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DISPATCH NO. WFFA-3439



TO : Chief, FBI

DATE: 8 November 1969

FROM : Chief, Paris Station *WAS*

SUBJECT: GENERAL: *O* John Augustus McVICKAR, Jr.
SPECIFIC: *201-33608*

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1. Subject is presently employed in Paris by Trans World Airline in the capacity of Special Sales Representative. He is well known to Douglas G. HARE and Eleanor T. HARTWELL, the former having known him socially for a number of years and the latter having dealt with him on transportation problems since his appointment, fifteen months ago, to the position he now occupies with TWA.

2. Subject is also a long-time friend of UNMOVED, who brought him to our attention as a potential recruit and who has provided us with the biographical information contained in the attached personal record form No. 51-67.

3. From what I have been able to gather from UNMOVED, as well as from HARE and HARTWELL, subject appears to be the type of individual which might be ideally suited to fulfill certain valuable operational assignments in France, such as "spotter" for other high-level potential agents, high-level contacts, cut-out, etc. All who know him agree that subject is capable of "doing anything and getting to know anyone" if he so chooses. Apparently subject, despite the "trance" which surrounds his perceptible personality, is a serious-minded, intelligent and patriotic individual who has had much experience along lines which could be of use to this organization, as well as an uncanny knack of being able to introduce and ingratiate himself into practically any milieu of interest to his work or wishes. A partial list of subject's fairly close friends, as reported by UNMOVED on Page 8-a of attachment, shows the variety of people subject knows and sees whenever they are in this area. Undoubtedly, subject himself could add a much longer list of names to those reported herein, particularly with respect to contacts in Europe.

4. I am assured by UNMOVED that subject, despite his ability to make and keep numerous and varied friendships, is far from being a "good time Charlie". He is, on the other hand, one of those characters whom everyone likes and trusts and who goes out of their way to see as often as occasion permits. UNMOVED assures me that subject is a particularly good friend

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of Alberto LOUERO (the Argentine shipping magnate) and who is living in France at the present time.

5. It is our thought that perhaps subject's unique personality and in the cover job he now occupies could be exploited to advantage by this Station and the organization as a whole. Subject has absolute freedom of movement outside France (usually by TWA), entree into practically any milieu his assignments might require and is known to be an intelligent, hard-working and patriotic individual.

6. On a recent tour of inspection of the TWA circuit, Warren L. PIERSON, Chairman of the Board of TWA, assured subject he would endeavor to secure for him an additional allotment of funds to supplement his present expense account budget. Due to budgetary restrictions this has not been possible and subject is at present seeking another more remunerative position, since he claims that his present income of approximately \$666.00 monthly (including expense account) is insufficient to permit him to live in Paris and maintain the contacts and activity required by his job. According to UNKNOWN, subject is at present endeavoring to secure from his good friend Benjamin KATZ (President of the Gruen Watch Co.) the sales agency for Gruen watches in Europe. Meanwhile, however, subject is not contemplating resigning his position with TWA until he has a firm and more remunerative position. UNKNOWN states that subject plans to remain with TWA at least until the end of the year, by which time he may have secured something better. Subject has also had talks with James A. FARLEY (on his recent trip to France) concerning the possibility of handling the Coca-Cola agency here. Nothing has come of this possibility to date, but subject appears to be hopeful.

7. UNKNOWN is of the opinion that subject would be most receptive to a proposition of doing intelligence work and furthermore believes that if subject could supplement his present income by an additional \$200 or \$300 per month, he would be willing to remain with TWA, which he likes and is only considering leaving due to his present low total income, much of which is spent in connection with activities required by his position.

