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Press Research Head Is Member of PAC, Managing Editor Says

David Loth, managing editor of Press Dispatch, Inc., which compiled a pamphlet entitled "Special Report No. 1, Thomas E. Dewey," told a Dies subcommittee today the organization is not connected with or financed in any way by the National Citizens Political Action Committee.

Under questioning Loth said Nelson Poynter, head of Press Research, is a member of the NCPAC.

The Democratic National Committee has said it used the 95-page pamphlet as "source material." Mr. Loth presented to the Dies subcommittee copies which he said were reprints by the Democratic Committee under the title "Going My Way," and a cover caricature showing Mr. Dewey thumbing a ride in one direction from Uncle Sam riding a tank in the opposite direction toward "Victory."

Formerly Worked for CIAA

Mr. Loth told the committee he has been managing editor since he left the office of the co-ordinator of Inter-American Affairs last May. Since then, he added, he has drawn approximately \$100 in per diem pay as a consultant in the Government agency.

Many of the Press Research employees are former Government workers, Mr. Loth testified. He said the organization is "a private enterprise institution organized for profit and deriving all of its revenues from legitimate newspapers and magazines." He said it undertakes to furnish background material to its 25 clients, including some large daily newspapers.

Mr. Loth told the committee the organization has refused to sell its services to the Democratic or the Republican National Committees or to the Political Action Committee, but has supplied copies of its reports to all three committees. The Democratic Committee was given permission to reprint the Dewey report but he did not know who did the actual printing or how many copies were printed, he testified.

Reports on Bricker, Truman

Mr. Loth said smaller reports are being prepared, or have been prepared, on Gov. John W. Bricker and Senator Truman, the Republican and Democratic vice presidential nominees, respectively.

Because some of the clients are labor papers and there is a potential market for his service among such papers, Mr. Loth said, copies of weekly reports are sent to the NCPAC.

Formerly a newspaperman in Chicago, New York, Spain and Sydney, Australia, Mr. Loth said he had contributed an article to the magazine New Masses, which he described as a Communist publication. He said he did not know how his name appeared on New York election books in 1936 as a Communist.

J. B. Matthews, research director for the Dies group, which has been investigating the CIO Political Action Committee and the National Citizens' Political Action Committee, told a Dies subcommittee yesterday that the NCPAC is "the most active" Communist front organization in the United States.