Report on the New York City Communist Movement [Dec. 4, 1919]

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Title of Case and Offense Charged or Nature of Matter Under Investigation:

In re: Communist Party, Communist Labor Party, Resumé.

Statement of Operations, Evidence Collected, Names and Addresses of Persons Interviewed, Places Visited, Etc.:

This report is based on the Chief's [William J. Flynn's] letter of November 18th, 1919, initialed J.E.H. [J. Edgar Hoover], marked "Personal and Confidential," requesting list of branches, circulars issued by, and individuals prominent in Communist activities in this locality.

The confidential informations attached to this office, who have been working on the [Union of] Russian Workers, the IWW, etc. have heretofore not paid much attention to the Communist Party, so that the attached report is compiled largely from file data and from outside sources.

I wish to call special attention to the fact that, as shown in the attached, there are at present seventynine (79) local branches of the Communist or Communist Labor Parties in Greater New York. Each of these branches has its own officers, organizers, executive members, and general active leaders and to gather a correct, up-to-date list of these would entail quite some investigation by both undercover and open investigators. I have, however, also compiled a list of the active officers and members who have come to our attention recently, and this list, I believe, contains almost all of the real, important leaders of the Party in this locality, especially those connected with the Russian Federation.

Another fact which I wish to call attention to is that since the Lusk Committee in New York raided every branch of the Communist Party on November 7th [1919], confiscating records and membership cards, it is practically impossible due to the disarrangement of affairs and the underground tactics now employed by these people (Communist Party) to obtain reliable information. I have been in constant touch with officials of the Lusk Committee, without disclosing the real purpose of my investigation, and have been assured that they have not yet been able to go through the tons of material seized, taking therefrom the names, addresses, and activities of important individuals of the Party, but that when this is done they will be pleased either to have a member of this office present or to send us a copy of their findings. If this is done at all the former suggestion would appear to be best suited for our purpose for the Lusk Committee may discard material which is of interest to us and which would not be included in their written report. Up to the present, however, I have been unable to obtain a definite, satisfactory answer as to when this will be done by them.

As to the citizenship of the persons listed in the attached, it is at this time impossible to ascertain same, but it is the writer's opinion that when the department is ready to take action in this case all persons wanted be taken into custody for examination, when their citizenship can be determined.

Many changes are constantly taking place in the Communist situation here, such as the removal of branches to new addresses, opening up of new ones, activities on the part of persons heretofore unnoticed, and these features will be constantly watched for and reported promptly when detected.

It is very apparent that much investigation will have to be done by this office before any final action can be taken on the Communist Party in New York, and this feature I am taking up with Division Superintendent [George F.] Lamb and Agent [Charles J.] Scully.

Branches of the Communist Party and Communist Labor Party in Greater New York.

Manhattan.

1st A.D. [Assembly District] 180 Henry Street.

2nd A.D. 255 Grand Street.

3rd—5th—10th A.D. 43 W 29th Street.

4th A.D. 604 E 9th St.

8th A.D. 122 Second Avenue.

17th A.D. 1538 Madison Ave., or #80 E 110th St.

18th—20th A.D. #80 E 110th St., or 1848 Lexington Ave.

22nd—23rd A.D. 2018 Amsterdam Ave.

22nd—23rd A.D. Lettish Branch #2 2018 Amsterdam Ave. 22nd—23rd A.D. Estonian Branch 225 E 79th St.

22nd—23rd A.D. Lithuanian Branch #7 E 15th St.

22nd—23rd A.D. Ukrainian Branch #20 222 E 5th St.

22nd—23rd A.D. Jewish Downtown Branch 202 E Broadway

Polish Branch 323 N 12th St.

Ukrainian Branch, Local 88 58 Orchard St.

22nd—23rd A.D. Jewish Harlem Branch 46 E 104th St.

Italian Branch 2nd A.D. 180 Thompson St.

Italian Harlem Branch 1848 Lexington Ave.

Spanish Branch 255 Grand St.

5th Russian—Ukrainian Branch 276 Grand St.

2nd Harlem Branch, Russian 1893 Madison Ave.

1st Russian Branch Fed. 113 E 10th St.

14th—15th—16th A.D. 350 E 81st St.

Hungarian Yorkville Branch 350 E 81st St.

German Hungarian Branch 350 E 81st St. German Murray Hill Branch 1032 First Ave.

German Night Workers Branch 343 E 84th St.

Russian Communist Branch 357 E 10th St.

#207 E 10th St., New York.

German Vorwerts Branch

German Hellgate Branch Hank's Hall, Corner 92nd St. & Ave. A

Kings.

1st A.D. 417 Atlantic Ave.

3rd—8th A.D. Morge's Hall, 335 Union St.

6th A.D. 167 Tompkins Ave., or 229 Stockton St.