8. UNKNOWN has, of course, never even hinted to subject anything about his own undercover activities and is sure subject does not suspect that the former is doing anything but his cover work in France. UNKNOWN, when questioned as to his opinion concerning subject's potential value as a covert agent, as well as his recruitability, has pointed out very strongly that subject, due to the very nature of his personality, must be given a good deal of operational guidance and be closely controlled. Questioned as to whether some other individual should endeavor to recruit subject, UNKNOWN was of the opinion that, should the organization desire to do so, he would be best fitted to exploit subject's potential, since

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1. FULL NAME, IN NORMAL SEQUENCE.
John Augustus McVickar, Jr.
2. NAME IN NATIVE SCRIPT OR OTHER APPROPRIATE CHARACTERS.
3. NAME AT BIRTH (if different from No. 1).
Same
4. ALL ALIASES (give brief statement of time and place of use):
(Include Nicknames - Legal Changes).
No aliases. Nickname - "Johnny"
5. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH.
12 February 1909. Long Island, N. Y., U.S.A.
6. NATIONALITY, ALSO RACE (if appropriate),
U.S.
7. NATIONALITY AT BIRTH (if different from No. 6). INCLUDE ALL NATIONALITIES HELD.
Same as above
8. PRESENT RESIDENCE (Is he owner, tenant, sub-tenant. At whose home does he live? Telephone?).
28 Avenue Montaigne, Paris, France.
Tenant on a monthly basis, subletting from one Fred McAvoy, an Australian.
Telephone: ELY 46-65
9. PERMANENT ADDRESS (if different than present residence).
None
10. PRESENT OCCUPATION (Give full title, indication as to earnings, etc.).
Special Sales Representative for Trans World Airline in Paris.
In addition to Paris, sales territory includes the Benelux countries.
Earnings, including salary, living allowance and expense account, total approximately \$666.00 monthly.
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11. FATHER'S FULL NAME, NATIONALITY AT BIRTH, PRESENT NATIONALITY, PLACE OF BIRTH, PRESENT RESIDENCE.

Father was born in U.S. and has always held U.S. citizenship. Formerly a member of U.S. Foreign Service. Living at present in retirement on Long Island, N.Y. in the home of his second son, Theodore McVIKAR.
Name: John Augustus McVIKAR.

12. MOTHER'S FULL NAME, NATIONALITY AT BIRTH, PRESENT NATIONALITY, PLACE OF BIRTH, PRESENT RESIDENCE.

U.S. citizen at birth. Now deceased.

13. HUSBAND/WIFE: FULL NAME (include maiden name of wife); NATIONALITY AT BIRTH, PLACE OF BIRTH.

Ruth Maxwell Warner McVIKAR, nee Ruth Maxwell.
U.S. citizen from birth. Born in St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A.

CAT: USA P.B. USA, Missouri,
ST. LOUIS

6: France, Paris

wife of

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14. (a) WHEN AND WHERE MARRIED.

John Augustus

MONTAIGNE

- (b) NAME CHILDREN, AGE, NATIONALITY, RESIDENCE

John Augustus, JR.

- (a) 2 June, 1949 at Alexandria, Virginia

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- (b) One daughter by a previous marriage. Barbara McVIKAR, U.S. citizen, aged 19, now living with remarried mother in San Francisco, California.

15. NAMES OF BROTHERS/SISTERS, AGES, NATIONALITY, RESIDENCE.

Two brothers - Theodore and Rolph McVIKAR, and one sister, Dorothea DAWSON.
All U.S. citizens and all living in U.S.

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16. IF SUBJECT, PARENTS, OR HUSBAND/WIFE NATURALIZED, GIVE DATE AND NAME IN WHICH CERTIFICATE WAS GRANTED.

None

17. LIST OFFICIAL IDENTITY PAPERS HELD BY SUBJECT.

U.S. Passport No. 227
French Identity Card
U.S. Social Security No. 091-09-6137

18. GIVE PRESENT AND/OR PAST OFFICIAL CONNECTION WITH ANY GOVERNMENT.

None

19. GIVE CONNECTIONS WITH ANY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE, PAST OR PRESENT. HAS SUBJECT EVER BEEN A DOUBLE AGENT? HAS SUBJECT EVER BEEN CONSIDERED THE TYPE OF AGENT WHO SELLS HIS INFORMATION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER? EXPLAIN.

