

THE CHAIRMAN: AND ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN THE PURPOSES OF THE SILVER SHIRTS CAN BE A MEMBER OF THAT DEPARTMENT, EVEN THOUGH HE IS A CITIZEN OF SOME OTHER COUNTRY AND RESIDES IN SOME OTHER COUNTRY?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: SO GERMANS, ITALIANS, ENGLISHMEN, OR ANYONE ELSE CAN BE MEMBERS OF THE SILVER SHIRTS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR; THAT IS ON PAGE 5 OF THE BILL. IT SAYS THAT THE MEMBERS SHALL HAVE NO VOTE OR CHOICE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION, EXCEPT THE OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION, WHO SHALL HAVE EXCLUSIVE VOTING POWER, AND THE PRESIDENT, OR THE NATIONAL COMMANDER - THAT IS PELLEY - SHALL BE ENTITLED TO FIVE VOTES, THE TREASURER, OR COMPTROLLER, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TWO VOTES; THAT IS A. H. TALPEY AT THE PRESENT TIME, AND THE SECRETARY, WHO IS AT THE PRESENT TIME ROY ZACHARY, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE FOR ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR GENERAL STAFF, AND UPON ALL OTHER MATTERS TO BE ACTED UPON BY THE MEMBERS.

THE CHAIRMAN: IN OTHER WORDS, PELLEY IS IN COMPLETE CONTROL?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: HE HAS FIVE VOTES, AND EVERYBODY ELSE -

MR. BARKER: HAS THREE.

THE CHAIRMAN: HAS THREE VOTES?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: SO HE IS THE ABSOLUTE DICTATOR OF THE SILVER SHIRT LEGION?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHICH HE SAYS HAS MORE THAN 5,000 MEMBERS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: HE SAYS THAT UNDER OATH?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. THOMAS: HE SAID THAT SOMETIME AGO, DID HE NOT?

MR. BARKER: 1 JANUARY 1938.

MR. THOMAS: AND UNDER OATH?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. VOORHIS: WHAT KIND OF MATTERS ARE TO BE DECIDED BY THIS VOTE, WHERE THE MEMBERSHIP HAS ONE VOTE AND THE COMMANDER HAS FIVE AND ALL THE REST OF THE PEOPLE HAVE THREE? WHAT KIND OF MATTERS DO THEY DECIDE?

MR. BARKER: THEY DECIDE EVERYTHING.

MR. VOORHIS: IN OTHER WORDS, MATTERS OF POLICY, MATTERS OF ORGANIZATION, AND WHICH MEMBERS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE ON THE BOARD OF THE DIRECTORS?

MR. BARKER: AND FINANCES; YES, SIR.

MR. VOORHIS: THE CONTROL OF FINANCES IS ALL IN MR. PELLEY'S HANDS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR. UNDER IV OF THE BYLAWS IT SAYS THAT MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY DUES AND ASSESSMENTS OF \$2 PER YEAR EACH TO THE PARENT CORPORATION, OR ITS DULY DESIGNATED DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, OR \$1 PER MONTH, THE FIRST \$1 ACCOMPANYING THE APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE, AND THE REMAINING DOLLARS LEFT BEING PAID AS CONVENIENT, OVER THE ENSUING 12 MONTHS. HOWEVER, THIS SUM MAY BE PAID FOR BY OTHERS THAN THE APPLICANT, OR MAY BE ALLOTTED TO THAT PERSON'S CREDIT FROM THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS MADE IN EXCESS OF HIS SUM OR SUMS, AT THE DIRECTION OF THE GENERAL STAFF, ACCORDING TO CIRCUMSTANCES.

THE CHAIRMAN: IN OTHER WORDS, PROVIDING FOR DUES OF \$2 A YEAR BY MEMBERS OF THE LEGION?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: AND THEY HAVE OVER 5,000 MEMBERS; ACCORDING TO HIS SWORN STATEMENT THEY HAVE OVER 5,000 MEMBERS.

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: IF THAT IS TRUE, AND IF HE HAS COLLECTED \$2 A YEAR, THEN HE IS GETTING 5,000 TIMES \$2 A YEAR FROM THE LEGION ALONG?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. BARKER: I WOULD SAY IN 6 MONTHS.

MR. WHITLEY: IN THE PAST 6 MONTHS?