9th A.D. 1269 — 40th St.

12th A.D. Crescent Hall, 6th Ave. & 9th St.

14th A.D. 208 Grand St.

18th A.D., Branch 1 283 Albany Ave., or #36 Morrell St. cor. Cook, Williamsburg.

20th A.D. 404 Central Ave.

22nd A.D., Branch 4 Sutter Ave. 2nd A.D., Branch 2 1278 E 10th St.

4th A.D. #4 Lee Ave., or 208 Grand St.

7th A.D. 321 Prospect Ave.

10th A.D. 529 Vanderbilt Ave.

13th A.D.5 Mapeth Ave., or#36 Morrell St. cor. Cook, Williamsburg.

16th A.D. Town's Hall, Surf Ave., near W 23rd St., or #36 Morrell St. cor. Cook, Williamsburg.

18th A.D., Branch 2 1709 Pitkin Ave., or #36 Morrell St. cor. Cook, Williamsburg.

21st A.D. 854 Flatbush Ave.

23rd A.D., Branch 1 2129 Fulton St., or 296 — 2nd St.

19th A.D., Branch 1 949 Willoughby Ave., or #36 Morrell St. cor. Cook, Williamsburg.

22nd A.D., Branch 3 3002 Fulton St.

Jewish Branch, 6th A.D. 167 Tompkins Ave., or 229 Stockton Ave.

Jewish Branch 4 — 14th A.D. 208 Grand St.

Lithuanian Branch 19 208 Grand St. Lithuanian Branch 82 33 Hudson Ave.

Russian Branch 6 61 Graham Ave.

Italian Branch

9th A.D., Branch 3 335 Prospect Ave.

20th A.D., Branch 1 404 Central Ave.

Night Workers Branch 949 Willoughby Ave.

Jewish Branch, 13th—19th A.D. 61 Graham Ave.

Jewish Branch, 16th A.D., Branch 2 1269 — 40th St.

Lithuanian Branch 20 736 Third Ave.

Russian Branch 4 1709 Pitkin Ave., or 296 Sackman St.

Ukrainian Branch #93 Grand St.

Brownsville Branch 207 Stone Ave.

Bronx.

1st A.D. 371 Willis Ave.

3rd A.D. 740 E 149th St.

5th A.D. 1304 Southern Blvd.

Jewish Branch #1 Claremont Parkway and Washington Ave.

Jewish Branch #3 1333 Wilkins Ave.

Hungarian Branch 1258 Boston Road.

2nd—4th A.D. 1258 Boston Road.

4th A.D. 21 Montgomery St.

6th A.D. 1304 Southern Blvd.

7th A.D. 747 E 182nd St.

Jewish Branch #2 371 Willis Ave., or 526 E 138 St.

Russian Branch #3 1258 Boston Road, or 1304 Southern Blvd.

Lettish Branch #1 371 Willis Ave.

News Organs of the Communist Party and Communist Labor Party in Greater New York.

Novyi Mir. 113 E. 10th St.

Organ of the Russian Federation. Alexander Stoklitsky, President. Nicholas Hourwich, Secretary. Dr. A. Mislig, Treasurer.

Pravda. 1664 Madison Ave. Organ of Russian Communist Labor Party. A. Finkelberg, Secretary.

Volkszeitung. 15 Spruce St. Organ of the German Federation, CLP. Ludwig Lore, Editor.

Vorwerts.

Organ of the German Federation, CP. (new)

Robitnyk. 222 E 5th St. Organ of Ukrainian Federation. K. Pytlar, Business Manager.

Uus Ilm. 225 E 79th St. Organ of the Estonian Federation, CP.

Laisve. 445 Grand St., Brooklyn.†

Organ of the Lithuanian Federation, CP.

Der Kampf. 179 E Broadway. Organ of the Jewish Federation, CP.

- *Elore.* 5 E 3rd St. Organ of the Hungarian Federation, CP.
- Voice of Labor. 1664 Madison Ave. English organ of the Communist Labor Party. Edited by Ben Gitlow and John Reed, and recently taken over by Party headquarters in Chicago.
- Communist World. 207 E 10th St. English Organ of Communist Party of America, Local New York. Bertram Wolfe, Associate Editor. George Ashkenuzi, Business Manager. Harry Winitsky, Executive Secretary. Maximilian Cohen, Editor.
- New York Communist.

Formerly published at New York, now issued by the Party Headquarters at Blue Island Avenue, Chicago.‡

Nash Shliakh. 407 E 5th St. §

New Ukrainian organ of the Ukrainian Federation, Communist Labor Party. E. Krug, Editor.

†- Despite a press run ranging from 14,000 to 17,800 in the years 1919-20, surviving copies of Laisve from this period are extremely rare.

