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Probe Of AFSA, CIA's 'Occult' On

**Donner Gave AFSA \$23000;
"Temple" Received \$15,000;
Johnson Former CIA Aide**

The interlocking directorate and intermeshed activities of large American foundations in the Central Intelligence Agency, State Department, Foreign Service and international organizations is being probed—source at the Department of Justice revealed to *The Exchange* on November 22.

The investigation was "triggered" for the Department of Justice, the source revealed, by a report that a new "scandal" about "secret finances" might break in the press any day. The source said that the results of the revelations might be as sensational as those brought about by the National Student Association disclosures in February 1967 about its ties to the CIA through the use of "conduits" appearing to be private American foundations.

Another impetus for the Justice Department study, the source stated, was the recent attack of the New York unit of the United Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO, on the Ford Foundation for its alleged roles in

"commenting" the teacher strike there. The President of the Ford Foundation is McGeorge Bundy, who supervised from the White House the use of CIA funds through "conduits" during the Kennedy Administration, the source stated.

Donner Foundation

Respecting foreign relations, reports have been circulating in Washington that the William H. Donner Foundation, 60 East 42nd Street, New York, New York, subsidized the recent two-day Conference of the American Foreign Service Association, entitled "Foreign Affairs in the 1970's." According to the source, the Donner

Foundation "granted" the American Foreign Service Association \$23,000.

Previously, the Donner Foundation had "granted" \$15,000 to The Temple of Understanding, Inc. for an international conference in January in Washington of "religious" leaders. The Temple of Understanding, Inc., has its Washington office at 1826 R Street, NW, the source stated.

The Temple

The "Temple of Understanding", according to the source, is fundamentally an "occult" movement with ties to such mystical and metatheological movements as "The Arcane School" of New York City and the "Lucis Trust" of London, England. The "arcane", or hidden and secret, mysteries include not only "mystical" but also banking and political "mysteries", according to the source at the Department of Justice.

As illustration of the types of persons involved, the source said that top American officials at the CIA, the Foreign Service and the Department of Defense have been actively recruited for membership in "The Temple".

Robert McNamara

Two of the more prominent Washington members of "The Temple", the source claimed, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNamara. Mr. McNamara was formerly the Secretary of Defense and is now the head of The World Bank.

Another active member of The Temple, both in Washington and New York, is Marietta Peabody Tree, the older sister of Endicott Peabody, the former Governor of Massachusetts. Mrs. Tree, holding the rank of Ambassador, was a U.S.

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Representative to the United Nations. She was with Ambassador Adlai Stevenson in London, England, when he had the brain attack which took his life. The press carried reports of her attempt to revive Mr. Stevenson through mouth-to-mouth respiration.

Endicott Peabody, Mrs. Tree's younger brother, was recently prominently in the news for having offered Governor Nelson Rockefeller the Vice Presidential spot on the Democratic national ticket, the source observed. Other members of the influential Peabody family hold "strategic" positions in banks, stock exchange firms, and foundations in

New England and New York.

Carnegie Endowment

In New York, the Temple of Understanding centers its "mystical meetings" and the union of "triads" in a room reserved for it at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, located at United Nations Plaza and 46th Street, the source asserted.

The President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is Joseph Esrey Johnson, "nicknamed" by knowledgeable CIA and State Department officials as the "Permanent Unofficial Secretary of State".

Joseph Johnson was the official "chairman" of the two-day Conference of the American Foreign Service Association, for which the Donner Foundation "picked up the tab", the source added. He reported that it was known widely among Foreign Service officers that Mr. Johnson had recommended that the Association obtain a "grant" from the Donner Foundation.

The Sprague Report

Joseph Johnson was intimately associated with the personalities who drafted the so-called Sprague Committee Report of 1960. That Report was the basis for re-structuring the financing of private foundations through "conduits of the CIA", the source said. Besides Mr. Sprague, its principal authors were Allen Dulles, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; George Allen, the Director of the United States Information Agency; Gordon Gray; and C.D. Jackson.

Mr. Jackson, a close personal friend of Joseph Johnson, is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, whose chairman is Morris Hadley. Morris Hadley is also the Treasurer of The Rubicon Foundation, where he used his office to channel CIA funds to other "private foundations".

William H. Brubeck

Readers will recall that the unauthorized disclosure of certain information from the Sprague Report in 1960 led to the victory of John Kennedy over Richard Nixon for President of the United States.