MR. BARKER: NO; IN THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF 1938 IT SHOWED A 150 PERCENT INCREASE OVER THE 12 MONTHS OF 1937.

MR. WHITLEY: IN OTHER WORDS, THIS CONCERTED ACTION, THE CONSTANT PROPAGANDA THAT IS BEING CIRCULATED BY THESE VARIOUS GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING MR. PELLEY, IS EVIDENTLY GAINING MOMENTUM?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. WHITLEY: AS INDICATED BY THE INCREASED INTEREST IN MR. PELLEY'S PUBLICATIONS?

MR. YES, SIR. HIS BANK ACCOUNT GROWS TOO.

MR. VOORHIS: THAT IS WHAT I WAS GOING TO ASK. DO YOU HAVE ANY INDICATION THAT ONE REASON WHY HIS MAIL HAS INCREASED IS THAT FACT THAT MR. PELLEY MIGHT HAVE COME INTO SOME NEW SOURCES OF FUNDS? IS THERE ANY INDICATION OF THAT?

MR. BARKER: NO INDICATION OF ANY CONSIDERABLE SOURCE. THE CHAIRMAN: WE ARE GOING INTO THE QUESTION OF FINANCES. ARE YOU READY TO GO INTO THE QUESTION OF FINANCES NOW, MR. WHITLEY?

MR. WHITLEY: YES, I THINK SO.

THE CHAIRMAN: I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE HIS RECENT BANK ACCOUNT?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: OF PELLEY PUBLISHERS OR SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: SKYLAND PRESS.

THE CHAIRMAN: IS HIS MONEY BEING DEPOSITED NOW IN THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR. THAT IS THE BANK ACCOUNT FOR EVERYTHING.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW LET US SEE IF WE CAN UNDERSTAND. WHAT ARE HIS SOURCES OF REVENUE? I MEAN, HOW IS HE GETTING IT - BY CHECKS, CASH, MONEY ORDERS, OR HOW?

MR. BARKER: HE GETS IT FROM ALL OF THEM. HE GETS RAILWAY EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS; POST-OFFICE MONEY ORDERS; POSTAL AND WESTERN UNION MONEY ORDERS; PERSONAL, CERTIFIED, AND CASHIER'S AND TREASURER'S CHECKS, CURRENCY, POSTAGE STAMPS, AND COINS.

THE CHAIRMAN: ALLRIGHT. NOW, HE HAS HAS A BANK ACCOUNT UNDER THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: DOES HE HAVE A BANK ACCOUNT IN ANYBODY ELSE'S NAME?

MR. BARKER: NO BANK ACCOUNT IN HIS NAME OR HIS WIFE'S NAME, THAT I COULD LOCATE.

THE CHAIRMAN: THERE IS NO ACCOUNT IN THE NAME OF WILLIAM DUDLEY PELLEY, OR HIS WIFE, OR THE SILVER LEGION, OR ANY OTHER?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: THE ONLY BANK ACCOUNT IS THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW, WHAT DOES HE DEPOSIT TO THAT ACCOUNT?

MR. BARKER: ACCORDING TO THE ACCOUNTS THAT I HAVE EXAMINED AND SOME CHECKS THAT I HAVE LOOKED AT, HE DEPOSITS THE CHECKS THAT HE HAS RECEIVED FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES - THAT IS, PERSONAL AND CERTIFIED CHECKS, CASHIER'S CHECKS AND EXCHANGE - AND SOMETIMES CURRENCY.

MR. THOMAS: SO THAT, THEN, WE HAVE THE SALE OF BOOKLETS AND CONTRIBUTIONS - DOMESTIC CONTRIBUTIONS. IS THERE ANY RECORD OF ANY FOREIGN CONTRIBUTIONS?

MR. BARKER: ONLY FOR LITERATURE.

MR. THOMAS: ONLY FOR LITERATURE?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. THOMAS: IS THERE ANY OTHER SOURCE YOU CAN THINK OF OTHER THAN THAT WHICH YOU HAVE MENTIONED?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR. OF COURSE, THE MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME OF PELLEY'S WHOLE BUSINESS IS NOT THE SILVER LEGION; IT IS THE PUBLICATIONS - THE SALE OF THIS LITERATURE AND THE SALE OF THIS MAGAZINE LIBERATION.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW, HE HAS GOT SOME CASH CONTRIBUTIONS, HAS HE NOT?

