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September 19, 1953

Lee H. Oswald  
P O Box 30061  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Mr. Oswald:

Your letter of August 28th to Elizabeth G. Flynn was turned over to me for reply. Since I received your letter of September 1st indicating that you are moving to Baltimore, I suggest that when you do move that you get in touch with us here and we will find some way of getting in touch with you in that city.

While the point you make about your residence in the Soviet Union may be utilized by some people, I think you have to recognize that as an American citizen who is now in this country, you have a right to participate in such organizations as you want, but at the same time there are a number of organizations, including possibly Fair Play, which are of a very broad character, and often it is advisable for some people to remain in the background, not underground. I assume this is pretty much of an academic question now, and we can discuss it later.

✓ Sincerely yours,

*Arnold Johnson*  
Arnold Johnson

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# Socialist Workers Party

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JAMES P. CANNON  
National Chairman

FARRELL DOBBS  
National Secretary

November 5, 1962

Mr. Lee H. Oswald  
Box 2915  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Oswald:

We have your clipping requesting application for membership in the Socialist Workers Party.

We are sorry for the delay in answering your letter.

Our constitution requires that there must be a minimum of five members before a branch of the Socialist Workers Party can be formed and it is not our practice to take in individual members where no branch yet exists. Unfortunately we don't have any branches at all in Texas.

We very much appreciate, however, your request for membership in the party and wish to continue on a basis of close sympathetic relation with you until such time as a branch of the SWP can exist in Dallas. Pending the necessary basis for such a local structure, we suggest that you concentrate on seeking subscribers to the Militant and promoting the sale of socialist literature obtainable through Pioneer Publishers.<sup>6</sup> Through contacts you may be able to develop on this basis let us hope it will be possible before too long to welcome a Dallas, Texas branch into the party.

In line with the above I am taking the liberty of sending a number of subscription blanks to the Militant so that you can have full advantage of our introductory offer of 4 months for only \$1. We have had great success nationally with our subscription campaign. Also, you yourself should be sure to subscribe to both the Militant and International Socialist Review as you will find them excellent sources of socialist literature and information.

Please keep in touch with us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

*Farrell Dobbs*

Farrell Dobbs, National Secretary

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118 University Place  
New York 3, New York.  
Dec. 9, 1963

Mr. Lee H. Oswald  
Box 291B  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Oswald:

Your letter and reproductions were turned over to me by the SWP office.

I am familiar with reproductions and offset printing processes. It is clear from your work that you are skilled at blow-ups, reversals and reproduction work generally. Do you do any other phases of the process as well as photography? What about layout and art work?

We have access to a small offset shop here in New York. Generally, when we need any copy work done we have taken it there directly. However there might very well be occasion when we could utilize your skill for some printing project. It would, of course, necessarily have to be a project in which we would have flexibility as to time. It is not easy to do anything in which there is pressure to get a job out immediately through correspondence between New York and Texas. Such work must be done locally, out of necessity. However, for a longer term project it might be possible to ask your aid.

Could you write to me directly at the above address? I would like to know what size camera you have; how large a paper print you can make; how large a negative; and any other technical information that you can give us that would help us judge how your aid could be most effective. If you have any questions please feel free to write me and I will try to respond promptly.

With best wishes for a year of progress

*Bob Chester*  
Bob Chester.



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May 22, 1963

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Lee H. Oswald  
4907 1/2 Magazine St.  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Friends:

We received your notice of change of address and in looking for your old mailing plate and not finding one can only conclude that either it was pulled some time ago when mail was returned to us or that your subscription has long since expired.

In any event, We are enclosing a renewal form and a copy of our current literature catalog for you to catch up with. We hope to hear from you soon so that we may again have your name amongst those who continue to support the efforts of our Committee.

Fraternally,

V. T. Lee,  
National Director

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Lee H Oswald  
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Dallas Texas

Dear Mr Oswald;

Mr Jackson is on leave for a few weeks, so permit me to thank you  
for the blow ups.