In 1941-1942, while Assistant General Manager of the Hotel Pierre in New York, furnished information regularly to the FBI concerning persons living in the hotel in whom the Agency was interested. This service was requested by the Agency and no payment was involved.

20. RELIGION, AND DEGREE PRACTICED. (Membership in Religious Orders.).

Protestant. Infrequent attendant at Church.

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21. POLITICAL ORIENTATION. TO WHAT CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, LABOR UNIONS, PARTIES, OR SOCIETIES HAS HE BELONGED?

Republican. Never a member of any club, organization, union, party or society.

22. SOCIAL STANDING (Aristocracy, upper middle-class, lower middle-class, peasantry, etc.).

UPPER MIDDLE CLASS

23. RECORD OF TRAVEL - OUTSIDE OF COUNTRY OF PRESENT RESIDENCE. (Under Purpose, list pertinent firms and people visited.).

Country	Purpose of trip	Dates
France	As a member of the Raymond-Whitcomb Cruise Operating Staff while employed by that company (See Employment History)	1932 - 1939
British Isles		
Germany		
Holland		
Norway		
Sweden		
Denmark		
The West Indies	With American Red Cross (See Employment History)	1942 - 1944
Brazil		
Australia		
New Guinea		
Philippine Islands		

All youth spent in Europe with family, Father being in the United States Foreign Service.

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24. EDUCATION.

<u>Name of School</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Dates</u>
St. Bernard's, New York, U.S.A.			
Harvey School, Paris, France			
McJannet School, St. Cloud, s/o, France	-	No college education.	

25. LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS (Check proficiency).

(a) <u>Language</u>	<u>Read</u> Good-Fair-Poor	<u>Speak</u> Good-Fair-Poor	<u>Understand</u> Good-Fair-Poor
French	Good	Good	Good

(b) ARE HIS LANGUAGE ABILITIES AND OTHER CHARACTERISTICS SUCH THAT HE COULD PASS HIMSELF OFF AS A NATIVE TO A COUNTRY OR REGION OTHER THAN HIS OWN?

Possibly. French is fluent, having been spoken since childhood, but accent might be noted and typical American appearance and mannerisms difficult to disguise.

26. MILITARY SERVICE: Country, Organization, Rank, nature of duty, where service was performed, when discharged, why?

U.S. Red Cross. Club Director. Service in Australia, New Guinea, Philippines. (See Employment History)

27. PRESENT OR PAST MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL AND CHARITABLE SOCIETIES:

None

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28. LIST SPECIAL SKILLS, HOBBIES AND ABILITIES. (Radio, Photography, etc.).
No hobbies. Special ability lies in salesmanship and the establishment and maintenance of personal contacts necessary to career.

29. FINANCIAL STATUS: (Earnings, Bank Accounts, Securities, Property).

Paid approximately \$666.00 monthly by Trans World Airline.
Bank account with Chemical Bank and Trust Company of New York.
No property or securities outside of Life Insurance Policies.

30. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY. (Include type of work done, dates, employers, and addresses.)

Business career began in Europe. Brought up in France and speaking French, was appointed, at the age of 18, General Sales Agent for numerous American products including Jantzen Bathing Suits, Three-In-One Oil, the Franklin Motor Car and the Le Baron Motor Car. Successful with these lines, later became General Sales Agent in France for Duesenberg Motor Cars and the Packard Motor Car Company. Almost immediately after taking on Packard sales he accepted a proposition to work exclusively for the Packard Motor Car Co. Remained with the company in Paris for two years, or until early in 1931. Was then sent to the United States by the company to handle Packard sales in Buffalo, New York where he remained until the autumn of 1932.

