

# SECRET

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## Reader- Archivist

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Communist Press Items Regarding Negro Matters

Letter to the Director:

Detroit - The May 13<sup>th</sup> 1951 edition of Daily Worker published a speech given by Josephine Baker protesting the execution of Willie McGee. This article states that the Negro theatrical star Miss Josephine Baker spoke for 10 minutes Tuesday at the Fox Theater where she is appearing this week. The newspaper reports that just before the show was ready to begin Miss Baker appeared on stage, she walked to the front of the footlights and with tears streaming down her cheeks told a spellbound audience.

## Josephine Baker

They have killed one of my people, Willie McGee. He was executed. I feel very deeply about it. I feel very deeply for my people, just as you feel very deeply about yours. Today is a tragic one for all American Negroes and darker peoples of the world. The execution of Willie McGee does not stop with just the death of McGee. It means a part of every American Negro died a little with him. I know in the tradition of the theatre that the show must go on but I want you to know how I feel and what difficulties I am having. But I will go ahead nevertheless.

(Baker Snaps One Finger and An Audio Remix of Fidel Castro and Cuban crowd begins. She Snaps the Other and a DeGaulle Voice/French Crowd Track Begins. The Sound Track Mix Serves as a background counterpoint to the two speeches. initially the two sound tracks tango for a while, then the speeches begin, Havana to one side, Paris to the other.)

## CUBA

### Reader

United States Government Memorandum

Havana

June 21, 1966

To: Mr. DeLoach:

From: D. E. Wick

### Reader

Paris  
May 1 49  
Report No. E-654-49  
Subject: May Day Demonstrations In Paris  
Prepared By Major Lanier R. Buford  
Source: Press and Personal Observation

**Reader**

Attached is a report for the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on The Tricontinental Conference of African, Asian, and And Latin American Peoples.

An event of outstanding importance to the Free World took place in Havana .The Cuban capital was the site of the first Tricontinental Conference, the most powerful gathering of pro-Communist, anti-American forces in the history of the Western Hemisphere. There were 83 groups from countries on three continents, represented by 513 delegates, 64 observers and 77 invited guests. The Trilateral Conference – Attendees

**Reader**

Cuba  
Salavdor Villaseca Frone, Rector of the University of Havana  
Agapito Figueros Barrero, Secretary General of the Cuban Union

**Reader**

Czechoslovakia  
Jiri Meisner, secretary general of The International Organization of Socialist Artists

**Reader**

Chile  
Juliana de Rojas  
Luis Eduardo Labarca God`dard, Communist Youth Leader

**Reader**

Dahomey  
Codio Arodgbehov, deputy chairman for foreign affairs of the North African Students Federation in France

**Reader**

Guatemala  
Aurora Benites

**Reader**

Italy  
Alberto Moravia

Mariani Moraiva , writer and poetess , wife of Alberto Moravia  
Joyce Gioconda Losbu of the Italian newspaper Il Nuovo Mondo

**Reader**

United Kingdom

Robin Osmond Blackburn , private secretary of Bertrand Russell's, representing the BR foundation for Peace Reader

**Reader**

**France**

Leo Felix President of the FCC political commission

Ives Ferand Moteau, editor of French Daily , L'Humanite

Josephine Baker (American Entertainer)

(BAKER IS ILLUMINATED ON ONE SIDE OF THE STAGE)

**Reader**

May Day Passed Calmly In Paris With The Usual Manifestations And Parade Of Members Of Workers And Communist Organizations, Represented Was A Cross-Section Of French Communist Labor, Political And Cultural Groups. The Crowd Demanded:

**Reader**

Peace in Indo-China

**Reader**

Peace for The World

**Reader**

We Want Peace.

**Reader**

We Will Fight For Peace

**Reader**

French Blood Is Not For Sale For Dollars.

**Reader**

We Will Never Yield Ourselves Or Bow To American Laws.

**Reader**

The Highlight of The May Day Parade Was A Speech By General De Gaulle. General De Gaulle Claimed That Once In Power He Would Lead France To Security And To Prosperity. It Was The Sharpest And Most Sarcastic Speech That He Has Ever Delivered And The Audience Was Enthusiastic. Crowds Were

Estimated To Be Between One Hundred, To One Hundred And Fifty Thousand.  
Several Well-Known Entertainers Performed, Including Josephine Baker.  
Sandwiches And Drinks Were Available.

**(BAKER IS ILLUMINATED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STAGE)**

**Scene**

**(BAKER REMAINS ON STAGE DURING THE FOLLOWING SPEECH))**

**Reader**

FBI Office Memorandum - United States Government

To: The Director

**SUBJECT: JOSEPHINE BAKER**

Purpose: To Advise You Pursuant To Your Request For Information Appearing In  
Our Files Relative To Josephine Baker Negro Singer And Entertainer.

**Reader**

Scope Of Search: In The Preparation Of This Memorandum Baker's Name Was  
Searched With The Single Initial And With A Combination Of The First Name  
With Various Middle Names And Initials. Baker's Known Married Names Were  
Also Searched. The Search Was Not Limited To Locality But Included A Search  
Of Both Criminal And Subversive References.

**Reader**

Personal History: Josephine Baker Is The Daughter Of A St. Louis, Missouri  
Washerwoman. She Was Alleged To Be Forty-Five Years Of Age, Began Her  
Paris Night Club Career In 1935, And Has Spent Most Of Her Life Since That  
Time In France.

**Reader**

At One Time She Was Reported to Be Married To A Tap Dancer And to One  
Pepito Albertino. In 1937, Baker Gave Up Her United States Citizenship And  
Married A French Banker By The Name Of Jean Lion. This Marriage Was  
Dissolved By A Divorce. In 1940 Baker Married Her Present Husband, A  
Frenchman, Band Leader Jo Boullion, Baker Has Been A French Citizen Since  
1937, And During The Occupation Of France By The Germans, During World  
War II,

**Reader**

Baker Spent Her Time In North Africa. While In North Africa,

**Josephine Baker**

..... Baker Became A Lieutenant In The Free French Air Force, Did Intelligence  
Work, Drove An Ambulance, And Entertained Troops.

**Scene**

## **Josephine Baker**

Murder

### **Baker Exits**

#### **JEH**

150, 000 murderers are roaming the United States. 300,000 citizens are walking the streets of the towns of America unaware that they are doomed to die in the hands of murderers. One out of every 25 persons in the United States is inclined to CRIMINALITY. If the criminal world were to marshal its forces, they would march ceaselessly past, hour upon hour, in daylight and darkness, and back to daylight again, 10 to 20 abreast. America would fall in a few hours to an army of MURDERERS.

#### **WINCHELL**

New York City - Last Monday night the G-Men captured a tough guy. Taking no chances of having any more of their men killed the G - Men used machine guns to get what they wanted, a very dangerous criminal. They got him. Now newspapers and writers are attacking the G- Men and their chief. Mr. Hoover is heckled, belittled and condemned for making America a safer place for children to live in. The widows of G- Men who died for your family and mine, whose men died shooting it out with Dillinger, and "Baby Face" Nelson must be appalled. Take this from one who knows how courageous the G- Men are. They are not glory hunters. They are man hunters.

#### **HOOVER**

Thank you Walter, you made a succinct and pertinent observation. I am grateful. The forces you speak of are trying to belittle, ridicule and smear the G- Men. They are the writers of slime columns. They suffer from mental halitosis. These editorial writers have an aggravated case of mental diarrhea. They regurgitate their own filth. They tear down that which restrains the criminals of the underworld. The criminal morons can only be held in check by fear and a respect by vigorous apprehension and punishment. I know instances where the actual criminals we've apprehended have had in their very possession clippings of newspaper columns written by the above alluded to –coyotes. Walter, I sometime wonder whether America really wants clean and effective crime enforcement.

#### **WINCHELL**

And that Mr. and Mrs. 48 winds up another Winchell, next Sunday night at the very same time. Until then I remain your New York correspondent. But before I go remember that tomorrow marks the 30th year John Edgar Hoover has been head of the FBI, but he actually started thirty –seven years ago on next July 26.

He has not amassed any monetary awards to show for three decades of public service; in fact Mr. Hoover is practically poor. Not long ago, he paid for the mortgage on his home; the one his mother gave him. John Edgar Hoover has amassed no loot for his years of public service, but he does have the nation's admiration and respect and the President's handshake and salute. So I'm sure I speak for all Americans and say, "here, John Edgar Hoover is our affectionate embrace."

### **READER**

John Edgar Hoover, The Director the number one g-man — g-man Hoover was born January 1, 1895 in the District of Columbia. He entered the Department of Justice in 1917 and in 1924 was named the first Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a position he upheld up to his death May 2, 1972. He made his name — got his job- going after and bringing down John Dillenger and Al Capone — and then after Capone he went after Commies. Hoover was the first to use fingerprints; gave us all the early crime fighting *paraphernalia*. He was the father the modern surveillance world. But this was one father that never married and when he died - the number one G-man Hoover— left everything - his entire estate all of it - to the number two G- man, Clyde Tolson. Tolson was the associate director of the FBI. He was also the number one man in the Directors life. The number two-man was.... Walter Winchell.

### **READER**

Walter Winchell was born in New York City on April 7<sup>th</sup> in 1897. Like Hoover Winchell was also a father, the father of nasty talk radio and nasty watch TV. This father married a good American girl and he frolicked with a parade of Vegas ShowGirls. He was a vaudeville child star who became a newspaper columnist — and a radio and TV celeb. His column was carried by — xxxx newspapers — his Sunday radio was xxxx. He was first out of the gate in television, thanks to his peculiar relationship with Lucy and Desi (more on that later). Winchell died in 1972, four months before his and our number one g- man, J Edgar.

### **READER**

Hoover and Winchell — John and Walter — it was not as grotesque as it might appear. Both were men enjoyed power more than wealth, had deep persecution complexes and were always visualizing dark conspiracies fashioned by invisible enemies, and had genuinely frenzied impatience with criticism of any sort. They loved playing cops and robbers. Winchell felt that he "owned" the FBI. Winchell received FBI tips geared to the hour of his Sunday night broadcast, so that he could be first with the news. He had first rights to all data on the care and feeding of the chief g-man. He boasted to associates that Hoover had a direct telephone connection for him and he need never be in the dark when the FBI can shed light. The public record is full of love and kisses. On March twenty one, nineteen

forty-eight, Winchell was able to publish this ardent love-letter from the head of the FBI- "Dear Walter"

### **HOOVER**

Walter just a note to say hello, and do take good care of yourself and don't overdo because you are far too valuable to our country. You must get a lot of satisfaction now that so many of your "hysterical" assertions and predictions are becoming all too real. Some individuals must surely be having acute hydrophobia in finally having to recognize how true you have been all along. With best wishes I am, Sincerely, John.

