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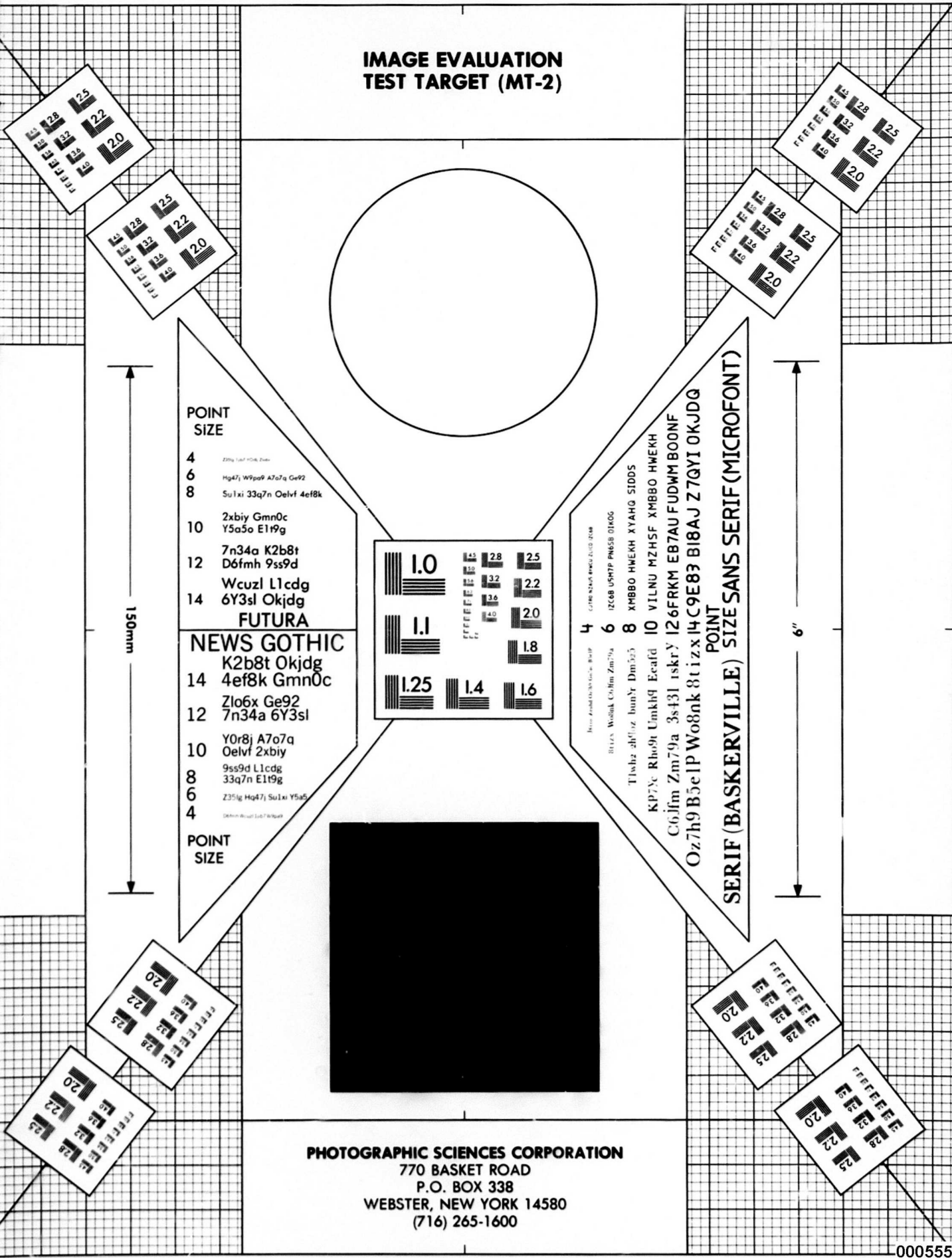
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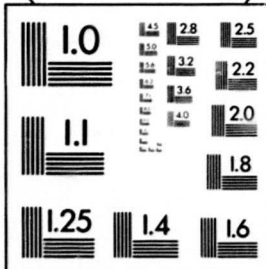
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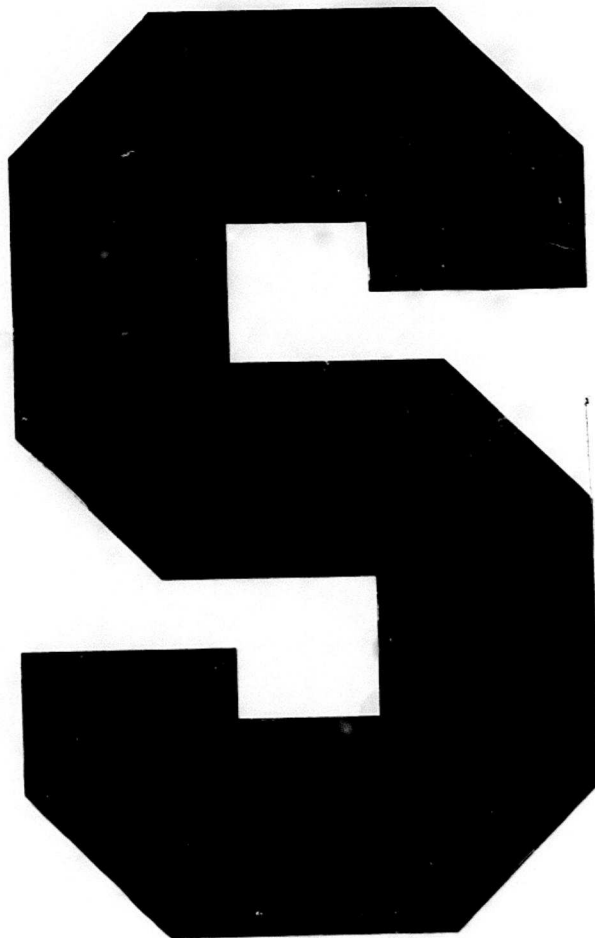
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CROWS NEST PASS, ALTA.

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*Communist Party of Canada.*

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Address

*Crows Nest Pass,  
Alta.*

Aliases

*Labor Progressive Party -  
Workers Party of Canada*

Former names

Miscellaneous Data

Cross References

*175/5145 Workers Party - Crows Nest Pass. Alta.*

*175/7048 Communist Party of Canada - Crows Nest Pass. Alta.*

*B.F.'d Files [redacted] L.P.P. - Crows Nest Pass. Alta.*

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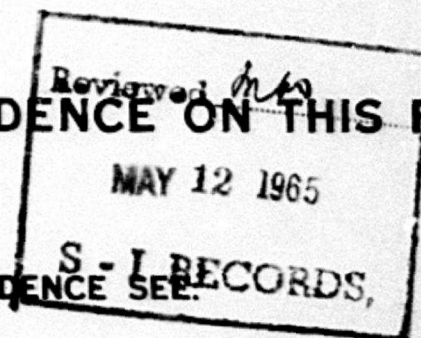
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REV. 15-2-65

OTHER REFERENCES:	DIVISION SUB-DIVISION DETACHMENT DATE	TITLE H.Q. Edmonton S.I.B. 15-2-65	RCMP FILE REFERENCES:
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RE: Trade Unions,  
Communist Activities Within - Alberta.

INFORMATION

1. [redacted] on 3-2-65, William TUOMI advised Walter MAKOWECKI and Harry GURALNICK that he considered the mining situation in the Crowsnest Pass area to be very depressing. He advised that a coal mine is now being worked at Coleman, Alberta and the miners are only working for \$15.68 per day. In Michel, B.C., however, there is a very good strong union where the miners went on strike and demanded \$3.00 per hour. The members of the United Mine Workers of America in Coleman only voted for 8¢ an hour increase and for the first time in the history of the union, the mine boss persuaded the miners that they should accept the low wage increase in order to remain employed. TUOMI advised that Tony PATERA is a member of the union and an oldtimer and he and all of the other miners would not even discuss the fact that the miners settled for such a low wage increase because they were very much ashamed of such an agreement. TUOMI continued that William STOOCHNOFF has returned to the mines. TUOMI continued that the mine at Natal, B.C. had been closed down and the miners were on strike. Two men from the union were stationed at each hotel in order to prevent the miners from entering the hotels so that they would not drink beer.

