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[5] Vernon O'Reilly

[Case of Vernon O'Reilly, reporter for Farm Labor Call, who was struck unconscious by Lloyd Dysart, Commander of the American Legion Post (at Centralia?), after O'Reilly reported on destitution of widow of John Haney, a Wobbly-hunter hired by Legion following Armistice Day affair who was killed by his own posse; Amer. Legion had promised to care for his widow (fr. 1-5)]

[8] Olaf Stimstad

[Jailed at Port Townsend for peddling I.W.W. literature in Discovery Bay logging camp.]

[10] Ellensburg Jail

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[1] Frank Heston

[Chehalis District Secretary, Washington State Workers' Defense Union, Napavine, Washington, mobbed and jailed as Wobbly following Armistice Day trouble at Centralia (see [6] infra)]

[Case of Feinler (fr. 4 ff.) -- Feinler at Leavenworth; case not clear from materials here.]

[18] [7] L. J. Ady

[Arrested for distributing I.W.W. literature in Bellingham.]

[34] [8] Yakima Jail

[William Ferguson (Yakima County jail) to L. B. Milner, July 28, 1920, re life of an I.W.W. prisoner (fr. 13-16) -- Frank Tannenbaum (at Columbus, Ohio) to Desilver, July 18, 1920, re conditions at Yakima jail and ACLU request that he investigate (fr. 20) -- Ferguson to Milner, June 22, 1920, re trial at Yakima (Copy: fr. 22-24; original: fr. 29-34)]

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[29] [10] Roland Samuelson

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[Frank Pease (Seattle; Workers International White Cross) to RNB, January 20, 1921, re men imprisoned in Pierce County jail (fr. 2) -- John Grady (N. W. District Defense Committee, Seattle; on stationery bearing photos of Centralia prisoners) to RNB, Sept. 15, 1920 (fr. 8) -- More re 30 Russian prisoners at Seattle (fr. 10-12; see [10] supra) -- F.D. Couden (Seattle attorney working for G.D.C.) to ACLU, May 11, 1920, re I.W.W. cases and mentioning that his father, Dr. Couden, the chaplain for U.S. House of Representatives (fr. 14-14) -- Otto Pyykenen convicted on criminal syndicalism law (fr. 17)]


[13] [13] Spokane

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[ACLU newsrelease, March 29, 1921, re Washington criminal syndicalism act and correspondence of ACLU with state attorney general; more prosecutions under Washington law than in any other state (fr. 1) -- Deportation of Philip Bochnak; follows plea of "guilty" to criminal syndicalism charges (fr. 2-5) -- Mike Hennessy criminal syndicalism case (fr. 6- ) -- Opinion: State v. Hennessy, 195 Pac. 211 (fr. 7-14) -- List of men held, presumably on criminal syndicalism charges, in Pierce County jail (fr. 15) -- Frank Saunders (Pierce County prisoner, I.W.W.) to ? (first page missing) re mass arrest and trial of I.W.W.'s in Tacoma during wave of hysteria following Centralia affair (fr. 16-22; see fr. 15 supra) -- RNB to Frank Saunders, Jan. 29, 1921, re above letter forwarded to ACLU by Frank Pease; assures ACLU aid (fr. 23) -- Elmer Smith to ACLU, May 28, 1921, re some prisoners (including his brother) being held on criminal syndicalism charges in Lewis County jail (fr. 28) -- William Ferguson in Yakima County jail on criminal syndicalism conviction; reversed by state supreme court; and post-release correspondence (fr. 33-51) -- Ernest Conklin et al (Walla Walla prisoners) cases (fr. 52-60) -- Montesano cases (fr. 61-82) -- George Spindler arrested at Spokane while selling papers (fr. 83-86) -- Emil Siegert arrest at Aberdeen (fr. 87-89)]

[2] 2. Centralia Case

[Letter from N.W. District Defense Committee, Jan. 31, 1921 (fr. 1)]

[3] Civil Liberties Cases: Washington: Case of Cody and Baldry


[Spokane Superior Court Judge Webster issues injunction (in 1920?) against I.W.W. membership; many prosecutions under same.]


[Centralia (free speech?) group -- Ephim Kertz, Russian formerly of Seattle, detained at Ellis Island (fr. 7-8; see "6" infra)]


[If Kertz will withdraw habeas corpus proceedings, he will be deported without further detention at Ellis Island, says Dept. of Labor (fr. 2) --James Duncan and Seattle Central Labor Council involved]


[See fr. 6, supra]
[33] Criminal Syndicalism

[E. W. Allen held on criminal syndicalism charges at Montesano -- Henry Schoeffer sentenced at Spokane -- Mayor of Aberdeen forbids meeting at which Elmer Smith scheduled to speak (fr. 9-15) -- News release, General Defense Committee (Chicago), n.d., re affidavit of Centralia jurors (fr. 21-22) -- Similar news release written by John Nicholas Beffel, (Chicago Gen. Def. Comm.), May 26, 1922 (fr. 23-26 ff.)]

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[48] 2. Centralia Cases

[Pamphlet: Walker C. Smith, Was It Murder?: The Truth About Centralia (N.W. Dist. Defense Comm., Seattle, August 1922) (pp. 15-36 missing) (fr. 1-14) -- Mrs Sallie Barnett (Leviston, Idaho) to ACLU, May 3, 1923, re Centralia prisoner son, Eugene Barnett (fr. 16-17) -- Mrs. Sallie Barnett to R. M. Lawrence (ACLU), May 27, 1923, re her version of Centralia affair (fr. 19-26) -- Harry Feinberg (Secretary, General Defense Committee, Chicago) to R. Lawrence (ACLU), June 5, 1923, noting that man had been sent to open a branch G.D.C. office in Seattle but had been absorbed by the "Joint Branches in Seattle"; write directly to Ed Delaney at Seattle (fr. 30) -- Delaney to R. Lawrence, June 11, 1923, statement of efforts being made to free Centralia prisoners (fr. 32-33) -- List of Washington correspondents (fr. 35-36) -- I.W.W. free speech fight at Bellingham (fr. 38 ff.)]


