

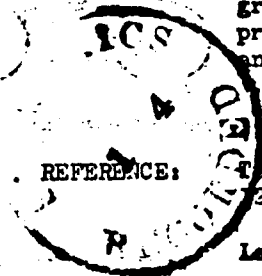
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REFERENCE: Teletypes from Washington Field Division dated 11-23, 27, 30; 2-14 (2), 17, 18-45. 1-3, 9, 23; 2-26; 3-14; 4-1, 3, 8-46. Letters from Washington Field Division dated 3-12 to 19-46. Teletypes to Washington Field dated 11-23, 27 (2), 30; 12-17 (2), 21-45; 1-5, 14, 15, 17; 2-7, 27; 3-21; 4-5, 8-46. Letters to Washington Field Division dated 3-21-46 and 4-4-46. Teletypes to New York Field Division dated 11-28; 12-11-45. Letter from New York Field Division dated 11-30-45. Teletype to New York Field Division dated 12-14-45. Letters to New York Field Division dated 11-30; 12-8, 10-45. Teletype from Boston Field Division dated 11-27-45.			
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The Washington Field Division on December 17, 1945, requested this office to identify the subscriber to [REDACTED] which could not be done because the key number did not appear after the letter "r".

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M. R. ROGERS

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From March 1938 to February 1942, he was editor and president of "Click" Magazine, 535 Fifth Avenue, New York City. At this time, EDWIN E. ZOTY was

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General Manager of this magazine.

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In addition to [REDACTED] ROGERS' friends included HAROLD WEISBERG
of Washington, D. C.;

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who in 1942 was still employed

by "Glick" Magazine.

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The following persons, among others, were interviewed:

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at Philadelphia, b7C
Pennsylvania January 14, 1943.

DETAILS: The title of this case is being marked changed to reflect the
true, correct name of the subject, [REDACTED] and
to add the following known aliases: [REDACTED]

AT NEW YORK CITY:

At the Triangle Publishing Company, Inc., 551 Fifth Avenue, it
was ascertained that this is the office of the Guide magazines and Click, Inc.,
the editors of Click magazine, are included in the group. [REDACTED]

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The completed survey and story was edited and published in the March, 1943 issue of Click magazine, and the article was entitled, "I want you to win the peace." This story is the feature article for the March issue and makes up pages 3 to 7 inclusive, in the magazine. A copy of the questionnaire, "To the Service Men" is set out in the article and the five most important questions checked by the service men as a result of the circularization, are set out. This magazine containing the designated article which is accompanied by pictures, is being forwarded to the Bureau for its consideration.

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Special Agent [REDACTED] New York Field Division, examined the criminal record of [REDACTED] but no information was on file regarding the subject. b7C
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By teletype dated February 12, 1943, to the Washington Field Division, a request was made to verify the subject's military record.

An examination of the New York Field Office indices reflects

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ENCLOSURE TO THE BUREAU:

One copy of Click magazine dated March, 1943, containing article, "I want you to win the peace."

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On July 15, 1945, ^{HAROLD} WEISBERG was appointed Consultant in the Presentation Branch, Editorial Division of OSS, at \$10.55 per diem. Later he transferred from Consultant to Research Analyst, P-5, \$4600 per annum, in Research and Analysis, Latin American Division, OSS. He transferred to the State Department on September 30, 1945, where he was employed, as of December 30, 1946, at \$5180 per annum. His efficiency rating from the period of January to November, 1945, was compiled on December 12, 1945, by WOODROW WILSON BORAH and reviewed by MAURICE HALPERIN. He was rated "Excellent."

WEISBERG's file also reflects that from 1941 to 1945 he worked with various newspapers in Wilmington, Delaware, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. During a portion of this period WEISBERG was associated with MARTIN ROBERT ROGERS. According to the file, the DIES list reflects an H. WEISBERG as being a Communist in 1934 (DAILY WORKER 4-19-34). WEISBERG's wife is or was employed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in Washington, D. C.

The indices further reflect that in the year 1938 HAROLD WEISBERG was connected with the Committee on Education and Labor, U. S. Senate, and was in Harlan, Kentucky, during the trial of "United States vs. MARY HELEN COAL CORPORATION, et al.; Civil Rights and Domestic Violence." (Refer Bureau File 44-175-348.)

