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WOMEN'S LIBERATION MOVEMENT

CHARACTER OF CASE

7C IS - MISCELLANEOUS


The SAs observing the demonstration on 8/26/70, were

This report is being classified "SECRET" to protect
the identity of

INFORMANTS:

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

CONVICTED \ AUTO. \ FUG. \ FINES \ SAVINGS \ RECOVERIES

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CASE HAS BEEN:

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EX 101

Exhibit 112

EXHIBITS

Dissemination Record of Attached Report

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Special Agent in Charge

REASON: FCIM II 1-3-4.2
DATE OF REVIEW: 2/14/71
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II. LOCATION, CONTACTS AND PUBLICATIONS

October 30, 1970

California

According to the May 2, 1970, issue of the "Manhattan Tribune", a weekly newspaper published in New York City, an article concerning various Women's Liberation Movement (WLM) groups in New York City described the National Organization for Women (NOW) as a national civil rights organization dedicated to full equality for women in equal partnership with men. NOW is a political action organization which seeks to end discrimination against women in employment, establish 24 hour universal child care, repeal all abortion laws, eliminate barriers to equal educational opportunity, and change the image and role of women in American life.
PHYLLIS LYON, as of July 28, 1959, was President of "Daughters of Bilitis." The purpose of "Daughters of Bilitis" is to educate the public to accept the lesbian homosexual to society.

July 29, 1959


A pamphlet entitled "Women's Liberation, Revolution, the Class Struggle" distributed at the Women's Liberation Conference, Eugene, Oregon, on July 25, 1970, contained an article entitled, "The Only Road To Women's Lib - The Class Struggle." The author was listed as KAREN MILES (Spartacist League) for the Socialist Workshop. An introduction
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100-462559-1
TO:   DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (140-6282) (RUC)
RE: SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
BUDED: 11/22/66

Re Bureau airtel to Los Angeles dated 11/8/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Due to the absence of disloyal information in regards to pertinent information concerning employee's reported membership in the Daughters of Bilitis (DOB) in Los Angeles, California area is being submitted per Bureau instructions.

Information contained in the enclosed letterhead memorandum was furnished to the Los Angeles Division by

Bureau (AM-RM) (Encls-12)
Los Angeles (140-6282)

Approved: 61 DEC 15 1966

Special Agent in Charge
Op April 31, 1961, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the Daughters of Bilitis, Inc., 165 O'Farrell Street, Room 405, San Francisco, California is a "lesbian" organization with its purpose following the line of its male counterpart, the "Mattachine Society," which is also a national organization.

Source advised that both of these organizations are active in educating the public to accept the "homosexual" into society.

Source further stated that the Mattachine Society, as well as the Daughters of Bilitis, Inc. (DOB), appear to have been infiltrated by certain Communists.

According to the source the philosophy of the Daughters of Bilitis is as follows:

1. Education of the variant with particular emphasis on the psychological, physiological, and sociological aspects to enable her to help herself and make her adjustment to society in all its sound, civic and economic implications. This would be accomplished by establishing and maintaining as complete a library as possible of both fiction and non fiction literature.
on the sex deviant theme; by sponsoring public discussions
on pertinent subjects to be conducted by leading members
of the legal, psychiatric, religious and other professions;
by advocating a mode of behavior and area acceptable to
society.

2. Education of the public at large through
acceptance first of the individual leading to an eventual
breakdown of erroneous taboos and prejudices; through
public discussion meetings aforementioned; through
dissemination of educational literature on the homosexual
theme; participation in research projects by duly
authorized and responsible psychologists, sociologist
and other such experts directed toward further knowledge
of the homosexual.

3. Investigation of the Penal Code as it
pertains to homosexual, proposal of changes to provide
an equitable handling of cases involving this minority
group and promotion of these changes through due process
of law in the State Legislature.

Source revealed that [redacted] was believed to be
a member of the Daughters of Bilitis (DOB) in the Los
Angeles, California area.

This document contains neither recommendations
nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the
FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents
are not to be distributed outside your agency.

This individual’s name was checked against
the records of the Identification Division
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and
no arrest record was found. (Fingerprints
are necessary for positive check.)