

Mrs. Dorothy Wayman (subject of 94-43501), Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, advised on 6-20-51 that Morris Ernst defended the interests of the "NY Post" in the allegations of misconduct concerning the late Senator Walsh. She did not make clear why Ernst was interested in defaming the late Senator Walsh nor did she indicate any connection between Ernst and the allegation that the CP might have been the basis of the allegations made against Walsh. She charged that Ernst personally went to the late President Roosevelt in an attempt to smear Walsh.

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In November, 1951 Charles Davis (subject of 105-12869) was interviewed at the NYC Field Office at which time he advised that about two weeks previous he was contacted by Morris Ernst. He went to Ernst's law office and was interviewed there by Ernst. Ernst told him that he had talked with some people in Washington and learned that Davis was going to be a witness at a hearing of the Senate Sub-Committee on Privileges and Elections. Ernst then took Davis into a small room where Davis observed a recording machine. Ernst wanted Davis to make a recording of his experiences while he had been in Switzerland, particularly concerning his relations with Senator McCarthy. Ernst told Davis his life was possibly in danger and that it would be easy for a person of Sen. McCarthy's stature to frame him. Davis refused to make a recording and a few days later was contacted by phone by John Weiner, an associate of Ernst. Weiner suggested Davis go to see Robert Markowitz, an attorney at 51 Chambers St., NYC.

Davis went to see Markowitz who explained a plan he had for Davis to wear a recording device and go see Senator McCarthy and bring out the fact that Davis knew of an attempt by the Senator to bribe him. Davis stated if he went through with Markowitz' idea he would attempt to determine how and for what purpose Markowitz and Ernst had attempted to smear McCarthy and then go back to McCarthy and turn over to him information of Ernst's and Markowitz' scheme.

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