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October 30, 1923.

RECORD FOR MR. BOWEN

Information has been received to the effect that MARCUS GARVEY, notorious negro radical, is scheduled to speak at a negro church on Fourteenth Street, between L and E Streets, N.W., Tuesday night, November 6th.

Please arrange to have this meeting covered in the usual manner.

Very truly yours,

M. J. [Signature]
Director.

Instructions from Agent in Charge Brennan.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK, N. Y.

JOURNAL TO BE MADE AT ORIGINATING OFFICE ONLY

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY:
New York City	10/29/23	10/27/23	Earl E. Titus ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.			

FACTS DEVELOPED. At New York:

Agent visited several places in Harlem among the colored people but learned nothing of interest to the Department. At two p.m. Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th St., and found him mailing out the drive notices for the A. B. B. He said that he had about seven hundred more to mail and he was then going to Miss Grace Campbell at 208 West 133d St. to help them in their work; that while there he will make arrangements for the forum meeting as that is one of the important matters to take care of.

Instructions of Special Agent in Charge Brennan: N. Y. File No.
Case originated N.Y. office - Journal leads.

REPORT MADE AT.	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY.
NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/3/23	10/31/23	EARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 138th Str. and was informed that they hadn't seen Briggs for two days and did not know where he had gone nor when he would return.

Agent then went to Liberty Hall, 120 West 138th Str. and was informed that there would be no meeting there tonight as they were holding a social function and nobody but members would be admitted. Agent covered other sections of Harlem but learned nothing of interest to the Bureau.

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Instructions of Spec. Agt. in Charge
Bronx: Case originated N.Y. Journal Made. N.Y. File No.

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY.
NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/3/23	11/2/23	EARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AMERICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical Activities.			
FACTS DEVELOPED			

Agent went to the home of Cyril V. Briggs, 213 West 135th Str. and found him writing for the Crusader Service and he said that he had worked very late last night and had mailed out over 9,000 of the drive papers for the A.B.B. Drive and will have about 3,000 more to mail out and would like to get them out this week. He said he intends to follow them up with the Crusader Service and every post will get at least ten copies of them so they can distribute them among their friends.

Agent later proceeded to the vicinity of the Metropolitan Opera House, Broadway between 39th and 40th Str., where Lloyd George delivered an address. I saw several crowds dispersed at Broadway and 40th Street but no other information was secured.

Instructions of ec.Agt. in Charge Brennan

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT New York, N.Y. JOURNAL TO BE MADE AT ORIGINATING OFFICE ONLY

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE 11/3/23	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 10/25/23	REPORT MADE BY. EARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Agent proceeded to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th Street and found Briggs writing letters and he stated that while in Washington, he was a very busy man. He said that he went to Washington for the purpose of putting the policies of the African Blood Brotherhood before the United Front Conference and he had seen while there Percy Miller, who is one of the heads of the United Front Conference, who liked the plans of the A.B.B. very much and said that they would finance them in their efforts if they would adopt the U.F.C. by-laws and policies. He further said that they liked the co-operative store and insurance plan as well and so far as they could see it would be a paying proposition. Briggs said that he told him that the A.B.B. was an organization and had its own by-laws and rules, but after a long talk with Miller, said he was going to write to all the posts of the A.B.B. and lay the plans out to them.

Agent

visited a number of places in Harlem but learned nothing additional for the department.

Instructions from Agent in Charge Brennan.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT New York, N. Y.

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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY.
New York City	10/31/23	10/26/23	Earl E. Titus ✓

TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE

IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.

at New York:

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th St., and found him writing for the Crusader Service. He said he had some notices to get out and would get the service out afterwards; that he was to send notices to all the unions and to all the posts in the world. He remarked that Kelly Miller of the "Messenger" is scheming against him and that he will have an article on this in the next Service. Agent went to the home of Briggs at four o'clock and helped mail out the drive and service. The drive is for the membership and was sent all over the world to negroes. Briggs stated, that there were posts in every place that these membership drive papers went, on the east and west coast of Africa, Jamaica, British Isles, Italy and all dark colonies. Briggs told Agent that Miss Campbell and Mr. Huiswood were mailing out the literature just as fast as he was. At Miss Campbell's home, 206 West 133d St. Agent was unable to get hold of but one copy of the membership drive papers.

OFFICE OF
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

TELEPHONE BARCLAY 8160
POST OFFICE BOX 241
CITY HALL STATION

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
15 PARK ROW, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, N. Y.

November 5th, 1923.

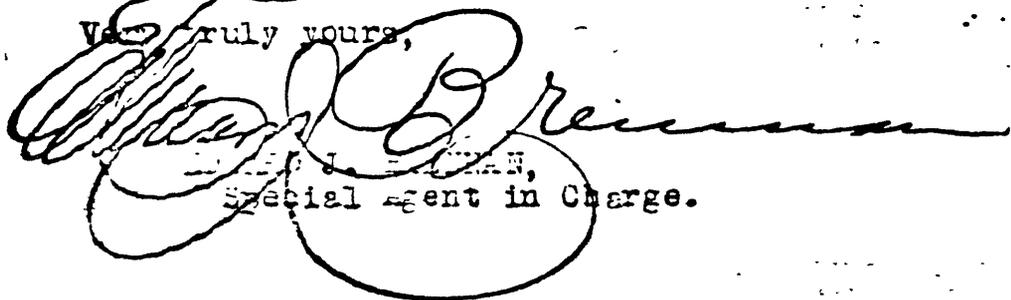
Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Attention: J. E. Hoover, Esq.,
re: African Blood Brotherhood
Crusader Service. N.Y. File
No.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith in duplicate the
"Crusader Service," press release dated November 5th, issued
by the African Blood Brotherhood.

Very truly yours,



Walter J. Brennan,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Enclos.

Instructions from Agent in Charge Brennan. (N. Y. File No.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

New York City

JOURNAL TO BE MADE AT ORIGINATING OFFICE ONLY

REPORT MADE AT.	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY.
New York City	11/2/23	11/1/23	Earl E. Titus ✓

TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.

IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.

FACTS DEVELOPED. At New York:

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 155th St., and found him getting some literature ready for the drive of the A. B. B. Service. He said he had been talking with some of the heads of the unions for the last few days to see what they were going to do, but they promised nothing and he is going to increase his drive to nearly one-third. He further stated that Edgar Mercer was down to see him last night and helped him in his work and said he would see him to-night. They haven't had time to look after the Crusader Service this week, but Briggs says he will get to it at once, although the drive for membership is of great importance to him at this time. He stated, that he has men right in the unions who are spreading propaganda.

Instructions received from Agent in Charge Edw. R. Bonher.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Washington, D. C.

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY:
Washington, D.C.	11/7/23	11/6/23	A. L. Brent.
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: MARCUS GARVEY.		Negro Radical.	

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Washington, D. C.

Attention Mr. Hoover.

On Tuesday evening, November 6, 1923, this Agent attended a meeting which was addressed by Marcus Garvey, at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, 14th and Corcoran Streets, N. W., Probably the largest audience ever addressed by Garvey in this city were on hand to hear him.

Attorney Joseph E. Stewart, who has been identified with all of Garvey's activities in this city, acted as Master of Ceremonies, and in introducing the speaker referred to him as the most wide awake, the only, NEGRO in the world.

The subject was quite as outspoken in his address as he was before his trial and conviction; in fact, his address was substantially the same as the one delivered by him at the Lincoln Memorial Church, 11th & R streets, N. W., on April 21st last.

Mr. Garvey began by stating that he had just returned from a trip across the continent by way of the South. He remarked that he liked the south better than any other part of the United States because he understood the southern people better. They being very frank and outspoken

in regard to the Negro. They make no pretence of being willing to accept him in any other manner than his present status in the south allows, whereas people further north are very hard to understand because they are always on the fence and are likely to flop either way.