### **Reader**

Anyway, Winchell has reciprocated these emotions a thousand- fold. It was to Hoover he offered, on July first, nineteen forty- six, what Winchell must have regarded as the highest tribute a man can pay to his fellow- man when he wrote.

### **WINCHELL**

Booby-hatch inmates no longer think they are Napoleon. According to N.Y. State medicos, they think they are J. Edgar Hoover.

## **Cuba**

### **Reader**

Department of State - Division of Security

Case Classification Title - Investigation of Mr. Maybe Turncoat

Place - Habana, Cuba

There is evidence that subject a Foreign Service Employee - Mr. Turncoat - made reservations at Habana Hotel Presidente for Josephine Baker. Developed Informant - Mrs. B Right of Habana, Cuba. Mrs. B Right works at the Habana Post, an English language newspaper published in Habana. She was interviewed. According to Mrs. B Right...

### **Mrs. B Right**

I was much interested in the scheduled visit of Josephine Baker to Cuba. On a prior visit to Havana Miss Baker had caused considerable unrest and misunderstanding in the minds of the Cuban people about racial conditions in the United States. I took it upon myself to wage a public campaign so that woman would not be allowed to return to visit Cuba, and then I received the good news. Miss Baker would not be visiting Cuba. What a wonderful surprise. A few days later I was at a cocktail party at the American Embassy. A Foreign Service Employee was also present at the party, a Mr. Turncoat. During the course of the

evening, Mr. Turncoat approached me and in a rather sneering attitude asked me...

**Mr. Turncoat**

So how's your friend Miss Baker making out?

**Mrs. B Right**

My friend, ha! I don't know, but I'm glad she's not coming to Cuba.

**Mr. Turncoat**

Ha! Baker is coming to Cuba. She arrives in a few days.

**Mrs. B Right**

I've information to the contrary.

**Mr. Turncoat**

I believe you are mistaken.

**Mrs. B Right**

Well if Miss Baker does come to Cuba, I hope she won't cause "incidents" such as those she precipitated during her previous visits.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

By "incidents" Mrs. B Right related exactly what she meant.

**Mrs. B Right**

Just because Baker couldn't get a hotel room at a first class hotel the last time she came to that does not give her the excuse to stir up all this adverse publicity.

**Reader - Reporting Officer**

To this Maybe Turncoat replied,

**Mr. Turncoat**

... there's no problem. Miss Baker already had reservations to stay at the Hotel Presidente.

**Mrs. B Right**

How doe you know? Are you responsible for her getting into the Hotel Presidente?

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

Mr. Maybe Turncoat shrugged his shoulders and in a grinning way replied...

**Mr. Turncoat**

"maybe".

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

From this "maybe" reply Mrs. B Right was left with the impression that...

**Mrs. B Right**

Maybe Turncoat had arranged for Miss Baker to stay at the Hotel Presidente.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

A heated argument ensued between Mrs. B Right and Maybe Turncoat when Maybe took the position of siding with Miss Baker's cause and remarking...

**Mr. Turncoat**

It's wrong for first class hotels to refuse Miss Baker a room the last time she came to Habana. It wasn't democratic. She should have been allowed to stay there. Miss Baker should be accepted as a great artist, and the fact that she is a Negro should not bar her from admittance to any hotel in Cuba.

**Mr. Maybe Turncoat Exits**

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

Mrs. B Right in continuation of her campaign against Miss Baker coming to Cuba published.....

**Mrs. B Right** – I published in the Havana Post that Josephine Baker was coming to Cuba and would reside at the Hotel Presidente.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

She also disclosed in the Havana Post, additional information that she had discovered

**Mrs. B Right**

That Miss Baker has a contract to appear at the Montmarte Night Club and a contract with the Radio Station CMQ, both in Havana.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

Subsequently Mrs. B Right personally visited the owner of the Montemarte Club and the owner of Radio Station CMQ, and Mrs. B Right claims she was ...

**Mrs. B Right**

I was primarily responsible for Miss Baker's contract being cancelled at both places.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

Mrs. B Right then went to the Hotel Presidente.

**Mrs. B Right**

I saw some “friends” and Miss Baker's reservations at the Hotel were also cancelled.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

It is her understanding that as a result her, Mrs. B Rights efforts,

**Mrs. B Right**

Miss Baker didn't stay at the Hotel Presidente but had to lease an apartment in the neighborhood of the Hotel. Miss Baker remained in Habana for three weeks but was unsuccessful in having her contracts renewed.

**Reader – Reporting Officer**

In conclusion, Mrs. B Right stated she is going to fight people like Josephine Baker and everything they stand for until she dies.

**Mrs. B Right**

I am going to fight people like Josephine Baker and everything they stand for until I die.

**Mrs. B Right Exits**

**Staging – Silhouette,**

**The following segment is done with a background interrogation silhouette – with the rear projection of the FBI data “horizontal redacted carcel file dvd”- allowing the choreographed outline of a somewhat brutal interrogation scene.**

**Reader**

Maybe Turncoat was interviewed on September 9, 10, 24 and 27, by officers with the Office of Security, United - States Information Agency. He executed the following signed statement.

**Mr. Turncoat**

"I, make the following statement voluntarily to the Chief, Office of Security, and U.S. Information Agency. I realize that I do not have to make any statements and that anything I say may be used against me in connection with my placement in the Agency. I have been asked to comment on the following allegations:

**Reader-Interrogator- Grand Inquisitor**

**YOU** arranged for hotel reservations for Josephine Baker during her visit to

Havana in February 1953.

**YOU** used pressure on contractors to engage Josephine Baker's services in Havana.

**YOU** sided with Miss Baker's case, stating "it is not democratic to allow Miss Baker to stay at the Hotel Presidente".

**YOU** said Miss Baker's should be accepted as a great artist and the fact that she is a Negro should not bar her admittance to any hotel.

**Mr. Turncoat**

"My comments on the foregoing allegations will be numbered to correspond to the allegations.

(a) I never arranged hotel accommodations for Josephine Baker in Havana.

"(b) I never brought pressure on contractors to engage Josephine Baker's services in Havana. On the contrary, I did everything possible to prevent Josephine Baker from appearing in a professional capacity in Havana.

"(c) I never sided with Miss Baker's case and never stated that it was "not democratic" to allow Miss Baker to stay at the Hotel Presidente. Statements attributed to me to this effect might have arisen due to the fact that I felt that refusal to allow Miss Baker to stay in a Havana Hotel because of her color would give ammunition to the Communists, ammunition the Communists would use against us. I might have said it was too bad she could not get a reservation in a hotel because of this consideration. It should be remembered that Cuban Negroes constitute approximately 20 percent of the population and that the Communists in Cuba are constantly using evidences of racial discrimination in the United States in order to damage the prestige of the United States in Cuba among the Negro population.

"(d) I never made the statement that Miss Baker was a great artist. With respect to my attitude to her being admitted to hotels in Havana see my answers to (a) and (c) above.

**READER**

Havana Herald-2-2-53

Havana Cuba

Josephine Baker Fails In Try To Force CMQ To Let Her Perform

Josephine Baker "picketed" the Vedodo studios of CMQ yesterday afternoon and evening in an unsuccessful attempt to force the radio-TV station owners to employ her services.

She said that since her arrival she had "almost" signed a contract to appear at the American Theater but that the manager had backed out because he did not want to run the risk of losing his American films franchise. In the press conference held at her apartment called for local newsmen. Miss Baker had expressed "pain" over ...

**JB**

....the coolness of my reception in Cuba. I am being "persecuted" for my convictions.. I've been accused by American newspapers of being a "transmission belt" for Communist anti-American propaganda. I am not "in anybody's service." I'm not seeking publicity. I've come to Cuba to "work as an artist....and not to lecture... but in view of what I see and hear I feel I must speak out. When one is gravely ill one must do something to save one's self. If my persecution continues I will continue to appeal for the support of "millions of human beings of beaten races."

## **READER**

Air Pouch

For the Ambassador

Embassy Dispatch No 1312

With even less fanfare than at her arrival, Josephine Baker left by air for Europe on after a three week stay in Habana. Her visit to Cuba was of little value to her cause. She failed to enroll Cuba's President Baktista in her world Association against Racial and Religious Discrimination. She made no talks, and the press conference she called was attended only by Communist – line reporters, and from papers of little significance. All in all, Miss Baker's influence on Cuban Negroes may well be appraised as negligible.

## **JB**

In the battles for freedom, many have fallen, perhaps I am called on to be sacrificed, but that does not matter to me: it is necessary to fight for progress.

End of Scene

## Scene

**(UNDERSTANDABLY THERE ARE MORE NAMES HERE THAN WOULD BE USED IN A PRODUCTION – THE ACTUAL LENGTH OF THE SCENE WILL BE DETERMINED BY STAGING ISSUES - THE NUMBER OF READERS AVAILABLE- AND THE ABILITY TO SUSTAIN A RAPID DELIVERY)**

**Reader** Names, Names, Names, Names

**Winchell**- Aaron Copland

**Reader** - has a date with Senator McCarthy.

**Winchell**-John J McCoy

**Reader** - gave newspapers licenses in Germany to Communist.

**Winchell**-Jules and Ethel Rosenbergs

**Reader** - will die in the chair at Sing Sing the first week of May.

**D Winchell**-Dasiell Hammmet

**Reader** - - mystery writer - his home was searched by the FBI. They were looking for comrades.

**Winchell**-Jose Ferrer

**Reader** - was named in the Hollywood Red inquiry.

**Winchell-Stella Adler**

**Reader** - stage and screen actress – will be summoned by Congressional Investigators.

**Winchell-John Gates**

**Reader** - convicted Communist leaders, free on bail, vacationing in Tucson. No good.

**Winchell-Bernadette Doyle**

**Reader** - Communist Party Organizer is expected to apply for unemployment insurance in San Diego. Alert California unemployment authorities.

**Winchell-Professor Harlow Shapley**

**Reader** - of Harvard, plans to go to Russia in July. Harvard tell us why?

**Winchell-Aleksas Masholiunas and Viorel Trifa**

**Reader** –Nazi, Communist - both are living comfortable in Chicago and Cleveland. They are murders.

**Winchell-T Lamar Caudle**

**Reader** - named in scandals at the Department of Justice.

**Winchell-Gerhardt Stalburg**

**Reader** - new German Consul General, a smelly record.

**Winchell-William Schneiderman**

**Reader** - indicted for conspiring to violate the Smith Act. trial begins January 28.

**Winchell-Dr. Walter P Schreiber**

**Reader** - here for 6 months as a teacher was a Nazi General, supervised atrocious experiments on human being in Nazi concentration comps. Who hired this louse?

