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WILLIAM E. B. DUBOIS

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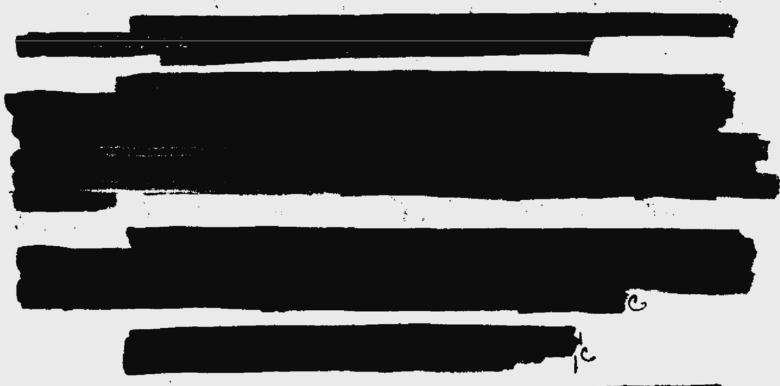


University where he has been a professor of Sociology for six years. His income is approximately \$4500 per year and his net worth is estimated to be several thousands of dollars.

the information was obtained that the subject was formerly employed by a newspaper in New York City for several years and returned to Atlanta six years ago. In June, 1936 he was appointed editor of the Encyclopedia "Negro" and since that time has been devoting a part of his time to compiling this encyclopedia. He has some income from that source but informants however do not know the amount.

He is highly recommended by his employers and is considered to be respectable and is said to own a home in Baltimore, Maryland at the address stated above.

further information but was unable to offer same. He stated that he believed the subject to be a radical in his attitude on the racial and negro question. He also said that he had heard that the subject may have played a prominent part in the riot in Tulsa, Oklahoma several years ago in which a number of negroes were killed. He stated that it was discovered that the subject was headed to New York from Tulsa, Oklahoma the day after the riot occurred. He was unable to offer any information as to the subversive activities of the subject in Atlanta.



The following investigation was conducted by in a memorandum submitted by him on September 18, 1942





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in which he stated that he had contacted

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the subject is a Prefesser at Atlanta University and is considered to be
one of the most outstanding and prominent negroes in Atlanta.

This informant also advised that the subject is frequently called upon by negro lodges and Civic organizations to make addresses, that he had heard him make several talks but had never heard him say anything which would indicate that he is subversive.

The subject according to this informant, while not a member of the Communist Party was one who was known to be in sympathy with the Southern Negro Youth Congress and who had contributed money to this Congress. The informant added that she had no definite information which would indicate that the subject knew the Pouthern Negro Youth Congress was dominated by Communists but she believed he would have such knowledge inasmuch as he is an intelligent man. This informant concluded that she would make a special effort to find out when the subject was to speak next and would be in attendance at his talk in an effort to ascertain whether he was spreading propaganda through his speeches.

In order to obtain some indication of the subject's attitude and tendencies in foreign sympathies the writer read parts of "Dusk of Dawn", a book edited by the writer in 1940. This book was copyrighted in 1940 by Harcourt, Brace and Company, Incorporated and is an essay toward an autobiography of a race concept. It also contains the writer's autobiography.

Information was contained in this book that the subject was born February 23, 1868 at Great Barrington, Massachusetts and that his ancestral family was divided into whites, blacks and mulattoes, most of them being mulattoes. The subject wrote and published a number of books from 1879 through 1940 most of which dealt with the problems of the negro race.

The following are quotations from the book, "Dusk of Dawn" edited by the subject on the date mentioned above:

On Page 232, "It is evident too that the defeat of Russia by Japan had given rise to a fear of colored revolt against white exploitation."

On Page 246, referring to the first world War, "Then came the refusal to allow colored soldiers to volunteer into the army; but we are



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consoled by saying 'Why should we want to fight for America or America's friends and how sure could we be that America's enemies were our enemies too?' *.

Page 255, "Today I do not know; and I doubt if the triumph of Germany in 1918 could have had worse results than the triumph of the Allies. Possibly passive resistance of my twelve millions to any war activity might have saved the world for black and white. Almost certainly such a proposal on my part would have fallen short and perhaps slaughtered the American negro body and soul. I do not know. I am puzzled."

Page 256, referring to JOEL SPINGAIN, of the NAACP, "It was due to his advice and influence that I became during the World War nearer to feeling myself a real and full American than ever before or since."

Page 266, Anti-Lynching bill, 1924, died with the filibuster in the United States Senate, "It was not until years after that I knew what killed that anti-lynching bill. It was a bargain between the South and the West. By the bargain, lynching was let to go on uncurbed by rederal Law, on condition that the Japanese be excluded from the United States."

Page 52, "Europe was determined to dominate China and all but succeeded in dividing it between the chief white nations, when Japan stopped the process."

Page 301, speaking of program for assisting negroes economically, "I stood, as it seemed to me, between paths diverging to extreme Communism and violence on the one hand and extreme reaction toward plutocracy on the other."

Page 302, "I am not and was not a Communist. I do not believe in the dogma of inevitable revolution in order to right economic wrong. On the other hand I believed and still believe that KARL MARX was one of the greatest men of modern times and that he put his fingers squarely upon our difficulties when he said that economic foundations, the way in which men earn their living, are the determining factors in the defelopment of civilization and the basic pattern of culture.

Page 304, "The whole set of the White world in America, in Europe and in the World was too determinedly against racial equality to give power and persuasiveness to our agitation. I tried to say to the American negro..... 'You must put your demands not simply to American negroes but West Indians, Africans and all the colored races in the world.'"