He went on to say that he wanted to tell the negroes how much progress they were making - none at all, stating that the negroes are the most backward, the laziest people in the world. Instead of getting out and going after what they want they sit around and expect the white man to give them what he has.

He referred to Booker Washington, as the greatest man the world has produced during this century, and said that his work would live forever.

He pointed out that at the present rate of increase of the white race in about one or possibly two years there would be no room on this continent for the negro and as it is a white man's country the negro will be compelled to go or be exterminated. Therefore he advises going while the going is good. He said that he does not blame the white people for keeping the negroes down; he blames the negroes for allowing them to do it. He said the white race has risen to power and glory, the yellow race has risen to power and glory, and the black race thru the U. N. I. A., will rise to power and glory.

Referring to his recent trial in New York, Garvey said there were three things he might do - go to Heaven, hell, or jail, but the U. N. I. A., would not be stopped whatever might happen to him.

He referred to the minerals and oil and other riches of this

country saying they were for the white man because this is his country, but the wealth of Africa is for the black man because that that is his country, and he is going to have them no matter what means may be necessary to get them; adding the sooner the white people now colonizing Africa realize that and get out the better for them.

Garvey closed his remarks by paying his respects to America, the Greatest Democracy in the world, the greatest Republic in the world, the greatest nation in the world - for the white man.

There were between fifteen hundred and two thousand people in the audience.

Admission fee of 50¢ paid in cash by Agent.

OFFICE OF
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
EDWARD J. BRENNAN

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Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
15 PARK ROW, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Nov. 9 1923

Mr. William J. Burns,
Director Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice,
Washington D.C.

RE: U.S.VS. MARCUS GARVEY

Dear Sir:

Assistant U.S. Attorney Maddox spoke to me yesterday and also today to arrange to have Special Agent Mortimer J. Davis here as soon as possible for the reason that the above named defendant, Marcus Garvey has filed a bill of exception and the Government has to reply to same within the next two weeks.

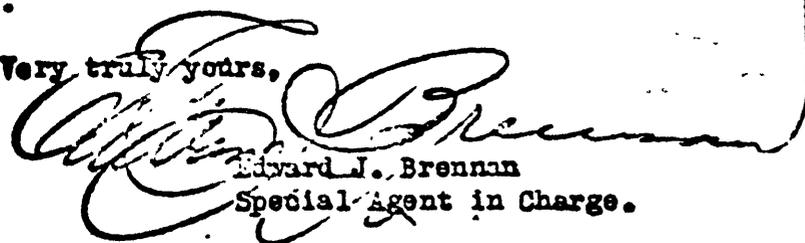
Mr. Maddox states that Davis is almost indispensable and it will be absolutely necessary that he should have the services of Agent Davis to aid and assist him in preparing the Government's answer.

I explained to Mr. Maddox that Davis is now in Savannah on another important investigation and the date of his return I did not know but that we consider the Marcus Garvey case also a very important one and that I would write the Director and put the facts up to him and request that arrangements be made to have Agent Davis return to New York to assist him on this case.

Mr. Maddox stated that in view of the circumstances he would do everything in his power to arrange his matters, and requested that Special Agent Davis be here in New York not later than next Wednesday morning Nov. 14 1923.

I would thank you to please arrange to have Special Agent Davis here next Wednesday.

Very truly yours,



Edward J. Brennan
Special Agent in Charge.

HN:GA

November 10, 1933.

Dodge
De Soto Hotel
Savannah, Georgia

Instruct Agent Davis arrange arrive New York not
later than Wednesday November fourteenth STOP TWO

Burns

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Instructions of Spec. Agent in Charge Brennan: N.Y File No.
Case originated N.Y. file - Journal Made.

REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY
NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/6/23	11/5/23	EARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED

Agent visited the home of Cyril V. Briggs and was informed that Mr. Briggs went downtown early this morning and would not be home until late in the evening. Then went to the home of Miss Grace Campbell and found no one at home. Agent visited a number of places in Harlem among the Negro people and learned nothing for the benefit of the Bureau.

Later agent saw an advertisement in the Indianapolis Spokesman for the membership drive of the African Blood Brotherhood.

HN: J M

November 16, 1923.

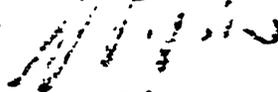
Mr. E. L. Osborne,
P. O. Box 1033,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of information to the effect that a recent advertisement appeared in a periodical called the Indianapolis "Spokesman", relative to a membership drive of the African Blood Brotherhood.

As you know this is a particularly radical organization doing propaganda work in negro circles, and your attention is called thereto in order that appropriate investigation may be made of the periodical in question and of the situation in general.

Yours very truly,



Director.

Case originated N.Y. Office - Journal Made.
Instructions of Spc. Sgt. in Charge Brennan:

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE WHEN MADE:	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE:	REPORT MADE BY:
NEW YORK, N. Y.	11/8/23	11/5/23	CARL D. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE. RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent went to the home of Cyril V. Briggs, and found him looking over his records and he said that he had been down to the Workers' Party for two days looking for the list of secretaries of the Miners' Unions, which had been misplaced by some one or stolen. He said that every one of the secretaries belong to the A.B.B.'s and that they are 90,000 strong. As soon as he finds the list, he will send out circulars to them. He said that he is carrying on the biggest drive since the organization started. He said that he had arranged for the general organizer of the Miners' Union to make speeches.

Briggs said that he hoped to get the Forum started soon and that there will be a meeting of the A.B.B. on the evening of the 7th.

I visited a number of places in Harlem among the Negroes but failed to secure any additional information of value to the Bureau.

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Case originated "V" Office - Journal Made.

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE 11/6/23	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/3/23	REPORT MADE BY EARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Agent met Mr. John T. Morris of 210 West 133rd Str. and he advised me there we are to have a big meeting at 149 West 136th Str. on Sunday night, Nov. 11th.

Called on Cyril V. Briggs and found him mailing out the Crusader Service. He said that when we get the Negro worked up to the extent where he will do for himself as the fighting Irish did, then we will be recognized and not until then. He spoke about the moving picture "The Birth of a Nation" and said that the Negroes had protested about it, but nothing was done. He said that every picture of this kind should be smashed. He further said that he now has the drive on and after it sinks into the Negroes mind, they will have to be recognized. He said we have to organize and that this drive is to wake the Negro up.

Instructions of Sp. . in Charge
Brennan:

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT New York, N.Y.

JOURNAL TO BE MADE AT ORIGINATING OFFICE ONLY

REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE: 11/12/23	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 11/9/23	REPORT MADE BY: EARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE: RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent called at the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 W. 155th Str. and found him writing for the Crusader Service and he said he was getting some good response from the drive now and the percentage was far greater than he anticipated. He said he was talking with Mr. Huiswood last night and he told him that he would be able to get a list of the miners secretaries by tonight.

Agent then visited a number of places in Harlem among the Negroes but learned nothing more of interest to the Bureau.

Instructions of Special Agent in Charge
Brennan:

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

New York, N.Y.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/13/23	11/10/23	EARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent went to the home of Cyril V. Briggs and helped mail out 750 Crusader Service bulletins. Briggs said that he received a letter from the General Secretary of the Liner's Union saying that he would mail him a list of the secretaries and that he should have it by Monday morning. He said he would then be able to complete his drive.

Agent then went to the home of Miss Grace Campbell, 206 West 133rd Str. W. and while there, Mr. L.N. Coles of Philadelphia came in and said that he wanted Mr. Otto E. Huiswood and Miss Campbell to speak in a church in Philadelphia on Sunday. Miss Campbell told him that as she was unable to go she had got W.A. Domingo to go in her place and they were to go to Washington and speak tonight and would be in Philadelphia tomorrow afternoon and would then speak in the church as was intended for her to do. Coles went to the telegraph office and sent a telegram to that effect. Later agent talked with Coles, who said that he was in for anything radical and that he has been a radical 16 years and that by hard work he was beginning to work the ~~degrees up there.~~

EM:J.M

November 20, 1923.