At that time he was approached by Raymond-Whitcomb Inc., a leading American travel company, specializing in deluxe tours and cruises, and asked to take over sales in the New York Office due to his knowledge of Europe and his contacts in Europe and the United States who were potential customers for high priced travel offerings. He went to work in the company's principal sales office at 670 Fifth Avenue and remained there until 1940. The travel business became so severely restricted after the outbreak of war in Europe that Raymond-Whitcomb Inc. was obliged to close most of its offices. Sales were at a standstill and, as he was working by his own choice on a commission basis, it was necessary for him to leave. During his eight-year tenure with Raymond-Whitcomb Inc. he wrote on an average of \$500,000 worth of business yearly by himself.

After leaving Raymond-Whitcomb Inc., he took a position as Assistant General Manager of the St. Regis Hotel in New York and subsequently transferred to the Hotel Pierre in the same capacity. He remained at the Hotel Pierre until 1942.

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31. DESCRIPTION (Use American Standards of measurement).

AGE	40	POSTURE	Erect
APPARENT AGE	40	WEIGHT	153 lbs.
HEIGHT	5'10"	TEETH	Good - even
EYES	Grey	HAIR	Brown - thick
FACE-SHAPE	Round	SCARS	None
COMPLEXION	Fair		
SEX	Male	BUILD	Thick set
GENERAL APPEARANCE			

PROMINENT FEATURES None

DISFIGUREMENTS None

PERSONAL HABITS Normal

ANY TRAITS WHICH DISTINGUISH FROM OTHERS HAVING
SAME GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

No

32. HAS SUBJECT DONE ANY WRITING? GIVE DETAILS.

None

33. WAS HE EVER A PRISONER OF WAR? GIVE DETAILS.

No

34. WITH WHAT PEOPLE OR GROUPS DOES HE MOST OFTEN ASSOCIATE? (List several).

Associates most often in France with the "international set", wealthy and prominent persons of all nationalities, many of whom are my customers for air transportation and most of whom are friends of long standing. In the U.S., his contacts include persons of high social position and leaders in business and industry. This has been brought about partly by the nature of his work in selling deluxe transportation on two continents and partly by family background and early life in Europe.

(See Page 3a for a limited list of persons with whom subject associates)

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30. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY. (Continued)

Attempting to volunteer for service in the U.S. Armed Forces he was turned down as being overweight. He then approached the U. S. Red Cross, was accepted, and sent immediately to Sidney, Australia as manager of the U.S. Officers' Club in that city. Subsequently, he served in New Guinea, and in Leyte and Manila in the Philippines.

After two and a half years overseas he became eligible for discharge and made application to return to the United States. He went directly to Washington D.C. upon his arrival to operate there the War Service Bureau of the American Optical Company. The Bureau handled that company's business relations with foreign governments and aided implementation of U.S. Army, Navy and Air Corps contracts.

With the war over and the War Service Bureau about to close, he refused a position with the American Optical Company Sales Division, to re-enter the Transportation field. He joined a newly-formed airline called Transair Inc., at that time one of the leading charter companies.

Due to the uncertain position of charter lines within the aviation industry he decided to accept an offer made to him by American Airlines to go to Europe as District Traffic Manager for Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg with headquarters in Amsterdam. He remained with American Overseas Airlines until he had an opportunity to transfer to Trans World Airline which made it possible for him to return to Paris as Special Sales Representative, covering large corporations, government accounts and the motion picture industry. He has now been with Trans World Airline in Paris for fifteen months.

For verification of his employment history the following persons are offered as references. Both are familiar with his business career and have known him personally for years. As is indicated by the above he has been employed by both.

Henry S. WOODBRIDGE
Wardman Park Hotel
Washington, D.C.

Formerly General Manager of Raymond-Whitcomb Inc.
Now Assistant to the President, American Optical
Company.

Warren Lee PIERSON

Chairman of the Board
Trans World Airline, New York, N.Y.

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POTENTIAL LIST OF PERSONAL CONTACTS.