MR. BARKER: OH, YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: THERE ARE EVIDENTLY CASH CONTRIBUTIONS HE HAD?

MR. BARKER: OH, YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: HE TELLS HERE IN HIS BOOK OF ONE PERSON WHO HELPED HIM OUT BY CONTRIBUTIONS IN CASH.

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: HAVE YOU SECURED ANY EVIDENCE WHERE PELLEY TOOK ANY OF THE CASH HE GOT AND DEPOSITED IT, TURNED IT OVER TO SOMEONE AS TRUSTEE TO INVEST FOR HIM AND, IN TURN, TO PAY HIM BACK?

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MR. BARKER: WELL, I MADE AN INVESTIGATION, OR ATTEMPTED TO MAKE AN INVESTIGATION, IN REGARD TO PELLEY'S MONEY-ORDER BUSINESS AT BALMONT, MASS. A LADY UP THERE BY THE NAME OF SARAH C. SCOTT WAS LISTED IN THIS LIST OF MONEY ORDERS AS HAVING SENT PELLEY SOME \$3,800 IN MONEY ORDERS, IN \$100 DENOMINATIONS, MOSTLY. THERE WAS ONE FOR \$40 AND A COUPLE FOR \$50, BUT THE MOST OF THEM WERE IN \$100 DENOMINATIONS. SHE PURCHASED THOSE MONEY ORDERS AT DIFFERENT POST-OFFICE BRANCHES IN BOSTON - WAVERLY BRANCH, CAMBRIDGE BRANCH, STATION L54, ESSEX STATION -

THE CHAIRMAN: YOU DO NOT HAVE TO READ ALL THOSE BRANCHES. ANYWAY, SHE PURCHASED THEM AT DIFFERENT BRANCHES?

MR. BERKER: YES, SIR. NOW, ON MARCH 22, 1939, SHE SENT PELLEY \$500; ON MARCH 24, 1939, 2 DAYS LATER, SHE SENT HIM ANOTHER \$500, ALL IN \$100 MONEY ORDERS AND ALL PURCHASED AT THE SAME STATION. I ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT MISS SCOTT -

MR. THOMAS: MISS OR MRS?

MR. BARKER: MISS SARAH C. SCOTT. SHE IS ABOUT 61 YEARS OLD, AND SHE IS A WOMAN OF CONSIDERABLE MEANS. I ASCERTAINED BY INQUIRY FROM VARIOUS SOURCES THAT SHE IS WORTH ABOUT \$250,000 TO \$300,000 AND THAT SHE HAS VARIOUS INVESTMENTS. I WANTED TO FIND OUT FROM HER IF SHE WAS INTERESTED IN PELLEY'S ACTIVITIES, OR IF THIS WAS DIVIDENDS FROM MONEY WHICH PELLEY HAD SALTED AWAY WITH HER FOR INVESTMENT; BUT I COULD NOT CONTACT HER, BECAUSE SHE HAD LEFT THE UNITED STATES AND GONE TO CANADA.

MR. MASON: DID SHE LEAVE THE UNITED STATES TO GO TO CANADA AFTER SHE SENT THE THOUSAND DOLLARS YOU MENTIONED?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR. SHE LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS.

THE CHAIRMAN: YOU DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THAT WAS A CONTRIBUTION ON HER PART; YOU DID NOT GET ANY EVIDENCE AS TO WHY SHE SENT THAT MONEY - WHAT IT REPRESENTED?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHAT WERE SOME OF THE OTHER LARGE DEPOSITS HE MADE, OR RECEIPTS THAT HE GOT?

MR. BARKER: WELL, I FOUND IN EXAMINING HIS BANK ACCOUNT THAT A MAN IN NEW YORK HAD SENT PELLEY SOME MONEY.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHO IS THAT MAN?

MR. BERKER: THAT IS GEORGE B. FISHER.

THE CHAIRMAN: IS HE CONNECTED WITH THE CROWELL PUBLISHING CO.?