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1. Criminal Syndicalism Prisoners

[Tabulation of political prisoners in state prisons as of December 1923 (fr. 1-2) -- Exchange of telegrams with Governor Hart re criminal syndicalism prisoners; could be paroled anytime if they would accept without demanding other prisoners (Centralia men?) be released also (fr. 3) -- Ralph Chaplin (Lombard, Illinois) to RNB, Jan. 2, 1924, re state prisoners "emulating example of Leavenworth men," thinks it foolish (fr. 5,7) -- Homer T. Bone to RNB, Feb. 2, 1924, considers case of Centralia prisoners hopeless until there is a "more well-defined body of public opinion in this state" (fr. 8) -- Harry Feinberg (Gen. Def. Comm., Chicago) to RNB, Feb. 16, 1924, re Centralia men (fr. 10) -- Chaplin to RNB, Feb. 19, 1924, suggests investigation by some big outfit like the Federal Council of Churches; "unbiased" findings necessary before national campaign can begin; the present campaign, directed in West by Rowan, is "100% poison" (fr. 11-12) -- RNB to Chaplin, Feb. 21, 1924, "We'll help in the Centralia case despite the fact that it is different from ordinary free speech cases;" material re Fed. Council of Churches (fr. 14) -- A Miss Gilman of Baltimore, who is apparently connected with the Tom Mooney case, is mentioned in these letters -- Pamphlet: The American Legion and the Centralia Case (G.D.C., Chicago) (fr. 21-23) -- Pamphlet: Three New Witnesses of Centralia Tragedy (fr. 24-26) -- Sydney Strong to RNB, April 2, 1924, re Centralia prisoners (fr. 27-28) -- John Nicholas Beffel to B. C. Vladeck (Jewish Daily Forward), May 19, 1924, Centralia case stirs him even more than Sacco-Vanzetti because it was so raw (fr. 34-36) -- Strong turns business of obtaining pardons for Criminal Syndicalism prisoners over to George Vanderveer (fr. 41) -- Vanderveer to RNB, June 16, 1924, can't see all-or-nothing attitude of I.W.W.'s (fr. 43) -- Vanderveer to RNB, June 23, 1924, saw governor; four criminal syndicalism prisoners eligible for parole; fifth will probably get executive parole, so that all five can leave together (fr. 45) -- Governor Hart to Vanderveer, July 8, 1924, six prisoners considered together; refuse parole; insist upon unconditional pardon; an intercepted letter of one of prisoners speaks of Vanderveer in uncomplimentary language (fr. 48) -- Vanderveer to RNB, July 9, 1924, does not intend to be connected with future attempts to gain clemency for these men since they are now in jail of their own choice (fr. 49) -- RNB to GFV, July 14, 1924, giving ACLU determination to carry on (near end of "6" infra) -- Homer Bone to RNB, Dec. 10, 1924, some pithy comments on Hartley election and resultant poor chances for I.W.W. men (fr. 65)]
2. Elmer Smith

[Legal papers, including opinion of Mackintosh, j., re Elmer Smith disbarment case and I.W.W. prisoners (fr. 20) -- Charles S. Ascher (ACLU attorney?) to E. Smith, June 19, 1924, opinion re legal feasibility of U.S. Supreme Court review of disbarment case; negative; fails to take proper exceptions for one thing (fr. 23-28) -- James Rowan's (speaker for I.W.W.) car overtaken by mob near Montesano; arrested for having concealed weapon (fr. 39) -- E. Smith to Saul Haas (Seattle Union Record), May 8, 1924, re Rowan (fr. 40-41)]

3. Interference with James Rowan, Meetings at Ellensburg and Seattle

[Interference with Socialist Party activities charged by Emil Herman (S.P. district secretary) -- Nothing about James Rowan in material here]

4. Von der Heiden

[13pp letter to Upton Sinclair, Oct. 8, 1923, recounting in extravagant style imprisonment in Washington (fr. 1-8, 11-15) -- Texas matters and title page out of place (fr. 9-10) -- Kate Crane-Gartz in on matter -- Sydney Strong handling investigation from Seattle -- RNB suggests establishment of a "Civil Liberties Committee of the Seattle Fellowship" (fr. 22)]

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[Continuation of 1924 material]

5. I.W.W. -- Concrete, Washington

[Strike at Stone & Webster dam site -- Some strikers driven into next county by sheriff (fr. 11) -- Sydney Strong to Epstein (ACLU), Nov. 12, 1924, re Von der Heiden case (supra) (fr. 11)]

6. Anton Karachun

[Karachun (Steilacoom) to RNB, Aug. 18, 1924, re threatened deportation (fr. 1-2) -- Military prisoner held at McNeil Island -- Karachun to Carl Brannin (Dallas, Texas), Sept. 10, 1924, War Dept. refuses to take action; some bitter reflections on "American justice" (fr. 10-11) -- Karachun to RNB, Sept. 15, 1924, (fr. 12-13) -- Memorandum on the Karachun case, Oct. 30, 1924 (fr. 22) -- Karachun to RNB, Dec. 8, 1924 (fr. 37-38) -- Dwight F. Davis (War Dept.) to RNB, Dec. 19, 1924, an unofficial display of his real sentiments re Karachun but officially informing RNB that case is going his way (fr. 43) -- Karachun willing to accept parole conditioned on agreement to leave country (fr. 61) -- Karachun to RNB, Aug. 3, 1924, (fr. 110) -- Vanderveer Karachun's Washington attorney; several pieces of Vanderveer correspondence pertain to Centralia prisoners too.]

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1. Criminal Syndicalism Cases

[Thomas Nash, W. F. Moudy, Charles Bevers, and G. I. Smith; Judgment and Sentence, July 5, 1921 (fr. 1-2) -- RNB to George Vanderveer, Jan. 2, 1925, re ways of approaching incoming Governor Roland H. Hartley (fr. 4) -- Vanderveer to RNB, Jan. 7, 1925, re last attempt to get]
Criminal Syndicalism cases (cont.)

[Outgoing Gov. Hart to "kick" syndicalism prisoners out with an absolute pardon; a characterization of incoming Gov. Hartley (fr. 5-6) -- John Beffel to RNB, Feb. 3, 1925, re plans for delegation to call on R.H.H. on behalf of Centralia and criminal syndicalism prisoners; mentions magazine articles (Nation and Christian Work) based on a recent interview with R.H.H. (fr. 8-9) -- W.I. Fisher (acting editor, Industrial Worker, Seattle) to L.B. Milner, Nov. 3, 1925, characterizes the prisoners' stand as "a lot of bourgeois (sic) sentimentality" (fr. 30) -- Thomas Nash to L.B. Milner, Nov. 3, 1925, a statement by a prisoner of criminal syndicalism prisoners' attitudes re release (fr. 31-32) -- Dan Curtin to Milner, Nov. 25, 1925 (fr. 45) -- E. Smith to L.B. Milner, Dec. 7, 1925, re efforts with governor to spring Centralia prisoners; if they are released, criminal syndicalism prisoners would come out too (fr. 52)]

2. Centralia Cases


3. Disbarment of Elmer Smith

[ACLU lawyers decide appeal to U.S. supreme court hopeless in Smith disbarment case]

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4. Johannes Francis von der Heiden

[Report by John N. Beffel, April 15, 1925, re von der Heiden, serving life sentence at Walla Walla for alleged murder -- probably insane.]