In March, 1940, when HAROLD WEISBERG was interviewed in connection with an official investigation, he said that he was employed by the LA FOLLETTE Civil Liberties Committee until June, 1939, and thereafter did special research work for the DIES Committee. (Bureau reference 61-7587-624)

b7D [REDACTED] HAROLD WEISBERG the magazine "FRIDAY," published in New York City. He was the author of an article in the second issue of this magazine which attacked the then Assistant Secretary of State, ADOLPH A. BERLE, Jr. (Bureau reference 65-2839-14)

In the February, 1941, issue of "CLICK" Magazine, Page 3, there is an article entitled "Hitler's Foot Soldier," dealing with a Czechoslovakian shoe manufacturer named JAY BATA. The author of this article was HAROLD WEISBERG. [REDACTED]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

11:30 a.m.

September 27, 1941

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Foxworth _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. H. M. KIMBALL

At the above mentioned time I received a telephone call from Mr. James McInerney of the Criminal Division of the Department. He advised that under date of August 9, 1941, a memorandum had been submitted to the Bureau by Assistant Attorney General Berge entitled "Alleged Nazi-Falangist Activities", the same containing information regarding alleged activities in Cuba. Mr. McInerney believes that there were transmitted with this memorandum photographs secured from Click Magazine, in one of which there was a picture of a woman and a man, the woman being Baroness Lisette von Kapri. He said copies of these photographs had not been retained by the Department.

Mr. McInerney stated that by memorandum of August 26, 1941, regarding Baroness Lisette von Kapri, the Bureau had requested Assistant Attorney General Berge to advise whether the Department had any information to show any connection between Baroness von Kapri and one Otto Weh. This memorandum also transmitted to the Department copies of twenty-three reports of the [redacted] investigation.

Mr. McInerney desired to be telephonically advised whether with Mr. Berge's memorandum of August 9, 1941, there had been a photograph of Baroness von Kapri and a man, since, if that were true, Mr. McInerney could then write the Bureau a reply to its memorandum of August 26, 1941, to the effect that the man in the picture of von Kapri is said by Click Magazine to be Otto Weh.

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Subsequently I did telephone Mr. McInerney about this matter and as a result Mr. L. L. Lightcap of the Criminal Division of the Department called at my office on September 29, 1941, and examined the photographs in question (our file 64-1200-A-18). Among these photographs is a page from Click Magazine entitled "Axis Fifth Column in Cuba", wherein appears a picture of Baroness von Kapri and a Mr. Persico. It is noted that in the photostatic copy of the magazine page which we have the features of the Baroness are not discernible although Mr. Lightcap states that in the original page from the magazine which is in the possession of the Department one can recognize her from the picture.

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Memo for Mr. Kimball

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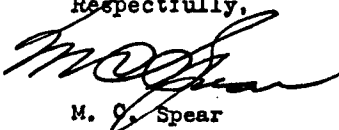
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Referring to an original photograph taken by Martin Harris of a woman in an aviatrix cap, carrying a parachute, and a man in white slacks and in his shirt sleeves, both of whom have apparently just left a door under a sign "Charter Service, Frank Steinman, Student and Instrument Instructions, Airplanes for Rent", Mr. Lightcap remarked that this picture was apparently taken at Roosevelt Field, New York City. Then there is an enlargement of a man in the picture, which is also stamped on the back "Photograph by Martin Harris". Mr. Lightcap advised that [redacted] and Mr. Weisberg of Click Magazine claim that this man in these two pictures, that is the one in the white slacks, is Otto Weh. Mr. Lightcap states that furthermore, it is claimed that Weh had recently appeared at Roosevelt Field, New York, and accordingly, the contention of the Click Magazine representatives may be correct. Mr. Lightcap said he was going to dictate a reply along these lines to Bureau memorandum of August 26, 1941, in the [redacted] matter, our file 65-4196.

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It is suggested that Mr. [redacted], the supervisor handling this matter, review the same to determine whether we have available known photographs of Baroness von Kapri and Otto Weh as well as descriptive data concerning these two individuals in order that if such additional photographs are present, they may be compared with those taken by Martin Harris.

Respectfully,


M. C. Spear

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January 20, 1942

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BACKGROUND

The January-February, 1942, issue of Click magazine contained an article and pictures entitled "The Real Story of Hitler in Chile". As was reflected in my memorandum dated December 23, 1941, the pictures appearing in the Click magazine, together with other pictures and material, were received by the Bureau by reference from Mr. George A. McNulty of the Department of Justice on September 19, 1941 and were furnished to interested agencies at that time.