‡- This is erroneous. *The New York Communist* was the weekly organ of the Left Wing Section of Greater New York, edited by John Reed. The first issue appeared dated April 19, 1919, and the 10th and final weekly issue was dated June 21, 1919. As an economy measure, the National Conference of the Left Wing Section [New York: June 21-24, 1919] voted to merge *The New York Communist* with the weekly organ of Local Boston, Socialist Party, *The Revolutionary Age*, edited by Louis Fraina. The editorial office of *The Revolutionary Age* was at the same time moved to New York, Reed's name added to the masthead as "Associate Editor," and the combined "Volume 2" was initiated on July 5, 1919. This move was no great sacrifice to *Revolutionary Age* editor Fraina, who was actually a transplanted New Yorker who had been working in Boston on the publication. The 7th and final New York issue of *The Revolutionary Age* bore the date of August 23, 1919. The publication was replaced, of course, by the competing weekly organs of the Communist Party of America (*The Communist*) and Communist Labor Party (*The Toiler*). In short, *The New York Communist* never had anything to do with the Blue Island Avenue-headquartered CPA — an organization which editor John Reed loathed.

§- A specimen of *Nash Shliakh* [Our Road] would be an exciting bibliographic find. No extant holdings of the publication whatsoever are listed in the definitive bibliography of the foreign language labor press in America.

Circulars Issued in New York by Communist Labor Party and Communist Party.

- Manifesto and Program of the Communist Party. Issued by Communist Party of America, Chicago, Ill.
- Break the Blockade of Russia! Issued by Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party.
- Stop Riot and Murder! Issued by Communist Party of America, Local Greater New York.

Communist Labor Party News.

Advertisement of Mass Demonstration at Hunts Point Place, NY, Nov. 7, 1919. Issued by Bronx Headquarters, 1258 Boston Road, NY.

\$50,000,000 in Profits!!!

Issued by Communist Party of Mexico, Box 985, Mexico City, DF.

Hands Off Soviet Russia! Issued by Communist Labor Party of America.

Communist Party Monster Mass Demonstration.

Issued by Communist Party, Local Greater New York, advertising demonstration at Rutgers Square, NY, Nov. 8th, 1919.†

Same circular in Russian language.

Grand Concert & Ball. (English and Russian on one circular). Issued by Communist Labor Party, 1st Russian Branch, NY. Advertising concert and ball on Oct. 25th.

A Programme for Socialists.

Adapted by the Communist League, 97 Springfield Ave., Newark. Containing a statement of Principles. Dated December 1918.

Socialist Party Bulletin.

Dated August 1st, 1919, at Cleveland, Oh. Issued by the National Executive Committee, calling for an emergency council for the formation of a Communist Party.

Boycott the Elections!

Proclamation of the Communist Party of America, Local Greater New York.

To the Striking Longshoremen.

Proclamation of the Communist Party of America, Local Greater New York.

Ai Lavoratori del Porto in Isciopero. (Same as above, in Italian.)

Same circular in the Russian language.

Workers Attention!

Circular issued by Communist Labor Party announcing that L.A. Martens will speak on Friday nigh, Nov. 7th at Independence Hall, Brooklyn.

Etc. etc. (See attached.)

†- This demonstration was cancelled due to the probability of police violence.

Individuals Active in Communist Party and Communist Labor Party in Greater New York.

(List incomplete)

- Abrams, W. Delegate to convention of Jewish Communist Federation, from Jewish Downtown Branch, NY. Held in Philadelphia from Oct. 9th to 12th, 1919. In August 1919 was candidate for delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago on Sept. 1st.
- Arlin, D. 36 Morrell St., Brooklyn, 1st Floor. Treasurer, 13th—19th A.D., Brooklyn.
- Arnold, Edward 504 E 79th St., NY. Financial Secretary of German Language Group and on District Committee of German Language Group of Northeastern states.
- Ashkenuzi, George 157 E 117th St. One of the original members of the so-called "Novyi Mir gang." Played an important part in the Convention of the Russian Federation in NY, Sept. 1918, where, at the 6th session, he made a report re: the management of the Novyi Mir. In August 1919 was a candidate for delegate to the Communist Convention in Chicago on Sept. 1st. At present is the business manager of Communist World.
- Ansiev, M. Of Brownsville Branch, Jewish Communist Federation. Was delegate to the convention of Jewish Communist Federation in Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919.
- Babitz, M. E 39th St., NY. During war was "cover" for mail of *Novyi Mir*. One of the manages of the *Novyi Mir* and played important part in convention of Russian Federation Sept. 1918 in New York. Is very active worker.
- **Bach, Sieg** On Committee of German Language Group of Communist Labor Party.
- **Bogopolsky** During 1918 was Secretary of the Russian Club at 33 Second Ave. Played important

part in Russian Federation convention in NY during Sept. 1918 and is now active in Communist Party.

