told GAGE that she attended Communist Party meetings in New York City three times weekly. GAGE also advised that when his child came to his home, the child's belongings contained a booklet entitled "Marxist Study Series (First Course) Theory and Practice of the Communist Party." Handwritten notes contained in the booklet are, according to GAGE, in the hand of his former wife, MARILYN.

Confidential Informant T-6 advised on September 2, 1949, that SAM BRODY had offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey Communist Party. BRODY told DEAN that he was willing to do anything, and that he could be reached at the Central Institute in Newark, N.J.

Confidential Informant T-7 advised that the name S. BRODY appeared as a signer of a communication to Judge HAROLD R. MEDINA, U. S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, U. S. Court House, Foley Square, New York City, protesting the trial of the 11 members of the National Board of the Communist Party.

Confidential Informant T-8 advised March 30, 1950, that the subject attended the lecture of V. J. JEROME given in February 1950, at the Hotel Capitol in New York City.

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T-7: Miss E. GORMAN, Secretary to Federal Judge H. MEDINA, USDC, SDNY	Re signed protest from S. BRODY	Unknown	SA GEORGE SULLIVAN	100-85800

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37944)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
SECURITY MATTER - C
OO: NEW YORK

DATE: 2/2/54

Rerep of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 3/14/50; rerep of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, New York, 6/7/50; rerep of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 6/27/50; rerep of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, Jr., New York, 3/22/51; and re New York letter, 11/16/53.

Enclosed are five copies of the report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE, Philadelphia, dated 2/2/54.

Re Confidential Informant T-3 in the report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the date the information was received, the identity of the Agent who obtained the information, and its location in the New York files concerning the subject from the report of JEFFERSON B. COHEN, Federal Works Agency, Works Progress Administration, Division of Investigation, New York, dated 7/22/41. This information was set out in the report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 6/27/50.

Re Confidential Informant T-4 in the report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the date information was received and the Agent to whom the information was furnished concerning the subject from the investigative file of IRVING LERNER at the Civil Service Commission, Washington and Christopher Streets, New York City. This information concerned the subject's being mentioned in "New Theater" as set out in the report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 3/14/50. New York is also requested to furnish the location of this information in the New York files.

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Re Confidential Informant T-5 in the report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the date received, the Agent to whom furnished, and location in New York files of the information concerning the subject's meeting with JUAN EMMONUELLI in 1948. The source of this information was [redacted] as set out in the report of SA RUSSELL S. GARNER in the case entitled "CP, USA, District #2, New York Office; IS-C," dated 12/16/48.

Enclosures - 5

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cc:

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Newark(100-93268)
(100-33527)(Enclosures - 3)
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Re Confidential Informant T-6 in the report of SA PRICE. Newark is requested to advise New York of the identity of the Agent to whom the information was furnished and its location in Newark files of information received from [redacted] concerning subject's offer of his services to ELWOOD DEAN. This information was set out in the report of SA TROY COLEMAN, Newark, 3/14/50. *N.J.*

Re Confidential Informant T-7 in the report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the date the information was received and the file number where located of information received by SA GEORGE SULLIVAN from Miss E. GORMAN, Secretary to Judge MEDINA, which information related to S. BRODY protesting the trial of the 11 Communist leaders. This information is set out in the report of SA KENNETH R. ALBERT, New York, 6/7/50.

Re Confidential Informant T-8 in the report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the location in its files of information received by SA HERBERT P. LARSEN from [redacted] on 3/30/50, relative to the subject's attending a lecture by V. J. JEROME. This information is set out in the report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, New York, 3/22/51.

Re Confidential Source T-15 in report of SA PRICE. New York is requested to furnish the date records of Selective Service were reviewed and furnish the file number when located, if it is different from that set out.

After receipt of this information New York is requested to furnish corrected pages to the Bureau, Philadelphia, and Newark.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
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DATE: 2/19/54

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

RePHlet to NY, 2/2/54 requesting documentation for information set forth in report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE PH, 2/2/54, and captioned as above.

The following are the documentations as requested in relet:

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T-3 Federal Works Agency, Works Progress Adm., NYC, as set out in report of SA JEFFERSON B. COHEN, Div. of Investigation, NY, 7/22/44	Info re subject's CP activities from SYLVAN POLLACK, HELEN DE SOLA, RALPH DE SOLA, Mrs. FRANKIE DUTY, and CLIFFORD SUTCLIFFE	August, 1941	Bureau	100-93268-6
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Info re sworn statement made by subject that he did not advocate the overthrow of gov't and was not a Communist

T-4 CSC, Wash. & Christo-pher Streets, NYC, from investigation file of one IRVING LERNER	A SAMUEL BRODY mentioned in "New Theater" issue of 1934	1946	SA JOHN A. MORRISON	100-70015-15 p.12
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T-5



Subject's apartment
used as a CP storage
place

4/27/48

SA ALFRED
B. NOVAK



T-15

SS Head- Background
quarters, 516 W.
34th St.,
NYC

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SA KENNETH 100-93268-5
R. ALBERT p.3

Concerning T-8, report of SA PRICE ascertained that
the information under this symbol was obtained from [redacted]
rather than [redacted]

It is noted that [redacted] is listed as T-11 in
report of SA PRICE.

It is suggested that these informants be consolidated
as follows:

T-8



Info re lecture
by V. J. JEROME and
comments made re the
lecture by one
SAMUEL BRODY

3/30/50

SA HERBERT 100-93268-1A2
P. LARSON;
SE STEPHEN
W. JENNINGS

Characterization of
Stockholm Peace Petition

Relet requests a documentation for information regarding
a communication which one S. BRODY directed to Federal Judge
HAROLD R. MEDINA protesting the trial of 11 Communist leaders.
This information was originally set forth in report of SA
KENNETH R. ARNOLD, NY, 6/7/50, entitled, "SAMUEL BRODY, was."

Letter to Director
NY 100-93268

It is noted that all of the communications directed to Judge MEDINA protesting the trial of the 11 CP leaders and the Judge's conduction of the trial, were placed in NY 100-85800. Each serial in the file set forth between 50 and 150 names of individuals who directed communications. The names were indexed to the serial. Following each name, 1B exhibit numbers were noted on the serial so that the original evidence could be located at any time.

The index cards relating to the subject in the NYO were consolidated at the time that SA ALBERT wrote his report. The consolidation memo sets forth one reference which is 100-85800-3952. The list of names in this serial, as well as all lists from 3950-3959, were checked and no S. BRODY was noted therein.

While it is certain that this evidence did exist in NY 100-85800, the serial number listed is obviously incorrect, probably due to a typographical error. The only method by which this information could be found would be a complete review of the entire file which contains thousands of serials.

It is not believed that the information involved is sufficient importance to expend the time necessary for this research.

It is suggested that the information be deleted from SA PRICE'S report.

It is noted that the information came from one S. BRODY and no further identifying data was available, therefore, it is far from conclusive that the subject ever sent the communication.

No further effort will be made to locate this information, UACB or PH.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 2/19/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/5, 14, 25; 2/9, 11/54	REPORT MADE BY JOHN J. CONNOLLY, JR.
TITLE SAMUEL BRODY, was			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C
AGENCY <i>CC - JMS - NY</i> REQ. REC'D <i>8-6-57</i> REP'T FORW. <i>8-16-57</i> BY <i>7-12-9 - Jm -</i>			

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SAMUEL BRODY was in communication with **DAVID PLATT** of "DW" staff re production of a two-reel 16 mm. motion picture film concerning the 12 CP leaders who were tried in Federal Court for Smith Act violation. The suggestion was made in 1949. Subject unknown to reliable informants having knowledge of some aspects of CP activity in NYC area.

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REG. REC'D *12-9-54*
REP'T. FORW. *12-20-54*
BY *Jaco - Coo*

AGENCY *DR*
REQ. REC'D *3-2-54*
DATE FORW. *2-6*
HOW FORW. *JSR/w*
BY

DETAILS:

T-1, of known reliability, advised that in November, 1949, **SAMUEL BRODY** of 21 East 108th Street, New York City, was in communication with **DAVID PLATT**, Motion Picture Editor of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper. **BRODY** suggested that a 16mm motion picture film be prepared to aid in "The struggle to keep the '12' free."

BRODY referred to the 12 Communist Party leaders who were indicted for violations of the Smith Act, and 11 of whom were tried in Federal Court and found guilty of the violation.

BRODY indicated that \$5,000 would be needed to produce the picture. **BRODY** suggested that money might be obtained through **PLATT** mentioning the film in his "Daily Worker" column. It is noted that **BRODY** addressed **DAVID PLATT** as "Comrade Platt."

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T-8, of known reliability, advised as of January, 1950, that DAVID FLATT, "Daily Worker" Columnist, was a Communist Party member. *AK 9-11-51*

The following confidential informants, of known reliability who have knowledge of some aspects of Communist Party activity in the New York City area, were unable to furnish any information relating to BRODY:

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T-1 [redacted]	Subject communicated with DAVID PLATT, writer for "DW", 11/15/49	12/12/49	HERBERT P. LARSON; SE ALBERT E. FALLER	100-93268-1A1
T-2 [redacted]	Negative	1/13/54	RICHARD H. BLASSER	Instant report
T-3 [redacted]	"	"	"	"
T-4 [redacted]	"	1/12/54	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	" FOIA(b) (7) - (D)
T-5 [redacted]	"	"	"	"
T-6 [redacted]	"	"	"	"
T-7 [redacted]	"	"	JOHN W. DOOLEY	"
T-8	CSNY 588-S Used to document DAVID PLATT.			

LEADS

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will await submission of amended pages for report
of SA MAHLON J. PRICE, PH, 2/2/54.

REFERENCE: Report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE, PH, 2/2/54.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

DATE: 1/20/54

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME

ALIASES

NATIVE BORN NATURALIZED ALIEN

COMMUNIST SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)

TAB FOR DETCOM TAB FOR COMSAB RACE SEX

DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)

Free Lance Photographer, 21 East 108th Street, New York, New York

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER RESPONSIBILITY

INTERESTED AGENCIES

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

FM
JJC:CT

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A. J. J. J.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)
 FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37944)
 SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
SM - C
OO - New York

DATE: 6/7/54

Re report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE dated 2/2/54 at Philadelphia.

Enclosed herewith are five copies of amended pages 8 and 12 for insertion into referenced report.

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 MJP:JMB
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- 1 - New York (100-93268) (ENCL. - 6) (Reg. Mail)
- 1 - Newark (100-33527) (ENCL. - 2) Reg. Mail)

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UNITED STATES

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(5-11-53)

TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 11/15/54

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAM NEEL, was
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SAM NEEL
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NEW YORK DIVISION

Reurlet dated January 3, 1955.

You are authorized to interview this subject in accordance with existing instructions governing interviews under the Security Informant Program.

You should explain in your next report why you have changed the title of this case from subject's true name as reflected by your investigation heretofore and now carry the case under the title Sam Neel, an apparent alias.

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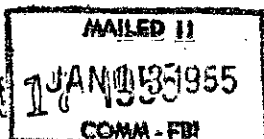
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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was.
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 SECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM
 NEW YORK DIVISION

DATE: 1/3/55

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The above captioned subject has been selected for consideration in interview by this office under the Security Informant Program.

In furtherance of this proposal, the following background information is herewith set out:

Background

Subject, white, male, married, born 1/1/07 in London, England or 1/1/09 Paris, France, naturalized under father's papers 1927, resides 21 East 108th St., with common law wife, currently employed as a free lance photographer out of his residence.

CP Background

Informants advised the subject a member or in sympathy with the CP from 1927 through 1951 and has made speeches, written articles and attended meetings of the CP front groups. Subject offered his services to ELWOOD DEAN, Former Executive Secretary of the CP, N.J. in 1949 and offered the name of the County Organizer as a reference of reliability. In 1949 the subject's former wife, MARILYN LEIGHTON, admitted to an informant, of unknown reliability, but who was in a position to have accurate knowledge of the subject, that she and her husband, (subject), were members of the CP.

In January, 1951 the subject attempted to obtain signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition.

The records of another government agency which conducts security investigations reflect that the subject

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had reportedly joined the CP in France and was known to have written articles for the "Daily Worker" around 1933 under the name of "LENS."

Informant, of known reliability, advised that in 1948 the subject's apartment was one of the CP's main storage places in Harlem.

It will be noted that the subject and his common law wife, ALICE NEE, are currently maintained on the SI of the NY division.

Authorization and Plan of Approach

The Bureau is requested to approve the interview of the subject under the above captioned program, it being noted that if authority is granted the subject will be interviewed under the provisions described by the Bureau relating to the interview of subject's under this program.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 1-31-55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL A. BRODY
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NAME SAMUEL A. BRODY

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 2/2/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
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 NEW YORK DIVISION

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 INFORMANT PROGRAM, NY DIVISION, and Bulet 1/13/55.

Through inadvertance, referenced letter was captioned
 SAM NEEL, the name under which the subject is known as in his
 neighborhood and reported by local informants.

Bureau is requested to make appropriate changes in
 referenced letter received at the Bureau. NY will do the same
 on their copies.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 4/12/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL A. BRODY
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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
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DATE: 4/15/55

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NEW YORK DIVISION

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1/13/55.

For the information of the Bureau fisurs have been conducted on subject's last known residence, 21 East 108th St., NYC, on seven separate occasions, in the past 30 days, in an effort to locate subject under suitable conditions for interview under the Security Informant Program.

As a result of the above-mentioned fisurs and a discreet neighborhood inquiry, it was ascertained that no one fitting the description of the subject was currently residing in the building located at 21 East 108th St., NYC.

On 4/5/55, Miss ALICE NEEL, subject's alleged common-law wife, was interviewed under pretext for the expressed purpose of locating subject. In the course of this interview, Miss NEEL, who appeared congenial and cooperative, stated that the subject left her apartment approximately four weeks ago and was as far as she could gather from his conversation, going to California. Miss NEEL advised that in the event she was contacted by the subject, she would advise this Office of his whereabouts.

In view of the above, the subject is being deleted from consideration under the Security Informant Program, until such time as his current residence and employment can be ascertained.

In view of the unknown nature of subject's residence and employment, FD-122 is being submitted herewith.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 6/20/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL A. BRODY, was
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RESIDENCE ADDRESS Apt. 6, 3rd floor east, 21 East 108th Street, New York, New York

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

DATE: 6/28/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: ^{A.C.}
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Re SAC Letter #55-20, 4/12/55.

Security Index card cancelled

SUCCINCT RESUME OF CASE

ROBERT SPENCER CARR, an admitted former CP member advised on 2/26/54, that in late September 1953, he was at the cottage of ALICE NEEL at Spring Lake, New Jersey for a weekend and while there met ALICE'S common law husband "SAM". He described "SAM" as a very eccentric individual who appeared to be stragly pro-Soviet and it was CARR'S belief that SAM appeared to be well acquainted with the top CP leadership and capable of any crime for the benefit of the Party. It is to be noted that ALICE NEEL is the common law wife of the subject.

EDWIN F. MOODY, JR., 303 East 17th St., advised on 1/23/51 that according to a friend whose identity he would not reveal, the subject had stated he was a card carrying Communist and when the Revolution comes there would be a big bonfire at Times Square with the editor of the "New York Times", J. EDGAR HOOVER, and DEAN ACHESON on top of the fire. MOODY stated further that the subject had in 1951 attempted to obtain signatures for the Stockholm Peace Petition. (cited by HCUA).

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 12, 1949, that in November, 1949 the subject was in communication with DAVID PLATT, motion picture editor of the "Daily Worker", an east coast Communist newspaper, suggesting a film be prepared to aid the 12 CP leaders who were indicted for violation of the Smith Act.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 2, 1949, that SAM BRODY had offered his services to ELLWOOD DEAN, Executive Secretary of the New Jersey CP at Newark, N.J.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information ^{FOIA(b) (7) - (D)} in the past advised on April 27, 1948 that he and JUAN EMMONUELLI, Head of the Lower Harlem Section of the CP visited the subject's apartment for the purpose of obtaining copies of Communist literature. [redacted] described the subject's residence as one of the CP main storage places in Harlem.

RECOMMENDATION

*Agreed
RWR*

Delete from SI as there is no definite information indicating the subject was active in the CP within the last five years or affiliated with a front group within the last three years.

DETCOM TABBING

1. Subject is not presently tabbed for Detcom.
2. Subject has not been approved for Detcom tabbing under new criteria in SAC Letter #55-12(A) dated 2/10/55.
3. Subject recommended for Deletion from Security Index.

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TO : Director, FBI (101-1408)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-93268)

SUBJECT: SAMUEL BRODY, was
SM-C

DATE: 8/16/55

ReNYlets to the Bureau, 4/15/55, and 6/28/55.

The above-captioned subject had been considered for interview under the Security Informant Program. Numerous attempts to interview him were unsuccessful and information was received that the subject was going to California.

On 5/5/55, JULIUS GLANTZ, former owner and superintendent of 21 East 108th Street, NYC, advised that the subject was still residing in apartment 6, 21 East 108th Street. GLANTZ stated that the subject appeared very eccentric, in that he acted as though he was hiding from someone.

The subject was removed from the Security Index of the NYO by virtue of a file review in accordance with SAC Letter #55-30, dated 4/12/55.

In view of the subject's deletion from the Security Index and his eccentric actions, it is believed no useful purpose would be served by his interview; therefore, no further attempt to interview the subject is being made and this case is being placed in a closed status in the NYO until such time as additional information is received to warrant further investigation.

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Reporting Office NEW YORK	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date 3/4/59	Investigative Period 12/2/58 - 2/13/59
TITLE OF CASE ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 7/2/02 BY SPICER SAMUEL BRODY, aka		Report made by SA JOSEPH C. FRECHETTE	Typed By: keh
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C COMMUNIST INDEX	

REFERENCE

Report of SA MAHLON J. PRICE, at Philadelphia, 2/2/54.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

A suitable photograph of the subject is available.

No request is being made to interview the subject because of the numerous reports in his case file on his unstability and it is felt such an interview might prove embarrassing to the Bureau.

No recommendation is being made to include the subject on the Security Index inasmuch as he does not come within the purview of the present SI criteria. Subject is being retained on the Communist Index.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source

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ROBERT SPENCER CARR

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Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed and "T" symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

The following are the other informants mentioned in this report who were unable to furnish any information concerning subject.

Source

Dated Contacted

Contacting Agent

12/30/58

SA DONALD W. WHITE

1/8/59

SA WHITE

1/8/59

SA PAUL A. JOENSEN

1/12/59

SA JOENSEN

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SA JOHN P. DI MARCHI

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SA JOHN P. DI MARCHI

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SA DAVID RYAN

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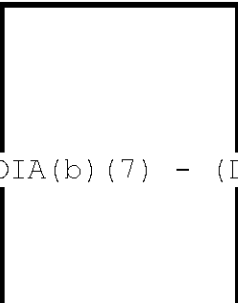
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INFORMANTS CONT'D

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	1/5/59	SA HALLERON
	1/8/59	SA JOHN A. HAAG
	1/12/59	SA HAAG

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Copy to:

Report of: Special Agent Joseph C. Frechette Office: New York
Date: 3/4/59
File Number: Bureau 101-1408
Title: New York 100-93268
SAMUEL BRODY

Character: SECURITY MATTER - C

Synopsis: Subject resides 21 East 108th Street, NYC, employment unknown. NY T-1 describes subject as a Communist of the most extreme type. NY T-3 advised subject in attendance in July of 1958, at a Mainstream Starlight Forum.

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DETAILS

I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence and Employment

On January 28, 1958, Mrs. EDITH FERRAN of 21 East 108th Street, New York City, advised that the subject and his wife, ALICE NEEL, were presently residing at the above address and were using the name of the subject's wife, NEEL. Mrs. FERRAN further advised she did not know if the subject was employed but did not believe he was inasmuch as he was around the apartment much of the time.

II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

The Communist Party (CP) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A. CP Membership

On February 26, 1954, NY T-1 advised the following concerning ALICE NEEL and her consort "SAM". NY T-1 advised that in the fall of 1953, he was a guest of ALICE NEEL at her cottage in Spring Lake, New Jersey, along with other persons. NY T-1 stated that ALICE NEEL lived at Spring Lake with her two sons, believed to be approximately age 12 and 16 at the time of the aforementioned visit, and her elderly mother. NY T-1 stated while he was a guest of ALICE NEEL, her New York consort, and commonlaw husband "SAM" arrived. NY T-1 stated that ALICE NEEL had kept house for "SAM" in a poor apartment in the Spanish Harlem section of New York for a number of years, but that he, NY T-1, could not recall "SAM" last name.

NY T-1 stated that at a previous meeting with "SAM" he had related to "SAM" some story of his, NY T-1's,

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experiences in Russia and had made these stories strongly pro-Soviet. In the excitement and drinking "SAM" disclosed himself to be a Communist of the most extreme type who was well acquainted personally with the top CP leadership. NY T-1 stated he asked many questions about the present whereabouts and activities of former Communists he, NY T-1, had known in Russia or prior to his departure to Russia. In every case "SAM" knew all about these individuals and their present whereabouts.

NY T-1 stated "SAM" is a highly talented photographer but apparently could never hold a job for more than a few weeks because of his eccentric rude behavior. NY T-1 suggested that the average observer would consider "SAM" to be possibly insane. However, NY T-1 was of the belief that "SAM" is only playing insane and that he is really a tough Communist with inside connections and one who might have information where one of more of the fugitive Communist leaders is in hiding. NY T-1 stated he considered "SAM" to be capable of crime for the benefit of the party.

It is noted that the subject has been living with ALICE NEEL in commonlaw marriage state since at least 1948, and that they have resided at 21 East 108th Street, New York City, which area is also known as Spanish Harlem. The subject is also known as a professional photographer by employment. The aforementioned ALICE NEEL has resided at a summer cottage in Spring Lake for a number of years and has two teenage sons.

In April of 1948, NY T-2 advised that ALICE NEEL and her husband SAM BRODY of 21 East 108th Street, New York City, were then CP members and their apartment was used as a storage place by the CP for party literature.

III. EVIDENCE INDICATING SYMPATHY WITH THE CP

In July, 1958, NY T-3 advised that ALICE NEEL was a speaker at the Third Mainstream Starlight Forum

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held on July 27, 1958. In attendance at this forum among others was the subject, according to NY T-3.

"Masses and Mainstream" will be characterized in the appendix section of this report.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

The records of the New York City Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, were reviewed in January, 1959, and reflected no information identifiable with the subject.

Some informants of the New York Office, who are familiar with CP activity in the New York City area, were contacted during December, 1958 and January, 1959, and advised they could furnish no information concerning the subject.

V. DESCRIPTION

The following is a description of the subject obtained from Mrs. EDITH FERRAN, previously mentioned:

Name	SAM BRODY
Also Known-as	SAM NEEL
Race	White
Sex	Male
Complexion	Light
Age	Late 40's
Height	5'10"
Weight	150 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Residence	21 East 108th Street, New York City
Occupation	Unknown
Marital Status	Wife, ALICE NEEL

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MASSES AND MAINSTREAM

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning "Masses and Mainstream":

"Masses and Mainstream

- "1. Cited as the successor to New Masses, 'a Communist magazine.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1953 on the Congress of American Women, April 26, 1950, originally released October 23, 1949, p. 75; also cited in House Report 1694 on Organized Communism in the United States, May 28, 1954, originally released August 19, 1953, p. 98.)"

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York, New York
March 4, 1959

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Re: Samuel Brody
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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Joseph C. Frechette, dated and captioned as above, at New York.

NY T-1 through NY T-3 and the informants mentioned in this report, who were unable to furnish any information concerning the subject, have furnished reliable information in the past.

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