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COCKLEY, MARGARET JEAN

SYNOPSIS

At York and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania ----- SUBJECT was born 4 January 1939 at York, Pennsylvania. Education William Penn High School, September 1953 to June 1956, verified. Record satisfactory. Employment by Liquor Control Board, June to September 1959; J.C. Penney & Company, July to September 1958; and York Tabulating Service, Inc., June to September 1957 and 1956, verified. All employments satisfactory. One given reference and five developed informants recommend on the basis of loyalty, character and reputation. One other informant, member of the Detective Division, Police Department, York, Pennsylvania, comments favorably concerning reputation of SUBJECT'S parents through former association at church of preference. He advises, however, that he no longer retains association with particular church because of present minister, who is alleged to be pro-Soviet in his views which are periodically published in alleged local pro-Soviet publication, The Gazette and Daily. Same informant states that minister in question has been the subject of inquiry in his office by the Federal Bureau of Investigation because of his editorials in the afore mentioned publication. The principal of this news publication has also been the SUBJECT of inquiry in his office by the afore mentioned federal agency. He further advises, however, that many substantial people of unquestionable reputation in York are members of the afore mentioned congregation. SUBJECT'S relationship with particular minister, a given reference, ascertained to be distant and more than nominal by parents by virtue of mother's illness. Neighborhoods favorable. Appropriate Credit clear. Police no record.

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BIRTH:

At Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

On 3 June 1960, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Health and Vital Statistics, made available by mail a verification of SUBJECT'S birth certificate. This certificate indicated that SUBJECT was born on 4 January 1939 at York, Pennsylvania. This birth certificate was filed on 12 January 1939 under file number, 13758-39.

EDUCATION:

At York, Pennsylvania

On 10 June 1960, Doctor O. MEREDITH PARRY, Principal, William Penn Senior High School, was interviewed. Referring to SUBJECT'S student record, he advised that she was in attendance at this high school from September 1953 until 1 June 1956, at which time she graduated. SUBJECT, upon graduation, was awarded a College Preparatory Diploma and ranked 5th out of a graduating class of 525. SUBJECT compiled an outstanding academic record and in a Hermon Nelson IQ Form of Testing, in 1953, her IQ score was recorded as 136. In 1954, in an ACE Form of Testing, SUBJECT stood in the 98 percentile. Her record was free of disciplinary action.

EMPLOYMENT:

At Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

On 8 June 1960, Mr. WILLIAM CAUFFIELD, Personnel Director, State Liquor Control Board, was interviewed. He reported from record that SUBJECT was employed at this office from 11 June until 10 September 1959 as a temporary summer employee. She was engaged as a clerk-typist and performed her duties in a very excellent and satisfactory manner. Her Social Security Number was recorded as 187-30-2100. SUBJECT resigned of her own accord to return to school at Radcliffe College. Her permanent residence address was recorded as 395 Randolph Drive, York, Pennsylvania.

At York, Pennsylvania

On 10 June 1960, Mr. PATRICK MENDENHALL, Assistant Manager,

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J.C. Penney & Company, was interviewed on the premises of his business address at 116 West Market Street. He reported from payroll records that SUBJECT was employed at this store from July through September in the year 1958 and also during the Christmas holiday period of 1958. SUBJECT was favorably employed as a sales clerk in the sportswear department. Her Social Security Number was recorded as 187-30-2100.

On 10 June 1960, Mr. MILAN BUMP, former principal in the business known as York Tabulating Service Inc., now defunct, was interviewed on the premises of his office at 101 Merion Street. Informant reported that there were no records available concerning SUBJECT'S former period of employment. He readily recalled the SUBJECT, however, and advised that she was employed by him during the summers of 1956 and 1957. SUBJECT was favorably engaged as a clerk-typist and performed her duties in a very excellent manner. Further comments of Mr. BUMP, who refers to SUBJECT in most laudatory terms, are included under the caption REFERENCES.

REFERENCES:

At York, Pennsylvania

X Also see page 4 of this report.
On 10 June 1960, given reference, Reverend ~~ERNEST CAMPBELL~~, Minister of the First Presbyterian Church, was interviewed on the premises of his office at 27 North Queen Street. Informant reported and volunteered the information that he knew the SUBJECT as a member of his congregation but did not share a close relationship with her due to the fact that SUBJECT has been away to college during the past four years. The only time that he has seen the SUBJECT during the last four years would be on an occasional basis during her summer vacation period at home.

With respect to his acquaintance with SUBJECT'S parents, informant advised that he would have what he termed more than a nominal relationship with them because of SUBJECT'S mother's recent illness, a heart ailment, that occasioned visits to their home in his capacity as their minister. The reputation of SUBJECT'S parents in this vicinity is unblemished with respect to loyalty and moral character. SUBJECT'S father is well-known in this vicinity as the high school basketball coach. He is a very popular man in this town because of his outstanding record as basketball coach at William Penn High School for a number of years. SUBJECT'S mother had a serious heart operation recently and is still recuperating from the effect.

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In informant's opinion, SUBJECT'S parents are two very fine people about whom he could relate nothing of an adverse nature.