United States:

David Rockefeller
Alfred Oaynn Vanderbilt
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tibbets (Metropolitan Opera)
Spyros Skouras (20th Century Fox)
Robert Topping
Daniel Topping
John Topping
John Ringling North
Baron George Fraugel
Dr. Herman Baruch (ex U.S. Ambassador to the Netherlands)
John Snyder (Secretary of the Treasury)
General Carlos Romulo (Philippines)
Serge Chlensky
Warren Lee Pierson (Chairman of Board - FWA)
James A. Farley (ex-Postmaster General)
George B. Wells (ex-President - American Optical)
Mancy Oakes Marigny
Cesar Holcomb (Mayor of Houston, Texas)
Dorothy Spreckels (San Francisco sugar heiress)
Adolph Spreckels
Benjamin Eatz (President - Green Watch Co.)

France:

Dean Frederick Beekman (American Pro. Cathedral, Paris)
Alberto Dodero (South American shipping magnate)
Baron and Baroness von Seidlitz.
Andre Dubonnet
Pepo Herrera (Venezuelan Minister to Sweden)
Ralph M. Strassburger

A complete list, even of closest contacts, is difficult to compile. It includes well-known persons in the moving picture industry, newspaper people, hotel executives, transportation executives, persons high in government service and in the financial world. Few men have as wide a circle of friends and acquaintances throughout the world.

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OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA: AIR
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DISPATCH NO. WFF-3724

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TO : Chief, FIM

DATE: 15 December 1949

FROM : Chief, Paris Station

SUBJECT: GENERAL: John Augustus McVICKAR, Jr.

SPECIFIC: PARI-4214

201-33408

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1. We regret that circumstances beyond our control prompted us to dispatch PARI-4214 on the off chance that Subject might be of sufficient interest to you as a potential candidate for recruitment, thus bringing to a head a question which normally would have followed its course through the mill. In this case, however, due to Subject's alleged resignation from TWA, we felt that a cable such as the one we dispatched was justified, due to the fact that unless some quick action is taken, Subject will definitely leave his present job with TWA and seek employment elsewhere.

2. On 10 December, Subject had luncheon with HARE and unloaded all his financial troubles. In a casual way HARE asked him if by any chance he would be willing to stay on at TWA if his salary were supplemented. Subject took eagerly to this possibility, since it is well-known that Subject likes his job and desires very much to remain, but is resigning merely for financial reasons. In consultation with UNWYD and HARE, both of whom know Subject well, it is apparent that probably \$300 monthly would allow Subject to decide to stay with TWA, provided we are sufficiently interested in recruiting him for intelligence activities.

3. Attached hereto is UNWYD's latest report on Subject, dated 8 December, and prepared prior to HARE's luncheon with Subject. There seems to be some question as to whether Subject has actually submitted his resignation to TWA in writing. According to UNWYD, he has, whereas Subject denied this to HARE. In any event, it is well known in Paris that Subject is taking terminal leave at present, prior to leaving TWA.

4. We now await your reaction as to whether you feel that in principle McVICKAR is worth recruiting. It is too early, not having had specific and detailed talks with McVICKAR, to submit a project outline, but all here are agreed that the organization could benefit considerably by Subject's extensive contacts in all countries of Western Europe.

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201-33408
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6 December, 1949

Subject: McVICKAR, JOHN AUGUSTUS JR.

Address: 28 Avenue Montaigne Paris

Telephone: ELY 46-65

Subject is quitting his position as traffic representative with Trans World Airline as of 31 December, 1949. In August, 1949, subject advised his superiors, including WARREN LEE PIERSON, Chairman of the Board of TWA and a personal friend, that he could not continue unless a larger salary and a more liberal expense account were forthcoming. He was informed in due course by Vice President COCKE that it was impossible for the company to give him more money within the present wage structure. Subject thereafter decided to seek other employment. On or about 15 November subject was advised by Overseas Manager THORNTON that he could proceed to make new arrangements as of the end of the year. Whether subject actually resigned or was asked to terminate his connection due to his repeated demands for more money is not completely clear to the writer.

Overseas Manager THORNTON was never sympathetic with the subject. According to STANLEY MARKUSEN, TWA Overseas Public Relations Director, THORNTON was jealous of subject's popularity. On the other hand, JOHN WIDHILL, Traffic Manager for Paris, and subject's immediate superior, was, and continues to be, his strong supporter. On the basis of business produced WIDHILL has told the writer that subject is the company's most valuable employe overseas. MARKUSEN concurs in that belief.

