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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

*Yes N B*  
 Subject continues to reside at 948 Elyria, Los Angeles and is a free lance writer, author and playwright. He is still a national officer of National ASP Council as well as a Vice Chairman and the most important figure in the Southern California Chapter of that organization, which is generally referred to as the Hollywood ASP Council. [Subject was author of Hollywood ASP's current legislative program which closely parallels the CP line. Subject was a sponsor of a "Daily Worker" function in March, 1954 and was a subscriber to this publication in 1953. He wrote for a publication of American Russian Institute in 1953, wherein he urged more cultural exchange between the U. S. and U.S.S.R. as one means of preventing extension of U. S. war policy.]

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T-5, SF-1159-S	Furnished copy of "We Pledge Peace"	10/6/53	GERALD D. OAKLEY	SF 134-11A- 139A (9) ] (u)
T-6, LA 3803-S*		7/7,9/54		
T-7, SF 1911-S	June, 1954	6/1/54	JOHN J. LAWLER, etal	100-21198- 1313 ] (u)
T-8, LA 3779-S	August, 1954	8/30/54	JOHN E. GALLAGHER, JR.	134-531A-66 ] (u)
T-9, CSLA 3184-S	Re "Salt of the Earth"	9/16/54	MARCUS M. BRIGHT	100-44774

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