

OFFICE MEMORANDUM \*\*\* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-31229) DATE: 6/13/69  
FROM: SA ROBERT E. RITZER  
SUBJECT: FELLOWSHIP FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE  
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	Fellowship for SJ Annual Awards Banquet 5/10/69	5/20/69	Writer	[REDACTED] (WR)

Informant's report has been xeroxed and is attached:

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100-73499 [REDACTED]  
 100-33973 (FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH)  
 100-24642 [REDACTED]  
 100-23488 (FUNDS)  
 44-1574 (MARTIN LUTHER KING)  
 157-2720 [REDACTED]  
 100-69762 [REDACTED]  
 100-63925 [REDACTED]  
 157-3512 (ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE)  
 157-1618 (BPP)  
 100-36540 [REDACTED]  
 100-70609 [REDACTED]  
 100-70681 [REDACTED]  
 100-71283 [REDACTED]  
 100-71824 [REDACTED]  
 100-61014 [REDACTED]  
 100-73674 [REDACTED]  
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ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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WHITEHORSE DEFENSE FUND  
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Fellowship for Social Justice  
Annual Awards Banquet - Susan Schnall  
Guest Speaker

May 11, 1969  
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Date- Saturday, May 10, 1969  
Location- First Unitarian Church, 2936 W. 8th St., L.A.  
Duration- Approx. 6:00 p.m. (persons had started eating) until approx. 7:30 p.m. when the evening program began, then, in the auditorium, lasting until approx. 9:30 p.m.  
No. Present- Approx. 300 were present at the dinner (there were approx. 50-60 at each table) with 5 tables being used. Approx. 40 persons were standing in line to await seating for the dinner, yet. Many persons left, after the dinner, leaving approx. 200-250 who heard the evening speeches in the auditorium.

Agenda-

Unknown woman, acting as m.c., introduced different persons, who were affiliated with the Fellowship for Social Justice, who were seated at tables in the foreground. They did not speak, however. (unknown). Other speakers, she introduced, included Susan Schnall (Lt.), Jack E. Lunsford (Lt.) spoke, and Robert H. Hamburger (Lunsford and he were from the Whittier Unitarian Church, being a.v.o.l.), and Evelyn J. Whitehorn (who refused the permission for her son to be drafted), and Stephen H. Fritchman, (Rev., of the First Unitarian Church, Eighth St., L.A.) Believe several others spoke, but was outside (due to needed space at the tables, therefore, unable to get names), or content of speech.

Lunsford, in speaking, said there were 15 others at the Whittier sanctuary, who were a.v.o.l. He said he had been there now 45 days and would not be leaving, though, he added one or two of persons, there, felt they might be leaving and have to make up their own minds in their decision (names unknown). Stated the government (federal men) have not tried to come into the sanctuary to get them out, and didn't know why, but felt they must have their own reasons, probably being that it was a church. Said it was a useless war and his morals wouldn't let him serve in killing for such.

Evelyn Whitehorn's speech context dealt with the story of her son being underage, therefore, being as he was underage to vote, drink, and she was responsible for him until he was 21, she has refused permission for him to be drafted, too. Other contents of speech remarks were along line from leaflet "The Whitehorn Case", leaflet put out by the Fellowship for Social Justice. (This leaflet is marked). It was announced there is now a Whitehorn Defense Fund (P.O. Box 2766, Menlo Park, Cal. 94025) and calls to support her was made.

Charge for the dinner, alone, was \$2.00 with tickets for such having been sold before the dinner, by members of the fellowship. The evening program charge was \$1.00. Tickets for a combination

of both had been sold for \$3.00. Many had bought tickets for just the evening program, alone. Others bought tickets for the evening program, at the door. Tickets, for the dinner, had been sold out and were not being sold, then, at the door. Dinner consisted of beef stogonoff, green beans, small dish of fruit cocktail, a bun, small slice of fruit pie, and milk, coffee or tea.

Evening speeches were made by Fritchman, who spoke of previous awards the fellowship has given through the years. (one of whom included Dumbrowski (Southern Conference Educational Fund-one of which King and Abernathy were affiliated with-check for accuracy of correct name of such). He stated this year they were happy to announce Lt. Schmall was being given the award of the year, for the courage, admiration (check spelling accuracy) she has displayed in her fight to bring freedom in speaking out in the military services. He presented a signed petition to her (names of members of this church, from Sunday school age up to the elderly, included. Along with it was a check (amount not announced, though when she looked at it, a huge smile came forth, therefore, assuring it was a large check). He said it was to help her in the costs of her attorney and defense in fighting her case from the military. (to that effect). Cover of petition, he added, was designed from the peace symbol (name unknown who designed such, though mentioned).

Lt. Schmall's speech content dealt with her trial, harassment, etc. She stated the C.I.A. and F.B.I. tried to plant evidence to get servicemen arrested at the Fort Hood, Texas, coffee-house (G.I.) but it hadn't worked as they had been forewarned and got rid of it before the government's arrival, so they couldn't find anything therefore, no arrests were able to be made. A tape or bug had been found, too, which had been put out of commission, she stated. She called for support for servicemen to be able to speak out in freedom, against the war. She stated the military had tried to, in brainwashing her, tell her that the peace movement is filled with communists and they were trying to destroy the country with riots, racial fights, etc. She said it was their words, not her feelings.

Her husband spoke about the medical aspects of the war, the wounded, dead, etc. Said he hasn't been involved as his wife, but is trying in his own knowledge to help. (is or was supposed to have attended some American Medical Association meeting (annual one) to speak out.

Mr. Newman (Newman-President of the Fellowship) spoke for several minutes on the Fellowship and it's purposes. Mr. and Mrs. Grant (her first name was Shurli) sang some folk-type songs and played instruments. Fritchman supported the work they are doing and told persons to pick up a printed sheet in the hall to see the great job they are doing. (see sheet-attached.)

Literature and books were sold in the hall, outside auditorium. All types including Black Panther books and newspapers, Abraham Lincoln Brigade pamphlet, Soviet Weekly, Moscow News, (Several hundred different types of such being sold) Betty Rottger gave out the White-horn leaflet and a Peace Vigil leaflet at the door. (see attached)

A collection was made, after the end of program, with many giving checks and ten-dollar donations. Amount was not mentioned as to the total collection taken in.

Announcement was made by Fritchman that there would be a Fellowship for Social Justice meeting that next day, and any wishing to attend for perhaps joining such, were welcome. He, also, mentioned a meeting would be held next Sat. (or Sun.) whereby the candidates who had ran for the Junior College Trustees Board would be present so persons could get acquainted with them. These were to be at the church, here, both meetings.

Seen or heard: Besides speakers-

& Frank Wolffe

Hughey Mathews

Rose Mathews

Alexis Thompson

Hedy Kasoff

Jim Schmeltzer

William Mattons (Gen. Hersheybar)

Frank A. Hof (passed out "About Face" G.I. newspaper at auditorium hall, after speeches.)

Betty Rottger