Page 320, referring to the basic negro creed, "we believe in the ultimate triumph of some form of socialism the world over; that is, common ownership and control of the means of production and equality of income."





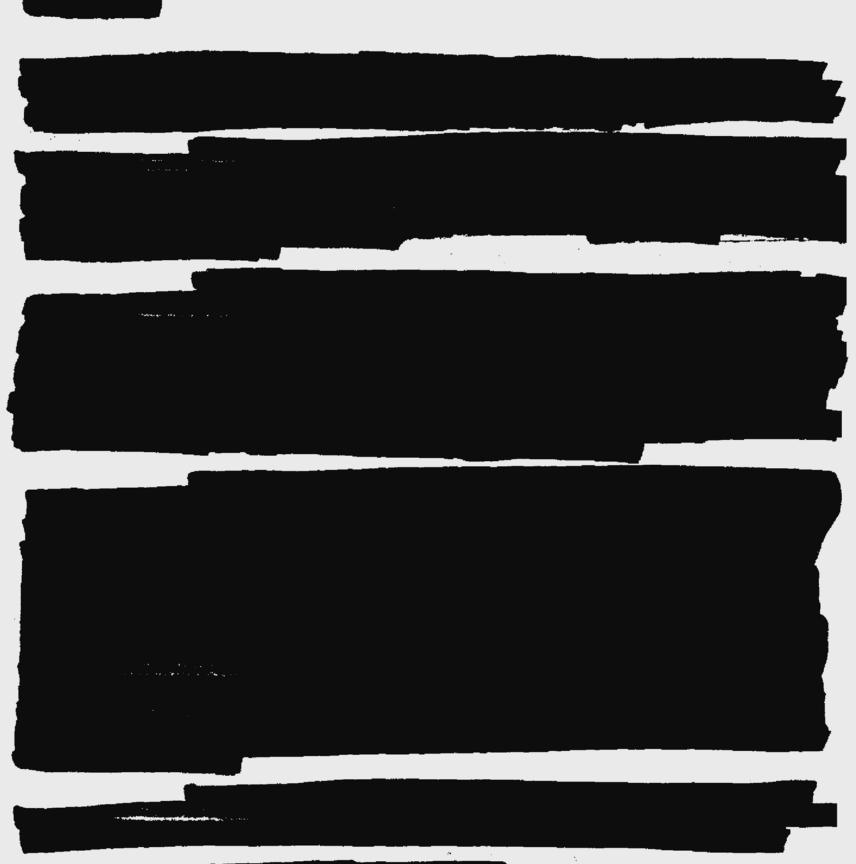
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The writings in this book indicate that the subject is a socialist and does not claim to be a Communist. He appears to favor equality between the white and colored races and the primary purpose of his efforts is the advancement of the colored people.

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gations in the colored area of New York City subject's name is frequently mentioned in conversations as one of the leading figures of the colored race in the educational field. Accordingly, has availed himself of the opportunity to question individuals as to DUBOIS' tendencies relative to the international situation and in no instance has DUBOIS been referred to other than as a loyal American citizen.

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be contacted in order that there might be a better understanding between the negros of America and the Japanese people. This suggestion was prompted because writers such as DUBOIS and others, after visiting Japan, had written favorable articles concerning that country.

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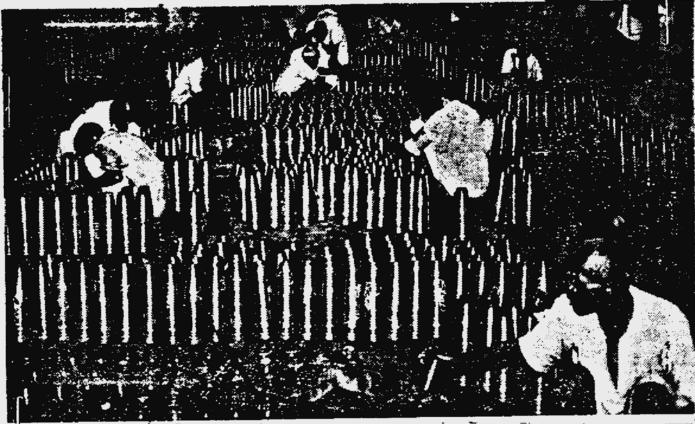
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Dr. Du Bois' Color and Democracy' Traces Path to Colonial Freedom

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DEMOCRACY Colonies and Peace, by W. E. B. Du Bois. Har court, Brace and Company, \$2.00.