**Winchell-President Truman**

**Reader** - once a member of the Ku Klux Klan

**Winchell-Laughlin Currie**

**Reader**- former White House assistant is accused of tipping off a Soviet Spy Ring.

**Winchell-James Weschler**

**Reader** - Editor of the New York Post, a top official in the young Communist League.

**Winchell-Stanley Graze**

**Reader** - refused to tell if he was a Communist.

**Winchell-Charlie Chaplin**

**Reader** - will be detained at Ellis Island

**Winchell-David Weintraub**

**Reader** - top U. N. official will be asked to quit this week.

**Winchell-Owen Lattimore**

**Reader** - will receive a Christmas presents from the Department of Justice, each worth five years.

**Winchell-Ruth Elizabeth Crawford**

**Reader** - admitted former member of the Communist Party resigned as an

employee of the UN International Children's Fund.

**Winchell**-Sergeant John David Provo

**Reader** - has been charged with treason and "ratting" on his buddies while a Japanese prisoner of war.

**Winchell**-Sarah Lawrence College and Scarsdale High School

**Reader** - will get the Congressional spotlight, alleged Red penetration.

**Winchell**-The University of California Eugene Debs Social Club

**Reader** - is being established at. The Club is being investigated.

**Winchell**-Reed Harris

**Reader** - of the State Department is a big target of the McCarthy Committee next Tuesday.

**Winchell**-William Z. Foster

**Reader** - a top leader in the CP in the US was slapped with a Congressional subpoena.

**Winchell**-Langston Hughes

**Reader** - the novelist, has just been served with a Congressional subpoena.

**Winchell**-Gene Weltfish

**Reader** - Columbia University instructor in anthropology at has been active in numerous Communist front groups.

**Winchell**-Joseph Ryan

**Reader** - will be expelled from the American Federation of Labor.

**Winchell**-Nathan Witt

**Reader** - was named by Whittaker Chambers as a former Russian spy.

**Winchell**-Margaret Webster

**Reader** - Shakespearean Actress and Director, is charged with flirting with Red frontiers.

**Winchell**-Albert Einstein

**Reader** - has been listed 38 times in sponsoring and defending subversive groups.

## **Scene**

### **READER**

#### **Lotions of Love**

Walter Winchell, whose famous column appears in the New York Daily Mirror and other newspapers with more than 25 million readers is brought to you by **Lotion**, the ointment for soft, smooth romantic hands. There's new magic in make-up from the makers of **Lotion**. - **Lotion's** twin make-up! Makes you twice as lovely as cake make-up alone, **Lotion** twin make-up brings you two complexion glamorizers:

**Lotion** Make-Up Cake contains special skin softening oils – and velvetized **Lotion** Powder to match. Both brought to you so conveniently in one box of beauty. First you sponge on this smooth cake, over it you wear this wonderful

powered to match. So double you beauty with this double you money's worth cosmetic idea today. Just choose from six skin tones shades. And now the lovely Evelyn of the magic violin fame and the First Lady of the **Lotion** Hour of Charm will speak to you.

**Evelyn enters and plays a scale**

**READER – Moderator**

Tell me Evelyn, do people always speak of you and your violin together?

**READER- Evelyn**

And I'm so happy they do. You see, I think of my violin as a human voice and I try to express the lyrics with my fingers and hands.

**READER– Moderator**

Evelyn I suppose you take special care of your hands that play it.

**READER -Evelyn**

Well, first of all, my hands are the center of attraction and they must look nice. And even a magic violin needs supple fingers and smooth hands. That's why I use Lotion. It is the magic touch for keeping my hands in good- looking and perfect playing condition. May I say a very grateful thank- you to Lotion.

**READER- Moderator**

And thank you Evelyn. You're right **Lotion** is like professional care for the hands- two ingredients in **Lotion**. So ladies, for hands that look beautifully - kept, like Evelyn's, be sure and use **Lotion** Lotion. And now back to the editorial room of the **Lotion** Journal – and Walter Winchell.

**Staging Winchell is at the WW Radio Studio - WW at microphone**

**Hoover at the FBI monitoring / listening. Hoover has on ear phones.**

**WINCHELL:**

This is a warning to the National Organization of the Parent - Teachers Association. The Communists are assigning more members to join PTA's without your knowledge. At your next PTA Convention these Communists will present resolutions following the Communists party line. Now please do not tell me that I do not know what I am talking about. I am making this public to show the Communists involved that I do know what I am talking about.

**JEH**

We are aware of the Communist Party's infiltration tactics in this regard. The infiltration of legitimate organizations, such as the PTA, church, civic and similar groups, has been part of the United Front Program of the Communist Party.

**WINCHELL**

The propaganda line used by various Communist Front Groups is that the FBI is going to make wholesale raids and arrest thousands of people. This is entirely without foundation. Only active Communist leaders over here need worry.

**JEH**

True the Bureau originally recommended arresting seventy seven people; however, this number has now risen to 260 people by suggestion from the field.

**WINCHELL:**

Attention John Edgar Hoover – I have just turned over to your agents in Los Angeles the biggest scoop of my thirty-two years on the newspapers, hundreds of names of Americans who have given money to the Communist.

**JEH** - See that we get all the cards, and promptly analyze them.

**WINCHELL**

Thank you LA, Thank you Mr. Thomas Payne – just received it – and wow - What a - What a Read - So You're Going to Be a Communist it says it all – So You're Going to Be a Communist. I'm sending it on to all my friends. **POETRY**

**(The following is a highly choreographed segment. Batches of dog eared 4x6 cards are used as props during the following segment. This devolves into a shrill ticket tape parade with Evelyn and her violin in the lead.)**

**Reader**

So you're going to be a Communist -THEN FORGET GOD PAL! No Creator made you- NATURE – It was NATURE- that created you -- like it made the grass - the tree- that piece of dirt!-

**Reader**

THEN DESTROY RELIGION, comrade! It's only a DREAM- unreal- sort of an opium- for the poor people-blown into their faces- by the rich!- You need no religion mac - You need no God - YOU NEED ONLY THE STATE!-You must believe in REAL THINGS - in the power to control things –

**Reader**

TO CONTROL PEOPLE- who refuse to think as you do! YOU MUST FEEL THE POWER-BELIEVE IN THE POWER- TO DICTATE - TO FORCE - TO CRUSH - TO RAPE!-

**Reader**

So you're going to be a Communist - NOTHING - BUT COMMUNISM- IS MORAL, comrade! -DESTROY GOVERNMENT, comrade!-

**Reader**

The United States Government must fall - it is capitalistic - it must be overthrown!!- MARX SO DICTATED IT - LENIN HIMSELF SWORE IT -

THEY ALONE PROVED IT!

**So you're going to be a Communist - a Communist -a Communist - a Communist -**

**Reader**

Nothing but communism is moral, comrade! The Ten Commandments lie comrade! Pieces of stone. They are not moral, only communism is morale!

**Reader**

Murder is right - rape is just - when used to advance communism. Immortality? Life beyond? Nonsense!

**Reader**

Only witchcraft spread by the rich to blind you while the rich grow richer, and you pray for bread!

**Reader**

Prayer is for the poor, pal- for the ignorant - for the "unenlightened" not for you, you are a communist! A thinker! A worker! Under communism only your body is real,

**Reader**

The stomach is real - the mind is but another organ- to be fed Under communism free love is needed –

**Reader**

To create more party members!

#### **WINCHELL:**

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover announced that Hollywood is "housing many communists and theses communist should be cleaned out." Mr. and Mrs. United States every week on the air however there is a program straight out of the FBI files called "Your FBI in Peace and in War". Mr. and Mrs. United States the theme song for this program is "Love for Three Oranges" written by Prokofieff, one of the world's leading Communist.

#### **AUDIO**

##### **Prokofieff's Three Oranges**

**Evelyn /violinist – plays /repeats the 3 Oranges theme over and over**

**JEH**

**What!!!**

**Reader**

To: The Director - I wish to advise as follows: Sergei Prokofieff is a famous Russian musician and is the author of several orchestrations, including "The Three Oranges". This is regarded as a classic and by arrangers of music for radio and the movies frequently borrowed strands from it to denote suspense. "The Three Oranges" furnish the motif not only for the musical theme of "The FBI

in Peace and in War” but also the theme for "This is your FBI!". The Bureau's files contain no references, which would indicate Prokofieff's personal political beliefs and or connections.

**JEH** - It looks as if WW has got us with this one. From now on we ought to be able to utilize music by someone other than that of a well-known Communist.

**Sound Cue- Audio Mix - Prokofieff's gradually changes into “ WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS”- <http://www.hymnsite.com/lyrics/umh526.sht>  
(Gospel reader's Acapella choir background)**

### **WINCHELL**

Washington – John J Johnson is the publisher of *Ebony* magazine - a monthly Negro publication. This week over the mike of the Voice of America Johnson will penetrate the Iron Curtain. With this uppercut John Johnson will debunk Communist claims, the BIG CLAIM, that the America Negro is poverty stricken and exploited. Mr. and Mrs. United states and all those ships at sea, in the last year the total income of our Negro population will be 16 billion dollars, far greater than the national income of Canada.

### **WINCHELL:**

Now definite, a Washington march on to promote civil rights legislation will be staged March 5. The Reds are mobilizing to try and take over the march.

### **WINCHELL**

American will again enjoy another big laugh. Internal Revenue will sue black concert star Paul Robeson for taxes on cash he received with the Stalin award from the Kremlin a few years ago.

### **WINCHELL**

Washington DC: The Communist's radio and press are having a field day with racial issues. They neglect however to report the following facts: No race in the history of man has made greater progress in the last 100 years than the America Negro. The Communist Reds forget to mention that American Negroes distinguish themselves in every profession in our country, from the armed services to medicine and that the free enterprises run by Negroes are the highest in the world at Atlanta, Georgia. The Moscow radio reports that in 1901 we've had 103 lynchings. But according to the Department Justice, there have been no lynchings in the last four years.