MR. BERKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: CAN YOU TELL US SOMETHING ABOUT THAT MAN AND ABOUT HIS CONTRIBUTIONS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR. I WANTED TO GET THE AMOUNT. JANUARY 3, 1938, HE SENT A CHECK TO PELLEY PUBLISHERS FOR \$2,000; MARCH 17, 1938, HE SENT A CHECK TO WILLIAM DUDLEY PELLEY FOR \$600; FEBRUARY 6, 1939, HE SENT A CHECK TO WILLIAM DUDLEY PELLEY FOR \$2,000. MR. GEORGE B. FISHER IS LOCATED IN NEW YORK CITY, AT 480 LEXINGTON AVENUE. HE IS SOLE OWNER OF THE JUST-SO DRESS COMPANY. PRIOR TO THE CRASH OF THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET OF 1929, HE WAS WORTH ABOUT \$200,000. HE HOLDS A LARGE BLOCK OF STOCK IN THE CROWELL PUBLISHING CO. HE CAME TO THE UNITED STATES FROM CANADA SEVERAL YEARS AGO, ENTERED BUSINESS AS A CUTTER AND DRESS DESIGNER. WHEN THE CROWELL PUBLISHING CO. DECIDED TO ESTABLISH A DRESS-PATTERN DEPARTMENT IN THE WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, MR. FISHER WAS SELECTED TO DO THE WORK. AS ORDERS WERE RECEIVED BY THE MAGAZINE THEY WERE TURNED OVER TO FISHER, WHO MADE THE DRESSES, SENT THEM TO THE CUSTOMERS. HIS INCOME IS \$10,000 A YEAR; HE HAS A VERY GOOD REPUTATION.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHAT DOES HE DO; IS HE THE OWNER OF THE MAGAZINE; DOES HE EDIT ONE OF THE MAGAZINES, OR IS HE IN CHARGE OF IT?

MR. BARKER: I DON'T KNOW THAT, SIR.

MR. THOMAS: HAVE YOU CONTACTED MR. FISHER?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR.

MR. THOMAS: YOU DO NOT KNOW, THEN, WHY HE HAPPENED TO MAKE THESE CONTRIBUTIONS?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR; HE WAS OUT OF TOWN WHEN I WAS THERE.

MR. WHITLEY: ARE THERE ANY OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS OF ANY SIZEABLE AMOUNT WHICH YOU WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY?

MR. BARKER: NONE THAT WERE CONSIDERABLE, EXCEPT THERE IS A CHECK HERE TO PELLEY FROM DR. JOHN R. BINKLEY, M.D., OF LITTLE ROCK, ARK., FOR \$629.64, DATED NOVEMBER 28, 1938.

MR. BARKER: DR. JOHN R. BINKLEY IS A GRADUATE PHYSICIAN, A MUSICIAN, A GRADUATE PHYSICIAN. HE DOES CONSIDERABLE ADVERTISING BY RADIO FROM A STATION LOCATED DOWN AT VILLA ACUNA, MEXICO.

MR. WHITLEY: IN OTHER WORDS, AT THE PRESENT TIME, PELLEY IS THE PRESIDENT OF TWO CORPORATIONS?

MR. BARKER: THAT IS RIGHT.

MR. WHITLEY: THE SILVER LEGION OF AMERICA AND THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. WHITLEY: THE SILVER LEGION OF AMERICAN INCORPORATED IN DELAWARE AND THE SKYLAND PRESS IN NORTH CAROLINA?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. WHITLEY: AND THE OTHER ORGANIZATION REFERRED TO THERE, THE PELLEY PUBLISHERS, THAT IS NOT INCORPORATED, SO FAR AS YOU KNOW?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR; THAT IS JUST A NAME.

MR. WHITLEY: THAT IS JUST A NAME WHICH HE USES TO CARRY ON WHAT TYPE OF ACTIVITY - PUBLISHING?

MR. BARKER: PUBLISHING.

MR. WHITLEY: OR THE SILVER LEGION, OR BOTH?

MR. BARKER: PUBLISHING.

MR. WHITLEY: TO CARRY ON HIS PUBLISHING ACTIVITIES?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. THOMAS: RIGHT AT THAT POINT, MR. ATTORNEY, BOTH THE SKYLAND PRESS AND PELLEY PUBLISHERS DO A PUBLISHING BUSINESS, AS I UNDERSTAND?

MR. BARKER: THE SKYLAND PRESS NEVER APPEARS IN THE PUBLIC ON ANY OF PELLEY'S PUBLICATIONS. THAT IS THE NAME UNDER WHICH THE BANK ACCOUNT IS KEPT. SKYLAND PRESS IS THE NAME UNDER WHICH A NEW BANK ACCOUNT IS KEPT. SKYLAND PRESS IS THE NAME UNDER WHICH A NEW BANK ACCOUNT IN ANOTHER BANK WAS STARTED.