Mr. Walter C. Foster,
P. O. Box 451,
Philadelphia, Pa.

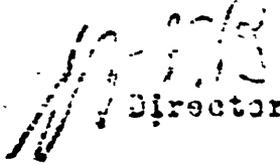
Dear Sir:

Information has been received to the effect that one ~~L. M. Coles~~ of Philadelphia was recently in New York City and made arrangements for one W. A. Domingo to speak in a Philadelphia church on November 12th.

The arrangement entered into by Coles was with the representatives of the African Blood Brotherhood and it is evident that Coles, Domingo, et al. are connected with that organization.

The foregoing is for your information.

Yours very truly,


Director.

Instructions of Sgt. in Charge Brennan:

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Brooklyn, N.Y.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/12/23	11/8/23	EARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Agent called at the home of Cyril Briggs and found Briggs writing for the Crusader Service and he said he was downtown all day yesterday trying to locate the list of the Liner's Union, but so far he has not been able to obtain it. He said he was not getting any rapid results from the drive as yet but thinks that after he gets the Liner's list things will change. He said, he had received a letter from a business man downtown this morning, but didn't mention his name, who is an anti-communist and who offered him a position but that he wrote and told him he didn't want it. He said this man will now know we mean business and that the Communist does not want to co-operate with any one at all.

190-1781-6

Office of
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

TELEPHONE BARCLAY 8160
POST OFFICE BOX 241
CITY HALL STATION

Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation
15 PARK ROW, 14TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, N. Y.

November 19th, 1925.

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Attention: J.E. Hoover, Esq.
African Blood Brotherhood, Negro
Radical Activities, N.Y. File No.

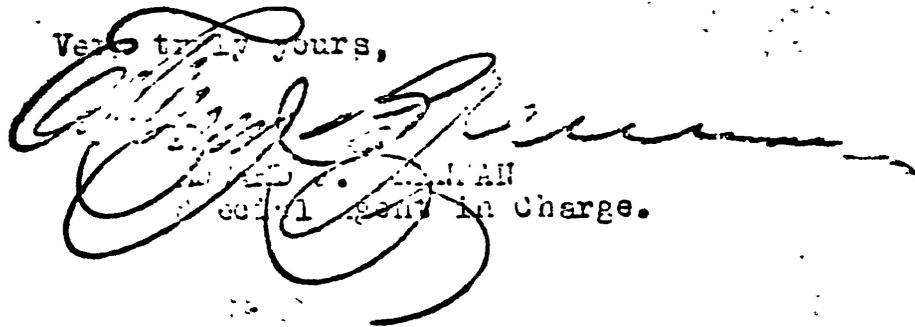
Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith two copies of a "Special Bulletin," dated Nov. 19th, 1925 and issued by the African Blood Brotherhood, calling attention of the membership to the establishment by the organization of an insurance and sick benefit fund.

It will be observed that the organization proposes to pay \$100.00 death benefit and a sick benefit of \$5.00 per week for 40 weeks.

Having in mind the fraud practiced on the Negro people by Marcus Garvey, through the Black Star Line, inquiries will be instituted in this city with a view to ascertaining whether the State insurance laws are being complied with and in the event they are not, it is proposed to turn over such information as may be obtained by this office to the County District Attorney for such action as he may deem advisable.

Very truly yours,



J. Edgar Hoover
Special Agent in Charge.

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Enclos.

REGULAR STATEMENT

AFRICAN BROTHERHOOD. Subject: ITS DUES

Dated November 19, 1923.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The following information is sent you by order of the Supreme Executive Council of the Brotherhood:-

The Insurance Department is now in operation.

Delay in organizing this Department was due to the care and work involved in order to keep up the Brotherhood's record of fair dealing with its members and the public in general. Every precaution has accordingly been taken for your full protection and the effective and satisfactory operation of the Insurance Department, and the following decisions reached:

First, that the protection of this Department shall be extended only to those who are members of the Brotherhood;

Second, that the funds of this Department shall be kept separately from the ~~general~~ general funds of the Brotherhood;

Third, that while the Posts or branches of the Brotherhood are made responsible for the payment of the Sick Benefits of their members, the Supreme Executive Council shall accept this responsibility whenever a Post is unable to meet its obligations.

Fourth, that the initiation fee into the Insurance Department shall be the sum of two (\$2.00) dollars for all persons under forty-six years of age and in good health at the time. For applicants over forty-six years of age and under sixty-five, the initiation fee shall be five dollars. For persons over sixty-five years of age and under seventy the initiation fee shall be ten dollars.

Fifth, that the dues shall be fifty (50) cents a month for all members.

Sixth, that a Sick Benefit of Six (\$6.00) dollars a week is authorized by the Supreme Executive Council, but may be increased at the discretion of the Post to which the sick member belongs. The Council authorizes and pledges a payment of six dollars a week for forty weeks, and ~~xxx~~ three dollars a week for another forty weeks, in case of necessity.

Seventh, that of the monthly dues of 50 cents, the sum of 20 cents shall be retained by the Post Treasury for the payment of the Sick Benefits of its members for which it is responsible, with the provision heretofore stated that the Supreme Executive Council pledges such payments in the event of insolvency of any Post. The remaining 30 cents of the monthly dues shall be forwarded to the Supreme Executive Council for the Death Benefit of the organization.

Eighth, the Death Benefit shall be \$100 to every and any financial member and wife. The Death Benefit shall be paid by the Supreme Executive Council within 24 hours of notification of death.

Ninth, that no member is entitled to any benefits until he has been six (6) months in the Insurance Department.

Tenth, that any member who is an arrear in his insurance dues for twenty days past the first of the month, which is the date on which all dues should be paid in the Brotherhood, shall be considered unfinancial and shall not be entitled to any benefits from the Insurance Department of the Brotherhood.

Eleventh, that any member of the Insurance Department who has not paid his regular membership dues in the Brotherhood for the period of three months and is accordingly unfinancial in the Brotherhood shall be considered as unfinancial in the Insurance Department, by reason of the provision that the protection of the Insurance Department shall not be extended to others than members of the Brotherhood.

Twelfth, that each Post has the right as a branch of a fraternal organization, to ask for contributions from its membership for the purpose of further helping the family of a deceased brother or sister, and may use all constitutional means whereby to raise such monies as they are needed.

Fraternally yours,

Executive Head, A. D. B.

"THE A. D. B. - THE NEGRO'S POCK OF GOLD!"

P. S. Remember the SECOND PRIZE can be won by bringing in SIX

REGULAR STATEMENT

AMERICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD. Subject: INSURANCE

Dated November 13, 1923.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The following information is sent you by order of the Supreme Executive Council of the Brotherhood:-

The Insurance Department is now in operation.

Delay in organizing this Department was due to the care and work involved in order to keep up the Brotherhood's record of fair dealing with its members and the public in general. Every precaution has accordingly been taken for your full protection and the effective and satisfactory operation of the Insurance Department, and the following decisions reached:

First, that the protection of this Department shall be extended only to those who are members of the Brotherhood;

Second, that the funds of this Department shall be kept separately from the ~~fund~~ general funds of the Brotherhood;

Third, that while the Posts or branches of the Brotherhood are made responsible for the payment of the Sick Benefits of their members, the Supreme Executive Council shall accept this responsibility whenever a Post is unable to meet its obligations.

Fourth, that the initiation fee into the Insurance Department shall be the sum of two (\$2.00) dollars for all persons under forty-six years of age and in good health at the time. For applicants over forty-six years of age and under sixty-five, the initiation fee shall be five dollars. For persons over sixty-five years of age and under seventy the initiation fee shall be ten dollars.

Fifth, that the dues shall be fifty (50) cents a month for all members.