### **SCENE**

**RACISM - throughout the lower 48**

**Staging – A series of State Flags are used as moving location makers on the stage. Readers move from marker to marker/State to State: New York – Illinois - California- Pennsylvania - New Jersey.**

**Reader**

Bureau File - Negro Question- Security Information – Confidential

This Material Contains Information Affecting The National Defense Of The United States Within The Meaning Of The Espionage Laws- The Transmission Or Revelation Of To An Unauthorized Person Is Prohibited By Law.

**Reader- New York, New York City**

The Committee for Negroes in the Arts sponsored a "Sunday brunch" at the hotel Theresa, New York City. Awards were presented to twelve Negro cultural personalities for work in behalf of Negro artists. Mrs. Alice Childress the star of "Candy Story" stated that the Negro was not being mentioned in the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary celebration of the United States theatre. Mrs. Childress said the Negro cannot be forgotten in the theatre. The committee for the Negro in the Arts - wants a real Negro theatre for America, a theatre about Negroes, by Negroes, and for Negroes with the plays performed in Negro neighborhoods. The article described this affair as a tribute to Josephine Baker. Josephine Baker was honored for her work on behalf of Negro artists.

**Josephine Baker**

Thank you

**Reader – Illinois, Chicago****Reader**

The following articles appeared in Illinois editions of "The Worker", a communist newspaper: Josephine Baker insisted she would only sing at the Chicago theater before a mixed band. She disturbed the composure of those who take the view that the real gains for the Negro people can come only after a long, long time. In her blunt, outspoken manner, she burst the 'progress' bubble, which is used for hiding purposes by those who refuse to fight for liberation now.

**Josephine Baker**

Upon Touring Chicago after 22 Years I Can See No Progress.

**Reader – California, Los Angeles****Reader**

It was announced that a meeting is scheduled in Humanistos Hall to help unite Negro and white musicians into one local union. This will be the climax of a campaign to amalgamate Locals 767 and 47 AFL and ending the segregation that has existed for years. Josephine Baker has notified the musicians that,

**Josephine Baker**

I'll be there.

**Reader- Pennsylvania, Levittown****Reader**

Internationally famous entertainer and fighter for Negro rights, Josephine Baker is scheduled to visit a rally protesting Levittown's anti-negro discrimination. The rally is part of a campaign to prevent the threatened eviction of the Adolph Ross family of 52 Honeysuckle lane. The family is being evicted because two summers ago they entertained Negro children on their lawn. Josephine Baker, internationally famous entertainer and fighter against bias, scheduled to attend Saturday's rally, wired:

**Josephine Baker**

"I am deeply concerned over this question of segregation and discrimination. America will never achieve its destiny until the American people themselves are able to love each other and work together to achieve the American ideals."

**Reader- New Jersey, Trenton**

**Reader**

A dramatic visit Friday by stage star Josephine Baker highlighted the proceedings in a Trenton courtroom, where six Negroes are fighting for their lives against a frame up charge of murder. Miss Baker watched the proceedings. Later she spoke to the defendants in the lockup room. As she was leaving, she dictated the following statement.

**Josephine Baker**

The Trenton Six frame - up must be stopped. I will do everything I can to gain their freedom. At this moment the eyes of the world are on America.

**SCENE TV/RADIO SHOW**

**(Staging - Bring on the EYES - in the eyes of TV cameras)**

**- a surfeit of names follow-**

**Readers**

**Names, Names, Names, Names, Names**

**Winchell**-Professor Harold C Urey

**Reader** - Rosenberg defender, was considered too emotionally unstable to work on the original A- bomb project

**Winchell**-Steve Nelson

**Reader** - a top Communist leader is dogging Congressional Committee process servers.

**Winchell**-Radio Commentator Johannes Steel

**Reader** - will be subpoenaed by the McCarthy Committee this week.

**Winchell**-Felix Kusman

**Reader** - deportation hearing is Tuesday in New York City.

**Winchell**-Lionel Stnader,

**Reader** - well known actor, is to be recalled to the stand by the House Committee on un- America Activities.

**Winchell**-Mrs. Paul Robeson

**Reader** - wife of the Negro singer has been subpoenaed to testify before the house Committee on Un- American Activities.

**Winchell**-The son of Max Lowenthal and the daughter of Harry Dexter White  
**Reader** - have been subpoenaed.

**Winchell**-Arnold Deusau

**Reader** - author and playwright, has been subpoenaed.

**Winchell**-Abraham Brick

**Reader** - a Rabbi Lecturer, Writer and Teacher, born in Russia will be exposed.

**Professor** Harry Grundfest

**Reader** - of Columbia University invoked the 5<sup>th</sup> amendment.

**Winchell**-John Bridge

**Reader** - of City College got a subpoena – then he resigned.

**Reader**

To: The Director

Special New Release Attachment

From: Winchell

Five Television shows, The Web, Bride & Groom, Love Of Life, Search For Tomorrow, And Guiding Light were rated objectionable in its current findings of the National Television Review Board announced during March. The board, an independent organization surveying TV shows since 1950, also named two programs variable- Winchell and Superman. The Web was rated objectionable because of an “excess of crime and violence at an hour that precedes bedtime for children, while Bride &Groom deprecates the sanctity of the Holy Vows....makes sacred ritual too commercial. The three soap operas, Search For Tomorrow, Guiding Light, And The Love Of Life, were objectionable because of “sordid situations”... no value placed on family life.....vulgarity displayed.... excess of adultery and drinking.” Walter Winchell, the report continued was variable because his TV program, “peddles distrust and possible hatred. Superman was variable due to an “excess of violence.”

Walter Winchell requests the Director check the National Television Review board and Robert Kubicek, the head of the agency. Winchell's notations are as follows:

**Walter Winchell**

Dear John, can you please help check this group and man? Seems like a racket to me. Could be a Commie front, maybe?

**Scene- SCOOP**

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** - McCarthy's Roy Cohn's phones are tapped .

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Wm. R Hearst got his news beat on the Messrs. Murchison & Richardson. They didn't know he was a newspaperman!

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Marty Mills sings you a parody of "That's Amore.". Title: "That's A Moron!"

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -The Marques of Queensbury's jitterbugging is the talk among mid-towners.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Eden of London will make a surprising announcement.....

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Rosemary Clooney and Joes Ferrer will marry in October

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Za- Zsa's getting famous. A new shoe polish is named "Za Za"

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Garbo will never make another movie. Lives in the past- re-running her old films doing the "Sunset Blvd" bit.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -The Chaplains keep saying they'll never return here. It couldn't happen to a nicer county.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Tennessee Ernie Ford got rich with his hillbilly-hokum- is in fact a graduate of the highbrow Cincinnati Conservatory of Music

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -A politico now involved in litigation is worried that his foe will discover his skeleton. Two wives.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Skewp of the Week: Howard Hughes wants to buy RKO Corp: He's gonna add propellers and fly it Coast – to – Coast.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Hollywood great Frank Carpa told me, Walter if they took a poll on the star everyone likes the winner would be Barbara Stanwyck

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Jerry Lewis plays Pagliacci in Look mag. Jerry shows the grimmer side of being a clown. Boo-hokum

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Alec Guinness -despite the gold and the glory is haunted by a defeat. His "Hamlet" -was a flop.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Dinah Shore - is a sociologist, she received a degree in sociology from

Vanderbilt

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Yul Brynner's real first name is Julius

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Zsa - Zsa Gabor's best kept secret is British producer James Woolf

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -The director is a fag.

**Winchell- SCOOP**

**Reader** -Zsa - Zsa Gabor's best kept secret is

**WW...The director is a fag???!!!!!!**

**Reader**

To: The Director

From: Special Agent in Charge -New York

Re: David Slavitt, Author of the Voyeur

Walter Winchell called Special Agent MALONE to advise as follows:

Jacqueline Susanne, author of "Valley of the Dolls", is married to one Irving Mansfield, who is also her producer and manager. Winchell stated, he met Mansfield on the street in New York and during the conversation, Mansfield mentioned that he had heard some revolting news concerning a very good friend of Winchell. He said that Bernard Geis is publishing a book in which he will name J. Edgar Hoover as a homosexual. Winchell was not able to furnish any further. He suggested that we contact Irving Mansfield for further information.

To: The Director FBI

Discreet inquiry by the New York office disclosed the following:

The tentative title of the book in question is "The Voyeur", a French word which really means "peeping tom". The book is written under the pen name of Henry Sutton. The man's real name is David Slavitt. A source advised that "The Voyeur" does not mention names but the people can be easily identified by references to them. He cited as an example, "well know publisher of girlie magazine", which automatically would be Hugh Hefner. The source indicated that references clearly point to the person intended and where they say "the head of the FBI" name not mentioned, is a "fag", naturally since there had only been one head of the

FBI for the last 30 years or more, a mistake can not be made. Any additional information received regarding the publication date, or the contents of the proposed book, will be furnished to the bureau.

### **Scene – WW at microphone and JEH with ear phones**

#### **WINCHELL**

A Hollywood lawyer will be exposed very soon by a Congressional Committee as the alleged paid “fixer” of Hollywood "Reds", "Pinks" and "Fellow Travelers". One of his initials is “G”.

#### **WINCHELL**

A male moving picture star who testified that he never knew a Communist in Hollywood or any other place may be indicted soon for perjury. An old “flame” of his has told Senate investigators that he once tried to get her to join up. Oh Boy!

#### **WINCHELL**

The upcoming probe by the house Un- American Activities Committee will confirm this. That a Hollywood star who denied ever having any connections with the Communist is relay a paid – up member.

#### **WINCHELL**

The many investigations into Hollywood Communism will now get some action from the New Federal Grand Jury in New York City

#### **WINCHELL**

The house Committee on un- American Activiites has scheduled headings on the infiltration of the cultural field in Hollywood California.

#### **WINCHELL**

A friendly witness appearing before the Un- American committee in Hollywood tomorrow is expected to name eight-five names.

#### **WINCHELL**

While the house Committee on un-American Activities was holding secret sessions in California, **the most popular of all television star** was confronted with **her** membership in the Communist party.