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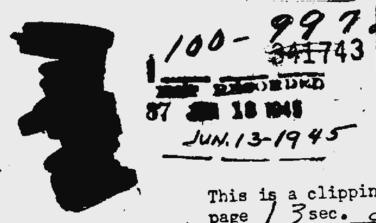
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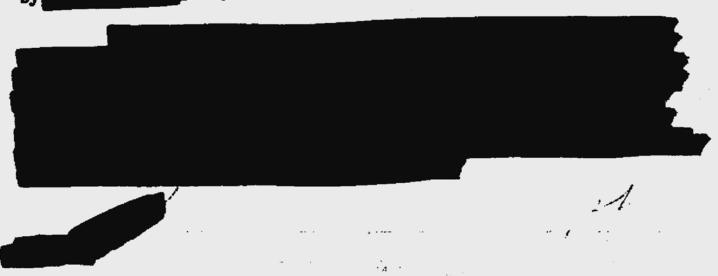
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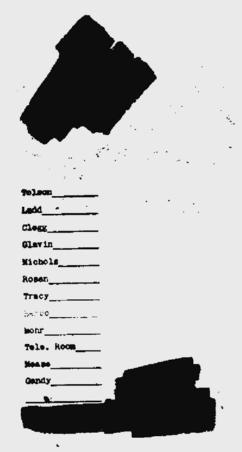
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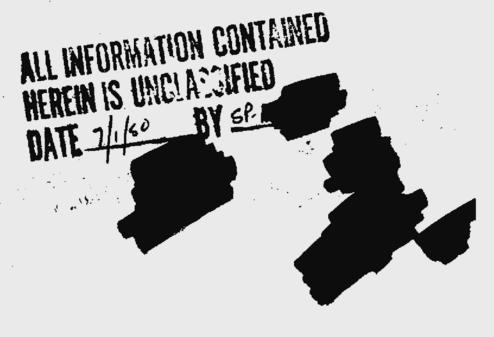


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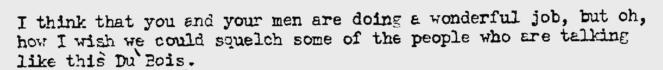
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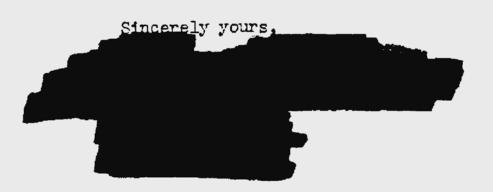
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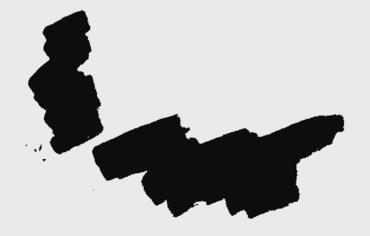
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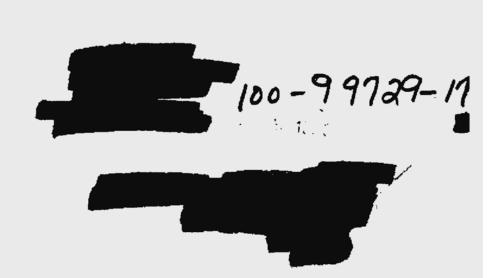
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If you feel that it belongs in the realm of free speech and that no action should be taken, please forgive me, and throw this in the waste basket.











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Dr. Du Bois addressed 1,500 persons at a campaign rally in the Golden Gate Ballroom, Lenox Avenue and 142d Street. Much of his long speech was devoted to a social history of Harlem as the focus of Negro progress in the last hundred years. Dr. Du Bois made a reputation as historian and writer before becoming active in leftist politics.

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With a scornful reference to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Dr. Du Bois declared: "Let us stop the antics of the Wild Man of Tokyo who is determined of his own will to fight China and Russia, and the Eisenhowers who declare openly 'we can lied the world."

Paul D. Ross, A. L. P. Mayoralty candidate told the meeting that when he served at City Hall the facts concerning police graft were and demanded that Governor Dewey order a new "Seabury investigation."

John T. McManus, Lebor party candidate far Governor, attacked the legislative record of Walter A. Lynch, the Democratic candidate, as anti-labor. He said there was as much chance of getting civil rights out of Governor Dewey "as you would get out of voting for a Halloween pumpkin head." "Of all nations today," the 80-

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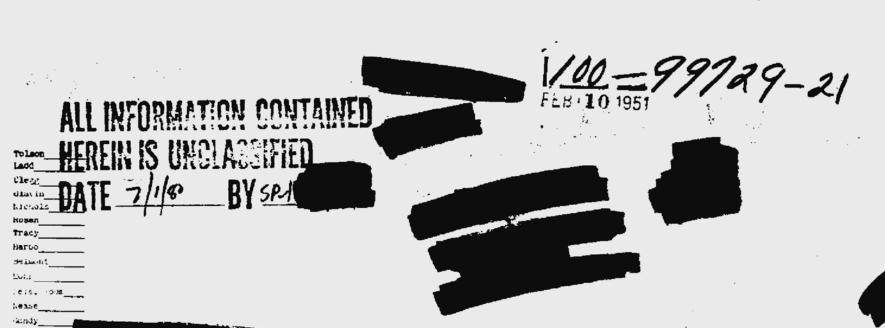
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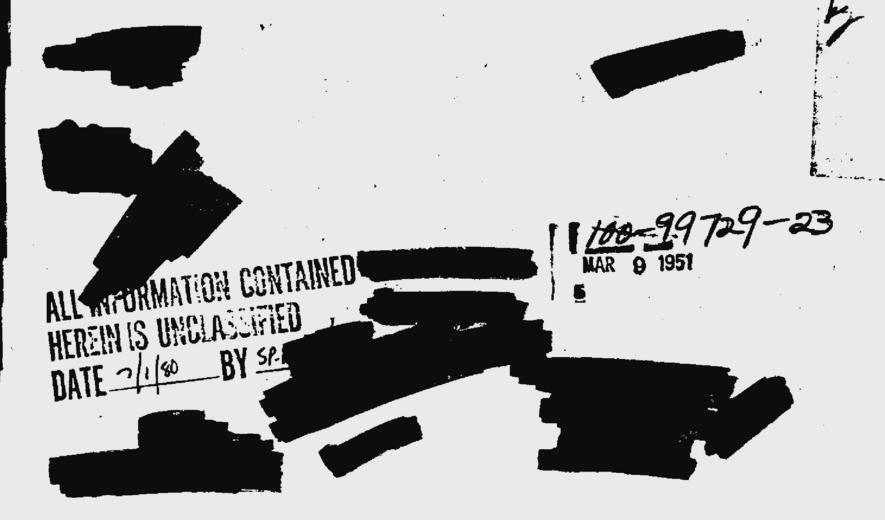
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New York, New May 11, 1951

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Attention:

Reference is made to New York teletype of May 10, 1951.