Sixth, that a Sick Benefit of Six (\$6.00) dollars a week is authorized by the Supreme Executive Council, but may be increased at the discretion of the Post to which the sick member belongs. The Council authorizes and pledges a payment of six dollars a week for forty weeks, and ~~two~~ three dollars a week for another forty weeks, in case of necessity.

Seventh, that of the monthly dues of 50 cents, the sum of 20 cents shall be retained by the Post Treasury for the payment of the Sick Benefits of its members for which it is responsible, with the provision heretofore stated that the Supreme Executive Council pledges such payments in the event of insolvency of any Post. The remaining 30 cents of the monthly dues shall be forwarded to the Supreme Executive Council for the Death Fund of the organization.

Eighth, the Death Benefit shall be \$100 to every and any financial member who dies. The Death Benefit shall be paid by the Supreme Executive Council within 24 hours of notification of death.

Ninth, that no member is entitled to any benefits until he has been six (6) months in the Insurance Department.

Tenth, that any member who is unpaid up in his Insurance dues for twenty days past the first of the month, which is the date on which all dues should be paid in the Brotherhood, shall be considered unfinancial and shall not be entitled to any benefits from the Insurance Department of the Brotherhood.

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Fraternally yours,

Executive Head, ...

"THE A. B. B. - THE NEGRO'S ROCK OF GILBERT!"

Remember the SECOND ISSUE can be won by bringing in SDK

Instructions of Sr. Sgt. in Charge Brennan: File No.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/16/23	11/12/23	EARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE: RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro medical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent saw Mr. J.A. Domingo on 135th Street and went with him to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th Str. and while there Domingo said he was in Philadelphia with Otto E. Huiswood and while there made a speech in one of the churches there. He said it was a little old church and that it was crowded. He said Huiswood made a fine speech and succeeded in convincing his audience, and if given the chance would make one of the best organizers there is. He said housing conditions in that city are in bad shape and Huiswood got a committee of that church together for the purpose of calling all the local ministers together to see if they couldn't get better living conditions.

Briggs said he let Oles and had a talk with him and found him a pretty nice chap and there was no truth in what he had been told about him.

Domingo said he saw in the Chicago Defender that Duoise was to go to West Africa.

Domingo further said that Garvey was gaining ground

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in his new movement and after he gets a few of those grafters out of his order, he will have one of the foremost organizations in the country. He said Garvey learned a great deal while in jail and had time to think over his mistakes. He said that the N.A.A.C.P. is a good organization and are getting good results but Garvey has the ability of organizing. He said that Garvey in his trip out west made a good many friends who are now willing to help him.

Briggs said he had received a letter from Claude McKay to the effect that he was in Germany and that he was to stay there until something happened.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/16/23	11/15/23	MARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Medical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, and he told me that since Huiswood spoke in Philadelphia, he believed the organization would grow there and that a good many negroes would join the A.B.B. He further said that Grace Campbell had told him that she was going to see about the hall for the Forum meeting and she said she was quite sure she would get it. He said that he had received a partial list of the Miners Union Secretaries and Huiswood said he would be able to furnish him with the balance soon.

Agent went to Liberty Hall on two different occasions about 9 and 10 o'clock, the usual time of meetings there and although some kind of a small meeting was going on, no speeches were made.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/19/23	11/16/23	EARL L. TITUS ✓

TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE:

RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD
Negro Radical Activities.

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent attended a meeting of the above organization at the home of Liss Grace Campbell, 206 West 133rd Street. The meeting was opened at 9:00 P.M. and closed at 10:30 P.M. Earl L. Titus acted as chairman, Huiswood being absent. A report was read which stated that all expenses for Huiswood and Domingo were paid for by the posts they visited and that they gained over 300 members in the various posts they addressed.

Briggs reported mailing out 9,000 drive letters and stated he had received good results from the drive. Briggs then introduced the sick and death benefit insurance, which was accepted by those present and turned over to the Supreme Council and all posts will abide by the council in the discussion. A discussion was had on this matter and it was shown that other lodges had an insurance plan and as they were not a lodge but an organization, they would have to have something of that kind to build up the organization and to increase its membership, especially in New York City. They said it would be a general

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order all through the A.B.B. and every member would take out a policy and make the order grow. It was voted that there would be another meeting on Friday, Nov. 23rd for the next meeting and final reports would then be turned in.

Richard B. Moore said that the N.A.A.C.P. was to have an open forum in Harlem next week and he wants this organization to have their forum opened again by all means as he believes good results will come from it.

Moore, Grace Campbell and Bernard Pinder were appointed by the chair to look for a place for the forum and report at the next meeting. Miss Campbell said that in other cities they could have their meetings in churches but in New York City they couldn't as the government always had representatives at these meetings and would order them out and maybe arrest them.

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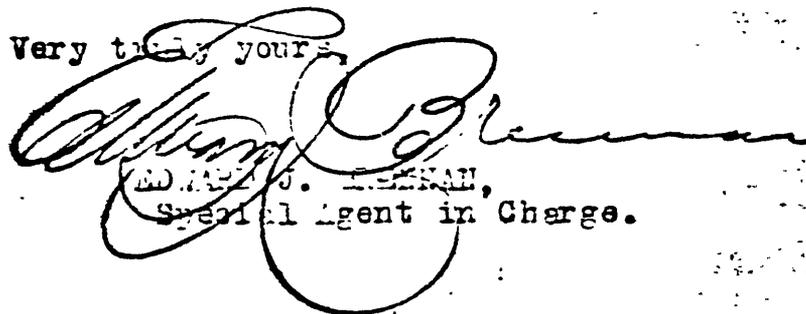
Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Attention: J. E. Hoover, Asst.
Re: African Blood Brotherhood -
Negro Medical Activities. N. Y.
File No.

Dear Sir:

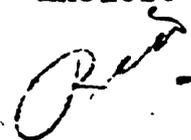
I am transmitting herewith two copies of the Special Membership Bulletin of the African Blood Brotherhood, which sets forth the organization's stand on various matters touching upon the race question.

Very truly yours,


WILLIAM J. BRENNAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THE AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD

The Spirit of the A. B. B.

Apart from the knowledge of the personal benefits which membership in the A. B. B. has brought you, what do you know of the African Blood Brotherhood?

You know of the benefits to you of its Sick and Death Benefit Department, of its educational classes and forums, of its Sokols or Calisthenic Clubs, of its Co-operative Enterprises whereby all of the investors are benefitted rather than just the few big share holders and the officers as is notoriously the case in capitalist corporation concerns; or you know of its industrial units in which the workers are organized to protect themselves, better their economic status and raise their standard of living. But what do you know of the spirit of the A. B. B. as a race organization?

Its attitude on a free Africa? Its whole-hearted advocacy of liberation for the African peoples, but its opposition to wholesale immigration of the American Negro to that continent? Its reasons for believing that 12,000,000 Negroes in America, at the heart of an imperialist system, occupy a position of the ~~xxx~~ highest strategic value and once thoroughly organized and intelligently and courageously led could easily utilize that position for, first, elevating their own status, and, secondly, for inspiring, stimulating and helping a revolt against white rule on the part of the warrior peoples of Africa?

Its attitude on the European situation? Its frank hope for another war in Europe in which the white nations will commit suicide on the door-steps of Asia and Africa? Its reasons for believing that such a war would benefit the colored races of the world, and of Africa and America in particular, because of the opportunities the resultant chaos in Europe would offer the Africans and Asiatics for throwing off the blighting domination of the white race, and the increased respect which the American Negro group will receive as a result of the establishment of free, strong states in Africa?

Its attitude on the European debt to this country? Its opposition to any cancellation of that debt, because, first, such cancellation would simply shift the burden from the imperialist-capitalist thieves of Europe to the shoulders of the American working-class, to which 99 per cent. of the American Negro group belong; and, second, because such cancellation would lessen the burden under which the imperialist-capitalist nations of Europe are now forced to stagger toward their doom? The burden that is surely and swiftly dragging them down to barbarism and impotency?

