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Dr. HENRY G. HOUGHTEN, Head of the Department of Meteorology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, stated he has known WHITE for a period of seven years and during that time found him to be an outspoken young man, interested in world affairs, who might be critical of the present administration in Washington D.C. but whose loyalty to the United States was unquestioned.

Professor VICTOR P. STARR, Meteorology Department, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, stated he has had an opportunity to observe WHITE rather closely, inasmuch as WHITE worked directly under him on a project recently. Dr. STARR was of the opinion that WHITE was the type of individual whose loyalty to the United States was unquestioned.

Professor EDWARD N. LORENZ, Meteorology Department, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, stated he has known WHITE for a period of eight years, first meeting WHITE in 1943 when both were instructing in the Laboratories at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. WHITE left the school in the fall of 1943 and did not return until 1948.

Dr. LORENZ confided that some people might believe WHITE was liberal, as he is at times an outspoken critic of the present administration and might be classified as a "New Dealist." By "New Dealist" Dr. LORENZ stated he meant WHITE often supported the Socialistic policies of Britain and would at times criticize our own Government. Dr. LORENZ felt that even though WHITE did show these tendencies he, LORENZ, has never observed anything that would indicate in any manner that WHITE was disloyal to the United States.

EMPLOYMENT

Dr. WALLACE PALMER, Office Manager, Fairchild Publications, Inc., 216 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, stated WHITE was employed by his firm for a period of one year in 1946. PALMER did not recommend WHITE for a position of trust and stated that, in his opinion, WHITE had a "pink tinge." By the term "pink tinge," PALMER stated he thought WHITE followed the principles of the Communist Party as laid down by Moscow.

PALMER could not elaborate on this statement. He said he had absolutely no proof that WHITE was a Communist, stating that this was his own opinion of WHITE. PALMER further confided that nothing actually came up during the course of WHITE's employment that indicated

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