Subject is highly regarded by OSCAR HOLCOMB and PALMER BRADLEY, directors of TWA. In addition he is a close friend of PIERSON, Chairman of the Board, who engaged him directly in the first place. None of these, however, seem willing to run counter to the economy drive now in progress within TWA sponsored by new President RALPH DANF. Unless there is a last minute change in policy subject's termination will stand.

Subject's future is uncertain. He has been in touch with a friend of his in New York named HARTY DWIGHT. DWIGHT makes frequent business trips to Europe on behalf of his own company which deals in spare parts for airplanes. He has intimated that he might use subject in Europe for six to eight months and then bring him back to the U.S. for employment in Washington. As of the above date DWIGHT has made subject no definite offer but has advised him in a letter seen by the writer not to worry about his future.

Ex-Postmaster General JAMES FARLEY, now with the Coca-Cola Company, was interested recently in hiring subject for work in France but that idea seems now to have been dropped.

CHARLES ROGERS, Paris automobile dealer, has asked subject to work for him but subject has refused.

Subject is hard pressed for money. He has outstanding debts and his salary from TWA, in the vicinity of \$500 monthly, had never been sufficient for his needs. In October, 1949, TWA cut the living allowance paid to employes overseas. According to subject that cost him about \$150. monthly and forced him into debt. Subject was

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To: PARIS ROUTINE
 From: SPECIAL OPERATIONS 15 DEC 49
 Confirmation: FDJ (1-2) OUT 95459
 Information: AOSO (3-4), STB (5), IID (6), STD (7)

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WASH 5370

TO: PARIS CITE: WASHF

RE: PARI 4214 (1n .. '58)

1. ALTHO SUBJECT SOUNDED GOOD IN PRINCIPLE WE UNABLE APPROVE
 REF PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. PRIOR COMPLETION PRELIM FOUR WAY CHECK PROVISIONAL
 CLEARANCE UNOBTAINABLE.

B. EVEN IF CLEARED AND DEFINITE TARGET IN MIND, \$300
 CONSIDERED EXCESSIVE FOR UNTRIED, UNTRAINED (ALTHO WELL PLACED)
 INDIVIDUAL COMPARED OTHER STARTERS.

2. AS RESIGNATION APPEARS FAIT ACCOMPLI WE DO NOT CONSIDER IT
 ADVISABLE ATTEMPT PERSUADE SUBJECT RETAIN PRESENT POST THEREBY
 INCURRING HEAVY MORAL OBLIGATION SUPPORT HIM FOR INDEFINITE PERIOD
 IN FUTURE.

3. NEW COVER SHOULD STILL GIVE SUBJECT LATITUDE OUR WORK IF HE
 REMAINS IN EUROPE. WILL SUBMIT RESULTS CHECK AND REQUEST YOU FORMULATE
 NEW PROPOSAL ON BASIS NEW COVER WHEN WE WILL REEXAMINE AND ADVISE.

R. BOULTON

FILE IN 201-33608
 AS

J. H. LEINGTON

RELEASING OFFICER

ORIGINATING AND COORDINATING OFFICER

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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FROM: PARIS ROUTINE
 To: SPECIAL OPERATIONS 11 DEC 47
 ACTION: FDW (1-2) IN 11158
 INFORMATION: ADSO (3-4), STA (5), STB (6), IID (7)

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PARI 1214

TO: WASHF CITE: PARIF

1. UNMOVED REPORTS SUBJECT WFPB 3489 RESIGNED **FROM TWA** EFFECTIVE 1 JAN.

2. SUBJECT APPEARS OPTIMISTIC RE POSSIBILITY SECURING WORK **IN EUROPE, HQ PARIS, WITH HARVEY DWIGHT, IMPORTANT AIRPLANE SPARE PARTS DEALER.** IF **DWIGHT** CONTACT MATERIALIZES SUBJECT WOULD REMAIN PARIS SIX OR EIGHT MONTHS, THEN RETURN STATES TO WORK **FOR DWIGHT**, POSSIBLY IN WASH.

