



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Washington, D.C. 20201

Case No. 88-759

September 22, 1988

Mr. Harold Weisberg
7627 Old Receiver Road
Frederick, Maryland 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

On September 16 the Federal Bureau of Investigation referred to (received September 21) your January 17, 1987 and May 18, 1987 requests to them for certain records. In searching their files the Bureau located a total of five documents that originated in this agency's predecessor agency, the Federal Security Agency, or which contained information that originated in the FSA.

Of the five documents referred we were asked to review two, one classified and one unclassified, to determine whether to release or deny them and respond directly to you our determination. Those two documents are enclosed in their entirety and without deletion, six pages.

The three remaining documents are classified and we were asked to review those and return them to the Bureau, making any deletions we deemed appropriate, citing the exemptions claimed and advising if the documents still warrant classification from our prospective. We have done that and returned the three documents to the Bureau.

There is no fee for FOIA processing services charged by this agency in this instance.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Russell M. Roberts".

Russell M. Roberts, Director
FOIA/Privacy Act Division
Office of Public Affairs

Enclosures

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331 Fifth Avenue New York City

July 27, 1943

Office of Censorship
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Some time ago you queried us by telephone regarding an article on bacterial warfare, by Albert A. Brandt. At the time, we pointed out that this article had never been submitted to us.

In this connection, it seems interesting, however, that we should have received the enclosed request by a purported reader.

We are sending it to you herewith for what it may be worth.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ ANDREW B. HECHT
Editor

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THE OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP

WASHINGTON 25

July 28, 1943

Mr. John P. Marquand
Director of Information
War Research Service
National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Marquand:

For your information I am enclosing copies of a letter received today from the Magazine "Click" and of a letter forwarded by that publication.

I don't know whether this will be of any interest to you. We have acknowledged receipt of the letter from "Click" and have told them we are passing on the information to the proper people.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Jack Lockhart

Jack Lockhart
Acting Assistant Director (Press)

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C O P Y

2109 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

July 21, 1943

CLICK Magazine
535 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I am anxious to get a copy of the issues of ~~CLICK~~
which contain articles by Mr. Albert A. Brandt on the subject
of bacterial warfare.

It would be appreciated if you would send these copies
to me at the above address, C.O.D.

Thank you for your kindness in advance.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ruth ~~X~~ Dawson

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25

OFFICE OF
THE ADMINISTRATOR

National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue

July 29, 1943

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Mr. Edmond P. Coffey
Assistant Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 7326, Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Coffey:

In case you have not received this correspondence from the Office of Censorship, I am sending it to you as it would seem to me to add another interesting angle to the case of Dr. Brandt.

Sincerely,

J. P. Marquand
Director of Information,
War Research Service.

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P.S. The copy of the enclosed letter written to the Bureau of Censorship may give you further information on Dr. Brandt.

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National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue

July 27, 1945

Mr. Jack Lockhart
Acting Assistant Director (Press)
The Office of Censorship
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lockhart:

Since writing you the enclosed letter and postscript, we have now come across another article by Dr. A. A. Brandt, Ph.D., in a quarterly publication called "Predictions of Things to Come - Forecast by Experts." Dr. Brandt's article which is advertised on the cover is entitled "Will the Nazis and Japs Escort to Eurasia Barbarat?". This magazine is published quarterly by the General Magazines Division of the Parents Institute, Inc., 4600 Riverside Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Executives and Advertising Offices are located at 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, N. Y.

If your office has any personal connections with the editor, it might be a good idea to ask them to refrain from using such material in the future.

The following is a pen picture of Dr. Brandt. The author: A teacher, lecturer, author and philosopher, Dr. Brandt was for seven years a Professor of Philosophy and Social Sciences at the University of Newark. One of the first exiles from Germany, Dr. Brandt published an expose of Nazi secret rearmament shortly after his arrival in this country. The expose was used as evidence by the Congressional Committee investigating the munitions industry. He collaborated with Dorothy Thompson and others in writing "The Assault on Civilization" which in 1934, foretold accurately the nature of the Hitler menace. Dr. Brandt is a frequent lecturer at the Institute of Arts and Sciences of Columbia University, the Williams Institute of Human Relations and the Foreign Policy Association of New York.

Sincerely yours,

J. P. Marquand
Director of Information,
War Research Service.

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cc - Mr. Coffey

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue

July 17, 1943

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In Mr. Merck's absence I am answering your letter of the 14th regarding Dr. A. A. Brandt.

As, I believe, Mr. Price in the Bureau of Censorship has written you, Dr. Brandt submitted articles to ~~Click~~, ~~Pic~~ and ~~Look~~ but they were not accepted, and the Censorship Office is contacting the Canadian Censor regarding the article in the Toronto Star Weekly.

Our position here regarding printed material dealing with biological warfare is to discourage its publication as much as possible. As there is no legal compulsion, these efforts have been made informally principally through the O.W.I. and on the whole have been successful. We are anxious that there shall be no public discussion of this subject which may lead to fantastic speculation and hysteria. We are now considering adding biological warfare to restricted subjects in the Censorship Code and the Bureau of Censorship and the Public Relations Branch of the Army are considering whether this is advisable. This on the whole is our position.

Regarding the lecturing activities and the antecedents of Dr. Brandt, however, we are both interested and curious. We should greatly appreciate hearing anything you may find out about him and we hope, therefore, that you will not let the matter entirely drop.

No need to answer until we get the results from the

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Very sincerely yours,
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J. P. Marquand
Director of Information,
War Research Service.

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