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Its attitude on the Soldiers' Bonus? Its belief that the workers - colored and white - who fought in the last war "to end war", "war to make the world safe for democracy", etc., should get a fraction of the immense wealth reaped by the profiteers who stayed at home to mulct the families of the men in the trenches? Its belief that not only should the bonus be paid but that it should be paid by a tax on wealth rather than by further adding to the taxation burdens of the poor man?

Its opposition to the American Legion as a jim-crow soldier organization and an employers' instrument to be used, alternately with the Ku Klux Klan, against the working-class of this country, to which 99 per cent. of the Negro people in the United States belong? Its partiality to and support of the World War Veterans as a square deal soldier organization? A rank and file organization free of racial discrimination and capitalist control?

Its uncompromising and aggressive opposition to the Ku Klux Klan and all anti-Negro movements because it does not believe in compromising the future of the Negro or in cowardly laying down while the race is under attack and menaced by evil forces?

Its attitude on Bolshevism and Communism? Its belief that all such forces as menace white capitalist control of the world, European eminent domain, and the imperialist regimes of Europe should be encouraged by the darker peoples who stand to benefit most by the undermining and destruction of European imperialism and white world domination?

Its three-year-old agitation for a United Negro Front as the only logical method for successfully meeting the onslaughts of our myriad foes and of materially advancing the interests of our race? Its reasons for supporting wholeheartedly and unselfishly the present move in that direction engineered by the United Front Committee of which, with the N. A. A. C. P., the National Equal Rights League and other leading Negro organizations, it is a member?

Its fostering of the Co-operative Movement because that movement has proved in Europe and the United States its huge possibilities for successful operation, and its capacity for lifting up the under-dog and protecting the masses from the selfish, individualistic exploitation of the ~~xxxx~~ capitalists?

All these questions are adequately dealt with in "Solidarity", the only mimeographed ~~xxxx~~ organ of the A. B. C., which is sent to all members who are financial. Have you been getting your copy regularly? Are you financial? Make yourself financial. Remember you must be financial in your general membership to get the full benefit of the protection of the Sick and Death Benefit Department. Your general membership costs only 25 cents a month. Make yourself financial at once.

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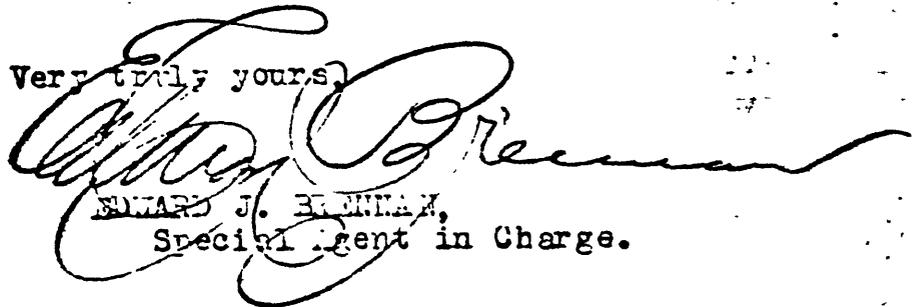
Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Attention: J. E. Hoover, Esq.
Re: African Blood Brotherhood -
Negro Radical Activities. N.Y.
File No.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith two copies each of the
Program and Aims of the African Blood Brotherhood and application
blanks for membership.

Very truly yours,



EDWARD J. BRENNAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Case originated at New York

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New York City	11/21/23	11/13/23 to 11/21/23	Mortimer J. Davis ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.			
U. S. vs MARCUS GARVEY,		Via. Sec. 215 U.S.C.C. Using Mails to Defraud	

FACTS DEVELOPED:

In company with Agent James E. Amos, the writer had a conference with Assistant U. S. Attorney Lattuck, who requested that we compare the Bill of Exceptions filed by the subject with the original testimony in the case.

Pursuant to his request, and with the consent of Agent in Charge Brennan, the writer and Agent Amos has been so engaged during the period shown above.

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Instructions of Spec. Sgt. in Charge Brennan:
Case originated in Office - Journal Case.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE 11/22/23	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/21/23	REPORT MADE BY: EARL A. WITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE RE: AMERICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro medical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Agent called at the home of Mr. Cyril V. Briggs and was informed that he would not be home until tomorrow.

Then visited a number of places and during the evening went to Liberty Hall, but found only a few members about and no regular meeting taking place. I remained there from 9.00 P.M. until 9.30 P.M., during which time secured no information of value to the Bureau.

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Instructions of Spec. Agt. in Charge Brennan: N.Y. File No.
Case originated N.Y. office - Journal Made.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/22/23	11/19/23	JOSEPH G. TUCLER ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES Sick and Death Benefit Fund Established by above Organization.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Today this office received from Special Agent Earl E. Titus, copies of a mimeographed letter issued by "Executive Head" of the African Blood Brotherhood. The letter, which is addressed to "Dear Sisters and Brothers," states "the Insurance Department is now in operation," and goes on to say that those members of the African Blood Brotherhood who join the Insurance Department, will be paid a sick benefit of \$6.00 per week for forty weeks and \$100.00 in the event of death.

As this letter does not state whether the organization had complied with the State Insurance Laws, I today called at the New York Office of the State Superintendent of Insurance, 165 Broadway on the presumption that a possible fraud might be contemplated by Briggs and his associates under the guise of insurance and sick benefit fund.

At this office I interviewed Mr. Diefendorf of the Legal Department, who informed me that it depended upon the membership and amount of insurance offered church, social and beneficial organizations, whether they be classified on a footing with insurance companies. He added that societies with a member

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ship of over 2,000 who offered to pay insurance of more than \$400.00, were required to make returns and a statement of their financial condition to the State Superintendent of Insurance. Mr. Diefendorf stated that while the African Blood Brotherhood offered to pay less than the above amount as a death benefit, which would exempt it from the class of societies required to make a return, he would, if I would furnish him with additional information, have one of his investigators look the matter up and get more detailed information regarding the African Blood Brotherhood's insurance scheme. I arranged to furnish Mr. Diefendorf later with the address of Briggs and such additional information as I might be able to secure.

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RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES Sick and Death Benefit Fund Established by above Organization.			

FACTS DEVELOPED

Continuing on the above investigation last reported upon by the writer on the 19th instant, I today again called at the office of the State Superintendent of Insurance, 165 Broadway and furnished Mr. Diefendorf of the Legal Department with the address of Cyril Briggs and a copy of the circular letter being distributed throughout the membership of the African Blood Brotherhood by Briggs. He stated that he would have confidential investigation made of this matter and inform me later of the result of same.

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Instructions of S. Sgt. in Charge
Bureau:

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TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED

Agent went to the home of Cyril V. Briggs, 213 W. 135th Str. and helped mail out the Crusader Service. Briggs said that the meeting last night was the best meeting we have had in quite some time and from now on the organization will meet regularly in order to build up the organization. He said the insurance plan will give the members something for their money.

Briggs said what he wanted to do was to get the Negroes out of the strike breaking class and build up an organization where we can demand certain things as well as the White People. He said the K.K.K., the I. of C. and the Jews, as well as various nationalities are against us and are keeping us down.

During my conversation with Briggs, I learned that he was born in Barbados, West Indies.

Agent then went to the home of Grace Campoell, 206 West 133rd Str. She said that Briggs was working very hard for the Party but she thought he was worried very much about something since the Workers' Party moved its headquarters to Chicago. She said

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that while the headquarters of the Workers' Party was here Briggs held a position with them that paid \$50.00 a week and that he had time for the African Blood Brotherhood work at the same time.