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- n 1. DATLY "ORKER, 2-6-51. 200 NOTABLES SPONSOR DINNER FOR DU BOIS.
 - 2. DAILY WORKER, 2-7-51 DU BOIS TO SPEAK AT RALTY AGAINST ARRING OF NAZIS.
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 DU BOIS: GOV'T CAN'T MAKE PEACE ALIEN. (Page #1)
 - 4. THE WORKER, 2-11-51
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 - 5. THE WORKER, 2-11-51
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 - 6. THE WORKER, 2/11/51
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 - 7. DATLY WORKER, 2/16/51
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 - 8. DATLY WORTER, 2/16/51 1,400 GREET DU BOIS AT BOSTON RALITES.
 - 9. DATTY FOREER, 2/19/51
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 - 10. DAILY WORKER, 2/19/51
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 - 11. DAILY "ORKER, 2/19/51 ALP CALLS RALLY WEDNESDAY TO DEFEND DU BOIS." (Page #8)
 - 12. DAILY WORKER! 2/21/51
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- 13. DAILY WORTER, 2/21/51
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- 14. DAILY WORTER, 2/21/51
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- 15. DATEN MOTEUR, 2/22/51
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 JEWISH LABOR COUNCIL BACKS PEACE CRUSADE.
- 19. DAILY MORKER, 2/26/51
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- 20. DAJIT VORTER, 3/2/51 COURIER * EDITOR HITS INDICITION OF DU BOTS.
- 21. DATLY "ORCER, 3/12/51 LOVETT AND DU BOIS TO ADDRE'S MASS PEACE PILGRIMAGE TO CAPITAL.
- 22. DAILY "ORTER, 3/14/51
 SPECIAL TRAINS TO LEAVE FOR "ASTINGTON THURSDAY.
- 23. DAILY MONCER, 3/16/51
 LOUISVILLE DEFENDER BAYS DU ROIS VICTIM OF HYSTERIA.
- 24. DAILY WORKER, 3/22/51 CLEVELAND GROUPS HIT DU BOIS INDICTRENT.
- 25. DATLY TORKER, 4/11/51 SEVEN FUR LOCALS PROTEST INDICTRIENT OF DR. DU BOIS.
- 26. DAILY "DEKER, W/16/51 SET UP NATIONAL GROUP TO DEFEND DOCTOR DU BOIS.
- 27. DAILY MORKER, 4/18/51
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- 28. DAILY WORKER, 4/23/51
 WHITE STUDENTS JOIN DR. DU BOIS SUPPORTERS.

- 29. DAILY WORKER, 4/25/51 FIVE PEACE LEADERS FILE APPIDAVIT ON INDICTREME.
- 30. DAILY TORKER, 4/26/51 DU BOIS ATTENDS PEACE CENTER SUIT TOMORROW.
- 31. DAILY WORFER, 4/30/51
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- 32. DAILY MORKER, 4/30/51
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- 33. DAILY "ORKER, 5/2/51
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- 34. DAJLY WORKER, 5/2/51 CHICAGO UNIVERSITY PEACE BODY BACKS DU BOIS.
- 35. DATLY WORKER, 5/4/51
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- 36. DAILY WORKER, 5/6/51 SOUTHERN STUDENTS FORM DU BOIS DEFENSE GROUP.
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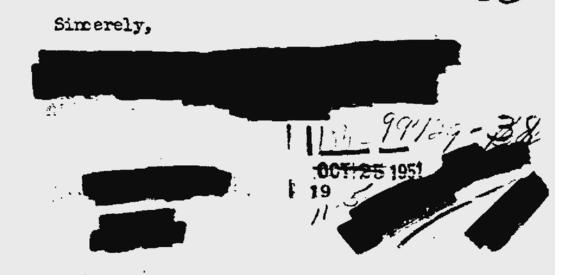
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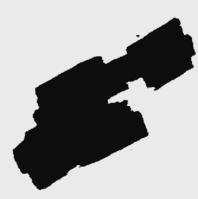
Enclosed is a pamphlet which I found in the washroom of the building located at the above address. I picked it up and glanced through it and thought it looked like you-know-whose propaganda, so rather than let someone else read and perhaps swallow it I took it along with

Readers are urged on the back cover to write to Attorney General J. Howard McGrath, which makes me wonder if he is sympathetic to the unholy cause of you-know-whom-I-mean.....Communist-inspired so-called Americans.

Page 3 of the pamphlet is my clue to my suspicions. I have met absolutely no one in this Country who doesn't know just what crowd is advocating (secretly) force to get what they want if they can't do it by "sleight of hand"...or of mouth. No one but a deluded person would think the United States is looking for and wanting war! That is, no one, but a deluded person or one of those foreign or foreign-paid devils.

I know nothing of Mr. DuBois whatever, nor whether his cause is just, but judging from the wording of this pamphlot by his champions, I would think they would bear watching by your fine organization.