- **Barish** On Membership Committee of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- Biderman c/o Rosen, 463 Snedeker St., Brooklyn. One of the original members of *Novyi Mir* group. Speaker and traveling organizer for the Russian Federation. Important part in Russian Federation convention Sept. 1918 in NY. Was a candidate there at 9th session for post of Translator-Secretary of Federation and made a report to convention at 11th session. Is a member of management committee of *Novyi Mir*.
- Bittelman [Alexander] Member of editorial staff of *Der Kampf*, organ of Jewish Communist Federation. Is Secretary of one of the Jewish branches in New York. Lectured Nov. 1st [1919] at Washington Hall, 105 Thatford Ave., Brownsville, NY on "Principles of Communism." In August 1919 was candidate for delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago on Sept. 1st.
- Bjorklund, J. Head of Brooklyn Division of Communist Party at 18 Nevins St., Brooklyn.
- **Burton, Paul** Representative of the Ukrainian Communist Federation on the Executive Committee of the Association for Helping Soviet Russia.
- Brodsky, Carl During August 1919, candidate for delegate to Communist Convention, Chicago. In August 1919, also, was member of the Committee of 15 which adopted the original "Left Wing Manifesto."
- Brodsky, Joseph Ditto.
- **Bohm, Christ** On committee of German Language Group, Communist Labor Party.
- **Boheil, M.** Financial Secretary of 8th A.D., Communist Party.

- **Bodash, M.** Delegate to the District Conference of Eastern States, Communist Party, held by Ukrainian Federation, Nov. 2nd at NYC.
- Bilash, D. Ditto from Brooklyn.
- Berner, Theodore On committee of German Language Group of Communist Labor Party.
- **Buri, Yar (out)** Secretary of Local 47, Ukrainian Communist Federation (Auburn, NY).
- Brandt, Louis Member of German Language Group, Communist Labor Party. Speaker at 2nd Anniversary of Soviet Republic, Nov. 7, 1919, at Hungarian Workers Home, 350 E 81st St., NY.
- **Bieshenkowsky, M.** Secretary of Branch #3, 1333 Wilkins Ave., Bronx.
- **Chernetzky, Louis** On Executive Committee of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- **Cherry** On Membership Committee of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- **Cohen, Maximilian** In August 1919, candidate for delegate to Communist [convention in] Chicago in Sept., and was on Committee of 15 which adopted original Left Wing Manifesto. Was Co-Editor of *Revolutionary Age* and now Editor of *Communist World*.
- **Cohen, S.** On Committee of Education and Propaganda of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- Cooper, I.L. 310 S 3rd St., Brooklyn. Head of Lecture Bureau of City Committee of Russian Communist Federation, which bureau educates and sends out agitators and propagandists to all sections of New York and vicinity. A notice to this effect appeared in the Novyi Mir for Nov. 11th, 1919.
- Charkavy, T. Secretary of Ukrainian Federation, Communist Party, 93 Grand St., Brooklyn, and delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of East-

ern States, Nov. 2, 1919.

- **Castrel [Costrell, Hyman]** Very active in Jewish Communist Federation.
- **Dacks** On Executive Committee of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- **Dudarik** Of Brooklyn. Speaker.
- Durdella, M. In August 1919, candidate for delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago, Sept. 1st, and on Nov. 2nd, 1919, delegate to Ukrainian Convention of Eastern States.
- Dmitrishyn, A. (see files) Speaker and traveling organizer for Ukrainian Federation — one of the leaders. Headquarters either at 222 E 5th St. or at new party headquarters, Bohemian National Hall, East 72nd St., NY.
- **Dzierzevga, Albina** On committee of Polish Branch, 323 E 12th St.
- Edelstein, Emanuel On Executive Committee of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx; also on Committee of Propaganda and Education.
- Fraina, Louis Speaker, author, and leader of Communist Party. Was Editor of *Revolutionary Age* at Boston, then Editor of *Communist*. International delegate from Communist Party of America to 3rd International in Moscow. Delegate to Russian Federation Convention in Detroit, August 1919, and delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago, Sept. 1st. One of the framers of original Left Wing Manifesto (see files).
- **Finzer (or Finger)** Elected to Agitation Committee of German Language Group, CLP, which meets in NYC.
- Flaschl, Paul On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- Froeherg, John 114 W 127th St., NY. Secretary of Estonian Workers Propaganda Club.