Agent then visited a number of places in the Negro District of Harlem but learned nothing additional for the Bureau.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/21/23	11/20/23	EARL E. TITUS ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro Radical Activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th Str. and found him mailing out a Special Bulletin for the A.B.B. Drive and he said we are making great progress now and all that we need is some more speakers like Huiswood. He said that he had received a number of letters from workers in Chicago who said they would do all they could to help us in our drive and would circulate our literature in the meetings that they hold.

Agent helped mail out some of the special Bulletins and then visited a number of other places in the Harlem district, but secured no additional information of value.

Instructions of Spc .Agt. in Charge Brennan:
Case originated in Office - Journal Case.

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TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: AMERICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro medical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED:

Agent called at the home of Cyril V. Briggs, 213 West 135th Str. and found him mailing out Special Bulletins for the A.B.B. and he said he was mailing one to each of the members of the organization and he felt the membership would take a great interest in it.

I saw Grace Campbell on Saturday night and she said Huiswood is going on another tour as he had done so much good while on the last one and had got such good results he is going to try it again.

Briggs said that he had received a great many replies from the South and West from the drive. He said the insurance plan will not go into effect until the first of the year and by that time he will be fully prepared to take care of it.

Notices have been sent to all members of the local post to be present at the next meeting which will take place at Grace Campbell's next Friday night, Nov. 25rd.

A number of other places in the Negro District of Harlem were visited, but no additional information was secured of interest to the Bureau.

Nov. 23, 1923.

Mr. R. B. Spencer,
P. O. Box 987,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Re: Marcus Garvey, Negro
Radical Activities.

Dear Sir:

This office has been advised that Marcus Garvey is scheduled to address a meeting in your city at the People's Gospel Tabernacle, Gran and Center Streets, on Tuesday, November 27th at 8:15 p.m.

The above is sent you for such attention is deemed warranted.

Yours very truly,

EDWARD J. BRENNAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FINISH FOR VETS BUREAU SCANDAL
(Crusader Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. The investigation of the Veterans' Bureau, which proceeded fiercely for a time, with enough graft and corruption uncovered in the early stages to fill a modest wing in any penitentiary, or to invite intervention by a foreign power if the United States was of, say, the size and strength of Haiti, and brought out into the sunlight crooked contracts, padded accounts, straight and fancy larceny from the Government and every form of boodling known to the inventive mind of the crooked American politician, has finally sizzled down. The investigation uncovered too much in the early stages, and threatened to cover too much more, so the Republicans called it off with only the surface scratched and nobody in jail. Moreover, there is no serious expectation that anybody will go to jail despite the plainness of the crimes and the wealth of available legal proof.

In the meantime, the United States Government is engaged in eradicating "political corruption" in the once free republic of Haiti!

SCIENCE PROMISES LONGER SPAN TO HUMAN LIFE
(Crusader Service)

NEW YORK, Dec.--With the subject of rejuvenation being earnestly discussed in scientific circles, and with European scientists performing what in other ages would be looked upon as miracles, it is interesting to note that America is rapidly making to the marvels of the modern science.

At the same time that a noted German surgeon announces discovery of a method of blood transfusion which not only rejuvenates aged patients submitting themselves to it but prolongs life, an American naturopathist, Dr. John W. Marshall, 500 Manhattan Avenue, has announced a process of "purifying the blood stream" whereby the "tissues of the human body is cleansed of all wastes and obstructions and disease eliminated".

Dr. Marshall claims to be able to cure even chronic ailments such as gonorrhea, tonsillitis, adenoids, chronic constipation, rheumatism, Bright's disease, diabetes, cancer, tumor, syphilis, etc., by his process of "blood purification". He claims to have effected many such cures, and is backed up in some of his statements by former patients interviewed by the writer.

GURVEY WILL NOT AID FIGHT ON KLAN
(Crusader Service)

ST LOUIS, Dec.--Commenting editorially on the organized fight against the pernicious Ku Klux Klan which is being carried on by most Negro organizations and leaders, the St. Louis Argus comments on the Gurvey position in the following caustic remarks: "In our fight against the Ku Klux Klan, we expect the co-operation of all race groups and organizations, except the U. S. C. Gurvey has declared that the Universal Negro Improvement Association is not opposed to the Klan. We wonder will the members be bound by such a statement."

A CAPTURING OF PRINCIPLES
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(Chicago hip)

~~del~~ Since Marcus Gurvey has been successful in getting out of the Tombs prison until his case can reach its final decision, has been quite successful in cluttering up his paper, the Negro World, with hair straightening advertisements and fables, the Argus has a keen eye for getting money and none can gainsay it since he plans to transplant all of his people back in Africa. He can appreciate his idea. He will be able to sell many loads of bleach and hair straightener to the African people when he gets over there. His paper, like The Defender, seems to be bent on making the Ethiopian's skin and taking the curl out of his hair, a dead end way to "unite the four hundred black people of the world and build up armies to fight the battle plains of Africa". The Argus started criticizing "the world's first weekly" because of the character of its advertisements and now he has fallen into the same evil way. Gurvey is a great man when it comes to getting the money from the people. Somehow he has got "ambition should be made of sterner stuff."

(Please correct our address on your mail: If you have not done so. It is no longer 2299 Cavenah Ave., but P. O. Box 30, Station H, New York City.

KING T BUCKLES ON VIEW IN CAIRO

They Are Solid Gold and Made by Process Unknown to Modern People

OTHER RICH FINDS

Bouquets and Statues of Gold, Miniatures of Monkeys, Etc., Unearthed in Tomb of Negro King
(Crusader Service)

LUXOR, Egypt, Dec.--Six more showcases containing rare and beautiful treasures from Tut-anch-amen's tomb have just been added to the collection of seven cases already on display in the Cairo museum, giving visitors an admirable idea of the artistry of the eighteenth dynasty craftsmen.

Probably the finest piece in the collection of which almost every object is a masterpiece, is the ~~king's~~ Negro Pharaoh's little jewel box of solid ivory yellowed with age, with knobs, hinges and feet of solid gold, inscribed on the front with the king's name and on the back with the lotus symbol of Upper Egypt.

Also of interest are the king's buckles of openwork sheet gold, with scenes inlaid in tiny golden granules, representing a process said to be unknown today, while the gold pendants, scarabs and bezels are exquisitely carved.

In the meantime, continued excavations have discovered against the outer shrine another huge bouquet of flowers, faded to a drab color by their long preservation.

On a black beam of the outer shrine, which encloses the inner shells around the sarcophagus, were found two statues covered with gold, representing monkeys, one seated on a miniature chair and the other so placed that the tail curled around the woodwork. It is believed they were posted there to represent sentries protecting the sanctity of the inner shrines and whatever lies beneath them.

KLAM SUPPORTERS WIN IN OKLA.

(Crusader Service)

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec.--Opponents of legislation to reveal the membership of secret orders won another victory in Oklahoma State Senate today when that body, by a vote of 19 to 13, rejected an amendment to the original bill which would have made membership lists available to any competent court.

"GOLLEN SPOON" HEIRS LETTER WITHOUT IT

(Crusader Service)

DIG RAPIDS, Mich. Dec.-- Senator W. M. Ferris is opposed to fortunes being used at the discretion of heirs and will go to Washington prepared to boost legislation that would all but absorb inheritances, he said here tonight in his "home town" address.

Young men and women would be better off, he said, and make higher marks in the world if they started life with little. He said inheritances made parasites out of those to whom they were left, and constituted an inconsistency in a democracy.

SEES U. S. MOVE TO ANNEX WEST INDIES

(Crusader Service)

LONDON, Dec.--Lord Burnham, lecturing tonight before the Royal Society of Arts on the subject of the needs of the West Indies, referred to what he maintained was a movement for annexation of the West Indies in the United States, and explained that the reasons for this were commercial and financial. He added that had it not been for the business enterprise and organizing capacity of American citizens, the British West Indies would be on the rocks ~~now~~ of bankruptcy today as a result of gross neglect on the part of the "mother country".

