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## "THE DAY WASHINGTON FELL," A TAPE PREPARED BY ALVIN O. LANGDON

623 4th Avenue, Huntington, W.Va., advised on December 13, 1963, that approximately six months ago a man identifying himself as Doctor Alvin Langdon approached the station to put a series of educational tapes on the air as a public service. Said Doctor Langdon left approximately six tapes as a sample, one of which was entitled, "The Day Washington Fell." I listened to two or three of the tapes and, although he could not recall anything specifically from the tapes, he turned them down because they did not in his opinion have anything of real value to offer and were in bad taste. The tapes were returned to Langdon and he was informed the station would not put them on the air unless he had a sponsor. No more was heard from Doctor Langdon until a letter was received by the station dated November 27, 1963, reminding the station the tape entitled, "The Day Washington Fell." Advised he is not acquainted with Doctor Langdon and never heard the name prior to this encounter.

, clerk, Credit Eureau, Inc., 916 5th Avenue, Huntington, W.Va., advised on December 16, 1963, that her files reflect the following information for Alvin O. Langdon, wife Leeta O., residence 1745 Washington Avenue, Huntington. Stated Langdon's present occupation is listed as owner of Langdon Music Center, and former employment, date not shown, is listed as Waverly Mobile Homes, Waverly, Ohio. In addition, Langdon is listed as owner of Langdon Music

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- Center, 1950 to 1958; owner, West Virginia Academy of Music, 1950 to 1958; administrator of Langdon's Children's Center, which is licensed by the State of West Virginia; owner, Langdon Gift Shop, 1950 to 1958; owner and administrator, Langdon Children's Home, 1955 to 1957. (Constrained and the files also list former activities of Langdon as owner, Langdon Electronic Tapes; President of National Commission for Prevention of Juvenile Delinquency, Columbus, Ohio; and President, Diagnostic and Speech Correction Center.

stated Mrs. Leeta O. Langdon is employed by the W. T. Grant Company, Huntington, W.Va. The overall credit record for Langdon is listed as slow but satisfactory, and contains no derogatory only comments concerning his character or activities.

Patrolman John Davis, Identification Bureau, Huntington Police Department, Huntington, advised his files contained no arrest record identifiable with Langdon or his wife, Leeta O. Langdon.

Alvin Otificandon, 1745 Washington Ave., Huntington, W.Va., advised on January 15, 1964, that he is the owner and operator of Langdon Electronic Tapes, which is located at his residence. He said he is engaged in the sale of recording tapes and also providing studio space to artists who desire to record music and songs for possible publication. Langdon also advised he is active as a speaker before high school and church groups, and in conjunction with this activity, he made several educational tapes, to use with his talks. One of these tapes produced about three years ago is entitled, "The Day Washington Fell To The Communists," and depicts the assassination of a President of the United States on May 1, 1968, and what could happen as a result. According to Langdon, this is the only tape he produced with this theme. It was entirely fictional. It was only produced to alert Americans to the Communist danger to the American way of life.

Langdon stated he is the holder of a Ph. D. degree, receiving his education at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and West Virginia University, Morgantown, W.Va. He also states he served two prison terms in the

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Ohio State Penitentiary for grand larceny and forgery .in the thirties. Langdon said that because of these prison terms he has devoted much of his later years to helping youth. In this regard, the tapes he produced, as well as pamphlets and other articles he wrote, were printed under the name. Morid Youth Council." Langdon says this is a name he hade up to use for his works, and there are no other members and no organization as such. Langdon depicted himself as a loyal American interested in helping and guiding youth during these troubled times.

The tape, self described as a copyrighted educational program of the World Youth Council (WYC), 1745 Washington Ave., Huntington, W.Va., alludes to the take-over of the United States of America on May 1, 1968, by the communists and accredits the take-over to present day (1961) complacency of Americans in abetting communism. The moderator refers to the headline, "Communism Takes Over in America," which reportedly appeared in "The Daily Bulletin," Washington, D.C., on May 1, 1968.

In recounting the events of the fictional communist take-over on May 1, 1968, the moderator described the President of the United States (name not mentioned, but described as having taken office a few short years ago) as he walked out of the Capitol and was escorted down the steps of the Capitol by two Russian soldiers. Next there is heard on the tape three shots from a firearm, which could lead the listener to assume the President is dead.

The moderator makes reference to the headline, "Communism Could Have Been Avoided," also appearing in "The Daily Bulletin," May 1, 1968. He then refers to the many warnings of the communist dangers to the American way of life as espoused seven years previously (1961) by President John F. Kennedy and others, including John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Eureau of Investigation. He quotes portions of speeches made by the above individuals.

The moderator concluded the tape by listing ten (10) rules to live by to help prevent communism.

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