- Funk, Ernestine On Committee of German Language Group, CLP
- **Furnansky, N.** Organizer of Harlem Jewish Branch, CLP.
- Frigind, M. 220 E 17th St., NY. Secretary, Russian-Ukrainian Branch #5, NY.
- Gelibter, P. Speaker at Manhattan Lyceum May 2, 1919, and member of New York Jewish Downtown Branch, Communist Party, which sent him as delegate of to Convention of Jewish Federation in Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919.
- **Giltzik** [Hiltzik, Harry] Speaker for Jewish Communist Federation.
- **Ginzburg** Financial Secretary of 6th A.D., Brooklyn.
- **Glauberman, Dr.** Treasurer of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx; also on Executive Committee of 4 there.
- Gorshin, I. Speaker at 1010 Flushing Ave., Brooklyn, on April 24, 1919.
- **Grilikhes (or Griliches)** Active in Russian Federation and took active part in convention of Sept. 1918 in NY. During that time also head of Russian Club at 33 Second Ave., NY.
- **Gross, B.** Recording Secretary, 13th—19th A.D., Brooklyn.
- **Gurevich** [Hourwich, Nicholas] Active in Russian Federation. Convention of Sept. 1918, was on Committee of Organization and Charter, also on Committee of Resolutions.
- **Gitlow, B.** Speaker, editor, writer, organizer, and one of the leaders of the Communist Labor Party. Member of National Labor Council of Party. (See files for speeches). Just previous to arrest by Lusk Committee was to tour country and institute shop committees.

- **Golembievska, J.** Delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2nd, 1919.
- **Garvot, M.** Delegate from Harlem Branch, Jewish Communist Federation, 46 E 104th St. to Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919.
- Haimowitz, Bob On Executive Committee and Committee of Membership 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx. Also a well known speaker in Milk and Drug Clerks' strikes in New York. Has jail record.
- Hammer, Dr. J. Now employed by Martens. Speaker at meeting of Nov. 7, 1919, held to celebrate Second Anniversary of Russian Soviet Republic. Was also, during August 1919, on Committee of 15 which adopted original LW Manifesto.
- Hepshman, John 1277 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn. Officer of Communist Party at 957 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn.
- Herman, August Representative of the Russian Federation on Executive Committee of "Society for Helping Soviet Russia."
- Horowitz, Fannie In August 1919 was on Committee of 15 which adopted Left Wing Manifesto; also was candidate for delegate to Chicago convention, Sept. 1st.
- Halpern Branch #3, Bronx. Delegate from there to Jewish Communist Federation Convention in Philadelphia.
- Hennig, Johannes On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- Harkaviy, T. Secretary of Ukrainian Communist Party, Local 42, Brooklyn, NY.
- Herbst, Samuel 824 Dawson St., Bronx. Organizer of Branch #3, 1333 Wilkins Ave., Bronx, and delegate from there to Jewish Federation Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12th, 1919

- Hiltzik, Harry [See also: Giltzik] Organizer of Jewish Branch, Communist Party, #202 East Broadway, NY, and delegate from there to Jewish Communist Convention, Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919. In August 1919 was on committee of 15 which adopted Left Wing Manifesto, also was delegate (candidate for) to Communist Convention, Chicago, Sept. 1.
- Hourwich, Mrs. D. 229 E 21st St., Apt. 22. Novyi Mir states she is a lecturer for the Communist Party of America.
- Hourwich, Nicholas [see also: Gurevich] Leader of the Russian Federation of the Communist Party in NY and now editor of *Novyi Mir.* In August 1919 was a candidate for delegate to the Chicago convention, also on committee which adopted the original Left Wing Manifesto. Is Vice Chairman of the Jewish Communist Federation and was also the delegate from Branch #1, New York, to the Russian Convention in Detroit, August 1919. Is known as a speaker and writer of ability. Secretary of the New York City Committee of the Communist Party.
- Hubscher, Auguste On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- Hrubnik, H. Organizer of the 4th Russian Branch, Brooklyn.
- Ignatiuk Active in Ukrainian Communist Federation.
- Jakira (or Yakira) Lectured Nov. 30th, 1919, at 1538 Madison Ave. Is now employed in office of Martens (see files) in charge of distributing propaganda.
- Jukelis Speaker for Lithuanian Communist Federation. (See files for previous record). Spoke Nov. 9th, 1919, at Schenectady and Amsterdam, NY.
- Kanner, David Financial Secretary of the 14th A.D., Brooklyn.