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DR. W. E. B. DU BOIS AND ASSOCIATES IN THE PEACE INFORMATION CENTER NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO DEFEND

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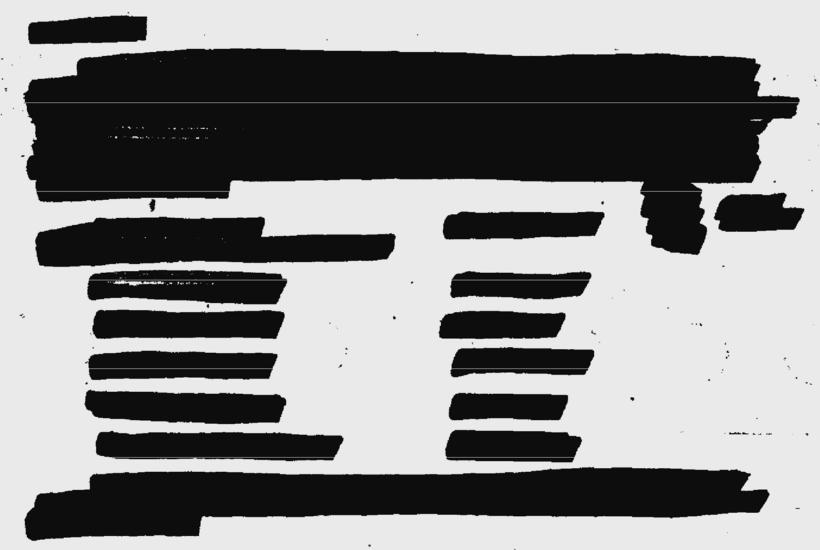
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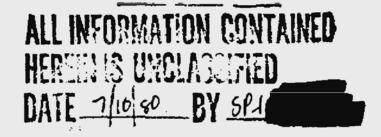