MR. THOMAS: AND THEY DO NOT DO A PUBLISHING BUSINESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR; THEY DO A PUBLISHING BUSINESS.

MR. THOMAS: THEN BOTH THE SKYLAND PRESS AND PELLEY PUBLISHERS DO A PUBLISHING BUSINESS AT THE PRESENT TIME?

MR. BARKER: PELLEY PUBLISHERS DO NOT DO ANY PUBLISHING. THE NAME APPEARS ON THE LITERATURE.

THE CHAIRMAN: AS I UNDERSTAND IT, WHEN PELLEY BOUGHT THIS BRICK BUILDING AT ASHEVILLE, HE BOUGHT IT IN THE NAME OF HIMSELF, INDIVIDUALLY?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: W. D. PELLEY?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: THAT IS THE BUILDING THAT HOUSES THE PLANT, THE PUBLISHING PLANT?

MR. BARKER: THAT IS RIGHT.

THE CHAIRMAN: THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CORPORATION BY THE NAME OF WILLIAM PELLEY PUBLISHERS, INC?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: BUT THAT NAME APPEARS ON HIS PUBLICATIONS?

MR. BARKER: ON THE DOOR OF THE BUILDING.

THE CHAIRMAN: ON THE DOOR OF THE BUILDING?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: BUT THE CORPORATION THAT REALLY OWNS THE PLANT, THE PUBLISHING PLANT, IS THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: IS THAT RIGHT?

MR. BARKER: THAT IS RIGHT.

MR. VOORHIS: DOES THE SKYLAND PRESS OWN THIS PLANT?

MR. BARKER: THE SKYLAND PRESS OWNS THE EQUIPMENT. THE BUILDING BELONGS TO PELLEY PERSONALLY. NOW, PELLEY'S EXPRESS SHIPMENTS ARE SENT OUT UNDER THE NAME OF FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP.

THE CHAIRMAN: IS THAT A CORPORATION?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: THAT IS JUST THE NAME HE USES, FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

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MR. BARKER: WELL, I DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE PURPOSE IS, BUT THAT IS THE WAY IT APPEARS. THE CHAIRMAN: WILLIAM PELLEY PUBLISHERS IS MERELY A NAME THAT HE USES FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPRESSING THE OWNERSHIP OF THE BUILDING ITSELF.

MR. BARKER: I CAN GIVE YOU THE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER OF ALL OF THEM.

THE CHAIRMAN: VERY WELL, PLEASE DO.

MR. BARKER: THE ORGANIZATION IS THE SILVER SHIRT LEGION OF AMERICA, INC. THE BUSINESS DOWN THERE IS SKYLAND PRESS, INC. THE BUILDING AND THE LITERATURE ARE PELLEY PUBLISHERS. THE BANK ACCOUNT IS CARRIED UNDER THE NAME OF SKYLAND PRESS. THE EXPRESS SHIPMENTS GO OUT UNDER THE NAME OF FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS. THE MAIL GOES OUT UNDER THE NAME OF LITTLE VISITS. THE MAGAZINE THAT IS PUBLISHED IS LIBERATION.

MR. WHITLEY: THAT IS PUBLISHED BY THE SKYLAND PRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. VOORHIS: UNDER WHAT NAMES DOES THE MAIL GO OUT?

MR. BARKER: LITTLE VISITS. SOME OF ITS GOES OUT, POST OFFICE BOX 2630.

MR. WHITLEY: WHO ARE THE OFFICERS OF THE VARIOUS CORPORATIONS? PELLEY IS PRESIDENT OF SKYLAND PRESS.

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

MR. WHITLEY: WHO IS THE HEAD OF THE SILVER LEGION?

MR. BARKER: PELLEY.

MR. WHITLEY: PELLEY IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE SILVER LEGION.

MR. BARKER: PRESIDENT OR COMMANDER.

MR. WHITLEY: ARE THERE ANY OFFICERS OF THE PELLEY PUBLISHER?

MR. BARKER: NOT THAT I KNOW OF.