5. David Burgess in Regard to Free Speech Test at Tacoma

[David Burgess State Secretary of the Socialist Labor Party of Washington (Tacoma); street speaking difficulties]
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[Thomas M. Woodward (ACLU attorney in Washington, D.C.) to RNB, Jan. 6, 1925, Dept of War trying to get Karachun deported from West Coast port rather than permitting him to come East; "realize now that they cannot attach a condition of departure to any parole" (fr. 2-3) -- RNB to Woodward, Jan. 7, 1925, RNB has made arrangements to send Karachun to the Kuzbas Industrial Colony which necessitates departure from an Atlantic port (fr. 4) -- Several items pertaining also to the Tresca case in this section -- Woodward to RNB, Feb. 28, 1925, Karachun's sentence commuted (fr. 18) -- Tom Barker (N.Y. office, Kuzbas) to RNB, Dec. 31, 1924, re passport preparations for Karachun (fr. 20) -- News Release: March 14, 1925, re Karachun's release (fr. 34-35) -- Karachun to RNB, March 28, 1925, re his working experiences in Philadelphia; reflections on life in Russia (see also letter, fr. 43-46) (fr. 47-49) -- Karachun to RNB, April 16, 1925, Labor College (in Philadelphia) attempting to get War Dept. to permit Karachun to stay long enough to acquire a technical education (fr. 51) -- Francis Fisher Kane (Philadelphia lawyer working for an extension of Karachun's stay in U.S.) to RNB, April 28, 1925, conversation with Col. Cheatham of War Dept. reveals that Karachun fired upon American troops although not tried for same; Dept. adamant that Karachun leave the country (fr. 52-53) -- Baldwin's reply (fr. 54) -- Kane concludes that nothing can be done (fr. 55) -- RNB agrees (fr. 56) -- ACLU calls Karachun "last of the political prisoners" (fr. 69) -- Karachun (in Libau, Latvia) to RNB, June 26, 1925, disenchanted with Russian officials thus far encountered (fr. 76-77) -- Karachun to RNB, July 13, 1925, Kuzbas thing doesn't work out; K. not even expected; difficulty finding employment; may have to return to America (fr. 78-80) -- RNB to Karachun, Aug. 25, 1925, try again; if you return, there is always Canada where many deportees have gone (fr. 81) -- Karachun goes to Kuzbas (fr. 82) -- Several letters of Karachun, expressing dissatisfaction with Russian conditions, follow fr. 82]

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a. Russell Tremain Case

[Bellingham case: refusal to permit child, on religious grounds, to participate in school's patriotic exercises -- Circulars, clippings, and other printed matter (fr. 1-22) -- Vanderveer claims he cannot get involved in Tremain case (fr. 30) -- Transcript of Tremain case (fr. 146-158) -- Parents refuse to use earthly courts; ACLU unable therefore to take legal action]

[END OF REEL TWO]
a. Arvid Silverberg Case
[1926--Seattle Physician; WWI; fails to report for induction; "deserter"; Deportation; Finn.]

[Elmo A. Robinson (San Francisco ACLU) to Forrest Bailey, Nov. 3, 1926--
query from R. W. Everett (Sacramento) re ACLU action in Suzzallo case, Handled by Nat*1 Committee.]

b. James Rowan Case

1b. Correspondence with Austin Lewis (San Francisco ACLU att'y)
[ Rowan -- IWW -- Leavenworth prisoner --- attempt to take
citizenship away -- Dist. Ct at Spokane --- C. Ct. appeal at
San Francisco? -- Judge Brandeis' daughter, Susan, associated
with case. --- Pierce Wetter involved.]

[Kirchwey report -- S. Cal. ACLU affair -- Couple of letters re
it -- (Suggestion of trouble with S. Cal. Branch)]

2b. Correspondence with Susan Brandeis

3b. Correspondence with National Surety Company

4b. Correspondence with James Rowan
[Says Centralia case makes it impossible to raise funds in PNW
for any other purpose]

5b. Correspondence with T. T. Grant

6b. General Correspondence
[(fr. 2-4 statement of Rowan case) -- (fr. 4-7 -- Pierce Cobb
Wetter to ACLU re Rowan case) --- ]

[Some letters to and from Elizabeth Gurley Flynn re funds for
ACLU emergency fund from American Fund for Public Service
(Flynn sec'y)]

c. Centralia Cases

1c. Eugene Barnett
[Letter to Villard requesting aid -- if possible -- from him or
ACLU -- Several page letter, Mrs. Barnett to ACLU, noting all or
nothing attitude of IWW towards release of Centralia prisoners,
etc.] [(fr. 11) Dr. James E. Crowther, 4138 Brooklyn Ave.,
Seattle, Pastor of University M. E. Church and chairman of
citizens' committee "working quietly on the Centralia cases"]

2c. Fred Suttle
[at Medical Lake]
[(fr. 3) IWW (Chicago) to ACLU re Suttle case, enclosing copy
of a report by Dr. George E. Price --- (fr. 4,5) psychiatric report]

3c. Miscellaneous
[Exchange of letters with John Beffel re activities and workings
of Seattle citizens' committee -- no publicity desired by
committee]

[Statement by Centralia Publicity Committee (fr. 5-8)]
17. Washington


[Concerning Seattle teachers -- Adele Parker Bennett, No. Belmont Ave.,
Seattle, mentioned in letter from Sydney Strong (YMCA, Hartford, Conn.);
Bennett 20 yrs a teacher at Broadway High School -- last 10 yr news-
paper woman -- 4 yr XHRK in Russia -- James Duncan, Seattle, Central
Labor Council, also mentioned (fr. 2, 3)]

[33] b. Edward T. Devine, University of Washington case

[Dismissed from Deanship of American U. at Wash., D.C., for making
political speeches that alienated much of the community.]

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[40] a. Leslie Dunning Citizenship Case

[Naturalization case, Wenatchee -- Conscientious objector; refuses
to express willingness to take up arms as required in citizenship
oath -- Parallel case being sponsored by ACLU at time, Madame Rosika
Schwimmer case.]