- **Kozlovsky** Elected chairman for next session of Jewish Communist Federation.
- **Kasulovsky** (same as above?) Representative of Polish Branches on Executive Committee of "Society for Helping Soviet Russia."
- **Kibrick** On Committee of Education and Propaganda, 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx.
- Knishnik, D. 255 Pennsylvania Ave., Brooklyn. At Russian Federation Convention Sept. 1919 was one of 4 secretaries elected. Was also on management committee of *Novyi Mir...*
- Kissell Member of Executive Committee of Ukrainian Federation and during 1918 a paid, traveling organizer. (See reports N-100, 1918).
- Kramer, Samuel On Committee of Education and Propaganda of 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx. Also Recording Secretary of these branches [*sic.*].
- **Kulmatitzky, Ol.** Officer of new Ukrainian Communist Federation at Bohemian National Hall, E 72nd St.
- **Kahn, M.** Speaker, Dec. 6, 1919, at 442 E 149th St., Estonian Branch.
- Kutcher Delegate from NY to the Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- Kapel, E. 14th A.D., Jewish Communist Federation, 350 E 81st St. Delegate to Philadelphia Conference, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919.
- Kruchkivna, Anna On Committee of Polish Branch, 323 E 12th St.
- Kruger, Fritz Member of the German Language Group, CLP and speaker at celebration of Revolution, Nov. 7th [1919] at Hungarian Workers' Hall, 350 E 81st Street.
- Krug, E. Editor of new Ukrainian Communist [CLP] paper *Nash Shliakh*, 407 E 5th St., NY.

- Kultchitzky [Kulchitsky] New York delegate to the Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- Konowalczuik Organizer of Branch #9, 350 E 81st St. (or 424 W 49th St.).
- Ladan, P. In August 1919 was candidate for delegate to Chicago [CPA] convention Sept. 1st. Is now Translator-Secretary of the Polish (?) [Ukrainian] Federation at Chicago but was previously active in New York.
- Larkin, James (see files) Communist Labor Party.
- Lipschitz, Ben Now organizer of 8th A.D. Jewish Communist Federation, 122 Second Ave. Was delegate to convention in Philadelphia Oct. 9 to 12, 1919. In August 1919 was candidate for delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago, Sept. 1st.
- Lindgren, Edward In August 1919 on Committee of 15 which adopted Left Wing Manifesto. Speaker Nov. 7, 1919, in NY. Now serving on National Executive Committee of CLP. Recently head of move to combine both parties (See Volkszeitung). Active in Brooklyn. Recent notice in paper: "All money and contributions for the defense of Political Prisoners is to be sent to E. Lindgren, 957 Willoughby Ave."
- Lipa Delegate from Russian Branch #9, NY to Russian Communist Convention in Detroit, August 1919. Made report on condition of branch there.
- Lindwasser, Wolf Candidate for delegate to Communist Convention, Chicago, Sept. 1, 1919. Now Financial Secretary of Jewish Branch, Communist Party.
- Litvinovich, L. Formerly head of Ansonia, Conn. branch of Russian Federation. One of 4 secretaries elected at Russian Federation Convention in NY, Sept. 1918; was also candidate there for Secretary of Federation. Now Secretary of Commu-

nist Party Branch at 207 E 10th St., NY.

- Lore, Ludwig Head of the German Communists. Editor of *Volkszeitung*; also Editor of English *Class Struggle*. Member of Committee of German Language Group, Communist Labor Party.
- Lowenstein Speaker at mass meeting dedicated to Communist Party, Sept. 27, 1919, at 66 E 4th St.
- Lowczuk, S. Secretary of Russian Branch #5, Brooklyn.
- Lovestone, Jay On Committee of Education and Propaganda, 2nd—4th A.D., Bronx. Also active at 207 E 10th St., NY.
- Levine, S. #57 W 112nd St. Financial Secretary of Harlem Jewish Branch, CP.
- Latker, J. Recording Secretary of Harlem Jewish Branch.
- Latkin, A. Delegate from Harlem Jewish Branch, 45 E 104th St., to Philadelphia Convention of Federation, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919.
- MacAlpine, Eadmonn (Now in Ireland.)
- Martinson, M. Secretary of Estonian Branch, Communist Party.
- Metz, Della Recording Secretary, 14th A.D., Brooklyn, CP. Also delegate to Jewish Communist Federation Conference at Philadelphia, Oct. 9th [1919], from 350 E 81st St., NY
- Michels, N. 63 Purdy St., LIC. Organizer for NY State. Reported on NY state situation at District Committee of German Language Group of [Northeastern States?] on Oct. 25, 1919.
- Miller Traveling agitator and organizer for Polish Federation. Chairman of mass meeting of Communist Party, Sept. 27th [1919] at 66 E 4th St.
- Mislig, Dr. A. Treasurer of Russian Federation and

of Novyi Mir. See files.