Your kind offer is most welcomed and from time to time we shall call  
on you. These poster like blow ups are most useful at newsstands and other  
public places to call the attention of newspaper readers that the "Worker"  
is available.

Best wishes for a peaceful New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Weinstein, General Manager

*Louis Weinstein*

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December 13, 1962

Mr. Lee H. Oswald  
Box 2915  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Friend:

We are in receipt of the samples of photographic work you sent us.

We deeply appreciate your offer to do this type of work for us as your contribution to our activity. We are putting this material on file so that we can make reference to it in the event that any such need arises.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE

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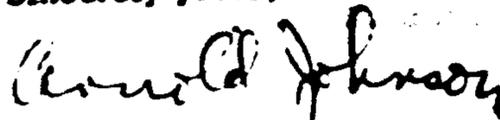
Dear Mr. Oswald:

Your letter to the WORKER has been referred to me for reply.

It is good to know that movements in support of fair play for Cuba has developed in New Orleans as well as in other cities. We do not have any organizational ties with the Committee, and yet there is much material that we issue from time to time that is important for anybody who is concerned about developments in Cuba.

Under separate cover we are sending you some literature.

Sincerely yours,



Arnold Johnson, Director  
Information and Lecture Bureau

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799 BROADWAY NEW YORK N. Y. CHgo 4288

May 29, 1963

Lee H. Oswald  
4907 1/2 Magazine Street  
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your prompt reply. Enclosed are your card and receipt, along with our thanks and welcome.

Your interest in helping to form an FPCC Chapter in New Orleans is gratefully received. I shall try to give you some basic information now so that you may have a better picture of what this entails.

For one thing, I am enclosing a copy of our Constitution and By-Laws for all Chapters and Student Councils. You will note that there is considerable autonomy for an organization our size. We try and let all Chapters operate according to the local requirements. Naturally, there are minimal regulations which must be met.

(All Chapters can receive literature in bulk at a discounted rate and recall at the retail price and use the proceeds for further Chapter activities.) Credit is extended and payment is not required with the order. We do expect payment within a reasonable period so that we may continue our end of the operation.

It would be hard to conceive of a chapter with as few members as seem to exist in the New Orleans area. I have just gone through our files and find that Louisiana seems somewhat restricted for Fair Play activities. However, with what is there perhaps you could build a larger group if a few people would undertake the disciplined responsibility of concrete organizational work.

We certainly are not at all adverse to a very small Chapter but certainly would expect that there would be at least twice the amount needed to conduct a legal executive board for the Chapter. Should this be reasonable we could readily issue a charter for

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August 19, 1951

Dear Lee!

This morning I was speaking with one of our professors who heard the talk you gave to us. He thought that you made a number of good points. One of these was your criticism of speculation in the capitalistic system. He equated stock speculation with gambling. It seems to be another form of it. Another point was your criticism of exploitation which occurs in capitalism. On both these points, speculation and exploitation, the Popes have spoken strongly against them in the past 70 years.

On the other hand, the professor to whom I am referring thought that you hadn't made sufficient application. Applying the criticism of speculation and exploitation in our country, it seems that these things are regulated. In the instances where certain individuals do overstep their bounds, it seems that such occurrences are practically inevitable in a free society. If we are going to have freedom rather than strict regimentation, then the government will naturally find it very difficult to curb all abuses. The difficulty with communism is that it suppresses freedom, as you indicated, in order to obtain efficiency.

You mentioned that there are good and bad points in each system and that possibly the best system would be a fusion of the good points of both capitalism and communism, something approaching socialism. It seems that socialism might work in a small society but again, when we apply this to our own country, it appears that we are very complex and that it would be very difficult for the government sufficiently to control such a complex society as ours along the lines of socialism. Also here again, socialism means the sacrifice of freedom in practice if it is going to work. Freedom seems to be a fundamental human value precious to every man. I think that freedom can be retained and yet we can still have a just economic, political and social system. Of course this requires that each man live up to the obligations and responsibilities of respecting the freedom of other men and exercising his own freedom in a just way. Perhaps it is more difficult to achieve a just social order by relying on individuals to show initiative and responsibility in respecting rights and living up to duties, but it seems that a society based on respect for justice and individual worth is much more lasting and solidly founded and more in accord with man's nature.