2. On the same date, [redacted] TUOMI advised MAKOWECKI that several of the members of the Communist Party of Canada (C.P. of C.) in the Crowsnest Pass area believed that TUOMI had visited the area to discuss their Party membership, but he refused to discuss it with them. TUOMI continued that he left most of the talking to George GEE and felt that the Party could now return to the Crowsnest Pass on a new basis. The Party could become reactivated in the Pass area through trade unions and the members of the Party will have to be taught how to organize trade unions. He continued that all of the miners are fed up with coal mining and many of them are very enthusiastic about obtaining employment with the Phillip Wiring plant at Sentinel, Alberta. In order that some of these miners could receive employment at the plant, both TUOMI and GEE attempted to see John KRYSTOFF (phonetic) at Bellevue, Alberta, but he was not at home when they called upon him. TUOMI believed that he may have been purposely absent because possibly he did not wish to see either TUOMI or GEE. T. PATERA, however, will get in touch with KRYSTOFF and advise TUOMI of the results.

3. TUOMI continued that the wiring plant is almost completed and will be operating in June, 1965. He continued that GEE has been thinking of moving to either the Crowsnest

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Pass or Calgary, Alberta with his family in order to be closer to the wiring plant.

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4. On the same date, [REDACTED] TUOMI and MAKOWECKI continued to discuss the trip made by GEE and TUOMI to the Pass with George SOLOMON [REDACTED]. TUOMI advised SOLOMON that he refused to discuss membership in the Party and did not even ask for a Canadian Tribune subscription and during their trip to the Pass, they only discussed the Phillips plant and how it would have helped T. PATERA to get out of the mines. TUOMI encouraged members of the Party to get out of the mines if at all possible and seek employment at the Phillips Wiring plant. As a result of their discussions, they had persuaded STOOCHNOFF and John KRYKOSKI [REDACTED] to make application for employment at the plant. TUOMI continued that STOOCHNOFF made very effort to have TUOMI open up a discussion concerning the Party. He believed, however, that STOOCHNOFF was of no further use to the Party at present because he knows nothing about it. He felt that the members of the Party in the Crowsnest Pass should learn how to work like a Communist and believed that GEE could teach them how to do so.

5. TUOMI then discussed the fact that the miners in Coleman had accepted an 8¢ an hour increase instead of going on strike. TUOMI explained that PATERA is fifty-eight years of age, but he does not know anything concerning the Party, however, he would make a good left winger. He believed that PATERA was a good fighter, but he definitely needed someone to lead him. TUOMI continued that John KRYKOWSKI is an interesting type of individual. He has never been a member of the C.P. of C. and has been working in the mines in Coleman for the past twenty years. After GEE had spoken to him about the Phillips plant, he was very enthusiastic and willing to fight to organize a local of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (U.E.) at the plant. TUOMI believed that the problem with T. PATERA was that he only had to remain in the mines for four more years in order to obtain a pension of \$85.00 per month and he, therefore, will not sacrifice that by fighting with the union and going on strike.

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6. [REDACTED]

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7. [REDACTED] had been previously reported in Edmonton S.I.B. report dated 12-2-65 on this file.

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Cpl.  
(D. J. Frayn) #17405

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O.C. Lethbridge S/D.

Re: Trade Unions,  
Communist Activities within,  
Alberta

Forwarded for your information.

Edmonton, 26-2-65

(J. T. Halward) S/Insp.  
Officer i/c S.I.B.

The Commissioner, OTTAWA.

1. Information is believed true.

S.U.I.  
Edmonton, 26-2-65

*J. T. Halward*  
(J. T. Halward) S/Insp.  
Officer i/c S.I.B.

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OTHER FILE REFERENCES:	DIVISION	"K"	RCMP FILE REFERENCES:
	SUB-DIVISION	LETHBRIDGE	
	DETACHMENT	S. & I. SECTION	
	DATE	5 OCTOBER 64	
RE:			
COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA, Crowsnest Pass, Alberta.			

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INFORMATION

1. [redacted] at the present time there is no active Communist Party of Canada (C.P. of C.) Club in the Crowsnest Pass region of Alberta. The last active C.P. of C. Club was at Coleman, Alta. However, that particular Club has been inactive since 1961. [redacted] there has never been a C.P. of C. Committee responsible for the Crowsnest Pass area and each of the Party Clubs has acted independently.

SOURCE

2. [redacted]

INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS

3. It is recommended that this file be concluded. If and when the C.P. of C. resume activity at either Coleman or Blairmore, Alberta, the information will be submitted on the individual files that are maintained for C.P. of C. activities in those two locations.

The Commanding Officer,  
"K" Division, R.C.M.P.,  
EDMONTON, Alberta.

*G. H. Whitehouse* Cpl.  
(G. H. Whitehouse) #17375.

Forwarded for your information.

Leth. 5-10-64  
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*[Signature]*  
(P. J. Vaucher) Insp.,  
Commanding Leth. S/Div.

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The Commissioner, OTTAWA, Ont.

Re: Communist Party of Canada,  
Crowsnest Pass, Alberta

1. Information is believed true.
2. In view of the above and after reviewing this file, we concur in the recommendation and are placing this file in the dormant category.

Edmonton, 13-10-64

*J. T. Halward*  
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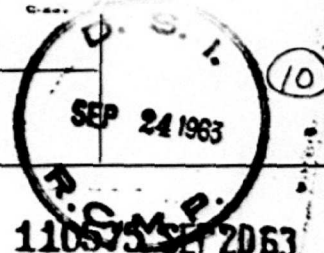
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DIVISION "K" SUB-DIVISION Lethbridge DETACHMENT S. & I. Section  
 PROV. Alberta DATE 13 Sept. 63.

FILE  
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RE:

Communist Party of Canada,  
 Crows Nest Pass, Alta.

INFORMATION

HEADQUARTERS

1. [redacted] that activities within the Communist Party of Canada (C.P. of C.) in the Crows Nest Pass area of Alberta appear to be dormant at the present time. No known organized meetings of the C.P. of C. have been held since the departure of Stanley MALANCHUK [redacted] in December, 1961, with the exception of a public meeting in Blairmore, Alta., on the 14-2-62, with Tim BUCK [redacted] as guest speaker.

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2. [redacted] Andrew HALLUK [redacted] was believed to have taken over as Secretary of the C.P. of C., Coleman club, from MALANCHUK, however, he has not called any meetings nor sponsored any fund raising social events.

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3. [redacted]

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4. Activities within the C.P. of C., Crows Nest Pass District of Alberta, would appear to be dormant at the present time.

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S.U.I.

*G.L. Richardson* Cpl.  
 (G.L. Richardson)#15238.

O.C. "K" Division,  
 R.C.M.P., Edmonton, Alta.

Forwarded for your information.

Leth. 13 Sept. 63.

*(G.L. Vaucher)* Insp.  
 Comdg. Lethbridge Sub-Div.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

1. Information is believed true.

DIARY DATE SET FOR

S.U.I.  
 Edmonton, 17-9-63

*J.T. Halward*  
 (J. T. Halward) S/Insp.  
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DIVISION "K"	DIVISION FILE NO. [REDACTED]	CODE NO. [REDACTED]
SUB-DIVISION Lethbridge	DETACHMENT Security & Intelligence Sect.	
PROVINCE Alberta	DATE 2 Oct. 62	

RE: Communist Party of Canada,  
Crows Nest Pass, Alta.

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## INFORMATION

HEADQUARTERS

1. [REDACTED] there is but one club of the Communist Party of Canada on the Alberta side of the Crow's Nest Pass, that club being at Coleman, Alberta. There are Communist sympathizers living in the various Towns and Villages throughout the Crow's Nest Pass area, however no other organized C.P. or C. club is known to exist in these areas

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2. [REDACTED]

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*G.L. Richardson* Cpl.  
(G.L. Richardson) #15238.

O.C. "K" Division,  
R.C.M. Police,  
Edmonton, Alberta.

Forwarded for your information.

A.R.V. No

Leth. 2 Oct. 62.

