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Re SAC Letter No. 53-38 dated 8-25-53.

Department of Army Counter Intelligence Division, Chicago, Illinois, furnished to the St. Louis Division an Intelligence Summary concerning the interview of Sgt. ROBERT E. BROOKS, RA 17364305, former U. S. prisoner of the Chinese Communist and North Korean forces.

In this interview BROOKS stated special privileges were granted to the U. S. prisoners of war who favored Communism and these POWs were commonly referred to by the other POWs as "progressives".

The following is a summary of information furnished by BROOKS concerning subject's activities:

PEASNER was one of the prisoners who was very active in attempting to influence the other prisoners. Although BROOKS did not specifically state what type of influence he meant, he indicated that it was influence along the progressive lines.

PEASNER was selected by the Chinese for his pro-Communist leanings to be on the Peace Committee at Camp No. 1. He was also selected by the Chinese as a leader and speaker at this camp. The subject was one of the prisoners who went for walks with camp officials and who collaborated with them.

There is no record of the subject in the indices of the St. Louis Office.

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