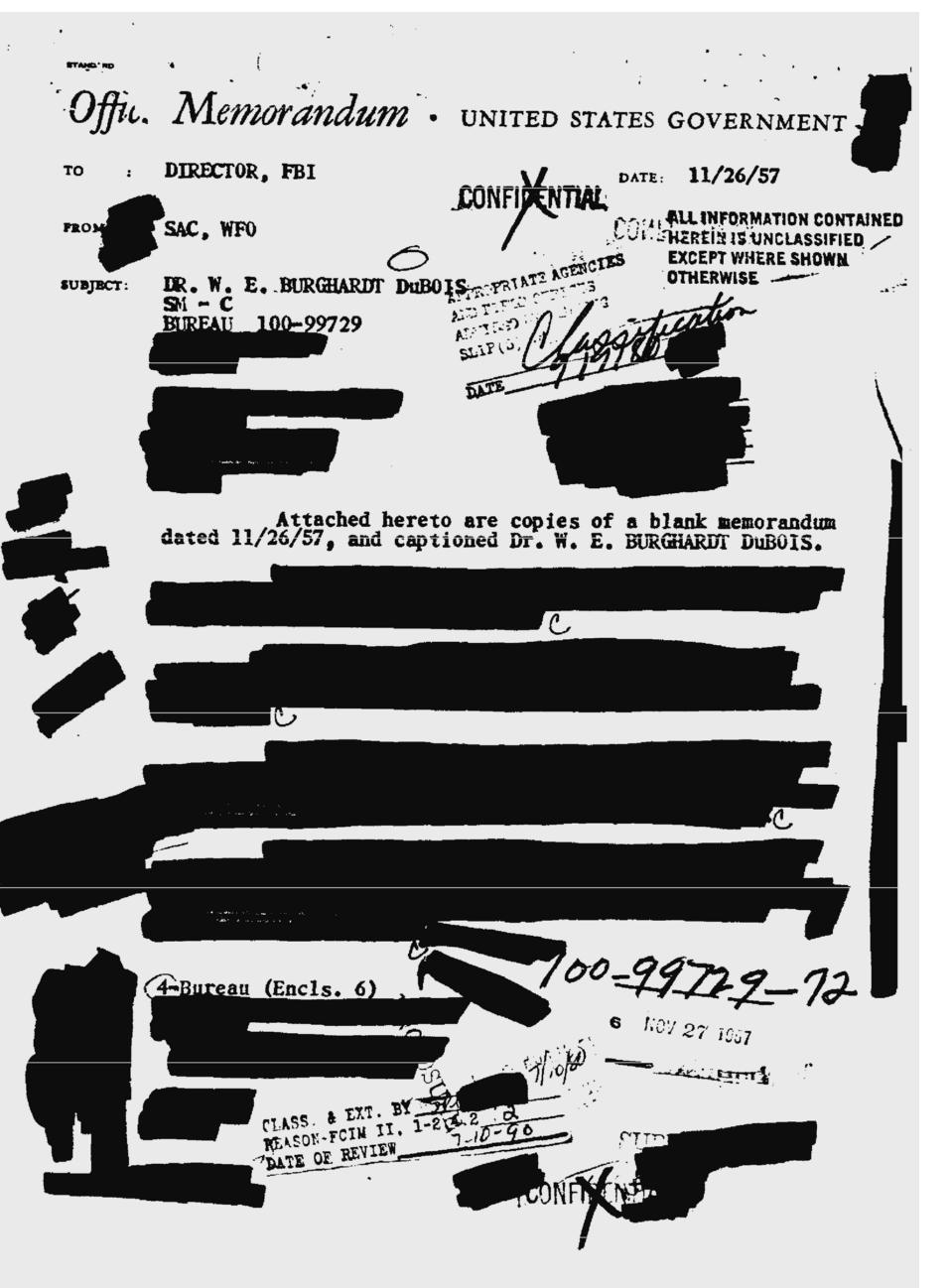
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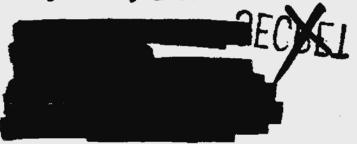
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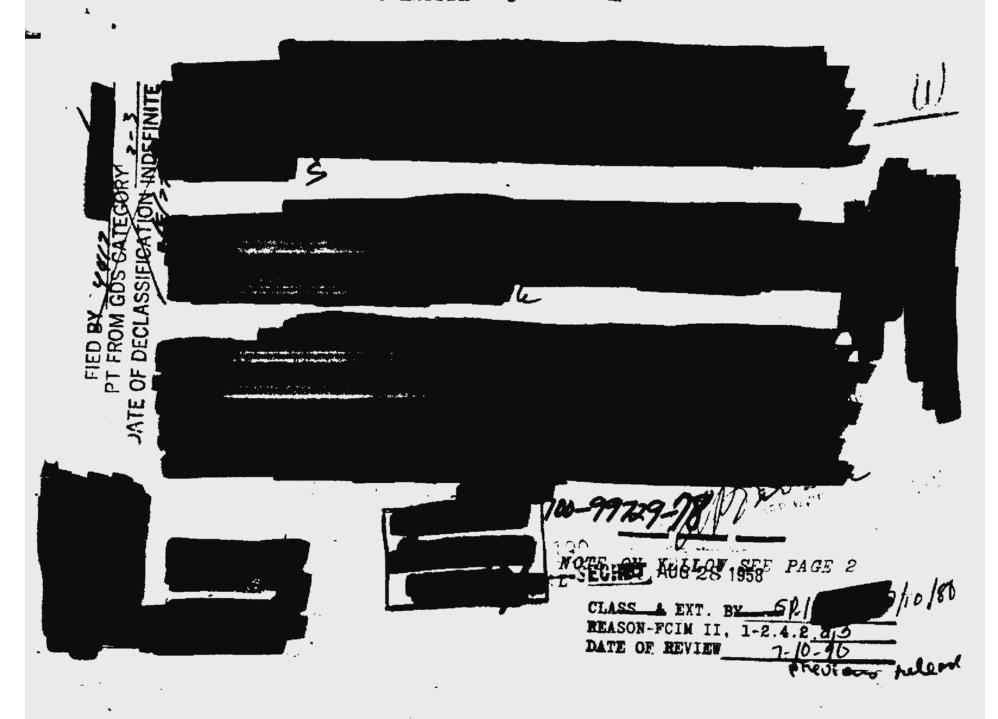
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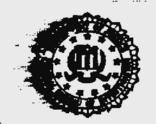
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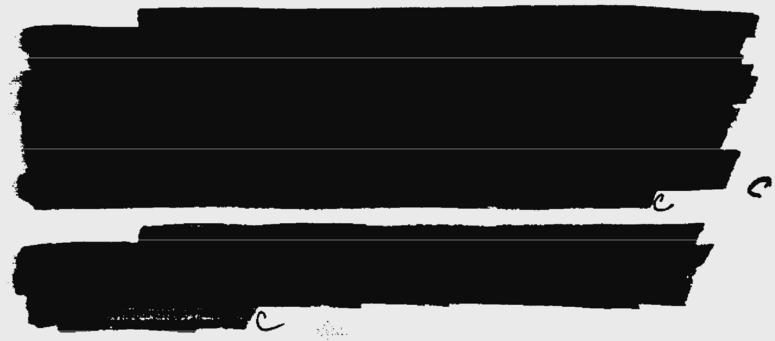
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who has furnished reliable information in the past, made information available in August, 1958, revealing that Dr. William E. B. DuBois and his wife had left on a trip that would take them half way around the world. Their itinerary calls for visits to Czechoslovakia, the Soviet Union, China and Chana, Africa.



"The Worker", a United States east coast Communist newspaper, in an editorial on page two, column four, of its issue of March 2, 1958, captioned, "Happy Birthday", reflected the following concerning Dr. DuBois:

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On March 2, 1958, hundreds of Americans, negro and white, will gather at the Hotel Roosevelt to pay tribute to DuBois, regarded by many as the greatest living American. Who can measure the achievements of DuBois who has dedicated a long life to the economic, social, political and interfectual unshackling of his people and all such peoples. As a scholar his works have become classics in their field. He was mentioned as a founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, organizer of the Pan-African Congress, Teacher, Editor, Novelist, fighter for peace, advocate of Socialism and champion of liberation everywhere. At 90 years of age he is an inspiration and guide to millions throughout the world.