**The dual location staging artifice is breached- and WW crosses over to JEH. They have a silent conversation. Then back to their talk listen podiums**

#### **WINCHELL:**

The Lucille Ball story, which rocked the nation, has a very happy ending. Congressman Jackson, of the house committee on Un-American Activities was the very first to give Lucille Ball a clean bill. Newspapers and those who know her best were understanding and sympathetic. Miss Ball and her husband Desi

Arnaz explanations are fully believed and accepted. "And that Mr. and Mrs. 48 winds up the final edition until the fall. I began shooting the first scenes for a new television film series this week for Desilu Productions. Goodnight

## **Reader - A Happy Ending**

### **SCENE**

#### **Reader**

October 17- NOTE to File: The Director wrote Walter Winchell on October 17, indicated that he had the opportunity to view his new television series for the first time on the pervious night. By reply of October 23, Winchell advised that he was sending the letter to "Desi and Lucy" and that he wanted the Director to see the first two films that the Director had missed. (No Tivo)

#### **Reader-Desi Arnaz**

Dear Edgar,

I am very pleased to send you two 16mm prints of the first two of "the Walter Winchell File" shows. The films are going our Air Express today. Hope you enjoy them, and will be looking forward to hearing your reaction. Lucy joins me in sending warmest personal regards. Sincerely Desi

#### **Reader-**

Office memorandum – United States Government

To: Nease From: Jones

You will recall that the Desilu productions sent to the Director the first two "Walter Winchell File television films. They have been reviewed by Special Agent Kemper and are as follows.

1. The first program deals with the apprehension of burglary suspects by the New York City Police Department and evolves around a police officer, whose wife has just had a baby and whose personal courage is being tested in a gun battle. Walter Winchell, as roving reporter, is on the scene and reports the gun battle first hand. There is considerable violence but law enforcement is shown in an excellent fashion.
2. The second scrip deals with a mad man who murder his girl friend, kills a police officer and is later killed in self defense by a minister. The minister sits in judgment on him and he ends up by leaving his parish and goes to a prison where he becomes the chaplain. This is a very tense drama and is rather violent.

These are half –hour shows, and include the Revlon advertisements. Running time one hour. These are 16-mm prints and if Director desires to see them arrangements will be made.

**JEH**

Mr. Desi Arnaz  
Desilu Production Inc.  
846 North Cahuenga Boulevard  
Hollywood California

Dear Desi:

I have had the opportunity to see the films for the first two programs of "The Walter Winchell File" and have found them most interesting. I was particularly well pleased with the excellent manner in which law enforcement officers were portrayed. Please accept my sincere thanks for marking these films available to me. And please give my best regard to Lucy  
Sincerely Edgar

**Reader**

June 19, 1951

From The National Council of Negro Women - Affiliated with the National Council of Women of the United States and the International Council of Women of the World

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The National Council of Negro Women has the honor to present the American-born French chanteuse and concert artist, the incomparable Josephine Baker, at the National Guard Armory on Monday night, July 2nd at 8:30 p.m. In addition to a rare evening of music and exotic dancing, Miss Baker will display her famous wardrobe valued at \$150,000.00, the finest creations of the French fashion makers. Reserved seats may be obtained at the Willard Hotel Ticket Agency and at this office or will be mailed in the order of their request. Prices for tickets are \$6.00, \$4.80, \$3.60, \$2.40, and \$1.80 tax included. Please make checks payable to the National Council of Negro Women. We hope that you will find it possible to come and enjoy an evening of unusually fine entertainment.

Very truly yours, Dorothy B. Ferebee - President

**JEH**

Dear Miss Ferebee;

Your letter dated June 19, 1951, regarding the concert by Josephine Baker has been received. I am not able to attend. My calendar reflects a prior engagement

**WINCHELL:**

The big news an hour ago over all the networks, that G-Man Hoover had rejected an offer of \$1,000,000 from the International Boxing Club, was no scoop after my 6:45 (broadcast) last Sunday night.

**Office Memorandum – United States Government**

To: Mr. Tolson

From: L.B. Nicholas

There were several calls last evening after the Winchell broadcast. The United Press, The Associated Press, The Washington News, and The Washington Post Sports Department all inquired if there was any truth to the Winchell statement the Director had been offered a million dollars as the czar of boxing. All were answered by no comment. This morning Clark Mollenhoff of the Des Moines Register Tribune called and asked if he could see the Director. I told him he was wasting his time. The Director would make no comment and did not want to see him. However if there were any new developments we would call him.

### **SCENE**

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil-September 4, 1952

AIR COURIER -Re: Josephine Baker - Foreign Miscellaneous

Director, FBI-Dear Sir:

Attached is a clipping from the Rio de Janeiro afternoon newspaper, "O Globo." The article, with two photos of Josephine Baker, is headed "Josephine Baker A Servico De Uma Grande Causa". The article reports that Josephine Baker is presently in Rio, where she has had a successful run in two night clubs, one theater in a small revue. The article tells of her intention to form a Rio de Janeiro branch of the World Association against Racial and Religious Discrimination. Further in this "O Globo" article she refers to the Stork Club, and to a Mr. Walter Winchell. Apparently some months ago, when she was in the United States, Baker became involved in an incident at the New York night club, The Stork Club, in which she accused the management of racial discrimination. In some way, Walter Winchell, the newspaper columnist, came into the picture in opposition to her. The writer knows of the incident vaguely only through sparse newspaper attention given it here in Brazil. The above is for the Bureau's files. Very truly yours-Martin Carlsen

### **SCENE**

**Reader**

Walter Winchell Broadcast on Sunday evening, October 21, 1951

### **WINCHELL**

The first week's winner of a top prize in our CONTEST: "Why I Could Never Be a Communist!". ...is Gertrude M. Prescott, Madison, Lake County, Ohio. She will also be in the finals for 1st Prize: A \$7,000 Cadillac Eldorado convertible. The "Why I Could Never Be a Communist!" contest closes midnight May 3rd. Winners announced weekly until May 16th... Under 50 words ...please enclose \$1 in each letter you enter...Send as many letters as you wish to me, Box 80, NY. Thankxxx! ...get your children to enter...Your kiddy may win the Caddy, ... The U in Lucky May Be U.

**WINCHELL**

Mr. and Mrs. United States- Josephine Baker, a Negro star complained to authorities this week that she was discriminated against at the Stork Club last Tuesday night and that she had been told that Walter Winchell was in the place at the time. Winchell was not in the Stock Club at the time of the alleged disturbance. I am appalled at the agony and embarrassment caused Josephine Baker and her friends at the Stork Club, but I am equally appalled at their efforts to involve me in an incident in which I had no part.

**READER**

Based on an anonymous tip that the Stork Club would be blown up because it had refused to admit Negroes the police searched all eight stories of the Stork Club. No investigation is being conducted by the Bureau at this time.

Reader

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION - U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

OCT 20, 1951

TELEGRAM

TO: J EDGAR HOOVER

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

AS A PATRON OF STORK CLUB WE ASK IF YOU WOULD EXPRESS YOUR DISAPPROVAL AND TAKE WHATEVER OTHER ACTION IS WISE AND FEASIBLE REGARDING GRATUITOUS REFUSAL OF SERVICE TO MISS JOSEPHINE BAKER OCTOBER 16 WHEN SHE WAS GUEST THERE OF MR. AND MRS. ROGER RICO AND KNOWN POLICY OF SHERMAN BILLINGSLEY TO BAR PATRONS BECAUSE OF RACE AND COLOR. AT THIS CRITICAL PERIOD OF WORLD HISTORY SUCH DISCRIMINATION IN METROPOLITAN CITY LIKE NEW YORK OR ANYWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES PLAYS DIRECTLY INTO HANDS OF COMMUNISTS AND OTHER ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY. DISAPPROVAL OF SUCH POLICY WILL DEMONSTRATE VITALITY AND INTEGRITY OF DEMOCRACY. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SENDING US COPY OF WHATEVER PROTEST YOU SEE FIT TO MAKE. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE 20 W 40 NYC

**JEH** - I don't consider this to be any of my business.

**SCENE**

**ACLU- STORK Staging-STREET PICKETERS**

**Reader**

October 25, 1951. The New York post – by line - Ted Boston - The mayor's committee continued its inquiry into charges that Miss Baker was treated rudely on Oct. 16 when she visited the club as guests of Roger Rico, French singing star of "South Pacific," and Mrs. Rico. The committee received a go-ahead sign from New York mayor Impellitteri "to turn the spotlight of public opinion on the Stork Club and any place in new York where discrimination is practiced."

**Reader**

All of New York City's major political parties for the first time have come together unanimously in opposition stork club's anti-negro policies. GOP republican candidate for mayor representative Latham last night joined the picket line in front of the stork club. Latham told the 50 NAACP pickets, "I am with you all the way in this fight against discrimination." NAACP executive secretary Walter White accused Walter Winchell of trying to smear the pickets at the Stork Club as "communists or communist sympathizers."

**Reader**

Winchell, who was present in the stork club on Oct. 16 while waiters allegedly refused miss baker food, wrote today in his column that several of the stork club picketers were communists. the NAACP's white said that was a lie and the NAACP pickets have been carefully screened to prevent communist participation. White asked Winchell, "Is your fight against bigotry to stop at the door of the Stork Club?"

**Reader**

The American Civil Liberties Union today entered the battle over the stork club. the ACLU demanded that the mayor's committee on unity hold public hearings on the discourteous treatment of Josephine Baker. The ACLU said, "New York City has achieved a great deal in the campaign to eliminate practices of racial discrimination from our community. It must once again make clear its opposition to such practice."

**Reader**

The mayor has announced that he will not go to the stork club "or any other place that practices discrimination." the investigation of the baker incident is still being continued today by the state liquor authority and by representatives of president Truman, to whom Miss Baker had protested. Today the St. Louis-born singer who is in Baltimore said

**Josephine Baker-** I'm returning to New York to continue my fight against the Stork Club.

**END OF THE FIRST ACT**

**SECOND ACT**

**Reader**

Communist party USA - district no 2  
New York file

Five hundred delegates attended a conference sponsored by the national council of the arts, sciences and profession. The congressional committee on UN-American activities has cited the national council of the arts, sciences and professions as a communist front organization. The following resolutions were adopted:

**Reader**

Demand President Truman appoints a committee to investigate Jim crow in the arts, in the sciences and in the professions.

**Reader**

Demand radio and television networks integrate Negroes into all levels of the industry.

**Reader**

Demand the federal communication commission withdraw radio and television channels from companies that perpetrate racial stereotypes and job discrimination.

**Reader**

Demand that the food and liquor license of the stork club be rescinded.

**Reader**

Commend Josephine Baker for her forthright action in the stork club incident.

**Reader**

To: The Director- The attached letters were sent in by Walter Winchell. They concern Josephine Baker, the colored singer who was recently involved in the incident at the Stork Club. Concerning the top letter, the correspondent alleges that he saw Josephine Baker in Leningrad, as a guest of the Soviet Union in 1936. Mr. Winchell states, "Hoover, can we check this please?"