[60] b. Centralia Case

1b. Correspondence with Archie Sinclair

[Soliciting funds, etc. --- $500 recently obtained from
American Fund (fr. 1) -- Mrs. Gartz and Trowbridge also contri-
butors to Centralia Publicity Committee (CPC) (fr. 3)]

[40] 2b. Correspondence with Adele Parker-Bennett

[Bennett tells Gov. Hartley that her husband supports him
because he fired Suzzallo (fr. 16) -- Amy Allbright former
student of Bennett's -- Bennett says Seattle Parole Board
member R. M. Kinnear sympathetic to Centralia Prisoners (fr. 21)
-- Letter re Hartley and 1928 election situation (fr. 23, 24) --
Invited Hartley to speak at Commonwealth Club, of which she is
president (fr. 27-28) -- also Scott Bullitt a week later --
XHRK Young men on Centralia Publicity Committee are honorable
but unfit for meeting politicians, etc.; "Elmer Smith is a
rustic beside Delaney," sez Bennett (fr. 32) -- Vanderveer
gives Hartley advice re recall movement after firing of Suzzallo
(fr. 37) -- Hartley friend of "Polly" Grimm, one of Centralia
victims; also visited Centralia at time of trial of IWW's (fr. 39)]

[5] 3b. Correspondence with Lee Tulin

[Damage suit brought against sheriff of Skagit County for
deporation of some IWW members -- (Letter belonging to this
group XERO letters in "a", summa, fr. 40 XERO]
4b. Correspondence with Ed Delaney

[Sec'y, Washington Branch of the IWW General Defense Committee.]

6b. Correspondence with C. S. Smith

[Smith to ACLU, Nov. 7, 1928 -- E. Barnett to be released (fr. 4)]

7b. Miscellaneous

[Letter of Ray Becker to Rev. Barstow, March 7, 1928, re Centralia tragedy (fr. 1-4) -- Miss Elizabeth Gilman mentioned as writing to The (Seattle?) Times on behalf of the Centralia men (fr. 2) -- Has bitter words about the IWW; notes his withdrawal from same (fr. 3) -- Good statement about his attitude toward parole (fr. 4) -- (Explanation of how letter fell into hands of ACLU in fr. 8) -- Forrest Bailey to Sydney Strong, Hartford, Conn., May 10, 1928, re Seattle teachers' yellow dog contract (See Vol. 336, 17a, supra) (fr. 10) -- Bailey feels appeal to U.S. Supreme Court for Becker not possible, else would have been done long before (fr. 14) -- Vanderveer to ACLU, May 19, 1928, re Seattle teachers' case (fr. 17) -- Hartley's response to ACLU's letter writing campaign about as likely as second coming of Christ, says one canvasser (fr. 26) -- Another response to canvas more vehement (fr. 37) -- (Also fr. 38-39) -- (See also follow exchange, fr. 40-43; ACLU takes strong position; rest of Gill letter at fr. 47) -- ACLU involved in 1928 Methodist resolution re Becker (see, e.g., fr. 67) -- Capt. Coll and Forrest Bailey attempt to get Federal Council of Churches interested in case (fr. 75)]

8b. Publicity

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27. Washington

a. Centralia Cases

1a. Adele Parker Bennett

[(fr. 1) Letterhead: "Parker Bennett, Importers, 419 Boylston Avenue N., Seattle" -- Letter suggests that public activity of I.L.D. and I.W.W. actually hindering release (Barnett) efforts -- Corres. re Fed. Council of Churches investigation and ACLU (fr. 18-12, 14, 15) -- Dr. Crowther, of University Temple (Methodist) active in support of Centralia prisoners (fr. 16) -- RNB announces to A. P. Bennett that Dr. Worth M. Tippy of the Federal Council of Churches will arrive in Seattle to take up Centralia matter; info confidential, May 8, 1929 (fr. 25) -- Mrs. Barnett rumored to be seeking divorce (fr. 27) -- Tippy to Bennett, May 28, 1929; missed her in Seattle, but saw E. Smith in Centralia; Centralia study not definitely decided upon in NY yet (fr. 34-35) -- E. Smith takes letter to prisoners for their signatures; repudiates communist-sponsored state-wide strike proposal on their behalf (June 17, 1929); six sign; Becker (working on habeas corpus action) refuses (fr. 42) -- Washington Conciliation Movement organized by A. P. Bennett and Seattle liberals to work for Centralia prisoners, Bennett to RNB, July 16, 1929 (fr. 48) -- ACLU finances Coll for a period (fr. c. 45-63 ff.) -- RNB says that he has come upon several letters from Becker castigating everybody (fr. 76) --- (See also fr. 81 re Becker)]

2a. Elmer Smith

[(See fr. 15-16 re nature of IWW Centralia freedom committees)]

3a. Centralia Publicity Committee

[Correspondence -- C. S. Smith, Acting Sec'y, CPC]

4a. American Fund

[Correspondence re funds for Coll and Bennett]

5a. Captain Edward P. Coll

[Coll explains letter repudiating Communists signed by prisoners (not Becker) at E. Smith's behest (fr. 6-8) -- Coll quits (fr. 18-19, 22)]
6a. Miscellaneous

Reference to Becker (fr. 8, 9) -- Mrs. Edward Thomas given by Forrest Bailey as ACLU friend corresponding with Ray Becker (fr. 9) -- (See also fr. 10) -- Becker to "Doctor Robinson," March 20, 1929 (fr. 11-14); rehash of trial; reasons for not accepting parole -- (Dr. Wm. J. Robinson, editor, The Critic and Guide, N. Y. -- See fr. 17) -- Centralia Release Committee meeting in N.Y.C. (fr. c. 18 - 31) -- Copy of letter signed by six of Centralia prisoners repudiating communist support (fr. 43) -- Note from Ray Becker to Mercer Johnston requesting aid in obtaining transcript of trial (fr. 54) -- Bailey to Becker, Oct. 11, 1929 (fr. 57) -- Becker to Bailey, Oct. 30, 1929 (fr. 60 - 61) -- Margaret Crowder (1122 Temple Street, L.A.), Becker correspondent; says CPC double-dealing, etc. (fr. 63 & 64) -- Becker appeal to Spokane District Court cited as Becker vs Long, No. 20242, Bourquin, J.)