- Missin, A. 55 Cumberland St., Brooklyn. Member of General Executive Board of Lettish [Latvian] Branch Communist Party.
- **Murdock, Johanna** On Committee of German Language Group, Communist Labor Party.
- Nessim, Maurice S. Candidate in August for delegate to Chicago [CPA] Convention. See file on arrest.
- Neufeld, H. Organizer, 13th—19th A.D., Brooklyn, Communist Party.
- **Oblonsky, J.** Secretary of Communist Party of US. (What Federation?)
- **Ortland, Henry** On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- **Osadchuk, E.** Delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- **Ovscievitch, M.** Organizer of Jewish Branch of Brownsville, Communist Party.
- **Ovsieff** Organizer, Jewish Left Wing, Brooklyn, during Aug. 1919.
- **Paleychuk** Delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- **Palmer** Head of Estonian Federation in NY and connected with paper *Uus Il*m.
- Paul, Maurice L. Myrtle & Cypress Aves., Brooklyn. Res. 2545 Cooper Ave., Brooklyn. Employed by Simon Cooper, #30 Church St., NY. Was delegate with Ben Gitlow and Maximilian Cohen, on June 8, 1919, to NY Left Wing Conference at Albany.
- Pauly, Albert Secretary of Socialist Party of Kings [County] during latter part of 1918, at 957 Willoughby Ave. Residence 882 Greene Ave.

- Pengoska, Anton German Language Group, CLP. Speaker at Celebration of 2nd Anniversary of Russian Revolution on Nov. 7th [1919] at Hungarian Workers' Home, 350 E 81st St.
- Pikulnik Secretary of NY Branch #9 at 350 E 81st St., or 424 W 39th St.
- **Pitlar, A.** Delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2nd [1919].
- Pitlar, Kost Chairman of Ukrainian Communist mass meeting recently, and Business Manager of *Robitnyk*, 225 E 5th St.
- **Pitlar, P.** Delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2nd [1919].
- Platkin Delegate to Jewish Communist Federation Convention from Branch #3, Bronx, on Oct. 9th to 12th, 1919.
- **Pokhadnia** Delegate to Russian Communist Federation at Detroit, August 1919, from Russian Branch #7, New York.
- **Popov** Delegate from NY to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- **Rabinowitz, J.** Recording Secretary of 8th A.D., Communist Party.
- Radzinovich Active in Russian Federation. Took part in Russian Federation Convention, Sept. 1918, being on Committee of Grievances, also Committee of Organization and Charter.
- **Rappaport, H.** Financial Secretary of Jewish Branch #2, Bronx, Communist Party.
- **Reed, John** International delegate of Communist Labor Party. (see files)
- **Reskin, J.** Organizer, Jewish Branch #1, Bronx.
- **Rosenblatt, Max** German Language Group of Communist Labor Party.

- **Rubenstein, B.** Financial Secretary of Jewish Branch #3, Wilkins Ave., Bronx.
- **Rubin, Sam** Organizer of 2nd—4th A.D. Bronx branches [sic.]. Note — this man keeps the records of these branches.
- Sheinman, Julius Delegate from Jewish Branch #2, Bronx, to Jewish Communist Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9 to 12, 1919. Lives 505 W 146th St. and is organizer of Branch #2 mentioned, at 371 Willis Ave.
- Sheloibsky, A. Delegate from Borough Park Branch, Jewish Communist Federation, to convention at Philadelphia, Oct. 9th to 12th, 1919.
- Shevchuk, J. A Ukrainian Communist arrested Nov. 7th [1919].
- Shurakiwsky, I. Delegate to District Ukrainian Conference of Eastern Branches on Nov. 2nd, 1919.
- **Siegel, Henry** On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- Skulsky, W. Delegate from Stapleton, NY to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- Slobodzian, N. Delegate from NY to the Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
- **Sobelevski, P.** Financial Secretary of the New Ukrainian Communist Federation, Bohemian National Hall, E 72nd St.
- **Stokes, Rose Pastor** Prominent author, lecturer, and organizer of Communist Party. Was delegate to the Detroit Convention of Russian Federation in Detroit in August 1919.
- **Stoklitsky** [Alexander] Now Translator-Secretary of the Russian Federation, Chicago. Spends much time in New York City. (see files)

- Salant, Max In Aug. 1919 candidate for delegate to Communist Convention in Chicago. Active at 8th A.D. Jewish Communist Federation, 122 Second Ave., NY. Was a delegate to the Communist Federation (Jewish) Conference in Philadelphia, Oct. 9th to 12th [1919].
- Samdleifer, W. NY Jewish Downtown Branch. Delegate to Jewish Federation Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9th to 12th [1919].
- Sarchin, S. 6th A.D. Jewish Communist Federation. Delegate to Jewish Communist Conference in Philadelphia, Oct. 9th to 12th, 1919.
- Sattler, Otto Announced he will open lectures of the German Branches, Yorkville, Communist Labor Party, 214 E 86th St.
- Savitsky, F. Speaker of the New Ukrainian Communist Federation. Spoke Oct. 13, 1919 at Bohemian National Hall, E 72nd St.
- Schneider, R. Recording Secretary of Jewish Branch, Communist Party, Brownsville branch.
- Schuler, Paul On Committee, German Language Group of Communist Labor Party.