**Reader**

Winchell - daily papers proclaim Josephine baker is allowed to roam U.S.A. She is a renowned red, defiant of law and order. I am ashamed to admit I paid money to see an ignorant, insulting and the poorest performer I ever saw at our downtown theatre here. Her innuendoes to the public on behalf of black and white sex stuff... too much. Let's watch who employs this trouble maker. She's here for no good.....an intermediary or something or some one.  
Los Angeles

**Reader**

Dear W. W. Just read your column on j. b. I'm a Scotchman. in 36 I visited Leningrad. I wandered into the Russian bar at the hotel one night. While I was there this "big shot" show ups. She's surrounded by red commissars and French

reds. She's singing and drinking with them, all to her heart's content. It was j.b, the only colored person there. She came to the u.s.s.r. With a large group of French reds, "as guests of the soviet union." those reds wined and dined her and were laughing up their sleeves at her. They have no Negroes in the u.s.s.r. She was just a novelty, and a good stooge. If you check it out you will probably find that j. b. is just a highly colored copy of mata hari. Looks to me like she's doing her stuff for Uncle Joe, still following the party line everywhere she goes. Sorry she implicated you Walter, but that might have been one of her assignments? You know how the reds "love you."

**Reader**

Mr. Winchell,  
New York City

When Josephine Baker came over on her last trip, she was delayed for many hours because she was trying to bring in a Russian maid. She was not permitted to do this. How do you like this? She won't even employ a Negro maid.

**Reader**

Springfield, Mass.  
October 28, 1951

Dear Walter Winchell,

I have always considered you to be a good judge of character, and after reading your

Sunday column on my notorious countrywoman, Jo Baker, I am convinced of it. It was good to

see that you had seen right through her race hating campaign. She professes to want to help our race, and yet she calmly...

**Josephine Baker**

...goes about destroying the little progress made toward better race relations. Her chief ambition in life seems to be to make fabulous salaries, wear priceless gowns, marry European counts and arrest Texans for supposedly calling her a nigger. It made me sick to read how she had gone to France and depicted us as near slaves in this wonderful country of ours. I know there is still a lot to be desired in the treatment of Negroes, but her running to Paris to be "treated like a human being" isn't helping any. Why couldn't she stay here and fight like millions of other Negroes are doing? My mother says that years ago when she saw Jo Baker perform in New York, her act was so immoral that its no wonder they "panned" her. If she can't stand this wicked treatment, she can always go back to her beloved France, and good riddance. Sincerely yours,  
a colored student

**Reader**

Josephine Baker filed a Libel Action against Walter Winchell, Hearst Corp., and King Features, Inc. individually, and jointly, in the amount of \$400,000. The complaint alleges that on or about 10/16/51 JOSEPHINE BAKER, in company with friends visited the Stork Club, was treated discourteously. It states that friends of BAKER formed a picket line for a few evenings thereafter. Baker alleges that....

### **Josephine Baker**

Walter Winchell was present that evening at the Stork Club; and that Winchell resented the bad publicity; and that Walter Winchell thereafter embarked upon a public campaign to vilify libel and damage Baker's reputation and professional standing. Further, the complaint alleged that Walter Winchell maliciously, wantonly and recklessly printed and published information concerning Baker in the "NY Daily Mirror" and in various papers throughout the United States. Baker alleges that Winchell said that Baker ..I was an Italian Fascist, a sympathizer of Italian Fascists ....

**Winchell** ... that she planned the incident for purposes of publicity and self-display; that Baker "horn swoggled", deceived and cheated colored people into accepting her as a heroine and champion; that Baker's pro-Communists, and a fellow traveler; that the Stork Club incident was a "job"; that she engage in lascivious dancing; that the places where she performs do not want colored patronage; that Baker does not mix with colored people, that Baker's anti-Negro and only want to be with white people; that her status in the United States is illegal that Baker's under surveillance by the Government, that she might be prevented from ever entering the US again; that Baker's intellectually dishonest; a complete opportunist, an Anti-Semite, hates Jewish people, a fraud and is a person of low and doubtful character.

### **Reader**

To: The Director:

We interviewed – a Source/ an informant - with an extortion letter received by The Source. The Source volunteered the following information regarding the Josephine Baker incident at the Stork Club. The Source said he received a telephone call from Walter Winchell concerning the Josephine Baker incident - Winchell talked over the telephone for over two hours and in a marathon tirade. Winchell said that.....

### **WINCHELL:**

For twenty-five years I've been a close friend of the NAACP and a vigorous supporter of their policies but now because of my support of the Stork Club in this Baker incident I'm being crucified by the NAACP and by newspapers like the

New York Post. If I were to go to Harlem now my blood would flow in the streets

**Reader**

The Source Said: I told Winchell that it was Winchell's privilege to admit that he had made a mistake in the Stork Club incident. At the end of the conversation, Winchell said

**WINCHELL:**

" You probably have recorded this conversation and will crucify me further"

**Reader**

The Source Said: I told Winchell that there were no recording devices and I never recorded any telephone conversation, but then I said to him, " I don't doubt that you are recording the conversation for your own benefit." Winchell hesitated for a moment but didn't deny it.

**Reader**

Off the mark- off the air

To: The Director

Sunday, January 27, 1952 - Winchell announced that due to illness he was taking a leave of absence from all professional activities for at least a month.

**Reader**

To: The Director

Sunday next – Winchell's replacement steward Alsop announced that Winchell was suffering from a virus and not a heart condition as was initially suspected. This is the first broadcast Walter Winchell has missed in twenty years.

**Reader**

To: The Director

Sunday next -vocalists Frank Sinatra and Jo Stafford substituted for Mr. Winchell. It was announced during the program that Mr. Winchell's health was improving and he would return to the air soon. The program consisted solely of musical renditions.

**Reader**

To: The Director

Sunday next- Walter Winchell became suddenly ill just before airtime. Mr. Richard Stark was hastily called upon to read the material Winchell had prepared. At the conclusion of the program Mr. Stark made the following comments.

**Reader**

Before closing tonight I want to take time out to extend my personal condolences to a colleague of mine, Mr. Walter Winchell, who is ill in Florida. WW left the air Sunday night for a month on doctors' orders. His condition is the result of a war that has been waged against him by reds and their pinkish friends because of his outspoken opposition to communism and communists. I hope he recovers soon

and gets back on the firing line with the rest of us who are determined that communism is going to be stamped out regardless of what it takes.

**Reader**

**BAD NEWS!**

Read all about it. Read all about it!!!

The Mayor's Committee on Unity in charge of the Investigation of the Stork Club incident has issued a statement. The Committee found that Miss Josephine Baker was not a victim of discrimination when she was refused service at the Stork Club on October 16 last. The Committee cleared the Stork Club of any charges of racial discrimination.

## **THE POUNCE**

**WINCHELL:**

New Yorkers are talking about Confidential Magazine, On the stands - its big feature - the No. 1 ingrate, Josephine Baker and the inside story of her phoney demonstration in various parts of the nation and elsewhere, It's a complete debunking of Josephine Baker, and the newspapers who fell for her hokum.

**WINCHELL:**

U.S. intelligence circles are convinced that Josephine Baker, who gave up her American birthright 25 years ago to become a citizen of France, was acting as a French agent to inflame trouble over here and stir up ant-American sentiment in Latin America....Josephine Baker, ingrate, was used to weaken support of our North African policy for the benefit of France.

**WINCHELL:**

The Stork Club, New York City. Black Congressman Adam Clayton Powell and his wife, the star Hazel Scott were at Sherman Billingsley's Stork Club room Friday Night. They debunked the Josephine Baker story. And by the way they had a very good time.

**WINCHELL:**

Next Tuesday "Look" magazine gives a mighty good going over to Dictator Peron and a swift kick in the girdle to Josephine Baker, the ingrate.

**WINCHELL:**

That's all for now but before I go I want to remind you to drop a thank - you note to John Edgar Hoover and his G- men. They are straight shooters in every sense of the phrase.

**Winchell Exits**

**SCENE**

**JEH**

**From- The Director**

To: NY Office

Subject: Baker

Immediately furnish bureau any information concerning her activities coming to your attention through informants, established sources and public sources. Have office determine the status of the Lawsuit and keep bureau advised of all developments

**From- The Director**

To: The Attorney General

Subject: Baker

The Bureau of Internal Revenue has been advised of the allegations concerning Baker's income as reflected in the attached memorandum.

**From- The Director**

To: Internal Security

Subject Baker

Reference is made to our memorandum to the Department of State. It would be appreciated if you would furnish the Bureau any information in your possession concerning the subject.

**From- The Director**

To: Special Agent Tolson

Subject: Baker

The McCarran Committee called today and asked if it would be possible to have a summary of any derogatory information in the Bureau's files on Baker.

**From- The Director**

To: Office of Security Department of State

Subject: Baker

Internal Security – France

Reference is made to our earlier memorandum a copy of which was designated for the Central Intelligence Agency, containing information from our files concerning Baker.

**From- The Director**

To: Internal Security

Subject: Baker

Liaison advised that the Commissioner Swing of the INS has taken a personal interest in captioned case. INS requested that leads be expedited.

**From- The Director**

To: Special Agent Nichols

Subject: Baker

Mr. Mario Noto of the (INS) Immigration and Naturalization Service called. I have been informed that the Justice Department ruled that there was insufficient derogatory subversive information to exclude Baker from the United States. Mr. Noto again advised me that INS Commissioner Swing has taken a personal interest in the Baker case. Commissioner Swing has directed that the INS obtain sufficient information to order Baker's exclusion from the United States. The INS

is conducting an additional inquiry in order to obtain this information. Mr. Noto has requested that Bureau files once again reviewed to insure that all pertinent derogatory information in possession of the Bureau be furnished to the INS. **“I don’t consider this to be any of my business.” -**

## **SCENE**

### **Reader**

To: The Department Of State, Washington

October 6, 1952

Subject: Josephine Baker – Press Interviews in Buenos Aires

Baker is in Buenos Aires. She is representing herself as a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. She delivered a series of detailed and impassioned accounts of race prejudice in the United States, all of which have been given dramatic play by newspapers in Buenos Aires. Baker delivered her opening discourse on Tuesday, November 4, the evening following her benefit performance at the Teatro Colon for the Eva Peron Monument fund. The speech was delivered in English and simultaneously translated into Spanish by an interpreter

### **Josephine Baker**

North American democracy is a farce. The United States Negroes are the objects of threats and intimidations. Lynchings, condemnations without trial, electrocutions, are dealt out coldly to Negroes in order to form the climate of racial violence. In the country where I was born they speak of “democracy” and of “civilization” while Negroes are sent to die in Korea. There are many, very many people, who, with the greatest naiveté, look upon the United States as a model. It is necessary to open their eyes. Racial and religious discrimination is like an octopus which releases a black liquid to conceal itself.