The Popes beginning with Leo XIII in 1891 and continuing up to the present day have given considerable thought and energy in trying to think through to a solution of economic and social and political abuses. You might get some ideas from the enclosed article as to how the Popes have been trying to work out the problem as well as some stimulation to your own thinking on the matter.

That's about it for now. Give my regards to Marina.

Sincerely,  
*Lee*

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Oswald  
1007 Magazine Street  
New Orleans, Louisiana

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3. J. Harney, S.J.  
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JESUIT HOUSE OF STUDIES  
3959 LOYOLA LANE  
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August 22, 1963

Dear Les:

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That's about it.



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**STARTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 11**

**MONDAYS 9:00 P.M.—10:30 P.M.**

**THE KEY THOUGHTS IN MARXIST PHILOSOPHY**

**DR. HOWARD SULLIVAN**

This course will develop the more distinctive conceptions of Marxist philosophy, covering especially materialism, dialectical materialism, and the theory of knowledge. The student will be required to read the basic texts of Marxist philosophy, and to write papers on the theory of knowledge and on the theory of history.

**THE POLITICAL ECONOMY I - BETTY GRANETT**

This course is a discussion study of Marxist political economy, with special emphasis on the theory of value, the theory of surplus value, and the theory of the capitalist mode of production. The student will be required to read the basic texts of Marxist political economy, and to write papers on the theory of value and on the theory of surplus value.

**THE WORKING CLASS AND THE WORKING CLASS**

**WILLIAM ALBERTSON**

This class attempts to show the basic lines for social development. What class is the U.S.A. in the U.S.A. and what class is the U.S.A. in the U.S.A. The student will be required to read the basic texts of Marxist political economy, and to write papers on the theory of value and on the theory of surplus value.

**THE AMERICAN SOCIAL CRISIS**

**DR. HERBERT ARMSTRONG**

This course will analyze the development of the American social crisis. The student will be required to read the basic texts of Marxist political economy, and to write papers on the theory of value and on the theory of surplus value.

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A number of years ago a Students Committee on Progressive Education—SCOPE—was organized to give an answer to the much heard phrase on the lips of today's youth—"YOUTH WANTS TO KNOW."

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SCOPE believes that knowledge can be achieved and intellectual conformity and apathy avoided only through continual study and discussion. All students are encouraged to participate actively, as the goal of SCOPE is to provide a unique opportunity for the study and discussion of Marxism.

With the founding of the N. Y. School for Marxist Studies, SCOPE chose to become an organic part of the School while retaining full autonomy as to its own curriculum. It participates in the conducting of the School as a whole, and simultaneously has full responsibility for its own particular program.

## WHO MAY ATTEND; WHO ARE THE TEACHERS?

Any one may attend. The School welcomes everyone, regardless of previous education, of nationality, color, creed, or political belief. The teachers are men and women of considerable experience as teachers and in the labor and progressive movements of our nation. They believe that Marxism is the most enlightening philosophy available for comprehending the world in which we live.

## WHAT SUBJECTS ARE TAUGHT?

The School offers courses in economics, politics, history, philosophy, literature, music and other arts.

## WHO FINANCES THE SCHOOL?

The students through their course fees are the largest source of income. Expenditures are kept to an absolute minimum. We have no paid personnel nor do we plan on having any during the coming school year. Even so the School cannot exist on the basis of the tuition fees alone; hence we shall attempt a conditional program of money-raising through affairs, donations, and other aid undertaken by our students and friends.

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## BOOKS

The School maintains a book shop in the office (Room 1922) where books for all classes will be on sale.