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A summary of information on taken from the files, is attached herewith.

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- Mr. Tolson _____
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- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Egan _____
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- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Holloman _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

For your information and such consideration as you deem appropriate, the following data are set forth:

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Advice has been received indicating that in this publication the author will endeavor to establish that the Catholic Church is a tool of the Axis and will further intimate that the Catholics in this country, as well as those in other Central and South American countries, should be looked upon with suspicion and disdain in so far as their E. A. Tensionalistic sentiments and loyalty are concerned.

A review of the information presently available reflects that Chase was the editor of the magazine "Click" and also one of the editors of the magazine "Friday," [redacted]. It is known that during the fall of 1942 Chase visited Puerto Rico, Cuba, and other localities in that vicinity, for the purpose of securing information relative to the Spanish Falange and kindred groups.

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Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller

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Sincerely yours,

W. W. Rorer

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Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
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Sincerely yours,

W. W. Ruggie

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: [REDACTED]

The purpose of this memorandum is to furnish comments upon a review of Chase's book, "Falange: The Axis Secret Army in the Americas," recently released by G. P. Putnam's Sons.

BACKGROUND

As you will recall from my memorandum to you of June 5, 1943, Chase, a journalist who resides in New York City, visited Puerto Rico, Cuba, and other Caribbean localities in the fall of 1942 for the purpose of gathering information relative to the Spanish Falange and kindred subversive groups, both in the United States and territories visited by him. Chase was editor of the magazine "Slick" and one of the editors of the magazine "Friday,"

DETAILS

A review of the contents of "Falange," so far as the SIS Field of operation is concerned, fails to reveal any information of value gathered by Chase which is not previously in the possession of the Bureau. For the most part it may be said that the comments of Chase are colored with sensationalism, are in a great many instances distorted, and on numerous instances inaccurate. The book is full of conjectures and speculations and erroneous in many minor details. Many of Chase's premises apparently are of a nature that substantiation or confirmation is difficult or impossible, and represent perhaps flights of his fancy or his own conclusions reached after setting forth incomplete sets of facts. Apparently much of Chase's material was received by word of mouth, resulting in inaccuracy as to names and places, phonetic spellings, and evidently have been distorted after passing through various hands.

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[REDACTED] It may be said that Chase's principal sources of information are Communist informants, Spanish Republican sources evidently in the United States and Caribbean territorial possessions, newspapers, and the Public Library at San Juan.

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[REDACTED] A further review of the book as regards the Spanish Falange in Colombia, Chile, Panama, and other SIS Fields, indicates, as above, that Chase's information likewise does not reflect any material not previously investigated by the Bureau.

Attached hereto is a letter dated July 15, 1943, from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in which [REDACTED] requests an appraisal of Chase's book in the interest of "La Prensa's" readers. Also, there is attached a memorandum of Mr. J. K. Mumford for Mr. Ladd, dated July 19, 1943, concerning a call of Mr. Ray Whearty of the Special War Policies Unit of the Department regarding a similar request from the newspaper "La Prensa" made of the Attorney General for an appraisal of the book, and a similar letter from [REDACTED] to the Attorney General requesting an appraisal, which letter was referred to us for handling.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that no appraisal be given to "La Prensa" concerning the publication of Chase, and in that connection there is attached hereto a suggested letter of reply to [REDACTED] acknowledging receipt of both above referred to letters.

With further regard to the book itself, a more complete review is being made in the SIS Division for the purpose of pointing out in detail all inaccuracies and checking more closely on the merits and demerits of this publication.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd
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Attachments

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: [REDACTED] b7C

b7C/b7D In the attached memorandum from the Criminal Division it is stated that the Department has been confidentially informed

[REDACTED]

The Criminal Division requests therein that an investigation be made to ascertain if [REDACTED] still has the material, and, if so, detailed information concerning its content. b7C

It is my opinion that the Department's request should not be complied with inasmuch as the proposed action of the Bureau would serve no purpose as far as the obtainment of factual information regarding the Falange is concerned and because the actualization of such a request would more than likely subject the Bureau to unwarranted criticism. This opinion is predicated upon the following facts:

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(Chase was editor of the magazine "Click" and of the magazine "Friday"

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(2) [REDACTED]

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(3) [REDACTED]

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