Informant understands that SUBJECT is an outstanding, intelligent young woman who has compiled outstanding academic records both at William Penn Senior High School and Radcliffe College. He based this information on various articles published in local newspapers concerning SUBJECT. He advised that his recommendation of SUBJECT would be based on the reputation of her family in this area. In addition, he advised that he knew nothing of an adverse nature concerning this family which could in any way preclude the SUBJECT from consideration for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On 10 June 1960, Mr. MILAN BUMP, a developed informant and former Principal of the York Tabulating Service Inc., now defunct, was interviewed on the premises of his home at 101 Marion Street. Informant readily recalled the SUBJECT as a former employee of the York Tabulating Service under his direction for two summer periods. He advised that during the afore mentioned two summer periods, SUBJECT performed her duties in an outstanding excellent manner and he could only refer to her in most laudatory terms as a personality. He stated that SUBJECT, in his opinion, is an extremely intelligent young woman and one who would be an asset in the employment with the federal government. Even though SUBJECT was employed by him as a temporary summer employee, she approached her work as though this were her primary means of livelihood. She is an exceptionally hard working, conscientious young woman of absolute honesty, integrity and loyalty. He also knew the SUBJECT'S parents by reputation as outstanding members as well as loyal respectable citizens here in York for a number of years. Informant concluded by stating that he would, without hesitation, highly endorse the SUBJECT for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On 10 June 1960, developed informant, Mr. MURLO YINGER, Guidance Counselor, William Penn High School, was interviewed. Informant reported that in addition to knowing the SUBJECT as a former student in this high school, he also knew her parents for a number of years and considered himself to be a close family friend. SUBJECT'S father has been employed as a school teacher and coach in the York educational system for more than twenty years. By virtue of his outstanding record of a basketball coach in this high school, SUBJECT'S father has gained state wide recognition and has been very popular here in York among the citizenry who are rabid basketball fans. In addition to his coaching, SUBJECT'S father is a very

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fine teacher of mathematics in this high school. SUBJECT'S mother, who has been ill the last few years, recently went under a serious heart operation and is still recuperating. Both of SUBJECT'S parents were held in high esteem by the informant.

SUBJECT maintained an outstanding academic record at this high school while she was in attendance. Through her academic efforts, she won a scholarship to Radcliffe College from where she is presently about to graduate. SUBJECT, in his opinion, is an extremely intelligent, mature young woman who has enjoyed an excellent environment as well as the good sound counsel of her parents. She would undoubtedly make an outstanding contribution in her prospective employment with the federal government. She is, like her father, a perfectionist in every true sense of the word, extremely conscientious, and would undoubtedly exercise all her energies in performing adequately. In addition to the SUBJECT, there is one other child in this family, a boy, who is presently attending one of the high school in the vicinity of his parents home on Randolph Drive.

Informant concluded by stating that he would, without qualification and with enthusiasm, highly recommend the SUBJECT for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On 10 June 1960, developed informant, Detective JAMES KOSER, Criminal Identification Bureau, Police Department, was interviewed on the premises of his office. Informant reported that SUBJECT was not known personally to him but that he did know her parents through his former association with them at the First Presbyterian Church here in York.

SUBJECT'S father is a very popular figure here in York because of his outstanding record as a basketball coach at William Penn High School. He has gained state wide recognition because of his outstanding coaching record. He advised, however, that he no longer shares an association with SUBJECT'S parents through the afore mentioned church, as he no longer retains membership in this particular church.

He volunteered information to the effect that he relinquished his membership in this church because of its present minister, Reverend ERNEST CAMPBELL. He advised that Reverend CAMPBELL is alleged to be pro-Soviet in his views in the form of editorials which are published

periodically in the local news publication, The Gazette and Daily. There is no question in his opinion, in reading these editorials, that Reverend CAMPBELL has been influenced or duped by the present Communist Regime in Moscow. He further advised that the news publication, ~~The Gazette and Daily~~, is alleged to be a pro-Soviet publication and is one of the few American publications that are read on a daily basis in Moscow. In addition, he further advised that because of Reverend CAMPBELL's editorials, he has been the subject of inquiry in this office by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He further advised that the principal of this newspaper has always been the subject of inquiry in this office by the aforementioned government agency. He made it clear, however, that possibly because of general apathy, the First Presbyterian Church is attended by many outstanding and substantial families here in York which would include SUBJECT and members of her immediate family.

At Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

On 8 June 1960, developed informant, Mr. RICHARD CHILDS, Supervisor in the office of the State Liquor Control Board, was interviewed. Informant reported that SUBJECT was under his direct supervision during her period of employment here in the summer of 1959. He spontaneously advised that SUBJECT in her work performance was head and shoulders above anyone he has had employed in his particular department on a temporary summer basis in at least the last ten years. SUBJECT, in his opinion, is an extremely competent young woman and one who had a tremendous capacity for work. As far as he knew, SUBJECT'S academic work in high school as well as Radcliffe College, was not designed toward the business field, and SUBJECT therefore was a self-made typist. There is no question in his mind that SUBJECT would have an exceptionally high IQ judging from her past performance in this office. It was his opinion that she would be an outstanding asset in the government service and therefore based on the time that SUBJECT was known to him, he would highly recommend her without reservation.

On 8 June 1960, developed informant, Mr. GEORGE R. STRATHMEYER, a student at Florida Southern College, and present employee at the Liquor Control Board, was interviewed. Informant reported that he was employed in the same office as SUBJECT during the summer period of 1959, here at the Liquor Control Board. In addition to knowing her in this capacity, he also knew her from York, Pennsylvania where they both attended William Penn High School. He stated that SUBJECT was an outstanding student at William Penn High School and in his opinion