WOULD DIVIDE TO RULE

(Crusader Service)

ZAMBOANGA, Mindanao Province, P. I., Dec.-- The American Chamber of Commerce of Mindanao and Sulu today cabled Resident Comdr. asking for his immediate consideration of the proposal for separation of the islands of Mindanao, Sulu and ~~Palawan~~ from the Philippine Government as an unorganized territory under the American flag.

The suggestion has evoked a storm of protest from native inhabitants of the islands named, who see in it an attempt to weaken the Filipino people, by dividing them in order the easier to continue alien rule in the islands.

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Storage and in other ways, from the Hylan Administration, from Tammany Hall and the ~~State~~ Democratic State Organization.

Murphy, Taggart and Brennan are believed to be personally favorable to a platform against the plan and the nomination of a candidate who, through his personality, would vitalize that protest.

COMMUNITY BOARD WITHDRAWS RUSSELL PLAN O. K.
(Crusader Service)

NEW YORK, Dec. The Governing Board of the City Parliament of Community Councils last night withdrew its endorsement "in principle" of the plan of the National Rent Mutual Corporation, being promoted by Walter Russell, white.

The action was taken following the revelation that Russell had participated in several failures in the past.

The so-called Russell plan has been embraced among the Negro population of Harlem and, as is usual when such enterprises are promoted by whites, several Negro "leaders" have rushed to its support and pledged "hundreds of thousands" of the money of Negro workers to the success of the white organization.

ACTION ON VIRGIN BIRTH CALLED REACTIONARY

Dr. Grant Criticizes Reaffirmation of the Virgin Birth and Apostles' Creed as Opposed to Science
(Crusader Service)

NEW YORK, Dec.--The resolution on the Virgin Birth, recently adopted by the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church in Dallas, Tex., was condemned as reactionary and not in accord "with the progressive or scientific spirit of the time" by the Rev. Percy Stierman Grant in his sermon Sunday in the Church of the Ascension, 100 Avenue and Tenth Street. Dr. Grant spoke on "The Bishops and the Creed".

"I have no thought of disrespect to the bishops regarding the action on the Virgin Birth and the Apostles' Creed," he said, "but it is a reactionary and dangerous sign. It is discouraging to a large many young people, of modern education, of energy and desire for service through the Church, who cannot force their modern intellectual equipment into any such narrow quarters as a literal interpretation of the Apostles' Creed.

"Such a resolution is reactionary because it is not marching on with the progressives of the Church, either in the Episcopal Church or out of the Episcopal Church; it is not marching on with the scientific spirit of the times, so we have a right to call a reaction - that is, it certifies, to an attitude of the past rather than the attitude of the present, which is trying to assimilate from knowledge and all vital religion everything that will benefit mankind in its great problems of living today.

"Religion today ought to embrace the findings of science, but an Apostles' Creed, literally interpreted, runs counter to the truths of science."

CHILD CARE LAIN TO LANDLORD'S GREED
(Crusader Service)

NEW YORK, Dec.-- A large percentage of the cases of juvenile delinquency in this city was blamed yesterday by Justice Boyle of the Children's Court upon the high rents which force overcrowding in tenement apartments of the poor.

In some tenements, Justice Boyle said, girls of twelve or thirteen were compelled to continue living near their parents in order to receive proper advances to them, but could not be prosecuted because of lack of proof.

"In nowadays," said the Judge, "the prospect of re-creating a home in New York for people of small means, as especially where there are children, is so remote as to be almost negligible. Rents are either too high or the sort of place obtainable is so deplorably bad that there is no choice.

"Families are 'doubled up' in small apartments to an extent which was never before experienced in this city. Some of the results of this practice are too shocking to describe. The inevitable result in general is a lowering of moral standards.

"It seems to me, private enterprise has failed utterly, that the time for tax-grazing has passed and that the water must be found squarely by the State, or by the city under authority from the State."

Justice Boyle cited several very deplorable cases among the colored working masses of the city.

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THIEF FIGHTS BIE IN CROWDED STREETS

Charles Davis Arrested For Arming Ex In House in Which Police Inspector Lived
(Crusader Service)

NEW YORK, Dec. - Wrenching loose from the grasp of two detectives within ten feet of a police station yesterday, Charles Davis, colored, accused of two burglaries in which he was alleged to have stolen \$22,000 worth of goods, broke the finger of one of the detectives and ran into a net of four other detectives after four snots had been fired at him in a block crowded with playing children and pedestrians.

Davis, alias Charles Ballard, 40 years old, a clerk, of 64 Arlington Avenue, Newark, had been sought by New York detectives for several burglaries, particularly the theft last Friday night of \$2,000 worth of furs and silverware from the sixth floor apartment of Edward Crone, at 325 Central Park West. In the same house lives Deputy Chief Police Inspector Dominick Henry, now in Bermuda with Commissioner Bright.

Davis was picked up in a pawnshop as he was about to pawn some of the stolen silverware. He said he had been given the bag and contents by a friend "to mind for him".

DEMOCRATS DISCUSS ANTI-KLAN PLANK

Leading Republicans in Courage to Face the Issue of Ku Kluxism
(Crusader Service)

FRENCH LICK, Ind. Dec. - While neither Indiana Leader Charles P. Murphy nor Thomas Taggart, Democratic leader of Indiana, was willing today to discuss the prospects for or against inclusion of an anti-Klan plank in the Democratic national platform next year, there is said to be every likelihood that one will be proposed as a result of the conferences which have been in progress here for a week past between these two and George E. Brennan, chief of the Democratic forces in adjacent Kentucky and Illinois.

It is known that arguments for and against such a proposal have been carefully weighed in the course of the conversations between the three leaders who, if they stand together, will hold more than a balance of power in the great party conclave next year. When Mr. Murphy was asked today whether he had anything to say on the subject, he merely replied:

"I do not want to get into that now; I am not prepared to say anything on the subject at this time."

The Democratic party leaders feel forced to take a stand against the Klan because of the great weight of Catholics in the Democratic Party. Too, it is calculated that the heavy influx of Negroes from the South during and after the war must be taken into consideration. In this State, in Ohio and Kentucky Illinois the Negro vote, according to politicians who have surveyed the situation, is likely to be composed of a factor to be reckoned with than it has been at any time heretofore. On normal conditions the increase in the colored vote would not be a good thing for the Democrats, because of the traditional wish of the Negro toward Republican candidates in a political campaign, but with the Democratic platform containing an anti-Klan plank and the Republican platform, as is expected, silent on the subject - as the situation is viewed here, the Democratic Party would be the direct beneficiary from the Negro migration.

Mr. Murphy has told his fellow conferees that if any proof were needed that the Negro would respond readily to Democratic advances, the last three elections in his own State had proved it. In the Mayoralty election in 1921, the State election last year and the election in New York City a fortnight ago the Negro voters deserted the Republican candidates by the wholesale as a result of recognition, both in the form of re-

Instructions received from Special Agent in Charge, Ed. J. Brennan.
Case originated previous to Journal Instructions

REPORT MADE AT.	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE.	REPORT MADE BY.
New York, N.Y.	Nov. 24, 1923.	Nov. 11th to 18th, 1923.	JAMES E. ALLOS.
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
RE: <u>U. S. vs. MARCUS GARVEY, et al:</u> Alleged Violation Section #215 U.S.C.C. (Negro Radical Activities.) (Using the mails to defraud.)			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

At New York, N.Y.

Agent spent part of the time during the above period reading the minutes of the trial of U. S. vs. MARCUS GARVEY, and correcting proposed bill of Exceptions of MARCUS GARVEY'S Proposed Case on Appeal.

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Instructions: Edward J. Brennan, Spl. Agent in Charge - NY File

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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY:
New York City	11-24-23	11-22-24 incl	James W. Dillon ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE			
U. S. VS. MARCUS GARVEY. Violation Section 215, U. S. C. C. Using Mails to Defraud.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Was engaged during the above period, with Agent James E. Amos, comparing the Bill of Exceptions filed by the subject, with the original testimony in the case.

