

Volume 1, No. 2, of "Johannes Steel Report on World Affairs" published by Johannes Steel (subject of 100-2267) dated February, 1947 under the heading "Social Notes" stated that "Morris Ernst has been detailed by the Roosevelt family to 'work on' Elliott Roosevelt in order to wean him away from the strong position he has taken for cooperation with Russia. Evidently functioning as a sort of intellectual father confessor, Ernst is said to be working to push Elliott into the 'liberal', red-baiting ADA position and away from his father's principles. We predict that Ernst's efforts will be without avail, and that Elliott will soon return to Europe and Russia for a second and longer look."

Above report enclosed  
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This reference is a Bureau Memo dated 1-13-47 regarding Helen Zipper (subject of 100-348261) stating that Morris Ernst telephoned from NYC on 1-10-47 stating he had information relating to Communist activity which was "very hot." At his request the NYC Office was instructed to interview Ernst.

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This reference is a letter from the NYC Field Office dated 1-10-47 with enclosure of an interview with Morris Ernst regarding Helen Zipper (subject of 100-348261). Zipper was the Communist about whom Ernst had contacted the NY Office on that date.

Ernst advised that Zipper, who was employed as a receptionist by Ernst's law firm, had written a letter to Herb Nalibou, c/o American Youth for Democracy, NYC, sent in the letterhead envelope of Greenbaum, Wolf and Ernst and which letter was returned stamped "not at address given." Ernst, on opening the envelope, found it to be a pencilled letter by Zipper which was a copy of a letter Ernst had written to Leon Henderson regarding the "disinfecting apparatus of the newly formed Americans for Democratic Action."

Ernst felt Zipper had been put in his office as a plant by Communists in order that she could inform Communists of his anti-Communist activities.

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