*P.J. Vaucher* Insp.  
Comdg. Lethbridge Sub-Div.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

1. Information is believed true.

Edmonton, Oct. 11/62

*J. Dean* Insp.  
Officer i/c S. I. B.

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 SUB-DIVISION Lethbridge DETACHMENT Security & Intelligence Section  
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 Crows Nest Pass, Alberta.

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HEADQUARTERS

1. [REDACTED] the Provincial Committee of the Communist Party of Canada, Edmonton, Alberta, distributed a leaflet to all box holders in the Bellevue, Blairmore and Coleman Post Offices. The leaflet is entitled, Canadians Are Not Expendable, Let's Have Peace, Let's Be Masters In Our Own House.

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[REDACTED] these leaflets came through the mail direct from Edmonton and were not distributed by any local individuals.

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INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS

4. This report has further reference to Edmonton, S.I.B. report dated the 25-4-62. To date there has been no mention made in the Coleman area of a housewarming party for William STOCHNOFF [REDACTED] and his wife Mary [REDACTED]

*G.L. Richardson* Cpl.  
 (G.L. Richardson)#15238.

O.C. "K" Division,  
 R.C.M.P., Edmonton, Alta.

Forwarded for your information along  
 with one copy of leaflet mentioned above.

(P.J. Vaucher) Insp.  
 Leth. 7-5-62. Comdg. Lethbridge Sub-Div.  
 The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

1. Information is believed true.

2. Leaflet referred to attached. RECEIVED MAY 22 1962

Edmonton, May 18/62

(J. Dean) Insp.  
 Officer i/c S.I.B.

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**Canadians  
Are Not  
Expendable!**

**Let's Have Peace!**

**Let's Be Masters  
In Our Own House!**

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## FELLOW CANADIANS:

We Canadian Communists gathered in our 17th national convention to consider the affairs of our country. Our party is celebrating its 40th anniversary on this occasion. Through those years we have put forward our views on the life of our country and our people — in peace and war, in depression and prosperity, in great political battles and in times of seeming political quiet.

At all times our party, which was born out of the Canadian labor movement, has championed the interests of the people against the capitalists, the interests of our country against those who exploit her resources and her people for private profit and ill-gotten gains.

At no time in the past has our country faced such grave decisions as it does now. Rising above all other problems, overshadowing them, is the question of war, or peace.

Shall the labors of our people who have built an industrial civilization out of the bush and the prairie, end in the consuming fire of thermonuclear blast and the horrors of fallout?

Every other question recedes before the danger of war.

Peace can be saved but not by pursuing the cold war. The possibility of peace lies in abandoning the cold war, in seizing the opportunity we have to detach ourselves from the United States military alliance, to stand up for Canada — for her neutrality, for her withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, for the reduction of the armaments burden, for declaring Canada to be a nuclear-free zone, refusing to have H-bombs on our territory, for standing up in the United Nations and speaking there with an independent mind.

We would not be alone if we did that. On the contrary, we would be joining hands with the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, who are fighting for their national freedom and for peace, with the hundreds of millions in the socialist countries. We would be champions of the principle of the peaceful coexistence of countries with different economic and social systems — the peaceful settlement of all international disputes.

Only by leaving the U.S.-organized and U.S.-controlled military alliance, can we hope to be at peace.

Those who say that our peace and security lie in even greater integration with the U.S.A. have in fact surrendered



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Canadian independence, and look on our country as a helpless p and a satellite. We are not helpless, nor do we need to be a satellite. Our people have the opportunity in the rapidly changing world of today to be masters in their own home, to make Canada a truly independent country, to take it out of its present danger as an expendable part of the U.S. military establishment.

**Canada is not expendable to save the United States!** We must no longer be a prime target because our land and airspace is used by the U.S. military to defend United States cities and towns. If the adventurers in Washington, who did not hesitate to invade Cuba, throw the dice for war — then under present conditions they would be plunging Canada into destruction.

The people of Canada must take into their own hands the destiny of our country. We can no longer allow our homes and native land to be the pawn and the prey of the United States military.

**An independent foreign policy of neutrality** — that is the best contribution Canada can make to peace in the world, to the great aim of complete and general disarmament longed for by the people of all countries, and to bringing into being **a world without weapons and without war.**

Hand in hand with peace goes the matter of our economic independence. Were Canada to regain its economic independence, sold for a mess of pottage by the Canadian monopolists to the billionaires of the United States, we could change the policies of Canada so that our country **would** become a force for peace and progress.

The Communist Party advocates a policy of building up our country, to make her truly great in a world at peace. We must repatriate our great industries and natural resources, take them out of the hands of the U.S. corporations and restore them to the hands of Canadians.

The nationalization of the great U.S.-owned industries, and the reclamation of the vast natural resources now in the hands of U.S. corporations are first steps that can lead to the building up of our own manufacturing industries, reduce unemployment, raise living standards, and enable us to trade freely with all countries of the world.

The Canadian people, in French and English Canada, should work might and main, through their unions, farm groups, New Democratic Party, Communist Party and other organizations,

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to break the paralyzing grip of the U.S.-Canadian clique of big capitalists who own and control our country for the benefit of the U.S.

The economic and political power of this clique can be broken by the political power of an aroused people, by defeating the Tory and Liberal parties, by making the New Democratic Party into a great united movement that would provide a democratic alternative to the capitalist parties.

These aims — peace and independence — are in harmony with the vast movements of the present-day world, a world in which imperialism is fast declining and the people are on the march for social progress, democracy and peace.

In the coming federal election, the Communist Party will place its candidates in the field, and distribute its literature in many other constituencies, to bring our message to the voters. Canadian workers and farmers with their good sense and organized strength are equal to the great challenge of our times.

Not helpless pawns in the grip of capitalist politicians and their newspapers, but strong and politically independent — that is the character of the Canadian people. Peace is in our hands! The independence of our country can be won!

**TAKE CANADA OUT OF THE U.S. WAR CAMP !  
JOIN HANDS FOR PEACE !**

**COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA**

ISSUED BY ALBERTA PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE,  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA,  
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RED DEER S. & I. SECTION

MAY 9 1962

PROVINCE ALBERTA

DATE 27-4-62

Re:

Communist Party of Canada,  
Activities in Federal Elections -  
Alberta.

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1. [REDACTED]

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documents are

described as follows:-

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(1) A one(1) page mimeographed circular letter dated April 25, 1962; signed by W.A. TUOMI. This letter deals with the Party finances in connection with Party activities in the present Federal Election campaign.

P.C.R.

(2) A two (2) page mimeographed circular letter dated April 25, 1962, signed W.A. TUOMI dealing with distribution of election leaflets by the Party.

2. The above noted documents were reproduced by our Red Deer Identification Section. [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED]

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4. Three photostats of the documents listed are forwarded herewith.

(R.J. Oliver) #17840.Cst.  
I/C Red Deer S. & I. Section.

THE O.C. "K" DIVISION RCMP EDMONTON:

FORWARDED for your information together with the documents referred to herein.

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Red Deer, Alta.  
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(E.A.C. HERTZOG) S/Insp.  
Cmdg. Red Deer Sub/Division.

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The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

Re: Communist Party of Canada,  
Activities in Federal Elections -  
Alberta.

Information is believed true.

2. Attached hereto please find  
duplicate copies of Documentary Exhibits  
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April 25, 1962

Dear Comrades,

We are now completing the first round in the distribution of election leaflets. This is what we were able to accomplish:

Crow's Nest Pass - 1,912	Carleton Place - 146
Enoch - 718	Vernonville Federal - 9,088
Bluffton - 739	Winnipeg - 9,600
Wainwright - 100	Calgary - 3,000
Medicine Hat - 520	Drumheller - 929
Evansburg - 475	Lethbridge - 400
St. Paul - 591	Pearce River clubs - 1,081

This gives us a total of 28,524 leaflets -- an excellent total!

The election statement and platform will be printed in May. We need all clubs to plan its distribution, using the postal guide as a basis. We need to strive for the greatest possible coverage for these samples of election literature. Every club that participates in the "Print Run" is urged to do even better in the next.