Dr. DuBois is described as follows:

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150-155 lbs.
Medium brown
Brown
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31 Grace Court
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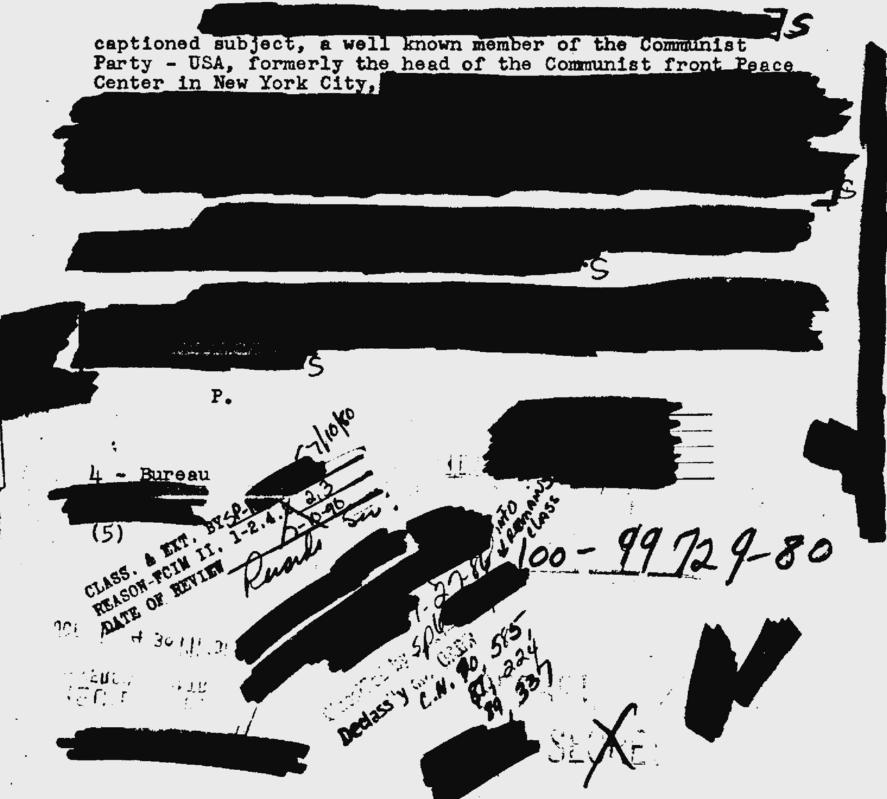
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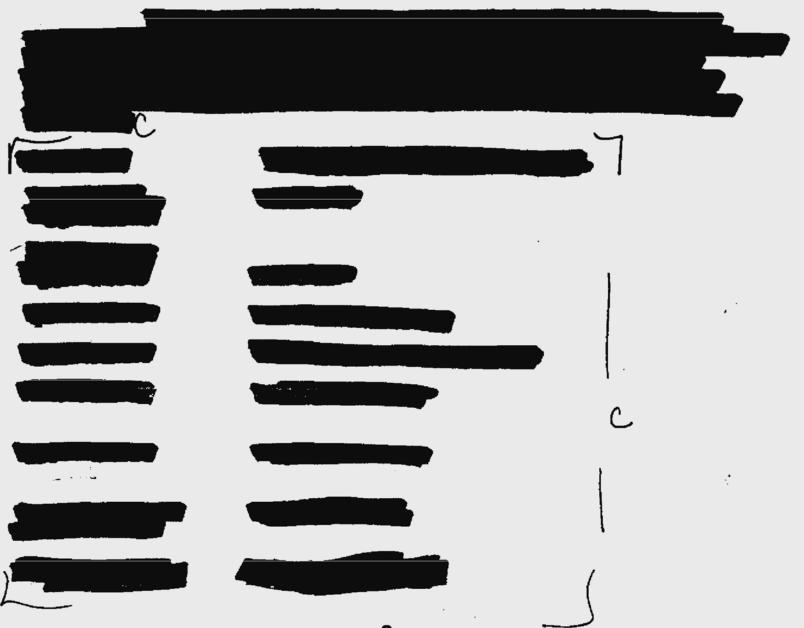
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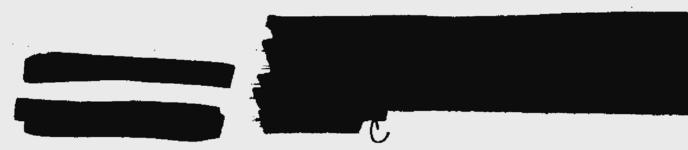
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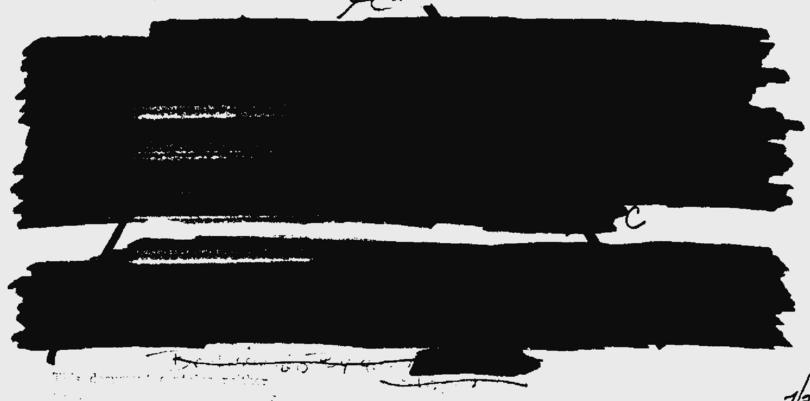
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The records of the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D.C., revealed on June 9, 1960, that William Edward Burghardt Du Bois, born February 23, 1868, at Great Barrington, Massachusetts, was issued Passport Number 228 5216 on June 7, 1960. These records revealed that Du Bois was a resident of 31 Grace Court, Brooklyn, New York. According to these records, he then planned to leave New York City on June 20, 1960, via air transportation for three months duration. According to these records, Du Bois then planned to visit Chana for the Inaugural Ceremonies of the Republic of Ghana. Qu