7a. Publicity; Documents


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[23] [1] Correspondence with Mrs. Adele Parker-Bennett

[Discusses police breakup of street demonstration in Seattle, May 1, 1930 (fr. 18 - 19) -- Some random comments about the Depression in the PNW] [More in Vol. 439]

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[26] [1] Correspondence with Mrs. Adele Parker-Bennett [Cont. from vol. 438]

[McInerney dies; Loren Roberts released (fr. 3 - 4) -- Suggests time ripe for formation of Seattle ACLU (Mrs. Bennett, that is) (fr. 10 - 11) -- (See also fr. 12 re formation of Seattle ACLU) -- E. Smith reinstated (fr. 20) -- RNB notes "amazing" letter from Hartley (fr. 26)]

[22] [2] Correspondence with Elmer Smith

[Good collection of correspondence re Smith's attempt to get prisoners out in 1930 by employing influential Walla Walla attorneys on a $2000 contingent fee basis -- ACLU helps raise the $2000 guarantee fund --- Smith reinstated to Washington Bar (fr. 20 & 21)]
Correspondence with Edward P. Coll

[Correspondence re Pathé news film of Centralia parade: records supposed to be on file at the Library of Congress, but no record for 1919 found — Pathé says film no longer in existence (fr. 8)]

Correspondence with the General Defense Committee

[Ed Delaney of Washington Branch of General Defense Committee claims credit for freeing Loren Roberts (fr. 2) — Grimm (brother of Centralia victim) fights release all the way.]

Miscellaneous correspondence

Publicity Pamphlets


Local Committees

[Correspondence re formation of local civil liberties committee; Carl Brannin, Labor College, Seattle, to RNB; doesn't think Mrs. Bennett person for secretary of new committee (fr. 1) — RNB agrees; suggests Leslie Montgomery, a student at the University; Montgomery might be offered a job with the nat'l organization if he pans out locally (fr. 2) — Brannin to RNB, October 18, 1930, reports that Mrs. Bennett executed a coup and transformed the Washington Conciliation Committee into a civil liberties committee with herself as secretary; also says Leslie Montgomery not the man for the job (fr. 3-4) — Problem of Professor Stern comes up as possible civil liberties issue; fired from U.W. for some teaching indiscretion — RNB to John C. Kennedy of Broodwood, Inc., Katonah, N.Y., re suitability of Bob Roberts (Brannin's candidate) for the secretarship of Seattle Civil Liberties Committee (fr. 17) — Some material re Seattle I.L.D.; apparently strongly communist in leaning (fr. 20ff.) — Material on Seattle free speech demonstrations, etc. (fr. 27)]
[23] [7] Communist demonstrations

[Newspaper clippings from the Seattle P-I, May 2 (?), 1930; May 6, 1930; and May 7, 1930 (fr. 2-3) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB; discusses Centralia problems as well as Seattle demonstrations; she apparently knew Saul Haas and Harry Ault (fr. 6-7) -- Centralia Liberation Committee disbanded; communists working through I.L.D. (fr. 15) -- Bellingham arrests (fr. 17-20) -- Further note re Stern case at end of Bennett letter (fr. 20-21)]

[8] C. E. Midgard Case

[a] Correspondence with C. E. Midgard

[END OF REEL THREE]
1. Seattle Committee

[RNB to Carl Brannin, Educational Director of Seattle Labor College, January 30, 1931, inquiring what became of movement to form a Seattle civil liberties committee (fr. 1) -- Brannin replies Mrs. Bennett chief obstacle; matter drags; notes attacks on Filipinos in White River valley and frequent arrest of communists in Wash. and Oregon (fr. 2) -- RNB asks about Seattle civil liberties committee again, June 17, 1930 (fr. 4) -- Mrs. Bennett still gumming up the works says Brannin (fr. 5) -- RNB inquires about Mrs. Bennett's effectiveness in Centralia case (fr. 6) -- Brannin reports civil liberties committee ready to start; Marion Zioncheck suggests Ed Henry (then a beginning law student at UW) as local secretary (fr. 8) --- Most active local ACLU committees are: Detroit, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and Boston (fr. 11) -- Ed Henry to RNB re organizing meeting of local committee (fr. 12-13) -- Henry to RNB, November 13, 1931, still looking for someone to assume chairmanship of local committee (fr. 15-17) -- Mention of aliens deported to China by Dept. of Labor (fr. 18) --- Henry on Seattle anti-war demonstration and civil liberties problems (fr. 19); copy of letter sent to Robert Harlin, Mayor of Seattle, re anti-war demonstration arrests (fr. 20)]

2. Seattle Communists

[Letter to Ed Henry from RNB -- (Henry reply fr. 19, supra)]

3. Adele Parker-Bennett Correspondence

[Letter to Bailey re local politics (Ross & City Light fight, etc.) (fr. 1-2) (also fr. 4) --- Letter re local civil liberties cases (dismissal of teachers, etc.) (fr. 6) --- Re Volck deportation case, Mark Litchman att'y; Centralia case; teacher case (Shambaugh) (fr. 8-9)]

4. John Clarke Case

[Seattle Judge Neterer sentences Clarke to compulsory church attendance during period of his minority]

5. Zioncheck Case

[Zioncheck fined $25 for asking witness if he was a scab -- O. C. Bland paroled and Barnett's leave extended (fr. 2)]

6. Kent Assault Cases

[Report by Jane Garrott, member of Washington Conciliation Committee, of trial resulting from attack by youths on a group of Filipinos near Kent (fr. 1-2)]
7. Glaser - Volok (sic) Deportation Case

Mrs. Bennett re Leon Glaser, a communist but in bad with local group; Bennett apparently knows Anna Louise Strong, who is also having difficulty with Glaser (fr. 1) -- Glaser claims not to be a communist; no desire to go to Russia (fr. 3) -- Michael Saksagansky, an alien also, also denies being a communist (fr. 3) -- Mrs. Bennett re meeting of church committee headed by Attebery with parole board and RHH; no progress; John Lamb, Ray Becker, and Britt Smith feared to be breaking down mentally, Becker certainly; remarks re Saksagansky case (fr. 4-5) -- General plan of govt seems to be to deport Vladimir Wolck, Glaser, and Saksagansky to China in the belief that China will send them on to Russia, with whom the U.S. has no diplomatic relations (fr. 8) -- Memo from Dept. of Labor re these cases (fr. 9-10)