We are aware of the fact that the first round of distribution was a large task in large quantities, but many clubs did it in. We need to do all of these to make up in numbers in the May distribution.

Our office will again do the packaging and mailing, based on your orders. We will again have to ask you to meet the postage and printing costs. As soon as we know the printing bill we will write you.

With the election date now known, the Executive asks all clubs and comrades to act on this pattern of party work in the weeks up to June 18:

(a) Give the next round of election leaflet distribution your full attention. We need to aim to do the impossible with it. Get friends and sympathizers to help finance it by using those collection cards.

(b) Organize a club meeting in the early part of May to hear a report of the National Committee meeting (Committee meets on April 28-29).

(c) Plan so that the club meeting will act on a public meeting where we explain our stand in the elections. Prepare so that the

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club meeting will be able to act on a series of house meetings in your area where we can have a discussion with sympathizers, NDP members, etc., on the June 18 election.

(1) Set an aim for new subscribers for the Trip, which our election work will help us get. Finish the Trip drive by the end of May.

(2) Revive our party building campaign. We have let recruiting into our party drop. Yet good election work is best judged by the number of people we bring into the party. Discuss it and act on it. Build the party!

Our election campaign is off to a good start. The distribution of the first leaflet indicates what we are capable of when we pull together. Let's improve in it. Make the election campaign one of our best campaigns of explanation of what our party stands for.

Sincerely yours,

J. J. Dunn  
Provincial Executive  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA

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 SUB-DIVISION [REDACTED] DETACHMENT [REDACTED]  
 DIVISION "K" Edmonton S. & I. Branch  
 PROVINCE Alberta DATE April 25th, 1962

FILE  
REFS.

RE:

Communist Party of Canada -  
 Crows Nest Pass, Alberta.

(R.C.F.) S/Sgt.  
 HEADQUARTERS

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INFORMATION

1.

[REDACTED] William TUOMI [REDACTED] and William TARASOFF [REDACTED] TUOMI mentioned that he had agreed with the comrades in the Crows Nest Pass to supply enough election pamphlets for the entire area. TUOMI said the members down there would raise the money later to pay for the pamphlets. TUOMI also revealed that the people in the "Crow" plan a house warming party for William STOOCHNOFFV [REDACTED] and his wife Mary [REDACTED] and should raise most of the cost of the pamphlets at this party.

SOURCE

2.

*G.H. Whitehouse* Cst.  
 (G.H. Whitehouse) #17375.

O.C. Lethbridge S/D, LETHBRIDGE, Alta.

Forwarded for your information.

Edmonton  
 27-4-62

(J. Dean) S/Insp.  
 Officer i/c S.I.B.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

Information is authentic.

Edmonton  
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*J. Dean*  
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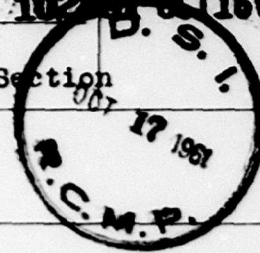
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DIVISION "K" Lethbridge Security & Intelligence Section  
 SUB-DIVISION DETACHMENT  
 PROVINCE Alberta DATE 2-10-61

RE:

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Communist Party of Canada,  
 Crows Nest Pass, Alta.

INFORMATION

HEADQUARTERS

1. [REDACTED]

there

is but one Club of the Communist Party of Canada in  
 the Crow's Nest Pass area, that being the Coleman  
 Club.

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2. [REDACTED]

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INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS

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3. There is no evidence on file to indicate that  
 the above noted organization is in existence. However,  
 the C.P. of C., Coleman Club, may at times be referred  
 to as the C.P. of C., Crow's Nest Pass, Alberta. The  
 C.P. of C., Coleman Club is subject of file

*G.L. Richardson* Cpl.  
 (G.L. Richardson)#15238.

O.C. "K" Division,  
 R.C.M. Police, Edmonton, Alta.

Forwarded for your information.

A. R. V. No.

*P.J. Vaucher* Insp.  
 Comdg. Lethbridge Sub-Div.

Leth. 2-10-61.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

1. Information is believed true.

Edmonton, Oct. 11/61

*J. Dean* S/Insp.  
 Officer i/c S.I.B.

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DIVISION "K" DIVISION FILE NO. [REDACTED]  
 SUB-DIVISION LETHBRIDGE DETACHMENT S. & I. SECTION  
 PROVINCE Alberta. DATE October 7, 1960.

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA,  
 Crows Nest Pass, Alberta.

INFORMATION:

1. [REDACTED] the Communist Party of Canada operate a Club at Coleman, Alberta, with Stanley MELANCHUK [REDACTED] acting as Secretary.

2. Meetings of the organization are held at MELANCHUK's home in Coleman. Although membership is not confined to those living in Coleman but, rather, to members in general living in the Crows Nest Pass area, [REDACTED] the C. P. of C. Club is known as the "Coleman Branch" and not C. P. of C., Crows Nest Pass.

SOURCE:

3. [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS:

4. From information received and that which is on file, it has been established that the only C. P. of C. Club in the Crows Nest Pass area at the present time is at Coleman, Alberta, and same is reported under File [REDACTED]

5. Returned herewith is the Lethbridge S. & I. Section file dealing with the Labour Progressive Party, Crows Nest Pass [REDACTED] containing an extract dated 1-5-57 and also reports dated 8-11-47, 15-11-47, 4-2-48, and memorandum dated 15-11-51. The remainder of the file concerns reports dated 1936 and 1937, "Re: Communist Party in Canada, Crows Nest and District".

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The Officer Commanding,  
 "K" Division, R. C. M. P., [REDACTED]  
 EDMONTON, Alberta.

A/Cpl.  
 (G. L. Richardson) #15238.  
 i/c Leth. S. & I. Section

7-10-60

Forwarded for your information and in reply to Ottawa correspondence dated 1-9-60, with forwarding minute to the Officer in Charge, "K" Division S. I. B. dated 13-9-60.

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(P. J. Vaucher) Insp.,  
 Commanding Leth. S/Div.

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The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

Re: Communist Party of Canada,  
Crows Nest Pass, Alberta.

Information is believed true.

2. It is apparent there is no C.P. of C.  
Crows Nest Pass Club in existence.

3. Documentary Exhibit K-2737 is headed  
"1955 N.C.A. & 1956 Cards", presumably Party  
membership cards, and contains the entry "Crow  
others - 1", which is taken to indicate one Party  
member, or probably member at large, in the Crows  
Nest area exclusive of Coleman.

4. The file mentioned in para. 5 of  
Lethbridge S. & I. report refers to a request  
from this office.

Edmonton  
17-10-60

*J.S. Cruickshank*  
(J.S. Cruickshank) Supt.  
1/c C.I.B.



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September 1, 1960.

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TO: The O.C. "K" Division,  
RCMP - EDMONTON, Alberta.

Re: Communist Party of Canada  
Crows Nest Pass, Alberta

This file has been reviewed and it is noted that a report has never been submitted on the "Communist Party of Canada, Crows Nest Pass, Alberta".

2. In view of this, we would appreciate a report outlining the activity and present executive of this organization.

(D.E. McLaren), Inspector,  
for D. S. I.

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VEGREVILLE  
DATE November 3rd, 1959.

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RE: Daniel SZARUN (Daniel SHARON)  
Innisfree, Alta.

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1. [REDACTED] the attached documents, exhibits 1 to 5 inclusive, [REDACTED]

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3. Exhibit #1 is the envelope that contained the attached documents. Exhibit #2 is a news letter, exhibit #3 is a continuation of the news letter. Exhibit #4 is a letter from W.A.TUOMI. Exhibit #5 is circular in the Ukrainian Language. Copy of each exhibit has been retained at this office.

*Remains: Please  
copy on  
P.C.R.*

*[Signature]*  
J. S. CRUICKSHANK 17268 Cst.  
Vegreville Detachment.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., Ottawa, Ont.

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1. Information is believed true.  
2. Negatives and 2 copies of each exhibit attached hereto. Could you please supply us with translation of Exhibit 5.

Edmonton, Nov. 6/59

*[Signature]*  
J. S. Cruickshank) Supt.  
1/c C.I.B.