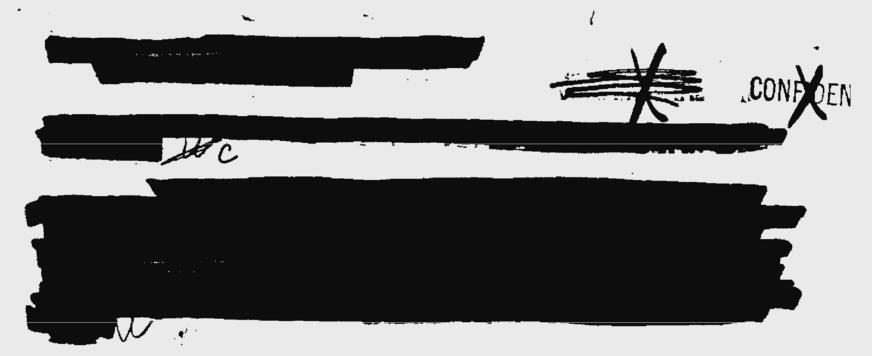


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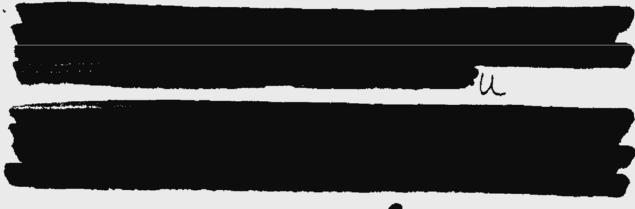


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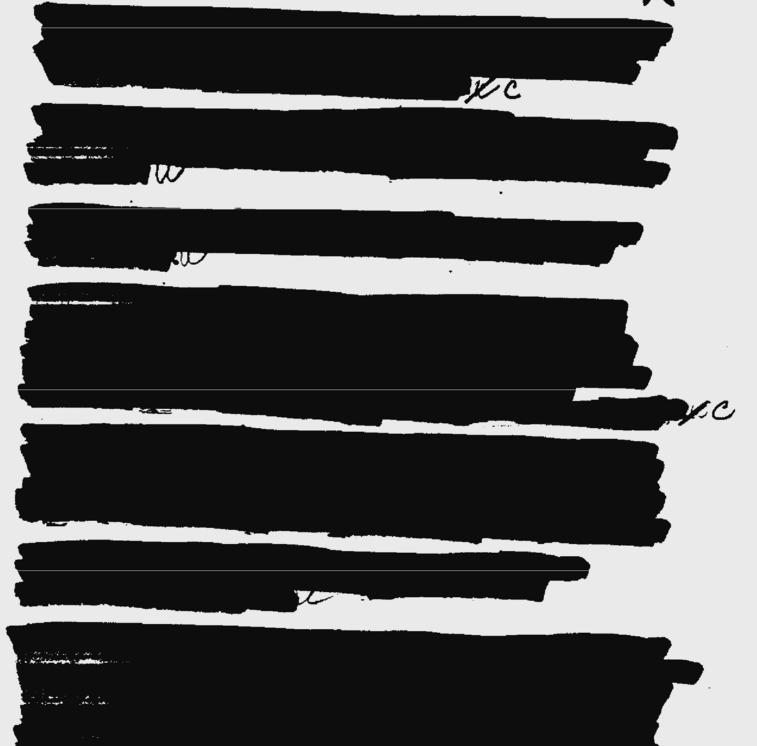
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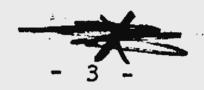


Physical Descriptions

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William Edward Burghardt

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DU BOIS is of an extreme age, 92 years. He is an active writer and has access to the pages of several subversive publications including "The Worker". His wife is also an active writer who has access to the pages of several such publications. She is also under consideration for becoming the editor of a new CP instigated publication which is to publish topics concerning Negroes and related subjects. Both DU BOIS and his wife have published articles concerning racial topics in the past. DU BOIS was one of the founders of the NAACP. DU BOIS is alleged to be a "champion" for equality among: races and therefore

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W.E.B. Du Bois: a chronology 1934 to 1963

- returns to Atlanta University as Head, Department of Sociology; publishes Black Reconstruction.
- 1944 returns to NAACP as Director of Publicity and Research.
- attends founding conference of the United Nations in San Francisco as representative of the NAACP; petitions the UN to endorse racial equality and to bring to a close the colonial era; attends the 5th Pan-African Congress, in Manchester, England aimed at the economic, intellectual and political cooperation of the African countries and the end of imperial rule.
- 1948 serves as co-Chairman of the Council of African Affairs.
- attends the World Congress of the Partisans of Peace in Paris; the Congress features prominent delegates to promote the further unification and coordination of the forces fighting against the threat of war and cold war militarism; the Congress is perceived by the US as Communist inspired.
- 1950 serves as chairman of the Peace Information Center in New York; the center is the US sponsor for the Stockholm Peace Petition, the international appeal to governments around the world to ban all nuclear weapons; is indicted as an alleged 'foreign agent' for refusing to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938.
- acquittal; case is dismissed due to unsupported allegations; he is 83.
- passport (revoked as a result of his 1951 trial) returned and at the age of 90 he extensively tours Russia and China.
- awarded the Lenin Peace Prize for 'strengthening world peace'.
- 1961 joins the Communist Party of the United States, incensed by the Supreme Court's upholding of the 1950 McCarran Act; at the invitation from President Kwame Nkrumah to edit the Encyclopedia Africana takes up residence in Accra, Ghana.
- becomes a citizen of Ghana; dies on August 27th (the eve of the March on Washington on August 28th); he was 95.