8. Centralia Cases

Copy of excellent letter re Centralia case sent to RHH by Albert Hirst in reply to RHH's letter asking to know more about him (Hirst) (fr. 2-4) -- Mrs. Bennett reports on church committee's conference with the governor re Centralia cases; no progress still; some remarks on RHH's character (fr. 5-6) -- More on local situation by Mrs. Bennett; another anti-Filipino riot (fr. 8) -- Attempt to publish Hirst's correspondence with RHH (fr. 10-13 ff.) -- Mrs. Bennett reports on Centralia situation (fr. 14-15) -- More Bennett on Centralia situation (fr. 21) -- Mrs. J. D. Leland, Mass., to RNB, March 9, 1931, enclosing letters from Ray Becker (fr. 24-25) -- Becker letters (fr. 26-30, 32) -- Copy of letter, unidentified author (probably John N. Beffel) to Becker, mentions copies of two-volume (1,160 pp.) abstract of trial are available, one in possession of Edgar Snyder, a member of the Seattle citizens' committee which saw RHH in 1925, the other in N.Y.C.; the typewritten verbatim record (8 folio volumes) is in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Ct, Olympia; C. D. Cunningham rumored to have copy also (fr. 31, 33) -- Mrs. Bennett reports that Eugene Barnett wants to learn Russian and be deported with his family (fr. 34) -- Pamphlet: another printed version of Capt. Coll's letter to Legionnaires, September 28, 1928 (fr. 35-38) -- Pamphlet: "The Centralia Case, By an American Legionnaire," pub. by CPC (fr. 39-42) -- Pamphlet: "My Findings on the Centralia Case, by Elizabeth Attridge", dated Oct. 15, 1929, pub. by CPC (fr. 43-46) -- Smith proposes new speaking campaign on behalf of Centralia prisoners (fr. 47-48) -- Broadside: "Was It Murder?" announcing rally for Centralia prisoners to be held Sat., June 13, (1931?), 2 p.m., Union Square (NYC?); speakers include Paul Brissenden, Beffel, Carlo Tresca, Louis Budenz, and Ben Gitlow; sponsored by Gen. Def. Comm. of I.W.W. (fr. 53) -- Pamphlet: "The Centralia Case: A Chronological Digest," pub. by Gen. Def. Comm. (Chicago) (fr. 55-58) -- Attebery and James A. Taylor, pres. of State Federation of Labor, go to Walla Walla parole board meeting; Barnett's wife has operation for cancer of the breast; Barnett trying to sell song he wrote (fr. 60) -- Mrs. Bennett on the Glaser case (fr. 64, 66) -- Shambaugh case also mentioned (fr. 66) -- Brannin to RNB, Aug. 2, 1931; reports rather unfavorably on Mrs. Bennett's activities re Centralia case; suggests probable future results not worth any additional outlay in that quarter; says "T---" agrees (probably James A. Taylor) (fr. 73) -- Mrs. Benneftt reports that "Brannin has got a fine bunch of people in the ACLU branch here." (fr. 75)
9. Rutgers Book -- Obscenity Case

Mr. C. E. Midgard, Seattle, seeks to import 120 copies of a book by Dutch physician Dr. J. Rutgers, The Sexual Life in Its Biological Significance, seized as obscene material under new tariff act -- Copy of decision in Morris L. Ernst's case U.S. vs "Married Love" (fr. 7-14) -- Frank L. Walters, Seattle, handling Rutgers book case for ACLU -- Mrs. Bennett reports on trial as it occurs (fr. 21-23) -- Midgard sends good newspaper analysis of trial (fr. 25-29) -- Att'y Walters tries to make a killing off sales of books, says Midgard (fr. 30-34).

10. Palmer Bill

Bill before Washington State legislature to prohibit all forms of utterance or expression relating to the demands of labor in industrial disputes (fr. 1) -- Bill doesn't pass (fr. 2-3) -- Letter from Homer Bone with some pithy comments about William S. U'Ren (who was on ACLU letterhead but had been acting most unliberal of late) (fr. 4).

11. Injunction Legislation

Mrs. Bennett to Dr. Alexander Fleisher, N.Y.C., re getting state legislature to consider anti-injunction measures.

17. Washington

a. Centralia Case

Pamphlet: "The Centralia Case: A Chronological Digest," (1932?), pub. by Gen. Def. Comm. (Chicago) (fr. 1, 3-5) -- Some material relating to CL cases other than Centralia case in this section (e.g., fr. 2, 6-8) -- C. S. Smith requests $100 to transport Mrs. John Lamb and daughter, Ruby, to Walla Walla to appear before parole board on behalf of Lamb (fr. 9) -- X X $50 sent (fr. 12) -- C. S. Smith to RNB: action parole board to take not yet definite; E. Smith confined to bed with stomach hemorrhage (fr. 19) -- E. Smith dies March 20, 1932 (fr. 22-23) -- John Lamb to be released; Lamb last of married men; rumored that RHH plans to leave the unwed ones in (fr. 24) -- Lamb not released after all; RHH may have been offended at demonstration at E. Smith's funeral (fr. 29-31) -- Ed Delaney (Gen. Def. Comm., Sea.) asks for loan of $600 to pay a "fixer" to get Lamb and Bert Bland out; says G.D.C. has been doing this all along at $300/head (fr. 33-34) -- Robertson Trowbridge turns thumbs down on loan for such a purpose (fr. 36) -- List of eight "large" contributors to Centralia fund (fr. 37) -- RNB to Mrs. Bennett re proposition very much like blackmailing the Governor (fr. 43) -- Mrs. Bennett says not politically expedient (fr. 44) -- RNB decides best thing to do is to work with new governor since both Martin and Gellatly seem to be pledged to paroles (fr. 45-46) -- John Lamb to ACLU (fr. 48-50) -- Parole of Lamb, Bland, Becker recommended by board September 16; Delaney posted $300 for one; perhaps too late; says Mrs. Bennett (fr. 51) -- Mrs. Bennett speculates on "fixing"
9. Rutgers Book -- Obscenity Case

[Mr. C. E. Midgard, Seattle, seeks to import 120 copies of a book by Dutch physician Dr. J. Rutgers, The Sexual Life in Its Biological Significance, seized as obscene material under new tariff act -- Copy of decision in Morris L. Ehrnsat's case U.S. vs "Married Love" (fr. 7-14) -- Frank L. Walters, Seattle, handling Rutgers book case for ACLU -- Mrs. Bennett reports on trial as it occurs (fr. 21-23) -- Midgard sends good analysis of trial (fr. 25-29) -- Att'y Walters tries to make a killing off sales of books, says Midgard (fr. 30-34)]

10. Palmer Bill

[Bill before Washington State legislature to prohibit all forms of utterance or expression relating to the demands of labor in industrial disputes (fr. 1) -- Bill doesn't pass (fr. 2-3) -- Letter from Homer Bone with some pithy comments about William S. U'Ren (who was on ACLU letterhead but had been acting most unliberal of late) (fr. 4)]

11. Injunction Legislation

[Mrs. Bennett to Dr. Alexander Fleisher, N.Y.C., re getting state legislature to consider anti-injunction measures.]