MR. WHITLEY: IT IS JUST A NAME?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: IN ORDER FURTHER TO CLARIFY THIS SITUATION, LIBERATION IS PRINTED AS A WEEKLY MAGAZINE?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY SUBSCRIBERS THEY HAVE?

MR. BARKER: NO, SIR; I HAVE NO ACCURATE WAY OF KNOWING HOW MANY SUBSCRIBERS IT HAS, BUT THEY NUMBER IN THE THOUSANDS.

THE CHAIRMAN: YOU CHECKED WITH THE POST OFFICE?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: HAVE YOU MADE AN ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF ISSUES OF LIBERATION SENT OUT WEEKLY?

MR. BARKER: HE DOES NOT HAVE A SECOND-CLASS MAILING PERMIT. HE MAILED HIS LIBERATION AND OTHER MATERIAL, AS A CIRCULAR UNDER P.L.R. 562 THAT IS, POSTAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS. HE MAILED THAT AS A CIRCULAR.

THE CHAIRMAN: DOES HE SEND SOME BY EXPRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR; THAT IS THESE BOOKLETS.

THE CHAIRMAN: THEY ARE SENT BY EXPRESS?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW, LET US GET HIS LIBERATION; YOU SAY THAT IS ONE OF THE MAGAZINES?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: AND HOW MANY EMPLOYEES DOES HE HAVE IN THE BUILDING WHERE HE NOW PUBLISHES THE LIBERATION?

MR. BARKER: APPROXIMATELY 30.

THE CHAIRMAN: APPROXIMATELY 30 EMPLOYEES?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHAT IS HIS PAY ROLL THERE AS TO THAT BUILDING?

MR. BARKER: WELL, I HAVEN'T ADDED THAT UP; I HAVE IT RIGHT HERE AND CAN'T GET IT DURING THE LUNCH HOUR.

THE CHAIRMAN: CAN YOU TELL ME APPROXIMATELY WHAT IT IS NOW AND YOU CAN GET IT MORE ACCURATELY AFTER LUNCH?

MR. BARKER: IT VARIES IN THE AMOUNTS.

THE CHAIRMAN: YOU CAN FILL THAT OUT LATER?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW WHAT SORT OF A BUILDING IS IT THAT HOUSES THIS EQUIPMENT: IS IT A BRICK BUILDING.

THE CHAIRMAN: NOW, WHAT SORT OF A BUILDING IS IT THAT HOUSES THIS EQUIPMENT; IS IT A BRICK BUILDING, A FRAME BUILDING, OR WHAT KIND OF A BUILDING IS IT?

MR. BARKER: IT IS A VERY GOOD BUILDING. HE BOUGHT THAT BUILDING FOR \$20,000 FROM THE CAROLINA REALTY COMPANY IN RICHMOND, \$500 DOWN PRICE. IT WAS FORMERLY THE BILTMORE<sup>0</sup> TEEN BANK BUILDING. IT COST \$85,000 TO BUILD THE BUILDING AND PUT A VAULT IN IT.

MR. WHITLEY: AT THE PRESENT TIME HE HAS HIS OWN BUILDING AND HIS OWN PRINTING EQUIPMENT?

MR. BARKER: YES.

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THE CHAIRMAN: NOW, LET ME GET SOME IDEA OF THE VOLUME OF LIBERATION SENT OUT.

MR. BARKERA: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: WHAT ELSE DOES HE PRINT?

MR. BARKER: WELL, HE PRINTS THIS KIND OF BULLETINS; ATTACKING J. EDGAR HOOVER; PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, AND THE JEWS, AND THE DIES COMMITTEE, AND SECRETARY IDKES/ AND HE HAS GOT A PLAN HERE FOR MAKING ALL THE THE UNITED STATES A COMMONWEALTH IN WHICH EVERYBODY GETS \$85 A MONTH. \*\*\*\*\*

THE CHAIRMAN: GIVE US THE EXPRESS SHIPMENTS FIRST; GIVE US THE EXPRESS SHIPMENTS AND WHERE THEY GO TO, THEN WHAT THEY ARE.

MR. BARKER: THIS IS THE RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY; THIS SHOWS A RECORD OF THE EXPRESS SHIPMENTS; IN 1937, FOR 12 MONTHS, HE SHIPPED 1,022 SHIPMENTS TO THE WEST COAST; 57 SHIPMENTS NORTH OF THE MASON AND DIXON LINE; AND 12 SHIPMENTS SOUTH OF THE MASON AND DIXON LINE.