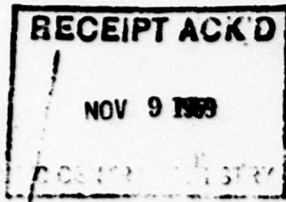
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*Just*

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DATE 26-10-59

PROVINCE

Alberta

Re:

Labour-Progressive Party,  
Alberta Generally.

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HEADQUARTERS

1. On Oct. 22, 1959 two documents

2. Attached are photostat copies and negatives of the documents in question which pertained to:

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1. News Letter (2 pages) regarding the L.P.P. National Convention, Party Building in Alberta and release of publications by Progress Books.

DETACHMENT

2. Letter from William TUOMI dated Oct. 20, 1959 regarding National Convention Assessment and 1960 L.P.P. Membership Books.

SOURCE

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P.C.R.

*W.N. Ritchie*  
Sgt.  
(W.N. Ritchie, 13061)  
i/c Calgary Sec. & Intell.

THE O.C., "K" DIVISION,  
R.C.M.P. Police, EDMONTON, Alta.

1. FORWARDED for your information, together with photostat copies of documents referred to above.

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CALGARY  
26-10-59

*L.S. Grayson*  
(L.S. Grayson) Insp.  
Comdg. Calgary S/Division

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

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2. Negative and duplicate copies of documents referred to above are attached.

Edmonton, Oct. 29/59

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L. O. P., Alberta, Can.

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Oct. 26, 1959

Dear Comrades,

A number of comrades have written in asking when the annual NATIONAL CONVENTION ASSESSMENT (N.C.A.) collection will start this year. Last year it began in September.

Because the National Convention (Oct. 9-12) will be discussing the proposal to change the name of the party, the printing of the stamps is being held up until the decision is made. The stamps will be available in November.

This should not, of course, postpone the payment of N.C.A. by comrades. In several clubs comrades have already done so. When the stamps reach us, they will be mailed out to all who have paid in advance.

The rate remains as last year: \$1.00 for all paying 25¢ dues; \$2.00 for all others. New comrades who joined the party after Sept. 1 do not need to pay this year's N.C.A..

The new 1960 membership card will be issued only to those who have paid the 1959 NCA. The cards will be available in December and will be sent out on the basis of the number of NCAs paid for and the assurance of club secretaries that 1959 dues are paid before the card is issued to the member.

Comradely yours  
W. A. Tuomi  
(Prov. Executive)

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Labor-Progressive Party,  
Alberta Generally

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1. Attached are four photostats,  
in four copies each, of documents

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INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS

3. Documents photostated all orig-  
inated from the Alberta office of the LPP at Edmonton  
and are described below. Negatives attached.

- ✓(a) Resolution on Building the Party
- ✓(b) Resolutions - On - Youth Organization - Recruitment Procedure
- ✓(c) Minutes of the Alberta Delegate Conference August 1-2 1959 (TWO PAGES)

*[Signature]*  
Cpl. (E. C. Hasselfield) 14101  
Drumheller Sec. & Int. Sect.

O. C., "K" Division,  
R.C.M.P. Police,  
Edmonton, Alta.

Forwarded for your information together  
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*[Signature]*  
Insp. (L.S. Grayson)  
Comdg. Calgary S/Div'n.

Calgary, 17-8-59.  
The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

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Edmonton, Aug. 20/59

*[Signature]*  
J. S. Cruickshank) Supt.  
i/c C.I.B.

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Resolution on Building the Party

The Call of the National Committee for the Party to rally into campaigns to salute the National Convention in October, contains a proposal that among the things we do, we should increase Party membership by 10% across the country.

Our Party Conference (Aug 1-2) registers the fact that in 1959 we have already increased Party membership by 11.7% in Alberta.

We, on behalf the party in the province, resolve to:

- (a.) Aim to increase Party membership in Alberta by 20% by Oct. 9.
- (b.) To do this, we need to recruit another 26 new members by then.
- (c.) To set the following aims as a guide to various sections of the Party in Alberta:

- Edmonton city -- 6 new members
- Calgary city -- 6 new members
- Lethbridge city -- 1 new member
- Crown Mountain -- 1 new member
- Drumheller -- 1 new member
- Athabasca and Redwater (Hollow Lake, Thorhild and Nanton clubs) -- 3 new members in all
- Vermilion constituency (Innisfree and Wray) -- 2 new members
- Inglewood Prov (Mundare, Two Hills, Brooks) -- 2 new members
- Hainwright -- 1 new member
- Sylvan Lake -- 1 new member
- Headley-Bungles -- 1 new member
- Lee Barrons & St. Paul -- 2 new members
- All other areas -- 7 new members (Prov. Executive responsible)

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The motion was passed unanimously by the Delegate Conference.

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PROVINCE Alberta  
DATE June 4, 1958.

RE: Labor-Progressive Party, Provincial  
Executive Committee, Alberta Generally.

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1. In the above connection, attached hereto are three reels of processed microfilm, dated June 22nd, 1956, containing documentary evidence [REDACTED]

2. It will be noted that the attached reels contain considerable information on the L.P.P. 12th Annual Convention, held in Edmonton from June 15th to 17th, 1956. In this respect, certain data of interest has been taken from these reels and will be submitted in conjunction with a report from [REDACTED] on the Provincial Convention.

3. [REDACTED]

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*[Signature]*  
(L.S. Kennell) #13467. Cpl.

The Comm'r., R.C.M.P., OTTAWA, Ont.

Forwarded for your information, together with three reels of processed film. May we be supplied with photostat copies in due course, please.

Edmonton, June 26/56

*[Signature]*  
(F. A. Regan) Supt.  
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1. The following report was received by Cst. J.J. Healy from [redacted]

2. In the A.M. of Monday, March 5th, 1956, a meeting of the Provincial Secretariat of the Labor-Progressive Party was held at the Party office, 5642 Jasper Ave. The following members were in attendance: E. Ben SWANKEY, E. Wm. TUOMI, [redacted] and Wm. HARASYM. The meeting was interrupted on several occasions by Jack FLANTEM [redacted] who consulted with the others on members entering the Bookstore and particulars concerning the operation of the Bookstore.

3. Prior to the start of the meeting, SWANKEY remarked that Eleanor and Joe ASHWORTH had been in town all last week from B.C. and were staying with their married daughter until the week-end. This couple had asked SWANKEY for him to say hello to HARASYM. It was also related that Eleanor ASHWORTH had attended the B.C. Peace Mission recently in Victoria and SWANKEY had received several important tips from her on the way that the Mission had been handled at that point.

4. SWANKEY stated that the first item on the Agenda to be discussed was the matter of trips to clubs by the three of them in [redacted] attendance. The matter of the local E.N.F.L.Y. Club was to receive priority and he would take personal charge of this matter. He stated that the next important step was to re-organize party clubs at Mundare, Grassland and Buczacz. It was agreed that TUOMI would visit Grassland as soon as possible and phone Mundare to make arrangements for a meeting there. TUOMI will also phone there and will also visit Buczacz whilst there. It was then decided to write a letter to all clubs explaining that all clubs would be visited when weather conditions permit.

5. Other party clubs were referred to as follows: -

Hollow Lake Club - TUOMI to visit on evening of March 6th  
Hwy Home Glen Club - TUOMI to visit on [redacted]  
[redacted] (21542) to [redacted] for [redacted]

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- 1. Sylvan Lake Club - SWANKY will write and ask them to set a date possibly March 20th.
- 2. Wainwright Club - Contact [redacted] [redacted] (4334 & 17603). SWANKY stated that the club will be sent another letter asking them to meet at least twice a month and he will be visiting them in the near future.
- 3. Two Hills Club - SWANKY remarked that this club hasn't done much this winter. HARASIM will drop them a note.
- 4. Hamlin-Story Club - SWANKY stated that HARASIM should go there as soon as possible and phone or write to them.
- 5. Thorold Club - SWANKY stated that we should wait to hear from them before a visit is scheduled.
- 6. Nestow Club - TUOMI will drop them a line about a visit.
- 7. St. Paul, Volyn & Highland Park Clubs - TUOMI was advised by SWANKY to send them letters.
- 8. Drumheller Club - SWANKY to visit on the week-end of March 10 and 11.
- 9. Lac Bellevue Club - TUOMI will write them a letter.
- 10. Lethbridge & Cross Nest Clubs - SWANKY advised that these clubs had better be left out at this time as he was going to be in Drumheller the next week-end and the following week-end, he would be in Winnipeg.

