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Title:

MICHAEL RALPH PAINE;  
RUTH HYDE PAINE

Character:

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Synopsis:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], furnished no derogatory information concerning RUTH HYDE PAINE. None of the above three knew RUTH HYDE's husband, MICHAEL PAINE.

[REDACTED] American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, Pa., advised that he attended the same Friends meeting as RUTH HYDE and MICHAEL PAINE at Media, Pa. He described both individuals as friendly, polite people about whom he had never heard anything of a derogatory nature and whom he considered to be loyal citizens of the United States.

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[REDACTED] Philadelphia, Pa., upon being contacted for an appointment for interview, telephonically advised that while he would gladly talk with FBI Agents concerning the subject RUTH HYDE PAINE, what little information he had concerning her he would gladly furnish over the telephone.

[REDACTED] stated that although he recalled the name and the individual he never knew her personally inasmuch as he became an official of the Germantown Friends School Board shortly before RUTH PAINE's employment terminated there in 1958.

[REDACTED] said that while he knew nothing of RUTH PAINE's social life or associates, from his own limited personal experience, he would describe her as a very pleasant and good person. [REDACTED] further stated he had never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning RUTH PAINE.

Inasmuch as [REDACTED] had been teaching at the Germantown Friends School as a substitute teacher during the period RUTH PAINE taught there, [REDACTED] stated he felt sure she could add nothing further regarding the subject. [REDACTED] stated it was quite possible that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] American Friends Service, 160 North 15th Street, Philadelphia, who had acted in some capacity in connection with RUTH PAINE's marriage, and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] at the time RUTH PAINE taught there, could furnish more detailed information regarding the subject.

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[REDACTED] advised that he had known RUTH HYDE PAINE and MICHAEL R. PAINE from the period they began attending the Friends Meeting at Media, Pa., until they moved to Texas.

[REDACTED] stated that his association with RUTH and MICHAEL PAINE had been limited to the customary association in the meetings and that he had never visited their home. MOORE advised that he has known MICHAEL PAINE's grandfather, LYMAN PAINE, who resides in Boston, Mass., for many years but he had not met MICHAEL until he began to attend their Friends Meeting at the Providence Road Friends Meeting.

[REDACTED] said that it was his opinion and also the opinion of MICHAEL's grandfather that MICHAEL PAINE's chief reason for coming to the meetings was to see and be with RUTH HYDE.

[REDACTED] in conjunction with others made arrangements for the meeting at Media, Pa., at which RUTH and MICHAEL were married.

[REDACTED] stated that it was at the wedding that he met MICHAEL's father for the only time.

After the wedding, MICHAEL and RUTH came to the [REDACTED] for dinner one evening, but this was the extent of their social contact.

[REDACTED] described MICHAEL and RUTH PAINE as being a very nice young couple. Both were very friendly, polite people and he never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning either. [REDACTED] said he considered both to be loyal citizens of the United States. However, he added that he has had no contact with MICHAEL or RUTH PAINE since they moved to Texas, but that he has heard just recently that they are separated.

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[REDACTED], advised that she is the

and was at the time RUTH HYDE PAINE taught there in 1956 through 1958. She stated that RUTH came to Germantown Friends School as a teacher untrained in Physical Education but was assigned to teach Physical Education in the lower grades.

[REDACTED] said RUTH PAINE was possessed with some rather extreme ideas. These extreme ideas applied to methods of teaching and manners of dress. [REDACTED] stated that she and RUTH did not see "eye to eye" on methods of teaching. While [REDACTED] was unable to recall the commission of any acts out of the ordinary by RUTH PAINE, she stated it was her personal opinion that RUTH was not a particularly good teacher.

[REDACTED] described RUTH PAINE as a very sincere person in anything she undertook and as an honest, trustworthy individual. [REDACTED] said she knew of no reason to question the loyalty of RUTH PAINE to the United States, but since her association with RUTH had only been on a fellow employee basis and not socially, she did not feel she knew RUTH well enough to say that she was a loyal citizen.

[REDACTED] advised that RUTH PAINE had gotten married while teaching at Germantown Friends School, but she did not know the individual RUTH married, nor did she know anything of RUTH PAINE's other associates or organizational affiliations.

[REDACTED] stated that perhaps either [REDACTED] who teaches [REDACTED] could furnish more detailed information.

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[redacted] advised that she had known RUTH HYDE PAINE during the period RUTH had taught at the Germantown Friends School. [redacted] said her association with RUTH had been primarily as a fellow teacher and she did not know much of RUTH's outside life.

[redacted] advised that RUTH PAINE was a member of the Providence Road Friends Meeting, Media, Pa., and that it was at this meeting group that RUTH was married. [redacted] stated she was invited to and attended RUTH HYDE's wedding. She stated that in talking with RUTH HYDE's mother at the wedding she in some way sensed that the mother was not in accordance with RUTH HYDE marrying MICHAEL PAINE. [redacted] was unable to relate specific information from which she was able to draw this conclusion.

[redacted] said that RUTH PAINE was the sort of person who was interested in helping the less privileged. She said RUTH seemed to get along well with her students and was liked by them.

[redacted] stated she had heard from a third source, whose name she could not recall, that RUTH PAINE was separated from her husband prior to Mrs. OSWALD coming to live with her. [redacted] stated she had had no contact with RUTH PAINE since RUTH stopped teaching at Germantown Friends School. She considered RUTH's taking Mrs. OSWALD into her home as completely in keeping with her character.

[redacted] described RUTH HYDE PAINE as an individual of good character and reputation, a loyal citizen of the United States, and further added that she had never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning her.

[redacted] advised that she did not know RUTH HYDE PAINE's husband, MICHAEL, personally.

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