As reported in the August 21 issue of *The Exchange*, Mr. Brubeck, who was Director of Public Relations for John Kennedy and a personal friend of Robert Kennedy, obtained from Roy Gootenberg, a Federal employee "temporarily working" at the State Department, "top secret" information in the Sprague Report showing a decline in American prestige and influence

abroad.

Mr. Kennedy used information to advantage and won the campaign. As a reward, Mr. Brubeck was assigned to Mr. Rusk's staff and is now an FSO-1, despite Mr. Rusk's knowledge that Mr. Brubeck passed "top secret" information without authorization to the press. This action of Mr. Rusk has been contrasted with his treatment of Otto F. Otepka for giving certain much lower information to the Senate Internal Security Committee, all of whose members are cleared to receive "secret" information.

Franklyn Johnson

The president of the Donner Foundation, which subsidized the AFSA Conference, is Franklyn Johnson, formerly a "desk officer" at the CIA and later a "consultant", the source revealed.

Franklyn Johnson is also associated with the Reid Educational Foundation, Inc., of Washington, D.C., together with Evron M. Kirkpatrick and Max Kampelman. The latter were executive director and legal counsel, respectively, also of the American Political Science Association, the source revealed.

Operations and

Policy Research, Inc.

In addition to these ties to the foundations, Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Kampelman were identified as "dominant persons" with Operations and Policy Research, Inc., located at 4000 Albemarle Street, NW, in the nation's capital. This organization,

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Mr. Kirpatrick's wife, Jean, was the editor of "The Strategy of Deception", a 1964 book that was later found to have been subsidized by the USIA, the source said.

CIA and "Funds"

The Exchange was told by the informant that the Department of Justice has a "huge" file on law firms, foundations and banks linked with the CIA and the Foreign Service. For example, Allen Dulles, "who ran the CIA up to the Bay of Pigs misadventure", was a member of the New York law firm of Sullivan and Cromwell. The Wall Street investment firm of Wood, Struthers and Winthrop provided the "cover" for Hans Tofte of the CIA by issuing him credentials as if he were an employee of the firm.

Johnson and Bundy

Joseph E. Johnson, the president of the Carnegie Endowment, has close personal and official ties to McGeorge Bundy, the president of the Ford Foundation, the source continued. Mr. Bundy controlled the entire CIA allocation of funds and the use of "conduits" and fronts while he was at the White House on the staff of President Kennedy, the source revealed. Joseph E. Johnson was earlier associated with Harvey Bundy, the father of McGeorge Bundy, in the World Peace Foundation of Boston, together with Erwin Canham, the editor of *The Christian Science Monitor* and an influential Boston banking and finance officer.

Houghton and Plimpton

Other leading bankers and industrialists involved in the CIA-USIA-State Department "interlocking directorate" of "secret" and of "foundation funds", the source revealed, were Francis T. P. Plimpton, former deputy chief of the U.S. Mission to the United Nations and Arthur A. Houghton, Jr. of the Corning Glass family. Mr. Houghton is on the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Youth and Student Affairs, which was a CIA "conduit" and of the Rockefeller Foundation; also the Fund for the Advancement of Education, the United States Steel Foundation and the General Education Board.

Robert D. Murphy

Ambassador Robert D. Murphy, recently appointed as the liaison

officer between President-elect Nixon and President Johnson was employed by the Houghton family as top officer of one of their subsidiary corporations, Corning Glass International. The informant also recalled that Ambassador Murphy had also been the adviser for many years to Mr. McCloy and that Mr. Murphy had often relied for help on the good offices of Joseph E. Johnson.

Joseph J. Sisco

Regarding the "Sisco Affair" and its impact on the AFSA Conference, the source observed that, although present at all the sessions, Ambassador James E. Riddleberger, who had made the "Sisco Affair" public, did not "once raise his voice" at the Conference. Readers will recall that previously Ambassador Riddleberger had accused Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Deputy Undersecretary of State Idar Rimestad of improper and irregular "political" intervention in the career promotion procedures of the Foreign Service to obtain the promotion to "career minister" of Joseph Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs.

Confronted by the vast array of "secret government" and financial resources assembled at the Conference, Ambassador Riddleberger decided that was not the place to pursue the "Sisco Affair", a close friend of Ambassador Riddleberger informed the source. Thus, for the time being the "promotion" of Joseph Sisco was "legitimized", the source revealed, through the presence of Joseph E. Johnson and the role of Franklyn Johnson, representing the giant foundations which control the "private sector" of American foreign policy.