6. The next item on the Agenda was the reading of a Tribune letter by SWANKY from Mischa COHEN dealing with the new Tribune drive commencing in April until the end of May. The Alberta quota was set for \$2,000 whilst Saskatchewan was assessed \$1,500 and Manitoba \$2500.

7. A lengthy discussion of setting quotas for the Alberta clubs was held. It was decided that the Edmonton clubs would raise \$900.00 of the \$2,000. During this discussion, it was revealed that the number of members in 4 of the Edmonton clubs are as follows:-

- 1. Math. Popovich Club - 18 members. *App. 3 (3)*
- 2. Jubilee Club - 9 members. *8-3-56*
- 3. O'Sullivan Club - 12 members.
- 4. Alta Ave. Club - 8 members.

8. In setting quotas for the various clubs throughout the province, TUOMI revealed the following data:-

- 1. Calgary - 4 clubs - to raise \$125.00 in each club.
- 2. Lethbridge - \$150.00 to be raised by the club.
- 3. Coleman - Quota set at \$100.00, raised \$155.00 last year.
- 4. Newcastle - quota set at \$125.00, raised \$130.00 last year.
- 5. Grassland - No quota, club not yet re-organized.
- 6. Sylvan Lake - Quota set for \$50.00, turned in \$47.00 last year.
- 7. East Coulee - Quota set for \$100.00.
- 8. Wainwright - Quota set for \$75.00, they have 14 members now.
- 9. Mundare - No quota, did not turn in any money last year.
- 10. Two Hills - Quota set for \$50.00.
- 11. Innisfree - \$75.00 quota, raised \$20.00 last year.

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Commenting upon members of the Innisfree Club, SWANKEY related that Walter MAKOWECKI, E Dan SHARON, Joe KAMINSKY, and one or two others including the Rawleigh salesman, should be able to raise this money without too much trouble.

Hamlin-Stry - No quota immediately set. TUOMI advised that we have a big problem there as Frank MARILLI is quite a person to deal with however the other members are doing very well in spite of him. He also advised that Kornel TRACHUK of Stry was in the Party office last week and had brought in two new Tribune subs. TUOMI related that he always confused Kornel with Nick TRACHUK (21581) also of Stry.

Hostley-Rome Glen - Quota set for \$50.00  
Thorild - Quota set for \$75.00  
Nestow - Quota set for \$50.00. TUOMI advised that the club had not collected a cent in last year's campaign.

St. Paul - No quota immediately set. TUOMI was of the opinion that there were not enough members there to be considered a club and that they should be put on the members-at-large list however was over-ruled by SWANKEY in this regard.

Volyn - \$25.00 quota set.  
Lac Bellevue - \$25.00 quota set.  
Myrnam - \$50.00 quota set.

9. The amount to be raised by members-at-large in the Province was then agreed upon at \$100.00. SWANKEY stated that Nick RACZUK of Breton would probably give \$15.00 without any trouble and that Andie and Peter RYBICKI of Edson are dependable donors. Jack LEE of Evansburg was also mentioned as good donor.

10. Following a discussion, it was agreed that material for this Campaign would sent out immediately after the Prov. Committee meeting at the end of March. It was decided that banquets would be arranged for successive Saturday evenings, April 14th to 28th, and SWANKEY will visit points where banquets are arranged.

11. The Edmonton general membership meeting on March 7th was next discussed. It was agreed that the Peace Mission and Car Caravan would take precedence at this meeting and all members urged to take a very active part in these events. It was also agreed that HARASYN would present a report of the work accomplished since January 1st. Some members were to be congratulated for their good work. Jack SENTUTA was named in this instance for recruiting three members from the packing plant industry.

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12. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the extremely unparty attitude displayed by George SOLOMON, A.U.U.C. Prov. Secretary, in recent weeks. This attack on SOLOMON was mainly led by HARASYM who advised that he had gained much of his information from his wife, Marie and Wm. PHILIPOVICH, who were working in the same office in the Ukrainian Centre with SOLOMON. HARASYM advised that SOLOMON was making anti-leader statements in front of anybody who comes in the Centre by running down Leslie Morris's article in the last National Affairs Monthly. For an example, he named Fred SHYNKARUK of Highland Park, who was in the office with SOLOMON last week and SOLOMON had spent at least one hour criticizing Leslie MORRIS and his article, in front of SHYNKARUK.

13. 4: HARASYM also disclosed that his wife had told him that SOLOMON was always complaining about the double-load duties which had to be carried out by members of the A.U.U.C. who were Party members. He was of the opinion that SOLOMON was just looking for a soft berth in the movement and outlined his faults as follows:-

- (a) Was always antagonizing the members and twisting nationalism around to suit himself.
- (b) Did not take HARASYM, his wife or PHILIPOVICH in his confidence at all even when he does know that all three are trusted members.
- (c) Shows up late for meetings of the Jubilee Club and never contributes any funds to the Club.
- (d) Failed to raise any funds for the recent U.C. Drive and is not providing any real leadership to the Ukrainian Party Bureau of which he is the head.

14. A discussion of HARASYM's allegations against SOLOMON followed in which SWANKEY suggested that they should have SOLOMON attend a meeting of the Secretariat and ask him point blank about his complaints against the Party. SWANKEY stated that it is not helping the Party in a situation like this existing as it is real critical when a person like SOLOMON carries on a private war against the Provincial Office. He further revealed that SOLOMON should know that the Provincial or City Committee is a higher arm of the Party than the Ukrainian Party Bureau and it was up to SOLOMON to toe the line in this regard.

15. At this point in the meeting, the discussion concerning SOLOMON was discontinued as Jack PLANTE entered the office and became involved in a violent argument about the operation of a bookstore with TUOMI and SWANKEY. This argument lasted about 15 minutes and it ended with PLANTE stating that he had never joined the Party because it never had functioned properly. (3) (8-3-56)

16. The Peace Mission on March 23rd. was then discussed in detail. It was decided that the Secretariat would arrange for two meetings in the coming week with Ted KEMP who was making all arrangements on behalf of the

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Edmonton Peace Council. Concerning the Car Caravan for the 17th, HALASYM advised that he had already made arrangements for the use of vehicles belonging to Jack SMITH and Andrew VLASKA. [REDACTED] HE further advised that SMITH had told him that he did not want participate in this activity.

17. At this point, Sam MCWICKERY [REDACTED] paid a visit to the office remarking that his club was scheduled to meet at his farm at Neston on March 15th. SWANKY advised him that John HADLEY [REDACTED] had paid a visit to the office last week. O. A. [REDACTED] advised that he had dropped in to see SWANKY in order to see if he had books on Jack London available as his son wanted all his books that his father could get.

18. The meeting was further interrupted by the visit of a older man to the Office. He spoke briefly to SWANKY about weather conditions at Coronation and in Lethbridge and told TUCHI that he was now living in Edmonton. Both SWANKY and TUCHI referred to this individual in a friendly manner and called him "Morton".

19. The meeting resumed with SWANKY advising that he had been asked by Charles BIMS to write an article on Alberta's Politics in 1956. SWANKY stated that he would be asking both TUCHI and HALASYM to assist him with this article however could not see that this type of article would be a dynamic one. Among other things to be included in this article, would be a quotation from C.D.F. President Wm. [REDACTED] which, according to SWANKY, would definitely express his anti-American stand which he has taken so consistently in the past.

20. It was agreed by the members in attendance that the meeting would resume at 9.30 a.m. of the following day.

Report ends... Informant A

21. [REDACTED]

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(L.S. Fennell) 13767.