## EXTENSION CLASSES

Where 10 people or more wish to attend a class but have difficulty in coming to the central School, extension classes, taught by members of the School Faculty, will be organized. The fees for such classes will be the same as at the School itself, plus the instructor's fare. Arrangements for such Extension Classes may be made at the office.

## LECTURES, FORUMS AND CONFERENCES

The School will sponsor a number of lectures, forums and conferences from time to time on questions of special interest.

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### GENERAL STUDIES CLASSES

STARTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 14  
MONDAYS 8:30 P.M.—10:00 P.M.

#### 10. LOS PUERTORRIQUENOS EN LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS JESUS COLOM

Puerto Rico ayer y hoy. Primeras luchas de cubanos y puertorriqueños en Estados Unidos por la liberación nacional de Cuba y Puerto Rico, en el siglo pasado. Inmigración masiva de boricuas; relaciones con el movimiento obrero. Luchas más importantes en la actualidad por los derechos civiles, por la igualdad en los empleos, en escuelas, casas, hospitales, en unión y solidaridad especialmente con el pueblo Negro y las demás fuerzas progresistas. Proposiciones para principios y programa de trabajo entre los puertorriqueños de Nueva York.

#### 11. AMERICAN CAPITALISM TODAY DR. HYMAN LUMER

The development of the American economy since World War II, including: The growing economic role of the government, the arms economy, the impact of automation and the growing problem of unemployment, the postwar economic cycles. Such concepts as "people's capitalism", "welfare state" and similar currently propagated myths will also be examined.

#### 12. THE CIVIL WAR PERIOD IN U. S. HISTORY: 1830-1870 DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

This course will analyze the Causes, Conduct and Consequences of the Civil War. It will deal with the roots of the conflict, class structure and struggles, North and South, the diplomacy of the conflict, the Negro people's role in it, the socio-economic and political results of it. Careful attention will be given to the differing interpretations of the War now current.

#### SEMINAR: MARX'S CAPITAL, VOL. I

An intensive study of Marxist political economy based on Marx's *Capital*, Vol. I. The attempts of bourgeois economists to refute Marx will also be critically examined. Independent work on suggested topics is expected of each student. Time and length of course will be determined in discussion with the students. Admission by interview only. Some previous study of political economy and historical materialism required.

### SCOPE CLASSES

STARTING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11  
FRIDAYS 7:00 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

#### 13. AN INTRODUCTION TO MARXISM JOHN WEISS

Intended mainly for those who have not previously studied Marxism-Leninism. An examination of the development of Marxism-Leninism, its philosophy, politics and economics, the challenges to it, and its applicability to today's world.

#### 23. DIALECTICAL AND HISTORICAL MATERIALISM EDWARD J. ROSEN

A careful examination of the roots, concepts and methodology of the Marxist-Leninist philosophical and historical outlook. This three-term course will deal with Marxist attitudes towards religion, logic, historical change, revolution, freedom, necessity, etc. For beginners and those who have not made a detailed study of Marxist-Leninist philosophy.

#### 33. ECONOMICS OF DISARMAMENT VICTOR PERLO

Hopes and fears of the American people connected with disarmament. Is disarmament possible? Will disarmament cause a depression and higher unemployment? How disarmament can help win civil rights. Disarmament, peaceful coexistence and socialism.

#### 43. PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

This course will study the relationship between Marxism and the struggle against war. A historical and analytical examination with attention given to current views and differences on the theory of Peaceful Coexistence.

#### 53. THE ROAD TO NEGRO FREEDOM JAMES JACKSON

This course will show how the Negro people's upsurge for equality and freedom quickens the tempo of the struggle of the working class and all progressive social forces for a historic offensive against the reign of the monopolies and for fundamental social advances.

#### 63. WRITERS WORKSHOP ROBERT FORRY

Students will submit manuscripts for reading and group discussion. All type of material welcomed: poetry, stories, essays, etc. Fridays, from 7 to 10 P. M. Fee \$10.00