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a. Miscellaneous Correspondence

[Material from Ed Henry re UW President Spencer's criticism of campus speech made by Sherwood Eddy, Feb. 10 (?), 1932 (fr. 1-2) -- Letter from Robert B. Shaw, Spokane, requesting aid in fight against compulsory military education (fr. 4)]

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b. John Clarke Case

[Ed Henry to RNB, Dec. 30, 1931, apparently not much of a civil liberties case here (fr. 1) -- Also mentions plans for free speech in parks of Seattle]

c. Saksagansky, Wolck and Glaser -- Deportation Cases

[Circuit Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, opinion, Michael Saksagansky v. Luther Weedin (U. S. Commissioner of Immigration, Dist. No. 28), prisoner to be released if cannot be deported to Russia within 30 days (fr. 1-5) -- Dist. Ct., Western Dist., Northern Division, decision, Vladimir Wolck (Walter Wolfé) v. Luther Weedin, habeas corpus denied by Neterer, j., (fr. 6-8) -- Brief of Petitioner (Wolck) (fr. 9-12) -- Memo FB to RNB re these three cases (fr. 13-14) -- Correspondence with Mark M. Litchman, attorney for deportees]

d. Criminal Syndicalism Legislation

[Ed Henry to RNB, Dec. 21, 1932, re syndicalism law in Washington State and asking ACLU advice on handling matter (fr. 1) -- RNB says act should be repealed, but probably not worth bother since it hasn't been used for
d. Criminal Syndicalism Legislation (cont.)

[so long (fr. 2) -- Copy of Washington Criminal Syndicalism Law (fr. 3-4)]

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a. Committee

[RNB to Ed Henry, March 28, 1933, re health of local ACLU and failure to elicit response on injunction bill (fr. 1) -- Ed Henry to RNB, April 27, 1933, Henry now in Washington, D. C., with Congressman Zioncheck and finishing law school at George Washington University; re anti-injunction bill, Henry saw it through state senate but had to leave, and house did not vote upon it; Seattle civil liberties work left in hands of Unemployed Citizen's League (110 Cherry Street) (fr. 3) -- L.B. Milner to H. E. Foster, Seattle, asking future plans of Seattle ACLU group (fr. 5)]

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b. Centralia Case

[Ed Henry to RNB, Jan. 6, 1932 (1933), finding civil liberties situation in NW good as result of election of liberals; reports conversation with outgoing Gov. Hartley re Centralia prisoners; RHH seems quite favorable but says he won't act without recommendation from American Legion (fr. 1-2) -- RNB to Mrs. Bennett, Jan. 16, 1933, Senator Dill and Homer Bone have assured RNB that Centralia prisoners will soon be released (fr. 3) -- Mrs. Bennett writes glowingly of Gov. Martin's "progressive," "approachable" character (fr. 4, 6) -- Telegram: Mrs. Bennett to RNB, April 16, 1933, announcing advice from Kennear, member of Parole Board, that John Lamb paroled (independently of any suggestion of the governor) (fr. 9) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB re Martin and Centralia prisoner parole situation (fr. 11) -- Ruby Lamb to ACLU, May 12, 1933, expressing gratitude and happiness that her father has been released from prison (fr. 14-16) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB, May 13, 1933, Eugene Barnett marries Yakima girl; seems little crushed by prison experience; Jim Taylor, head of State Federation of Labor, urging governor to place a "labor man," Dave Beck, on the Parole Board; Martin appears to intend to keep Clausen of Spokane on Board, who is Board's worst member; Martin lacks "leadership qualities which we thought he possessed" (fr. 17, 19) -- ACLU news release, June 12, 1933, announcing parole of Bert Bland by Gov. Martin; Britt Smith to be paroled in two weeks, ACLU informed; Ray Becker did not go before parole board at its last meetin; is holding out for a "commutation of sentence" (fr. 22-23) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB, June 13, 1933, general information about Bert Bland parole; no adverse comment from press (fr. 25) -- memo by JNB, 6-24-33, C. S. Smith of Centralia Publicity Committee says that Bert Smith soon to be released; Ray Becker disapproves of C.P.C.'s methods and wants to use his own tactics; CPC to disband since its work of releasing Centralia prisoners now done (fr. 27) -- Telegram: Mrs. Bennett to RNB, June 12, 1933, basis for ACLU news release re Bert Bland (fr. 22-23, Supra) (fr. 30) -- Homer T. Bone to RNB, June 23, 1933, re Centralia prisoners (fr. 32) -- Walter E. Nef (Brooklyn) to RNB, July 18 (1933?), reports receiving "lengthy document" from Ray Becker, wonders if it could be published by same group that published Tom Mooney's book (fr. 33-34) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB, July 24, 1933, general survey of situation re Ray Becker;
b. Centralia Case (cont.)

[Becker insists on full pardon; clergy (and probably Jim Taylor of State Federation of Labor) inclined to think Becker must wait until full pardons granted to all Centralia men; these paroles are practically pardons anyway (fr. 37) -- Ray Becker to City Editor, World-Telegram, August 28, 1933, restatement of Centralia case (fr. 38-41) -- Above letter forwarded to ACLU by Elmer Barnes (fr. 42) -- RNB to H. E. Barnes, Sept. 14, 1933, thanks for Becker letter; Becker "simply cuckoo to talk about going to Supreme Court on his case;" not remotely analogous to Mooney's (fr. 43) -- John Beffel (Terzani Defense Committee) to RNB, Sept. 27, 1933, re Becker situation (fr. 45) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB, Nov. 11, 1933, thought that Becker suffering from "mental degeneracy" (fr. 48) -- RNB to Homer T. Bone, Nov. 15, 1933, re Ray Becker and ACLU letter to Gov. Martin (fr. 50) -- RNB to Gov. Martin, Nov. 15, 1933, suggesting a commutation of sentence for Becker (fr. 51-52)]