I have heard that steps are being taken to prohibit my return to the United States. I hope they know that none of these threats can prevent my carrying on my trust until all men are equal. Although they can prevent my entry into their country, they will not stop my activities as long as there are those who need me. This would not worry me in the slightest if I knew that Negroes no longer needed me. The reason I had to flee from that country was to put my name and myself at their disposal, and to do what I knew they could not do for themselves. If my entry into the United States is forbidden, this for me will be an honor will show that my work for humanity has been successful.

Ladies and gentlemen, I have spoken to you about the horrors existing in a country, which calls itself the guiding democracy of the world. I ask you - should such horrors exist in any country and especially in one, which wishes to govern the world? The United States is not a free country, and believe me I am not jealous of those who live there. What does the famous statue of Liberty

represent? Where is this Democracy which so many North Americans speak with conviction? The people in the United States who struggle against race prejudice and for justice live in terror. In this horror of discrimination, where is democracy? At this moment in North America I am branded, because I have the courage to speak of the atrocities resulting from race and religious discrimination. In the white newspapers of that country, there is hardly ever anything printed about the Negroes. But I am the latest news. I am the traitoress; I am the undesirable, the traitoress.

## END OF ACT 2

## ACT 3

### More Names

#### Winchell

**John Gates** convicted Communist leaders, free on bail, vacationing in Tucson. He's no good.

**Bernadette Doyle** Communist Party Organizer is expected to apply for unemployment insurance in San

**Gerhardt Stalburg** new German Consul General has a smelly record.

**Charlie Chaplin** will be detained at Ellis Island

**William Schneiderman** indicted for conspiring to violate the Smith Act. trial to begin January 28, 1953.

**Ruth Elizabeth Crawford** admitted former member of the Communist Party resigned as an employee of the UN International Children's Fund.

**Abraham Brick** a Rabbi Lecturer, Writer and Teacher, born in Russia will be exposed.

**Josephine Baker** who threw away your friendship and mine is back in France. She had to borrow the fare home from Cuba.

**Josephine Baker** - Baker's anti- American, pro-Communist propaganda in Milan and in Bologna, Italy, once again confirming Walter Winchell.

**Josephine Baker** - Paris France –The newspaper picture of the year in the New York Journal American the other day – Baker leaving her kiss in lipstick on Charles Chaplin's face. The one word caption of the picture is "Chummy, probably a new word for Commie.

### World Flags Scene

(Winchell's name mumbling continues during the Statue of Liberty and World Flag sequence- but with a sotto voice. Winchell's radio set piece is slowly being dismantled by readers during this scene)

## **Winchell**

A Red- front outfit on the Government's subversive list will stage a rally at the Statue of Liberty next Saturday. The Government says it can't stop it. Why Not?

## **Reader**

Winchell is undoubtedly referring to the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Club which was part of the International Workers Order until late 1951, Emma Lazarus wrote a poem, part of which is inscribed on the Statue of Liberty. Every year this organization makes a trip to the Statue of Liberty to celebrate her birth.

## **Winchell**

Aaron Copland has a date with Senator McCarthy-John J McCoy gave newspapers licenses in Germany to Communist. Jules and Ethel Rosenbergs - will die in the chair at Sing Sing the first week of May Dasiell Hammet mystery writer - his home was searched by the FBI. They were looking for comrades.-Jose Ferrer Reader - was named in the Hollywood Red inquiry.Stella Adler stage and screen actress - will be summoned by Congressional Investigators John Gates convicted Communist leaders, free on bail, vacationing in Tucson. No good. Bernadette Doyle Communist Party Organizer is expected to apply for unemployment insurance in San Diego. Alert California unemployment authorities. Winchell-Professor Harlow Shapley of Harvard, plans to go to Russia in July. Harvard tell us why? Aleksas Masholiunas and Viorel Trifa -Nazi, Communist - both are living comfortable in Chicago and Cleveland. They are murders. -T Lamar Caudle - named in scandals at the Department of Justice. Gerhardt Stalburg new German Consul General, a smelly record. William Schneiderman indicted for conspiring to violate the Smith Act. trial begins January 28. Dr. Walter P Schreiber here for 6 months as a teacher was a Nazi General, supervised atrocious experiments on human being in Nazi concentration camps. Who hired this louse? President Truman once a member of the Ku Klux Klan Laughlin Currie former White House assistant is accused of tipping off a Soviet Spy Ring.-James Weschler Editor of the New York Post, a top official in the young Communist League. Stanley Graze refused to tell if he was a Communist. Charlie Chaplin will be detained at Ellis Island David Weintraub top U. N. official will be asked to quit this week

## **Josephine Baker**

...a poem, inscribed on a Statue....

*Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame  
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;  
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand  
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame  
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name  
Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand  
Glow world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command  
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame,  
"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she  
with silent lips. Give me your tired, your poor,  
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,  
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,  
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me,  
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!*

## World Flags

### Reader

**Mexico City** - Josephine Baker announced the formation of the "world league against racial discrimination."

### Baker

The league will fight discrimination against the Negro race and all others who were the targets of restrictive practices. Our headquarters would be in Mexico with branches in Cuba, Guatemala and El Salvador. I am not a communist.

### Reader

**Tanzania** Baker represented the international league against racism and anti-Semitism. Baker in all of her presentations in Tanzania reminded her audiences of her naturalization as a French citizen and of her American St. Louis origin.

### Baker

American aid for underdeveloped areas is merely a cloak to disguise the real twin motives of the United States: the cultural domination of the population and the economic exploitation of their land.

### Reader

**Paris** Josephine Baker's international league against racism and anti-Semitism sponsored a rally protesting a Mississippi jury's acquittal of Roy Bryant and John Millam. Bryant and Millam were charged with the murder of Emmett Till. Baker called the verdict.

**Baker** "a miscarriage of justice" "Paris loves justice" and the innocent verdict in the Mississippi trial is inadmissible.

### Reader

**Japan** - Josephine Baker adopted two Japanese's boys while on a concert tour in Japan. Baker stated

**Baker**

I hope the boys may one day follow the footsteps of Paul Robeson, a great man who has fought the battles for racial justice and world peace.

**WINCHELL**

Owen Lattimore will receive a Christmas presents from the Department of Justice, each worth five years. Ruth Elizabeth Crawford admitted former member of the Communist Party resigned as an employee of the UN International Children's Fund. Sergeant John David Provoo has been charged with treason and "ratting" on his buddies while a Japanese prisoner of war. Sarah Lawrence College and Scarsdale High School will get the Congressional spotlight, alleged Red penetration. The University of California Eugene Debs Social Club is being established at. The Club is being investigated. Reed Harris

**WW SLIPS****WINCHELL**

A Federal Grand Jury is conducting a Secret investigation of Red spying activities around New York City and Philadelphia.

**JEH**

This is completely erroneous information. A check of Bureau office in New York, and Philadelphia fails to indicate such Grand Jury is in session.

**WINCHELL**

The real reason the Defense Department clamped down on information- we have new wonder weapons, weapons more closely guarded than the A-Bomb Manhattan Project.

**JEH**

The real reason the Defense Department clamped down on information was too many leaks by officials of the Defense Department to the press. Liaison is not aware of any new weapons of such importance.

**WINCHELL**

Istanbul: The odds are now six to five that a Middle East war with armies in the field will be raging by the spring, probably in May.

**JEH**

Absolutely no information has been received concerning a war in the Middle East.

**WINCHELL**

The State Department has a long and secret list of Red Diplomats expelled from South American countries in the past year. There is no question that the Reds are planning a full attack on Latin America and that it will be starting within a

year.

**JEH**

There is no indication that such a list exists.

**WINCHELL**

Membership in the Communist Party at Los Angeles is now at an all time high.

**JEH**

The statement by Winchell is erroneous insofar as the membership figures are concerned. It is not an all time high.

**WINCHELL**

And that Mr. and Mrs. America winds up my reporting for this network, until we marry a new sponsor.

**Reader**

December 11, 59

Dear Mr. Winchell:

Pardon my delay in answering your letter. We appreciate the outstanding service you have rendered to the nation and to the network. I am sure that while each of us would like nothing better than having you back at the mike, unfortunately until such time as your program can be sold on a profitable basis it has to be eliminated. Extending you the Season's Greetings and with warm personal regards, I remain – The NETWORK

**JEH**

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 59

New York Mirror

Dear Walter

I certainly regretted to hear you say on your program that your weekly broadcasts are being terminated. The service you have performed for the Nation in keeping the public alert as to the many dangers that beset us in these sorely troubled times can never be fully estimated. We look forward with keen anticipation to the resumption of your broadcast.

Sincerely, John

**JEH**

Dear Walter:

I am indeed sorry that it has been necessary for you to discontinue your television show due to your illness, and I want to send you this personal note of encouragement and good wishes. If there is anything I can do to be of help please let me know. With kind regards

John

**JEH**

Dear Walter:

I am sorry that I did not catch up with you before we left the west coast. While I would like to do the interview you requested, I'm unable to do so. I've turned down a large number of similar requests and such an interview would establish a precedent for other requests. I am sure you understand my position.

**Reader**

To: the Director

Walter Winchell stopped by the Bureau's LA office today and dictated a rambling story concerning a possible suspect in a Los Angeles local murder case. He also had incoherent information concerning a person who first called him several weeks ago in Los Angeles, saying he had information concerning a matter of national security.

**Reader**

To: The Director

Regarding your request if we knew the "identify" of the three protesters referred to in Winchell's The New York Daily column, one whom he claimed has an extensive criminal record, the second whom he called a "Pothead" and the third a homosexual. On the basis of information available to us we cannot identify any of them. The only way we could pin this down would be to interview Winchell, but given his penchant for using half-truths and innuendoes, it is believed that direct contact with Winchell would be undesirable. We will take no action unless you desire the Bureau to contact Winchell.