3. AT LUNCHEON WITH HARE 10 DEC SUBJECT TOLD HARE ALL HIS FINANCIAL TROUBLES AND INDICATED WILLINGNESS REMAIN **TWA** IF INCOME COULD BE SUPPLEMENTED. UNMOVED CONCURS WITH THIS. SUBJECT STATED (RCVD DENXES) TO HARE HE HAD ACTUALLY RESIGNED **FROM TWA**, STATING HE NOW TAKING TERMINAL LEAVE PRIOR TO RESIGNATION.

4. RE WFPB 3032. IN VIEW DEVELOPMENTS ABOVE WE FEEL DECISION ONE WAY OR OTHER OUR PART MUST BE MADE SOONEST. THEREFORE REQUEST PROVISIONAL OPERATIONAL CLEARANCE AND YOUR AUTHORITY APPROACH SUBJECT, IN PRINCIPLE, OFFERING SALARY \$300 MONTHLY, SUBJECT TO FINAL SECURITY CLEARANCE. THIS IN ORDER PERSUADE SUBJECT REMAIN WITH IDEAL **TWA** COVER JOB AT LEAST UNTIL WE MAKE FINAL DECISION.

5. TRUE, IN THIS CASE, IS OF THE ESSENCE.

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DISPATCH NO. NYPA-4114

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TO Chief, FBI

DATE: 10 February 1950

FROM : Chief, Paris Station

SUBJECT: GENERAL: NYPA-3724; HUSH-F370
SPECIFIC:

1. UNKNOWN has just informed me that Subject has definitely decided not to return to Paris and is now staying at the Hotel Stanhope on 5th Ave., New York. UNKNOWN further assures me that Subject is definitely unemployed for the moment and is desperately looking for suitable employment.

2. Apparently Subject has been able to borrow a considerable amount of money, he having sent to his wife who remained behind in Paris a sufficient amount of dollars to cover local debts in French France which Subject had accrued at the various Paris hotels, bars, nightclubs, etc. Subject's wife is at present liquidating all these debts, closing up and returning to the owner the apartment in which they lived and plans to depart for New York to rejoin her husband within a few days.

3. UNKNOWN has also assured me that Subject is very anxious to return to Europe and, if possible, Paris. UNKNOWN has maintained his contacts with other high TWA officials in Paris, who have told him that they are "lost without" Subject and would be very glad to see him back in Paris. It also seems apparent that Subject left TWA under favorable circumstances and would be willing to return (and they would accept him) provided his financial situation were satisfactorily settled.

4. If Subject still interests you, I suggest you endeavor to contact him at his hotel in New York.

DGC:jrs

John Q. Garner
John Q. Garner

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23 November 1949

MEMORANDUM

TO: CSO

FROM: PDM

SUBJECT: Request For Name Check

Name: McVICKAR, John Augustus, Jr.

Nickname: "Johnny"

Present Address: 28 Avenue Montaigne, Paris, France

Date and Place of Birth: 12 February 1909, Long Island, New York

Citizenship: U. S.

Relatives: Father - John Augustus McVikar (sic), U.S. citizen at birth; living at home of Theodore McVikar (sic) on Long Island, New York; former member of U. S. Foreign Service

Mother - U. S. citizen at birth; now deceased

Brothers - Theodore McVikar (sic), living U. S.
Rolph McVikar (sic), living U. S.

Sister - Dorothea Dawson, living U. S.

Wife - Ruth Maxwell Warner McVikar (sic) (nee Ruth Maxwell) born St. Louis, Missouri; U. S. citizen from birth

Daughter - Barbara McVikar (sic), 19 years of age (daughter by previous marriage); living in San Francisco, California, with remarried mother.