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 PROVINCE Alberta DATE Jan. 24, 1956  
 RE: Labor-Progressive Party -  
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1. The following report was received by  
 Csts. H.B. Turner and S.M. Dougherty from

2. A meeting of the Provincial Executive  
 of the Labor-Progressive Party was held in their  
 office, 9642 Jasper Ave., Edmonton, Alta.,  
 on the night of 17-1-56. The following persons  
 attended: F.B.R. SWANKEY, William RICHIE,

COLE RAAPPANA, HARRY S.,  
 William HARASIE, GEORGE  
 MEYER, STIMMEL, SWANKEY mentioned  
 that ROSE SARMA, JAMES SENTURA  
 and MOBILE JENKINS were supposed to  
 have attended but they failed to appear.

3. SWANKEY made reference to the Provincial  
 Executive meeting in December at which time he  
 stated the work of the A.U.U.C. was discussed.  
 He recalled that there have been some four  
 Secretariat meetings to go into that problem.  
 It was agreed by all present that the Secretariat  
 meetings could be considered as progress and  
 "let it go for the time being".

4. SWANKEY then recalled that the previous  
 meeting had discussed the work of the Provincial  
 Committee in connection with the Alberta Plan  
 of Work from September 10th to December 1st.  
 A full report of that meeting had been sent to  
 the N.E.C. and SWANKEY then read a communication  
 from Leslie MORRIS commenting on this  
 report.

5. SWANKEY then read a very lengthy  
 document put out by the National Office which  
 is a summary of L.P.P. work from Sept. 1st to  
 Dec. 1st, 1955 and plan of work, Jan. 1st to  
 May 1st, 1956. The document was addressed  
 to all Provincial and Regional Committees and all  
 members of the National Committee. All Provincial  
 and Regional Committees were asked to hold special  
 discussions on this letter and plan their work  
 accordingly.

6. The letter dealt with Party activity  
 in Peace work. In Municipal Work it was pointed  
 out how the Party had put forward 110 candidates  
 across Canada. Special reference was made to  
 British Columbia where 43 candidates were supported  
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7. The letter advised that 142 new members have been gained by the Party from September 1st to December 1st, the largest gains being made in Ontario with 47 members and British Columbia with 36. N.F.L.Y., Canadian Tribune, Pacific Tribune and Combat were also discussed.

8. In dealing with Alberta, SWANKEY mentioned that he had recently attended a meeting of the Hamlin-Stry Club. It was decided at that meeting that 12 persons were to be visited with a view to having them join the Party. SWANKEY also reported that a new Club was to be started at ~~Deserai~~ Frank MARICIA is to arrange a meeting and SWANKEY will set up the Club. He went on to say the Hamlin-Stry Club now has 10 members and they are holding a public meeting on 26-1-56.

9. SWANKEY reported that the following clubs have been visited this month: ~~Neatow~~ Hamlin-Stry and ~~Innisfail~~. He went on to say that Comrade TUOMI was leaving on the 18th (January) to visit Calgary, ~~Crow's Nest~~ ~~Lethbridge~~ and ~~Sylvan Lake~~. William HAKOSI is to visit ~~Mac Bellowe~~ and ~~Myram~~ before the end of January. SWANKEY reported that he will visit ~~Hoadley~~ and ~~Horn~~ in January. ~~Two Hills~~ ~~Shepunge~~ ~~Thorndale~~ ~~Grassland~~ and ~~Hollow Lake~~ are to set their own dates for visits. ~~Wolyn~~ and ~~Drumheller~~ are to be visited later.

10. SWANKEY stated that all members of the Provincial Executive should take a more active part in the actual Party work. He singled out Millie JENKINS and Rose SARMAN as persons who had not assisted in any way.

11. Harry SWANSON raised the question of the Provincial Convention. SWANKEY reported that the National Committee will be held on the 13, 14 and 15 of April and only they can set the date for the National Convention. He went on to say that there must be a three month discussion period between the National Committee meeting and the National Convention so the National Convention will likely be in September or even later. In setting a date for the Alberta Provincial Convention, it was noted by SWANKEY that Tim BUCK is presently attending the 20th Congress in Moscow and it is expected that he will bring back changes in World policy so Alberta should wait until after the National Committee before having their Convention as the policy changes will be discussed at the National Committee meeting. SWANKEY also felt that there will no doubt be a National tour as a result of the National Committee meeting.

12. Turning again to Alberta problems, SWANKEY remarked that "there is a drop in our ideological strength". He reported that out of some 30 farm clubs "we have 10 left", and 3 in mining camps. He reported that in the cities the Party isn't growing and last year Alberta didn't even raise their N.F. Fund.

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13. William TUOMI stated that he felt the success of British Columbia and Ontario L.P.P. was because they concentrated on provincial issues. He felt Alberta would have more success if "we concentrated on local and civic matters." He also felt that there is not enough directive and that many comrades do not even know what is expected of them when they are asked by the Provincial Office to do more public work.

14. William HARASYM suggested that the Party lacks labor contacts and they must concentrate more on the Beverly district and the local packing plants. He also felt that problems of the "little fellow" should be taken up.

15. SWANKY stated that the Party should concentrate on Health Insurance and make it a key issue. The plan suggested by the Party should be publicized and put through to local unions by comrades such as: John RAWLINS, Jack SENLITA, Bill BELESKO and Doug TOMLINSON.

16. Oiva RAAPPANA advised, near the end of the meeting, that a Chinese supper was to be held on the 17-2-56 to help the "Champion" drive.

17. SWANKY closed the meeting by stating it would be summarized and a report sent to the N.E.C.

Report ends.....Informant "K"

18. A more detailed report covering the National Office directive is attached. A separate report is attached covering a report by George SOLOMON on Party work in the A.U.U.C.

19. It is apparent from reports [REDACTED] that the Alberta leaders have come in for criticism by the National Office for lack of leadership and activity in Alberta.

(H.B. Taper)

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# ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

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VANCOUVER, B.C.,

April 5, 1955. (51)

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The Commissioner,  
R.C.M. Police,  
OTTAWA, Ont.

Re: Labor-Progressive Party -  
British Columbia.

With reference to report dated 31-12-54 submitted on this file, it is pointed out that the documentary material referred to, namely Exhibits 13094 to 13323 inclusive, has now been processed, duplicate photographic copies of which are going forward, under separate cover, this date for Headquarters' records.

2. With reference to Exhibit 13321 and the individual listed thereon as "Ella H.", she has now been identified as Ella H. KAY, who has not previously come to our attention, but was apparently active in Toronto. Investigations are being conducted on this individual, the results of which will be forwarded to you in due course.

3. Of the individuals not identified in the report referred to above, efforts are being made in this connection, by review of our Victory Square LPP Club file and other documentary material recently obtained, the results of which will be forwarded in the future.

4. I am attaching copies of memoranda directed to the Officers Commanding, "P", "Q", "R" and "G" Divisions, from which you will note Exhibits have been forwarded to these Divisions for their records and information.

5. This documentary material was taken from film negatives D-7, E-7, F-7, G-7, H-7, J-7 and K-7, which are being retained in our Division Documentary Exhibit system for future records.

6. It is pointed out that sufficient copies of these Exhibits have been made to satisfy Division and Sub-Division files in this Division.

*[Signature]*  
(H. J. Spanton) Insp.,  
Officer in Charge "E" Div. Sp. Br.

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100 Wallace Bldg.,  
Edmonton, Alberta.

Following my return from the ME we had discussion on the ME proposals for our coal policy and action around it by LRP candidates - in the Secretariat, and during our provincial convention with the delegations from Drumheller Valley and the Crow's Nest Pass. We came to the following consensus agreement:

1. That our coal policy include the following points:

- (a) No coal to be imported from the US so long as Canadian mines are idle.
- (b) Adequate sub-sidies by the federal government to enable Canadian coal to be sold on the Central Canada market.
- (c) Re-organization of the Coal Board so as to include representation from Districts 18 and 20 of the UMW to see that the interests of the miners and public are protected.
- (d) Increases in unemployment insurance payments by 50% and their continuation until jobs are again available.
- (e) The establishment of industries to attract the many valuable by-products of coal.