Instructions received from Special Agent in Charge, J. Brennan.
Case originated from Journal Instructions.

REPORT MADE AT: New York, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE Nov. 24, 1923.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Nov. 18th to 25th, 1923.	REPORT MADE BY: JAMES E. AMOS.
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE. RE: <u>U. S. vs. MARCUS GARVEY, et al:</u> Violation Section #215 U.S.C.C. (Negro Radical Activities.) (Using the mails to defraud.)			

FACTS DEVELOPED

At New York, N.Y.

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Instructions of Supt. in Charge Brennan: N.Y. File No.

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REPORT MADE AT	DATE WHEN MADE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE	REPORT MADE BY:
NEW YORK, N.Y.	11/27/23	11/22/23	MARL E. TITUS
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE:			
RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD Negro radical activities.			

FACTS DEVELOPED.

Agent met Bernard Pinder who is an active member of the African Blood Brotherhood, who lives at 201 West 136th Street, top floor with a family named Clark, and accompanied him to the home of Cyril W. Briggs, 213 West 135th Street and was informed that Briggs had left this morning at 7 o'clock and would not be in until some time after 4 o'clock. Pinder said his mission was to get some more literature to distribute as he was selling pictures now and had a good opportunity to leave some at each house and advertise the A.B.B. He also said that he had some of the Workers' Party literature and would leave both at the same time.

Agent then visited a number of places among the Negroes but learned nothing additional for the Department.

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New York City	11/27/23	11/25/23	Earl E. Titus ✓
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.			
IN RE: AMERICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.			

FACTS DEVELOPED. At New York:

Agent went to the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 W. 135th St., and talked with him. He was writing letters at the time and said he would get the Crusader Service out to-morrow; that the Workers Party had a good meeting last night and that he wished the A. B. B. would have as good a crowd and as much enthusiasm as they had. He further stated that he would like to have the A. B. B. and the Workers Party work together when they find a suitable place and one can help the other. Briggs said that he was downtown early this morning and that he had gone home with Marshal who lives on St. Nicholas Avenue near 132nd St. and talked over some matters. Bernard Pinder, Briggs stated, made a good suggestion last night when he asked for some A. B. B. pamphlets and he took some this morning and left some in every office into which he went.

Agent visited a number of places in Harlem among the colored people, but learned nothing additional for the Department.

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TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.			
IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.			

FACTS DEVELOPED. At New York:

Agent covered meeting of the African Blood Brotherhood at the home of Miss Grace Campbell, 206 W. 135d St., which opened at 8:45 p.m. and adjourned at 10:00 p.m., and at which eighteen were present, Otto Huiswoud being chairman. Briggs read a communication from the supreme council that the A. B. B. and the Workers Party, Harlem Branch, had joined together by agreement for the purpose of getting a place for an office and for a forum to meet jointly for the good of both organizations, and said that a representative from the Workers Party would help conduct the forum of the A. B. B. as the Workers Party cannot have a forum, there being provision for certain sections, and it would give the A. B. B. a good chance for a forum in Harlem. He also said, that it would give the A. B. B. an opportunity to build up a headquarters where members who did not attend regularly could get in closer touch with the organization through literature and other means. He also read a communication from the Supreme Council in regard to the A. B. B. and the insurance department which will be printed and sent to each member of Post Kenelek and there will be attached a letter instructing every member to read carefully so as to understand it. He also

read a communication from the organizer from Montgomery, Va., in which it stated, that they had rented a hall and had a place for a forum and had gained sixty-two members in six weeks; that the post had other entertainments to get the people in the organization. He stated that for that reason Post Penclek had taken the opportunity to make a suggestion to the supreme council for the insurance department and that as the supreme council had adopted it, it would be a general order for all posts to take up at once. He also stated that he had taken the opportunity to look for a place as he was sure that the A. B. B. would be willing to have a thing of this kind and it was voted on and accepted. Bernard Pinder made an engagement with Briggs to help him in securing a place as a member of the A. B. B. which joined the A. B. B. and Workers Party.

Huiswoud said, that he was on a speaking tour for four days in Jersey City and towns in Jersey and had spoken in churches and other places and that the organizations there were growing fast. He made a suggestion that some of the members take it upon themselves to try to secure some churches to hold their meetings in addition to their forum meetings. Miss Grace Campbell said, that she had been looking for a place and would help those who had been chosen to secure a place. It was voted that the A. B. B. hold a special meeting at the same place on Friday night next so that all committees can report. At the close of the meeting Briggs said that there would be literature for sale at the new headquarters so that everybody could get just what they wanted as there wasn't any place in Harlem to get it, that is, for both parties, the Workers Party and the A. B. B. as well as he expected to keep a full line of both kinds.

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HM: J.M

December 6, 1923.

Mr. E. J. Brennan,
P. O. Box 241,
City Hall Station,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the report of Agent Titus of your office under date of November 27th, 1923, captioned AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD, there is noted therein a statement to the effect that a communication has been received from the organizer of the branch of the Blood Brotherhood, at Montgomery, Va.

A perusal of the Postal Guide fails to show a place of this name in Virginia. Possibly Montgomery, West Virginia is meant.

Will you please endeavor to ascertain whether or not the latter is correct.

Very truly yours,


Director.

Instructions from [redacted] in Charge Brennan. (NY file No. [redacted])

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REPORT MADE BY

Earl W. Titus

TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.

IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - HYPER RADICAL ACTIVITIES.

FACTS DEVELOPED.

At New York:

Agent went to the home of Cyril V. Briggs, 213 West 135th St. and helped Briggs mail out the Crusader Service. Briggs said, that Mr. Huiswoud was to come and talk over some matters pertaining to the Workers Party and the African Blood Brotherhood, that one of the things was to have him select some good speakers that they could rely on for the opening speeches as he desired to put the forum in a leading position to get the people stirred up. Briggs was very quiet and had nothing to say as he seemed to be worried about something.

Agent asked Briggs the name of the white woman who had been at the meeting of the Workers Party on Thursday night and Briggs said her name was Gertrude Coopersmith.

Agent visited Miss Grace Campbell, 206 W. 133d St., and talked with Miss Campbell and Mr. Huiswoud and wife, but learned nothing additional for the department.

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New York City	11/30/23	11/26/23	Earl T. Titus
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE.			
IN RE: AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD - NEGRO RADICAL ACTIVITIES.			

FACTS DEVELOPED. At New York:

Agent called at the home of Cyril Briggs, 213 West 135th St., and found him writing notices for the meeting of the A. B. B. on Friday night, and Briggs said, that Otto T. Huiswoud, who is the National Organizer and a member of the Supreme Council of the A. B. B., called a special meeting of the Supreme Council yesterday at the home of Grace Campbell, 206 W. 133rd St., and at the meeting it was decided that each member of the Council should have some unions to visit and get in touch with them so as to spread their propaganda. Briggs said, that as he is a newspaper man he was given the printers and such matters as they knew he is acquainted with all the departments. He further stated, that the Council took up what had been done in the Workers' Party at the last regular meeting and it was agreed that it was the best policy as they had no office and the Workers' Party could help the A. B. B. as well as the A. B. B. could help them; that as all the members of the Supreme Council were members of the Workers Party the A. B. B. will be benefited by their policies as well as making workers out of some of the A. B. B.; that there are things in the A. B. B. that are of advantage to one in the Workers Party as the Workers Party can have a forum

only where directed by the C. T. C. while on the other hand members of both could run it under the head of the A. B. B. Briggs remarked that he was going to get out some notices for the members to be present at the meeting of the A. B. B. as it will be business of importance; that he was going downtown and would look around for an office and place for a forum.

Agent went to a number of places in Harlem among the colored people, as well as the National Baptist Church, 35 E. 125th St., a forum, but learned nothing of additional interest to the Department.