Educational Background:

St. Bernard's New York, U. S. A.
Harvey School, Paris, France
McJannet School, St. Cloud, s/o France
no college education

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Present Employments:

Special Sales Representative for Trans World Airlines
in Paris

Previous Employments:

General Sales Agent in France for various American products, including Jantzen Bathing Suits, Three-in-One Oil, the Franklin Motor Car, the Le Baron Motor Car. (at age 18)

General Sales Agent in France for Duesenberg Motor Cars and Packard Motor Car Co.; later exclusively for Packard Motor Car Co. (until early 1931)

Packard Motor Car Co. in Buffalo, New York (until Autumn of 1932)

Raymond-Whitcomb Inc., 670 Fifth Avenue, New York (until 1940)

Assistant General Manager of St. Regis Hotel, New York

Assistant General Manager of Hotel Pierre, New York (until 1942)

American Red Cross (Australia, New Guinea, Philippines)

Operated War Service Bureau of American Optical Company, Washington, D. C.

Transair, Inc.

American Airlines as District Traffic Manager for Holland, Belgium, and Luxembourg, with headquarters in Amsterdam

Special Sales Representative, Trans World Airlines where subject has been for past 16 months.

Organizations:

Never a member of any club, organization, union, party or society.

Financial:

Bank account with Chemical Bank and Trust Co. of New York

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References:

Henry J. Woodbridge (former General Manager of Raymond-
Wardman Park Hotel Whitcomb Inc. - now Assistant to the
Washington, D. C. President, American Optical Co.)

Warren Lee Pierson
Chairman of the Board
Trans World Airline
New York, New York

Subject holds U. S. Passport No. 227 and Social Security No. 091-09-8757.

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23 November 1949

MEMORANDUM

TO: CSO
FROM: FDB
SUBJECT: Request For Name Check

Name: McVICKAR, John Augustus, Jr.
Nickname: "Johnny"

Present Address: 26 Avenue Montaigne, Paris, France

Date and Place of Birth: 12 February 1909, Long Island, New York

Citizenship: U. S.

Relatives: Father - John Augustus McVikar (sic), U.S. citizen at birth; living at home of Theodore McVikar (sic) on Long Island, New York; former member of U. S. Foreign Service
Mother - U. S. citizen at birth; now deceased
Brothers - Theodore McVikar (sic), living U. S.
Rolph McVikar (sic), living U. S.
Sister - Dorothea Dawson, living U. S.
Wife - Ruth Maxwell Warner McVikar (sic) (nee Ruth Maxwell) born St. Louis, Missouri; U. S. citizen from birth
Daughter - Barbara McVikar (sic), 19 years of age (daughter by previous marriage); living in San Francisco, California, with remarried mother.

Educational Background:

St. Bernard's New York, U. S. A.
Harvey School, Paris, France
McJannet School, St. Cloud, s/o France
no college education

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Special Sales Representative, Trans World Airlines where subject has been for past 18 months.

Organizations:

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Financials:

Bank account with Chemical Bank and Trust Co. of New York

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References:

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Hardman Park Hotel Whitecomb Inc. - now Assistant to the
Washington, D. C. President, American Optical Co.)

Warren Lee Pierson
Chairman of the Board
Trans World Airline
New York, New York

Subject holds U. S. Passport No. 227 and Social Security No. 091-09-4737.

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23 November 1949

MEMORANDUM

TO: C50

FROM: PTW

SUBJECT: Request For Name Check

Name: McVICKAR, John Augustus, Jr.

Nickname: "Johnny"

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Brothers - Theodore McVikar (sic), living U. S.
Rolph McVikar (sic), living U. S.

Sister - Dorothea Dawson, living U. S.

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Organizations:

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Financial:

Bank account with Chemical Bank and Trust Co. of New York

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References:

Henry S. Hoodbridge (former General Manager of Raymond-
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Warren Lee Pierson
Chairman of the Board
Trans World Airline
New York, New York

Subject holds U. S. Passport No. 227 and Social Security No. 091-09-8737.

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