2. With regard to action the above we proposed:

- (a) That the public campaign for the above should be conducted by the name of the Party and especially, by those LRP candidates who have mines in their constituencies, with Art Roberts, if Drumheller or near-by, the mines have been hit the hardest by the offer in the leadership.
- (b) That Art Roberts should put our coal policy statement in the form of an ad in the Drumheller paper signed by him; that other LRP candidates should take similar action (Tony Peters, Jack Lee).
- (c) That all other means be used to make our position known - leaflets, letters to the press, radio speeches, public meetings, etc.
- (d) That the Party and the candidate in Drumheller should sponsor a petition on our coal policy; similar petitions by Lee and Peters to be circulated in their constituencies to win public support for our policy.
- (e) That our Party speakers on May Day make a big point of our coal policy.
- (f) That our Party right across Canada should take up this question as an example of the anti-national character of the Canadian bourgeoisie and to show that our policy of "Put Canada First" embodied in our coal policy means just that for the miners.

I should add that I discussed the question of nationalization of the coal industry with our comrades from Drumheller and the Crow's Nest and they said it was not a popular issue among miners and that they didn't particularly favor it; the problem I submit should be solved by intervention and keeping out US coal as long as Canadian mines are idle.

Best of wishes,

Cordially, LRP,

Joe Sweeney

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1. With reference to memorandum from the Insp., Officer i/c Special Branch "E" Div. with Exhibits Nos. 8306, 8309 and 8319 attached, dated Victoria, B.C., February 20th, 1953, with forwarding minute by the Officer Commanding Nelson S/Division, Nelson, B.C., 23-3-53, relative to the above, following is a report in an effort to identify individuals mentioned therein.
2. Doc. Exhibit No. 8306(1-10) is a letter written by Adolph POTHORN dated 28-11-51 from Box 366, Natal, B.C. which was rented at that time by [REDACTED] to Nigel MORGAN or Alf DEWEURST. In Exhibit 8306(2) he mentions in para.2 that by the end of the week P (Pernie) will be finished re: Organizational classes etc. In para. 3 of this same page POTHORN mentions that he will also try to conclude the establishment of a regular club in Bel. (Bellevue, Alta.) He also states that the Club will consist of Coms (Comrades) from E. & Fr. & Bel. [REDACTED] Hallcrest and Frank and Bellevue). In Ex. 8306(3) POTHORN states that the above towns are 1 to 1 1/2 miles apart and that Bellevue has not a single Tribune Subscriber. In para.2 he refers to having five clubs established with each having 1 doz. members and that Bl. (Blairmore) is the weakest Club, having had to take one of the Blairmore members as an Organizer for Bellevue. Bl. (Blairmore) is referred to as the weakest Party organization though it is the Area Committee centre. Para.1 of Ex. No. 8306(4) deals with leadership in P (Pernie) also M.N. (Michel & Natal). He mentions 2 or 3 more to be recruited into the Party right here in M. & N. (Michel & Natal) etc. A reference to para. 2 concerning Ben refers to Ben SWANKEY, Alberta Prov. leader of the L.P.P. In Ex. 8306(5) POTHORN continues on a resume of SWANKEY's personality, organizing ability etc. This is continued in Ex. No. 8306(6). The Bill referred to in para.1 of Ex. No. 8306(7) could be William John SLEMKOV, Pernie, B.C. In para.2 of Doc. Exhibit No. 8306(10) mention is made of POTHORN owing Jim (James E. POLASKI) \$60.00 plus \$20.00. The last paragraph of the letter mentions Ben, Toni P., Jim through Sam and Steve telling POTHORN that Dusty will be through in a couple of weeks. This refers to Ben SWANKEY, Tony PODRASKY, Jim POLASKI, Sam ENGLISH and Steve HARMON. Dusty can not be identified at this point. The reference to Betty and E in this para. also cannot be identified.
3. Doc. Exhibit No. 8309(1-6) is another letter written by POTHORN to Alf. DEWEURST of the Prov. office of the Party.

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From perusal of this letter it would appear to deal in the most part with Party activities at Trail, B.C. as most of the names mentioned do not reside in the Crows Nest Pass area. POTHORN mentions being on a weekend trip and the letter refers to drinking etc. in Party ranks. In Exhibit No. 8309(2) in the third line mention is made of Gerf & Les having a couple of extra drinks also. This could refer to RELANGER and Les BOGIE of Trail. In para. 2 of this Exhibit the names Sam and Martin are mentioned which presumably refer to Sam ENGLISH of Michel, B.C. and Martin WALSH of Trail. Further reference is made to Martin in Ex. No. 8309(3) as taking the criticism very good. The names Irving and Alf mentioned in Ex. No. 8309(4) cannot be identified by the writer. In para. 1 & 2 of Ex. No. 8309(5) POTHORN states he was at a Peace house meeting and that Les was doing able work in Peace. He apparently refers to Les BOGIE mentioned above. The names Tillie and Irene are tentatively identified as Tillie BELANGER and Irene VETERE of Trail. The Mildred mention in para. 3 can not be identified here. The Sheard and Jackson mentioned in the last paragraph of Ex. No. 8309(6) are apparently from Vancouver, B.C. Sidney Gordon SHEARD is now employed by Stone & Webster Ltd. contractors, at Kimberley, B.C.

4. In Doc. Exhibit No. 8319(1) POTHORN apparently attended an L.P.P. Convention at Edm. (Edmonton, Alta.), stating that there were 10 Party members at convention, 5 of them from Crows Nest Pass. He requests 10 copies of the shop paper "Timbrerrr" to be sent to Tudor EVANS, General Delivery, Fernie in para. 2 and states that EVANS was joining the Party on the 30-11-51, was a former miner and now wood worker and that he fell out of the Party when he didn't support that preacher. This apparently refers to support of the Rev. James H. Matthews, United Church minister at Fernie, B.C. who was elected C.C.F. member in the Federal elections in 1945. He states that EVANS became real left sectarian in support of W.I.U.E. Woodworkers Industrial Union of Canada Local 405 at (Cranbrook, B.C.). In the margin POTHORN mentions having to see Tom about "Civic" tonight. This could refer to Tom UPHILL, Mayor of Fernie, B.C., M.L.A. and who attended the recent Peoples Congress for Peace at Vienna, Austria. The names Mildred and Alistair cannot be identified as obtained in Ex. No. 8319(2) and reference is made in the last para. of this Exhibit of POTHORN having to get an Organization meeting for F(Fernie) yet, and that in M. & W. (Michel & Natal) they got 3 recruits in all, plus 3 or 4 more to be expected. The P.S. in the margin states that POTHORN had a letter from Ben (Ben SWANKEY, Alberta L.P.P. Prov. Leader). The star pupil in M & W (Michel & Natal) who is Education Director is tentatively identified as Frank KOZLER, Natal, B.C. from previous Exhibits obtained. He further mentions 3 germ-recruits in Nan, which could refer to 3 German recruits in Nanaimo. In the margin is mentioned 6 drives on, National Party Fund, Tribune, Suba, Russian, Ukrainian Canadian, Hungarian, Slovak papers finance drive.

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Nelson, B.C.  
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*J.B. Harris*  
(J.B. Harris) Insp.,  
Commanding Nelson Sub-Division.

The O.C. "K" Division,  
R.C.W.P. EDMONTON, Alta.

FORWARDED, same being further to my memorandum dated  
20-2-53 as submitted under this file.

2. You will note that our Cranbrook Special Branch have  
been able to outline Exhibits 8306 and 8319 more completely  
by identifying the initials of individuals and places in the  
Crow's Nest Pass area. Copies to the Commissioner.

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(J.R.W. Bordeleau) Insp.,  
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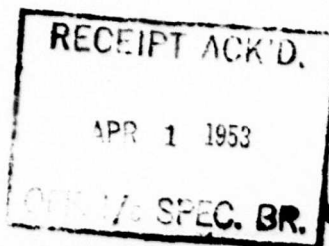
The Commissioner,  
R.C.M. Police,  
OTTAWA, Ont.

FORWARDED, same being in reply to my memorandum  
to the Officer Commanding, Nelson Sub-Division, dated  
20-2-53, copies of which were forwarded to you under my  
minute of same date.

2. You will note that Cranbrook Detachment Special  
Branch have been able to identify the initials of individuals  
and places which are referred to on Exhibits 8306, 8308 and  
8319.

*J.R.W. Bordeleau*  
(J.R.W. Bordeleau) Insp.,  
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