Schneider, Thomas — Ditto.

- Senn, Alexis Representative of the Lithuanian Federation on the Executive Committee of Society for Helping Soviet Russia.
- **Skorupsky** Organizer of the 6th A.D. Branch, Brooklyn.
- **Thomaser, E.** Lecturer for the German Communist Labor branches. Speech a Karl Liebknecht Branch, 363 Prospect Ave., Brooklyn.
- **Tkachuk** Speaker for the Ukrainian Federation (Sept. 15, 1919 at 90 Clinton St.).
- Tyverovsky, Oscar Address: Aurora Apartments, 1567 Fulton Ave., Bronx, or care Millstein, 1570

Washington Ave., Bronx. Very important member of Russian Communist Federation. Is at present time Secretary of the Communist Federation of New York in executive and financial capacity. During 1918 played prominent part in Russian Federation, and at convention of Sept. 1918 in NY was chairman of the 2nd, 5th, 8th, and 11th sessions, being also on Committee of Resolution, and on Committee of Management of *Novyi Mir*. Made many trips around East and Middle West during 1918, organizing and carrying propaganda to branches. Note — at present time has private mailbox on doorway (outside) leading into the *Novyi Mir* office at 113 E 10th St.

- Tzap, T. Brooklyn. Was delegate to Ukrainian District Conference of Eastern States, Nov. 2, 1919.
 Was also arrested during Lusk Committee raid, Nov. 7, 1919.
- **Vashchishin, A.** Organizer, in charge of meeting of Ukrainian Communist Federation held Bohemian Hall, E 72nd St., Oct. 13, 1919.
- Vesolovski, N. Secretary of Branch #33, Ukrainian Communist Federation, Hicksville, LI, NY.
- **Vollgraf, Rudolph** On Committee of German Language Group, CLP.
- Volodin Res. 503 W 138th St., care Rose. Formerly Business Manager of the *Novyi Mir*.
- **Vozny, Ch.** Organizer and Secretary of Branch 23, Ukrainian Federation, Communist Party.
- Wagenknecht, A. Of Brooklyn. National Secretary of Communist Labor Party. Very important.
- Weinstein, Gregory Formerly editor of *Novyi Mir* and leader of the Russian Federation. Now serving on the staff of L.C.A.K. Martens. Is now also Associate Editor of English *Class Struggle*. Many speeches in NY. (see files)

- Weinstein, J. Organizer of 6th A.D., Brooklyn, Communist Party.
- Welfand, J. Branch #1, Jewish Communist Federation. Claremont Parkway and Washington Aves., Bronx. Delegate to Jewish Federation Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9th to 12th, 1919.
- Winick, A. Financial Secretary, Branch #1, Jewish Communist Federation. Claremont Parkway and Washington Aves., Bronx. Also delegate to Jewish Federation Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 9th, 1919.
- Winitsky, Harry #207 E 10th St. A very important member of the Communist Party. One of two Secretaries of Greater New York Communist Party.
- Winter, Henry On Committee of German Language Group, CLP; also speaker Dec. 3, 1919 at Yorkville branch, 218 E 85th St.
- Wolfe, Bertram D. Associate Editor of *Communist World*. (see Lusk Committee's record of)
- Zack Recording Secretary of Jewish Branch #1, Bronx, Communist Party.
- Zarkin, J. Recording Secretary of 6th A.D., Brooklyn, Communist Party.
- Zefus, Isidore Organizer, 14th A.D., Brooklyn, Communist Party.
- Zucker, Dr. Max [Morris] Brooklyn. Speaker and active worker. Under indictment Espionage Act. Chairman of meeting Nov. 7th and Dec. 3rd, 1919. Active in Russian 4th Branch, Brooklyn.

(Additional names of active workers to be sent in supplemental reports as they appear).

Branches Outside of Greater New York.

Cortland, NY.

Headquarters #4 Crawford Street.

Hastings on Hudson.

Headquarters #118 Railroad Ave. Secretary — K. Kutas Organizer — A. Viskun

Endicott, NY.

Secretary — Oleshtiena

Hicksville, LI, NY.

Ukrainian Branch #33

Delegates to Ukrainian District Conference, Nov. 2, 1919: P. Humeniak, L. Leshthchuk. Speaker — Ilkov

Olean, NY.

Secretary — N. Klish

Stapleton, SI, NY.

Delegate to Conference, Nov. 2, 1919: N. Fedorishin

Utica, NY.

Financial Secretary — I. Holak Committee Member — G. Dubchak Treasurer — A. Litzkevitch

Yonkers, NY.

#23 Palisade Avenue
Secretary — Romanovsky
Financial Secretary — C. Belnik, 110 Riverdale Ave.
Organizers: Tzubin, Wolkoff, Ashkinadzi.
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