THIS CONTAINS THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES.

THE CHAIRMAN: DOES IT SHOW THE POUNDS, THE TOTAL POUNDS?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: GIVE US SOME IDEA OF THE POUNDS.

MR. BARKER: THE POUNDS COME RIGHT AFTER THE NEXT TABULATION IN REGARD TO SHIPMENTS. FOR THE FIRST 7 MONTHS OF 1938 HE SHIPPED 1,154 SHIPMENTS TO THE WEST COAST; 14 TO THE EAST COAST; A TOTAL OF 1,168. ON JULY 31 THE SOUTHERN EXPRESS, THAT WAS OPERATING OUT OF ASHEVILLE, N.C., WAS CONSOLIDATED WITH THE RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY, AND RATES WENT UP, AND PELLEY STOPPED SHIPPING BY EXPRESS.

MR. WHITLEY: THAT WAS THIS YEAR?

MR. BARKER: 1938.

MR. WHITLEY: 11938.

MR. BARKER: YES.

MR. THOMAS: AND HOW DID HE SHIP AFTER THAT?

MR. BARKER: PARCEL POST.

MR. THOMAS: HE SHIPPED PARCEL POST?

MR. BARKER: YES. NOW HERE ARE THE NAMES OF THE PRINCIPAL PEOPLE THAT GOT SHIPMENTS REGULARLY: S.H. LOBBE, PORTLAND, OREG.; IN 1937 HE GOT 79 POUNDS OF PELLEY'S LITERATURE.

MR. WHITLEY: OF THESE LITTLE BULLETINS?

MR. BARKER: YES. MR. WHITLEY: AND PAMPHLETS?

MR. BARKER: YES. IN 1938 HE GOT 393 POUNDS, AND 1938, YOU SEE, WAS ONLY 7 MONTHS BECAUSE THE RATES WERE CHANGED, AND PELLEY STOPPED SHIPPING. I.R.C. OWE, OF SPOKANE, WASH., GOT 200 POUNDS IN 1937 AND HE GOT 336 POUNDS IN 1938, FOR 7 MONTHS.

MR. WHITLEY: THAT WAS TO JULY 21?

MR. BARKER: SHIPMENTS ENDING JULY 31.

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MR. WHITLEY: OF THESE PUBLICATIONS?

MR. BARKER: YES. D.O. TOWNEY -

MR. THOMAS: WHAT NAME WAS THAT?

MR. BARKER: TOWNEY, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO. HE GOT 71 POUNDS IN 1937; 133 POUNDS IN 1938. W.A. LOBBEVY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., GOT 59 POUNDS IN 1937 AND 109½ IN 1938. STELLA BLAKE, SALT LAKE CITY, 75 POUNDS IN 1937 AND 111 POUNDS IN 1938. DR. D.D. CLARKE, OLYMPIA, WASH., 26½ POUNDS IN 1937; 83½ IN 1938. HANS DIEBEL, LOS ANGELES, 79½ POUNDS IN 1938. HE DIDN'T GET ANY IN 1937.

MR. WHITLEY: DO YOU KNOW WHETHER OR NOT HANS DIEBEL IS CONNECTED WITH THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BUND?

MR. BARKER: I UNDERSTAND THAT ANOTHER INVESTIGATOR HAS CONNECTED THEM UP.

THE CHAIRMAN: AS I UNDERSTAND, THE RECORDS SHOW THAT HANS DIEBEL IS ONE OF THE OFFICERS OF THE GUND ON THE WEST COAST, OPERATING A NEWSSTAND ON A BOOKSTAND.

MR. WHITLEY: THE ARYAN BOOKSTAND.

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MR. WHITLEY I BELIEVE IT IS.

THE CHAIRMAN: HOW MANY DID HE GET; DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY HANS DIEBEL GOT? HE SELLS THE, OF COURSE?

MR. BARKER: AS I JUST STATED, HE GOT 73 1/2 POUNDS.

~~MR. BARKER:~~

THE CHAIRMAN: 73 1/2 POUNDS?

MR. BARKER: IN THE 7 MONTHS.

THE CHAIRMAN: IN THE 7 MONTHS OF 1938?

MR. BARKER: YES.

MR. WHITLEY: HAVE YOU ANY IDEA HOW MANY OF THESE PAMPHLETS IT TAKES TO MAKE A POUND?

