

siatic Desk

W
9
17

RECORDED & INDEXED
125

XX-7-600-64700-50

VIA SAFE HAND COURIER

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 3/11/83 BY SP3 BJA/LS

Date: July 18, 1946

To: b7C Mr. [redacted]
Tokyo, Japan

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Institute of Pacific Relations - Summary

Pursuant to your request, there is enclosed herewith a summary of the activities of the Institute of Pacific Relations. A more comprehensive summary, which is being prepared concerning some of the individuals who have held positions on the Research Staff of this Institute and others who have succeeded in securing clerical positions with the Institute is being prepared. As soon as this information is assembled, it will be forwarded to you.

Enclosure

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

b7C

wh

57 AUG 6 1946
125

DELIVERED BY
JUL 23 1946
MESSENGER - SIS

WJL
JK

Ear

RECORDED COPY FILED IN 100-73103-2

b7C

cc: [REDACTED]

July 18, 1946

INSTITUTE OF PACIFIC RELATIONS

The Institute of Pacific Relations was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia on February 20, 1939, as a private organization. It took over the functions of an association known as the American Council, Institute of Pacific Relations. The organization at the time of its incorporation was described as an unofficial international group established to promote the cooperative study of mutual relations of the people and problems in the Pacific area.

Its headquarters are presently located at One East 54th Street, New York, and as of April, 1946, it claimed a membership of 1900 persons. It publishes the "Far Eastern Survey" as well as various pamphlets devoted to the problems of the Far East. *Its Washington, D.C. headquarters is 1710 G St. N.W.*

On March 28, 1946, the following persons were elected officers of the Institute of Pacific Relations:

- Chairman, Robert G. Sproul
- Executive Vice Chairman, Edward G. Carter
- Vice Chairman
 - Joseph P. Chamberlain
 - Mortimer Graves
 - Henry R. Luce
 - Ray Lyman Wilbur
- Treasurer, Brooks Hasty
- Assistant Treasurer, Tillie G. Shaha
- Secretary, Lawrence Morris

The Executive Committee, which was elected, is as follows:

- Robert G. Sproul, Chairman ex officio
- Edward G. Carter, Executive Vice Chairman
- John Curtis
- Arthur Dean
- Frederick V. Field
- Lawrence Morris
- Marriet Moore
- Donald Straus
- Owen Lattimore

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 3/11/83 BY SP2/BJK

Edward G. Carter has been associated with the Institute of Pacific Relations and its predecessor organization for a number of years. However, he is probably better known as the head of the Russian War Relief Organization in the United States. Carter has traveled extensively in China, Japan and India and he has made several trips to the Soviet Union. He has described himself as a fellow traveler and there is every indication that he has been

- Tolson
- E. A. Tamm
- Clegg
- Glavin
- Ladd
- Nichols
- Rosen
- Tracy
- Carson
- Egan
- Gurnea
- Harbo
- Hendon
- Pennington
- Quinn Tamm
- Nease
- Gandy

b7C

ENCLOSURE

100-64700-50

closely associated with leading members of the Communist Party in the United States. According to an article which appeared in the "New Leader," a Socialist publication on November 1, 1941, Edward G. Carter was one of four members of the Russian War Relief Board of Directors who endorsed the Stalin-Hitler pact prior to Germany's attack on Russia.

Frederick Vanderbilt Field, who is a member of the Executive Committee of the Institute of Pacific Relations, has also been associated with that group for a number of years. Field is an assistant editor of the "New Masses" and he contributes a column to the "Daily Worker," generally on Far Eastern affairs. He has also been associated with the Jefferson School for Social Science in New York City which is known to be sponsored and controlled by the Communist Party. Field has also been prominently active in the affairs of numerous Communist front organizations, such as the American Peace Mobilization, the Confederation of Latin American Workers, the New York Council of American Soviet Friendship and the Council for Pan American Democracy.

Owen Lattimore, a member of the Executive Committee, was at one time political adviser to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. He has also been the editor of "Pacific Affairs" which is published by the Institute of Pacific Relations and he has in addition a number of books, including "Manchuria - Cradle of Conflict," "Mongols of Manchuria" and "The Inner Asian Frontiers of China."

According to a bulletin put out by the Institute of Pacific Relations in April, 1946, three staff members had left for Tokyo where they planned to remain for some months working under General MacArthur on a research study of problems on Japanese reconstruction. These three are Miriam Farley, of the American Counsel Staff and T. A. Nisson and Andrew Gradjansov, of the staff of the International Secretariat. Information has previously been furnished on A. Gradjansov.

Miriam Farley has been a member of the Research Committee of the Institute of Pacific Relations for a number of years and she is one of the editors of the pamphlet series put out by the Institute.

Thomas Arthur Nisson was formerly employed as an economist by the Board of Economic Warfare, Washington, D. C. He was educated at Rutgers and Columbia Universities and between 1924, and 1928, he traveled extensively through China where he was employed as a teacher at Yenching University, Peking. From 1928 to 1942, Nisson was a member of the Research Staff of a Foreign Policy Association, New York City. He has written several books on his travels and numerous magazine articles, three of which appeared in the magazine, "Soviet Russia Today." The Dies Committee described Nisson as a sponsor of the American Committee for Peace and Democracy, a Communist front organization. He is also said to have been a member of the American Committee for anti-Nazi literature, the New York City Conference Against War and Fascism, the American Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression, all of which were Communist sponsored groups. Nisson has also served as a

✓ member of the editorial board of the magazine, "Amerasia," which is published and edited by Philip Jaffee and Katie Mitchell, both of whom were arrested in 1945, and charged with conspiracy to steal secret government documents from various government agencies. In 1939, Bisson was one of those who reportedly attempted to justify the Soviet pact with Hitler and who in 1941, reversed his position when Germany attacked Russia. In 1942, Bisson gave a sworn statement in which he denied his affiliation with the Communist Party and his alleged sponsorship of the American League for Peace and Democracy.

✓ Although the Institute of Pacific Relations has had a number of prominent individuals on its Board of Officers such as Henry R. Luce, publisher of "Time" and "Life" magazines; Ray Lyman Wilbur; Admiral Henry E. Yarnell and others, it has been reported that a number of persons active in the affairs of the Communist Party have managed to infiltrate the organization and to become active in its research department. Others have also been able to secure clerical positions with the Institute.

At the present time the American Council of the Institute maintains seven regional centers in San Francisco, Washington, D. C., Honolulu, Seattle, Milwaukee, eastern Washington and Idaho and Los Angeles.