**JEH- Shakes Head No**

**Single spot light on Winchell**

**Winchell**

**SCOOP- Marty Mills sings you a parody of "That's Amore.". Title: "That's A Moron!"**

**SCOOP- The Marques of Queensbury's jitterbugging is the talk among mid-towners.**

**SCOOP- Alec Guinness. His "Hamlet" -was a flop.**

**SCOOP- Rosemary Clooney and Joes Ferrer will marry in October**

**SCOOP- Skewp of the Week: Howard Hughes wants to buy RKO Corp. : He's gonna add propellers and fly it Coast – to – Coast.**

**SCOOP- Hollywood great Frank Capra, , told : Walter if they took a poll on the star everyone likes the winner would be Barbara Stanwyck....NAMES Langston Hughes, the novelist, has just been served with a Congressional subpoena.**

**SCOOP- Garbo will never make another movie. Lives in the past- re-running her old films doing the "Sunset Blvd" bit.**

**SCOOP- Alec Guinness. His "Hamlet" –was a flop- the "Sunset Blvd" bit.**  
**SCOOP- Jerry Lewis plays Pagliacci in Look mag. Jerry shows the grimmer side of being a clown. Boo-hookum**  
**SCOOP- Za- Zsa's getting famous. A new shoe polish is named "Za Za"**  
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**Za- Zsa 's Hamlet was a flop.**  
**Spot light off of WW**

## **JEH- A DESCENT INTO THE ARCHIVES**

**A remix of 3 Multimedia Segments:**

**A Medal for J Edgar- Multimedia**  
**Who's Who in America**  
**The Lined "Carcel" Files**

**HOOVER crosses into his archives cosmos**

### **HOOVER**

1948 King George VI of England has appointed J Edgar an honorary knight, commander of the civil division, Order of the British Empire

1942 Sen. Mead promotes a bill to give J Edgar the Congressional Medal of Honor for the capture of 8 German saboteurs

1942 Cuban government gives J Edgar its highest law enforcement honor, the "order of Police Merit"

1947 J Edgar voted the father of the year(among others) by a NY organization, the American Mothers Committee, regardless of the fact that J Edgar is a bachelor

1952 J Edgar has "survived threats upon his life by hardened criminals who have vowed to get him"

1953 Pres. Eisenhower awards J Edgar a medal for "exceptionally meritorious civilian service"

1956 Sen. Mundt(SD) sees J Edgar running for president this year, if Ike decides NOT to run.

1954 Meet Dr. J. Edgar, honorary LLD at George Washington University

1950 J Edgar day is proclaimed in the state of Indiana

1963 J. Edgar again gets backing for the presidential nomination: "he would lead the country under the rules of God and not under the rules of men."

1962 J Edgar is rated as the nation's #1 expert on subversive activities

**Baker Video Montage - During the course of these three HOOVER Multimedia- Videos a montage of Baker - as performer begins – this is the first time in this productions that the multimedia content is something other than the files, and uses archival footage of Josephine Baker as a performer.**

**Reader (this is simultaneous to the Hoover descent in the files)**

LA - JOSEPHINE BAKER, A.K.A. JOSEPHINE BAKER BOUILLON, ALBERTINO, LEON HAS ACCORDING TO OUR INVESTIGATION RECENTLY ENTERED THE UNITED STATES AS AN H-1 VISA, PURSUANT TO A PETITION FILED AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. BAKER FROM APRIL 27, 1960, UNTIL SUNDAY EVENING MAY 22, 1960, RESIDED AT THE CHATEAU MARMOUNT, -SUNSET BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES. ON MAY 22, 1960 SHE LEFT LOS ANGELES FOR SAN FRANCISCO WHERE SHE IS TO APPEAR AT THE ALCAZAR THEATER. MISS BAKER WILL OPEN ON APRIL 29, 1960 AT THE HUNTINGTON – HARFORD THEATER, 1615 NORTH VINE STREET, LOS ANGELES AND WILL CLOSED WITH HER FINAL PERFORMANCE ON MAY 14, 1960.

**Reader**

TO: THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAY 23 1960

TELETYPE

URGENT 5-23-60 PM 2-46

TO: DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC SAN FRANCISCO  
STOP, STOP, STOP,  
LOS ANGELES TEL MAY TWENTY ONE  
TELETYPE - URGENT

TO: SACS SAN FRANCISCO  
LOS ANGELES

RE LOS ANGELES TEL MAY TWENTIETH LAST  
STOP, STOP

BAKER WAS ADMITTED TO U.S. AFTER THE INADMISSIBILITY CLAUSE WAS WAIVED BY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE INS. THE FBI HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR HER ACTIVITIES AND SHOULD NOT INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER.

STOP, STOP, STOP, STOP,

THE STATE DEPARTMENT GRANTED A VISA TO BAKER. THE VISA WAS GRANTED AFTER THE LEGAL ATTACHÉ, PARIS FOR DEPARTMENT OF STATE SUBMITTED A REPORT OF IT'S FINDING TO THE AMERICAN

EMBASSY IN PARIS.

TO: THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE- COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAY 23 1960 -TELETYPE-URGENT 5-23-60 PM 2-46

TO: DIRECTOR FBI AND SAC SAN FRANCISCO  
STOP, STOP, STOP--THE ATTACHÉ'S REPORT DETAILS BAKER'S  
ACTIVITIES, HER ANTI – UNITED STATES STATEMENTS AND HER FIGHT  
FOR RACIAL EQUALITY.

### **Reader**

THE ATTACHÉ'S REPORT DETAILS BAKER'S ACTIVITIES, HER ANTI –  
UNITED STATES STATEMENTS AND HER FIGHT FOR RACIAL EQUALITY.  
THE REPORT INDICATES THAT BAKER CONFINED HER POLITICAL  
ACTIVITIES TO THE QUESTION OF RACE PREJUDICE. WHILE SHE  
IDENTIFIED WITH COMMUNIST-SUPPORTED CAUSES, HER ACTIVITIES  
ARE LIMITED TO HER ASSOCIATION WITH THE FRENCH ORGANIZATION  
“INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE AGAINST RACISM AND ANTI-SEMITISM - LICA.  
LICA IS ANTI-COMMUNIST ORGANIZATION. ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF  
THE CAMPAIGNS OF LICA HAVE COINCIDED WITH CAMPAIGNS BACKED  
BY THE COMMUNISTS, THE ORGANIZATION IS ENTIRELY  
ANTICOMMUNIST. THE REPORT CONCLUDED THAT BAKER HAS  
SUFFERED THE TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES AND THAT SHE WILL EXPOSE SUCH CONDITIONS  
WHEREVER SHE GOES

### **Multimedia**

HOOVER - Obituary Files, State - Funeral images

The Lined Files are now remixed with the Hoover obituary files- and State  
Funeral images

J Baker Takes Her Final Stage Bows and walks out to the audience applause.  
The Hoover Funeral Video redux is looping – **audio, a scratched dj version of  
Taps soundtrack.** Hoover exits

### **Reader**

TELEGRAM-MAY 2, 1972 - URGENT

IT IS WITH THE DEEPEST GRIEF I ADVISE YOU THAT MR. HOOVER  
PASSÉD AWAY FROM NATURAL CAUSES AT HIS HOME LAST NIGHT.  
FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE WITH JOSEPH GAWLER'S  
AND SONS OF THIS CITY AND I WILL ADVISE YOU WHEN THESE ARE  
COMPLETED.

CLYDE TOLSON -ACTING DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## **SCENE**

**Audio - The Argentina- Airport -The transition is to an audio-remix of Taps and the sounds of children's laughter /and airplanes**

**Video – The Hoover State Funeral “as funeral montage” is the backdrop.**

**Readers - All the readers alternate back and forth as the children.**

### **Reader**

From: Legat, Buenos Aires

Subject: Josephine Baker

Attached hereto is a newspaper article, which appeared in the Spanish language daily “La Razon” -the reason - published in Buenos Aires, regarding the arrival of the subject and her adopted family at Buenos Aires, Argentina.

### **Reader**

A true spectacle of human solidarity took place this afternoon at Ezeiza airport upon arrival of Josephine baker with her 12 adopted children. as they descended from the airplane which had brought them from Mexico, the airport burst into a pure and sincere joy. the clearness of the day gave the reception a brilliance which the little ones deserved. the group consists of,

**Reader** Luisito 13

**Reader** Columbia

**Reader** Jeannot 13

**Reader** Japan

**Reader** Jari ,

**Reader** Finland

**Reader** Moise 12

**Reader** Israel

**Reader** Jean Claude 12

**Reader** France

**Reader** Brahim 10

**Reader** Algeria

**Reader** Mariana 10

**Reader** Algeria

**Reader** Koffi 8

**Reader** Costa De Marfil

**Reader** Marara 7

**Reader** Venezuela

**Reader** Noel 6

**Reader** France

### **Reader**

Akio the oldest age 14 Korea, her glasses give her the appearance of a young intellectual, explained that,

**Reader**

We are made uneasy by people who treat us like museum pieces. We'd like to be like other children. We would like to study, play, and live like any child.

**Reader**

The little ones were presented with gift packages of Argentine caramels in the airport reception hall. Before leaving the airport we asked Josephine Baker what her conduct rules for the children were. The weary mama replied:

**Josephine Baker**

Fraternity and union, instead of separation

**Reader**

It was evident that Josephine Baker, with this short phrase, wished to condemn racial discrimination from which she suffered so much in the country of her birth. We asked her if she respected her children's nationality.

**Josephine Baker**

No

**Josephine Baker Exits**

**Audio-J Baker theme – I HAVE TWO LOVES**

**Video – reprise collage of the multimedia FBI files**

**Reader**

JOSEPHINE BAKER - Only that, no adjectives are necessary. We don't need them. There are things which are in themselves the epitome. In this case art, has said a great deal, and in only two words. All the adjectives we would like to use are superfluous.

**Reader**

Josephine Baker! Only that, she alone on the stage, singing... always singing. With a fresh voice, full of nuances. Resisting time, an artist who goes beyond her epoch. Her epoch! No, she has none. She transcends time. Her performance soars above frontiers. It is not pinned to a particular place.

**Reader**

She is herself and nothing but herself. Her appearance on stage first brings thoughts of fantasy, afterwards, of her art. The audience bursts into wild applause with shots of BRAVO! There is a delirious demonstration of optimism. The optimism healthily arises in the presence of an artist who speaks a language that everybody understands. Song rises spontaneously from her throat, with the emphasis and clarity of one who has perfect command of her music.

**Reader**

The audience is enraptured. One song said everything; The Village. When all men live in peace, mankind will be happy. A clear message of brotherhood flows over the stage when she sings it. It is a call which one must answer without

delay. Her voice becomes tender, takes on unsuspected nuances, reaching each spectator; there is complete silence.

**Reader**

It is an inspired melody. Thunderous applause fills the hall. The audience can't stop applauding. No adjective is necessary. JOSEPHINE BAKER! Only that....The song ends. Its echoes remain.

**All the readers exit, the multimedia FBI file collage continues**

**Baker enters**

**Baker** Its echoes remain.

**END**