MR. BARKER: IT TAKES ABOUT L2.

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MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: IT TAKES ABOUT L2 OF THEM TO MAKE A POUND?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: THIS DOES NOT REPRESENT ALL HE SENDS OUT; HE SENDS OUT LITERATURE BY OTHER MEANS?

MR. BARKER: YES.

THE CHAIRMAN: THIS WAS JUST WHAT WAS SENT OUT BY EXPRESS?

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THE CHAIRMAN: (CONTINUING) PROCEED.

MR. BARKER: W.E. WESTERN, OF SEATTLE, WAS., 76 POUNDS IN 1937; 168 IN 1938. THESE ARE THE NAMES OF SOME OF THE LARGEST SHIPPERS THAT GOT A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF THESE PAMPHLETS. DO YOU WANT THE NAMES OF THESE PEOPLE IN THE RECORD?

THE CHAIRMAN: YES.

MR. THOMAS: BEFORE WE GET INTO THAT, FROM WHAT YOU HAVE ALREADY TESTIFIED, THE LARGEST SHIPMENTS HAVE GONE TO THE STATES OF OREGON, CALIFORNIA, COLORADO, AND WASHINGTON.

MR. BARKER: YES. \*\*\*\*\*

MR. WHITLEY: YOU HAVE MAIL GOING TO GEORGE DEATHERAGE?

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR; HERE IS GEORGE DEATHERAGE, BOX 467, ST. ALBANS, W. VA. ✓✓

MR. WHITLEY: DOES HE HAVE OUTGOING MAIL OR INCOMING MAIL FROM JAMES TRUE? ✓✓

MR. BARKER: YES, SIR; AND MAIL TO JAMES TRUE.

MR. WHITLEY: WHAT OTHER INDIVIDUALS OR ORGANIZATIONS OF THAT TYPE DOES THE LIST INDICATE THAT HE IS IN TOUCH WITH - MR. EDMONSON - ROBERT EDMONSON?

MR. BARKER: YES; HE IS ON HERE. JUST THOSE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WERE THE SUBJECT OF THE INVESTIGATION BY THE COMMITTEE IN APRIL OR MAY. THEY ARE PRACTICALLY ALL LISTED HERE.

MR. THOMAS: DO YOU HAVE MRS. FRY'S NAME LISTED?

MR. BARKER: NO; I DID NOT HAVE MRS. FRY'S NAME LISTED HERE, EITHER ON THE INCOMING OR THE OUTGOING MAIL.

THE CHAIRMAN: REFERRING TO THE LIST OF THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN UNDER INVESTIGATION, SUPPOSE YOU READ SOME OF THOSE THAT ARE PERTINENT.

MR. BARKER: MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT WOULD TAKE QUITE A LITTLE WHILE. THIS LIST IS 35 OR 40 PAGES LONG. HE IS IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF CONGRESS HERE, I SEE, AND SECRETARIES TO LEADERS IN THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BUND, AND THE NORTH GERMAN LLOYD AND HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINE. ✓✓

MR. MASON: WHEN YOU SAY HE IS IN CORRESPONDENCE, I JUST WONDER WHAT THAT MEANS. I HAVE BEEN RECEIVING A LOT OF THIS STUFF AT MY HOTEL RESIDENCE, BUT I HAVE NEVER WRITTEN TO HIM AND NEVER THANKED HIM FOR IT, NOR EVEN BOTHERED TO READ IT.

MR. BARKER: I WAS READING FROM THE INCOMING AND NOT THE OUT-GOING; BECAUSE HE COULD WRITE TO ANYBODY, YOU KNOW, AND HAVE THEIR NAMES APPEAR ON THIS LIST; BUT I WAS JUST READING THE INCOMING MAIL.

THE CHAIRMAN: WE CAN DEVELOP THAT LATER.

MR. WHITLEY: MR. BARKER, DID YOU SECURE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION WITH REFERENCE TO THE SCOPE OR EXTENT OF HIS DISTRIBUTION OF THIS LITERATURE?

MR. BARKER: WELL, HIS DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE HAS SHOWN ABOUT A 150-PERCENT INCREASE.

MR. WHITLEY: IN WHAT PERIOD?

MR. BARKER: I WOULD SAY IN 6 MONTHS.

MR. BARKER: