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DETAILS:

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Report of: SA DARREL B. CURRIE
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Field Office File #: 105-10942
Title: RUTH HYDE PAINE;
MICHAEL RALPH PAINE

Office: Boston, Massachusetts
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Character:

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Synopsis:

Mrs. ARTHUR M. YOUNG and family, 35 E. 75th St., New York City, N.Y., resided at Kimball House, a seasonal hotel, Northeast Harbor, Maine, summer of 1950. No record of MICHAEL RALPH PAINE at this hotel. Hotel records show Mrs. STANLEY GOODWIN of New York and her daughter, JANE L. GOODWIN, also summer guests in 1950. Credit and arrest checks at Northeast Harbor, Maine, were negative. Prof. VLADIMIR SAJKOVIC, Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass., vaguely recalls name RUTH HYDE as possibly a student in his Russian language course at University of Pennsylvania, summer of 1957, but has no pertinent information. MICHAEL RALPH PAINE attended Harvard College from 1947-49 as a member of the Class of 1951. Harvard College record contained no adverse information concerning his character or loyalty. On 6/30/49 the Administrative Board of Harvard College voted that PAINE's connection with Harvard be severed for failure to meet minimum requirements. Harvard College Registrar stated MICHAEL PAINE's father, GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR., known to him by reputation as "an enthusiastic Marxist and Trotskyite." Background data concerning GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR., set out. Harvard College Registrar did not know how closely MICHAEL R. PAINE had been associated with his father.

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At Northeast Harbor, Maine:

The following investigation was conducted by SA RAYMOND G. ROSS on December 12 and 13, 1963:

ARTHUR M. YOUNG and Mrs. ARTHUR M. YOUNG, nee FOREES, are not residents of Northeast Harbor, Maine, or regular summer visitors and are unknown to the following:

RICHARD A. SMITH, Postmaster, Northeast Harbor, Maine

Mrs. ESTHER S. BROWN, Part Owner, F. T. Brown Company, Main Street, Northeast Harbor, Maine

CARLO NINFI, Tax Collector and Treasurer, Northeast Harbor, Maine

The 1950 Directory and Handbook of Northeast Harbor, Maine, which contains the names of summer visitors discloses Mrs. ARTHUR M. YOUNG and family, 35 East 75th Street, New York City, N. Y., resided at the Kimball House, a seasonal hotel, Northeast Harbor, during the summer of 1950, exact period of residence not stated.

Mr. LOREN KIMBALL, Proprietor of the Kimball House, advised his 1950 hotel register disclosed Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR YOUNG occupied Hillside #2, a large cottage owned by the hotel, as of June 29, 1950. Date of departure from this cottage was not listed. His hotel register also reflects CAMERON F. PAINE, no address listed, resided at this same cottage as of June 29, 1950. His date of departure was not listed. There is no record of MICHAEL RALPH PAINE.

The hotel register further disclosed that Mrs. STANLEY GOODWIN of New York and her daughter, JANE L. GOODWIN, occupied Hillside Cottage #2 as of July 13, 1950. Date of departure from the cottage was not listed but the register did contain a mailing address of Mrs. STANLEY GOODWIN as 830 Park Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

Mrs. MARION KIMBALL, wife of the proprietor of the Kimball House, Northeast Harbor, Maine, could not recall the foregoing.

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On December 12, 1963, Reverend MALCOLM S. SAWTELLE, Pastor, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Northeast Harbor, Maine, advised that the Directory of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America reflects that Reverend ANTHONY PAUL TREASURE, former Pastor of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Northeast Harbor, is presently located at the All Saints Church, Heaton Norris, Stockport, England.

There is no credit bureau located at Northeast Harbor, Maine.

On December 13, 1963, CARLO NINFI, Tax Collector and Treasurer, Northeast Harbor, Maine, advised that the arrest records located at the Northeast Harbor, Maine, Town Office contain no arrest record for these persons.

At South Hadley, Massachusetts:

On December 23, 1963, Professor VLADIMIR SAJKOVIC, Professor of Russian Language, Mt. Holyoke College, advised SA WALTER F. BRADY that he taught an elementary Russian language course at the University of Pennsylvania at the 1957 summer session.

Professor SAJKOVIC stated he only vaguely remembers the name RUTH HYDE as possibly a student in this Russian language course. He stated he could not be helpful as he recalled nothing about her and knew nothing of her background.

At Cambridge, Massachusetts:

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES T. SULLIVAN on December 23, 1963:

The 1960 edition of the Harvard Alumni Directory identifies MICHAEL RALPH PAINE as a member of the Harvard College Class of 1951. The directory shows PAINE was in attendance at Harvard College from 1947 to 1949. As of 1960 his residence address was listed as Rural Delivery #1, Malvern, Pennsylvania.

On December 23, 1963, Mrs. ADELINE DAILEY, Registrar's Office, Harvard College, stated records of that office identify MICHAEL RALPH PAINE as a member of the Class of 1951. He was born June 25, 1928, at New York, N.Y., to GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR. and RUTH FORBES PAINE. The file showed that PAINE's reports were to be forwarded to his mother, Mrs. GILES W. THOMAS. This latter name was scratched out and listed under

it was PAINE's mother's name, Mrs. ARTHUR YOUNG.

MICHAEL RALPH PAINE was admitted to Harvard College in May, 1947, from the Horace Mann Lincoln School, New York, N. Y. He was in attendance at Harvard College during the Fall Term 1947-1948, the Spring Term 1947-1948, and the academic year 1948-1949. His field of concentration was shown as Physics.

The file showed that the Administrative Board, Harvard College, on December 2, 1947, voted that no action be taken on the unsatisfactory mid-term record compiled by PAINE.

The file showed further that the Administrative Board, on June 30, 1949, voted that PAINE's connection with the college be severed on account of failure to meet minimum requirements, and further voted that PAINE be discouraged regarding re-admission.

Transcripts of his scholastic record were sent to PAINE on September 14 and 15, 1950.

On December 23, 1963, SARGENT KENNEDY, Registrar, Harvard College, stated that although he was well aware that MICHAEL PAINE's mother is a member of the well-known FORBES family of Milton, Massachusetts, he had not known MICHAEL PAINE, her son.

He stated he had reviewed MICHAEL PAINE's folder and noted that it contained nothing reflecting adversely upon his character and loyalty. He said he felt PAINE's academic trouble stemmed solely from the fact "he never came to grips with studying." He pointed out he had heard nothing derogatory concerning MICHAEL PAINE.

KENNEDY stated that MICHAEL PAINE's father, GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR., was known to him by reputation as "an enthusiastic Marxist and Trotskyite," who, in the 25th and 35th annual reports of the Harvard College Class of 1922, had set out much of his basic philosophy. KENNEDY stated he did not know how closely MICHAEL R. PAINE has been associated with his father.

In the 25th Anniversary Report, Harvard College Class of 1922, GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR., born November 16, 1901, at New York, N. Y., to GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, Harvard College Class of 1896, and to CLARA MAY, identified himself in 1947 as a resident of 629 Hudson Street, New York, N.Y., and as an architect.

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He stated he had married RUTH FORBES at Milton, Massachusetts, on March 20, 1926, and had been divorced in 1934. He had married FRANCES DRAKE at New York, N.Y., in 1939.

PAINE wrote in part as follows:

". . . My office closed. I got a job through the Civil Works Administration with the New York City Housing Authority. Up to my neck in housing research and community planning, I shared the hard work and the dreams of liberals whose baby it was. I joined the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists, and Technicians, a union of professional men. There, through those most active in it, the members of the various radical political parties, I came into contact with Marxism. The writings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky opened new doors upon an old world. The theory of historical materialism began to make clear much that had eluded me these many years; the relations between the movement of society and the movement of ideas, between the world of the mass (action) and the world of the intellectual, between the individual and society.

"This theory and its derivative, the theory of class struggle, provided the only comprehensible explanation of the new phenomena on the American scene, the radio squad cars called out to disperse the too-great throngs of workers crowding out to hear Shakespeare and Beethoven in the park (WPA) and to break up the hunger marches, the historic movement to the left of intellectuals flocking to Marxism and workers to the sit-down strikes and the CIO. It gave substance and coherence to the great events of the past ten years of which I, like most Harvard men, had been but dimly conscious though deeply, vaguely disturbed; from Sacco and Vanzetti, through the defeats of the European revolutions, to the rise of Hitler.

"I could no longer escape the reality of the class struggle nor the responsibility for action. I became a follower of Leon Trotsky and a partisan of the world working class.

"In the twelve years which have followed, life, both for me and for my wife, has been an interweaving harmony of reading and hard work, activity in the labor movement and Marxist politics, of theory and practice. Architecture, three years as a shipfitter during the

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"war, organizing, speaking, labor defense, teaching, and writing have been among the facets of a unified, creative life. To my way of thinking this joy is no result of accident or personal whim. Creation and frustration are but the reciprocal expressions of the relation of the individual to his society. Today the world-wide contradictions, decay and incapacity of capitalism are a paralyzing reality for all society, therefore also for the individual. The upward path from the old to the new has been a path of struggle, a concrete struggle, a class struggle. I am free and I am content because I have chosen my side in that struggle and chosen to act."

In the Thirty-fifth Anniversary Report of the Harvard College Class of 1922, GEORGE LYMAN PAINE, JR. identified himself as an architect and as a resident of 2331 Holgate Square, Los Angeles 31, California.

He wrote in part as follows:

". . . I am still married to the same remarkable woman, still earning a living as an architect, still consumed by the urge to contribute as I am able to the solution of those ills of society which today frustrate most marriages and most architects along with other human beings.

"I continue to express such creative energies as I may have in a stubborn, active and uncompromising hostility to all forces, all aspects of society which deny to man both order and human dignity and which, furthermore, oppose a positive barrier to his every effort to achieve such a goal.

"By 1950 it finally became clear that the solution to the problems of humanity, and therefore of individual creativity, lay not in the education of people nor in the character of leaders. The problem lay in the concept itself of leadership over people. The solution lay in the liberation of people to achieve their own destiny, apart from and in opposition to domination by any elite or group whatsoever.

"Because the Trotskyites shared in this concept of the role of an elite, of a mission to lead, I broke with them, along with a number of colleagues, in 1951.

"Since then I have become part owner and part editor of a small paper, CORRESPONDENCE. For the past five years it has been an arduous and exciting experiment toward the creation of an instrument, a form, through which the ordinary worker can freely express his real concerns and can communicate with others, and through which the intellectual can re-establish contact with the driving force of society and contribute thereto as a colleague whose function is not to dominate but to give of his historical knowledge and, particularly experience.

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Report of: SA JAMES P. HOOTY, JR. Office: DALLAS
 Date: DECEMBER 11, 1963
 Field Office File No.: DL 105-1716 Bureau File No.:
 Title: RUTH HYDE PAINE

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIAN

Synopsis: RUTH HYDE PAINE, the daughter of WILLIAM A. HYDE and Mrs. CAROL HYDE, is married to MICHAEL RALPH PAINE. Mrs. PAINE advised she became acquainted with MARINA OSWALD and LEE HARVEY OSWALD in early 1963, and in May of 1963, she assisted MARINA OSWALD and her child in moving to New Orleans, La. Mrs. PAINE stated she assisted MARINA OSWALD and child in moving from New Orleans to Irving, Texas, in September of 1963. Mrs. PAINE stated that MARINA OSWALD then resided with her since MARINA's husband was unemployed and she was expecting another child. On 11/1/63 RUTH PAINE advised a Special Agent of the FBI that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was employed at the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) but was unable to furnish his residence. Mrs. PAINE advised on 11/23/63 LEE HARVEY OSWALD came to her residence on 11/21/63 allegedly to visit his wife and children. Mrs. PAINE advised she later learned from MARINA OSWALD that among the OSWALDs' personal property stored in her garage was a rifle belonging to LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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Details:

I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence

On November 1, 1963, Mrs. RUTH PAINE advised she resided at 2515 West 5th Street, Irving, Texas.

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