c. Seattle Unemployed Demonstration

[Mrs. Bennett to L. B. Milner, March 18, 1933, summary of two day demonstration of unemployed at Seattle city hall; no action taken by local ACLU because no arrests made; election of John C. Stevenson as county commissioner has "torn the city wide open" (fr. 3-4)]

d. Yakima Valley Strike

[Claude Erwin to L. B. Milner, Los Angeles, June 19, 1933, discusses IWW-led strike of hop workers in Yakima Valley in which one striker injured, several arrested; Mark M. Litchman attorney for IWW (fr. 3-5) -- Mark M. Litchman to L. B. Milner, July 3, 1933, summary of Yakima IWW case (fr. 8-9) -- Litchman's documents (legal) pertaining to Yakima arrests (fr. 11-24) -- Joseph Wagner (General Secretary, General Defense Committee, Chicago) to RNB, Aug. 25, 1933, reporting further disturbances in Yakima Valley (arrests of pickets), declaration of martial law in Selah, Wash. (fr. 25) -- W. D. Lane (State Supervisor of Transportation) to ACLU, Sept. 8, (1933?), declines chairmanship of state ACLU; will be in Yakima next week; will look into situation then; plight of fruit growers bad (fr. 29-31) -- W. D. Lane to RNB, Sept. 18, (1933?), re Yakima strike situation (fr. 35-37) -- Tuesday, September 26, 1933, issue of Industrial Worker (Chicago) re Yakima situation (fr. 39-46) -- Telegram: ACLU to Gov. Martin, Oct. 3, 1933, seventy members of IWW in Yakima jail for attempting to organize fruit pickers; ask immediate investigation (fr. 48) -- Mark M. Litchman to ACLU, Oct. 15, 1933, summary of situation in Yakima (fr. 56-57) -- Litchman to A. H. Kerwin (Director of Conciliation, Dept. of Labor, Wash., D. E.), Dec. 19, 1933, settlement of Yakima situation satisfactory to all parties made (fr. 62-63)]

e. Glaser and Wolck -- Deportation Cases

[Wolck was released in June, 1932, because unable to be deported to Russia; Litchman attorney (fr. 1) -- Lawrence Seltzer (Seattle attorney for International Labor Defense) to ACLU, Oct. 30, 1933, re Leon Glaser; Glaser unable to be deported also (fr. 2)]
f. Election of Judges

[Litchman pushing liberal State Supreme Court justice William Millard for vacancy in Ninth Circuit. Copy of letter to Senator Homer T. Bone, Nov. 15, 1932 (fr. 1-2)]

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[22] Washington Committee

[Group of letters pertaining to reorganization of Seattle ACLU committee, defunct since Ed Henry (secretary) went to Washington, D. C., with Congressman Zioncheck. Correspondents include Raymond Attebery, Irving M. Clark, Wilbur J. Lawrence, Paul A. Olson, Fred Shorter; circular letter from Shorter re his four month old Church of the People in Seattle.]

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[14] Flag-Saluting -- Elliot Case

[Elliott's children of J.W.'s; expelled from school near Everett for refusing to salute flag; threatened with detention in state school, but court declines to take them from parents. -- Statement of case by Irving M. Clark (fr. 6-7)]

[13] Flag-Saluting -- Steele Case et al

[J.W. cases -- O. R. Moyle (Brooklyn counsel for J.W.'s) to ACLU Committee on Academic Freedom, Oct. 8, 1936, re expulsion from schools at Everett of Lorraine Perrenoud, 7, Marilyn Perrenoud, 9, Hazel Simmons, 11, and at Spokane of Robert and Roy Steele, twins 13; suggests Seattle ACLU fumbling ball; thinks an attorney should be found for at least one test case (fr. 1)]

[2] Seattle School Building as Public Forum

[American Legion, etc., seek to deny ACLU on one occasion and Second Northwest Congress Against War and Fascism on another occasion the use of public school meeting facilities.]

[8] Classroom Utterances, University of Washington

[U.W. President L. P. Sieg issues memorandum (March 1936) informing professors that their classroom remarks are privileged communications and cannot be quoted without permission; apparently aimed in part at U.W. Daily (clippings, fr. 1-3) -- Censorship of student groups and organizations on campus also a problem; see rules adopted by Board of Regents re student meetings ([6] fr. 4, 9-10, infra)]
[5] Labor College Raid

[Paul A. Olson to RNB, Jan. 11, 1936, statement re Seattle mayor's raid on "communist college." (fr. 4-5) -- (see also [10], infra)]

[35] Seattle Newspaper Guild Strike

[Telegram: ACLU to Irving Clark, Aug. 15, 1936, suspension of a newspaper (here, the P-I) by a strike is not regarded by ACLU as an infringement of free press (fr. 5) -- Copy of newspaper: Tuesday, August 18, issue of The Guild Daily (Seattle) (fr. 11-19) -- Newspaper: Friday, August 21, 1936, The Guild Daily (fr. 20-27) -- Newspaper: Saturday, August 22, 1936, The Guild Daily (fr. 28-35)]

[63] Ray Becker Case, Centralia

[Copy of letter Board of Prison Terms and Paroles to Benjamin Kizer, Dec. 17, 1935, re Ray Becker; promise to give matter attention (fr. 1) -- Mary Farquharson to RNB, Dec. 30, 1935, re Ray Becker and Kizer's handling of case (fr. 2) -- W. D. Lane (State Supervisor of Transportation) to RNB, Jan. 7, 1936 (1936?), re Becker; his abusive manner before parole board and governor working against his release (fr. 3) -- RNB to W. D. Lane, Jan. 14, 1936, "the governor's position that Becker's bad manners disqualify him for release is nonsense" (fr. 4) -- W. D. Lane to RNB, Jan. 17, 1936, that's not what the governor meant; his attitude "entirely fair and sympathetic" (fr. 5) -- Adele Parker (Bennett) (now in state House of Rep.) to RNB, Feb. 8, 1936, Ray Becker has lost suit (fr. 6) -- Adele Parker (Bennett) to RNB, March 3, 1936, her opinion, as well as that of Bishop Huston, is that nothing can be done for Becker until he changes his attitude (fr. 9) -- Copy of letter (Kizer?) to Mary Farquharson, March 13, 1936, relating attitude of Louis F. Bunge, chairman of parole board, re Ray Becker; Bunge has talked with Mr. Cunningham of Centralia "who has really prosecuted the case" (fr. 11-12) -- Ewing C. Baskette (attorney, Nashville, Tenn.) to RNB, March 14, 1936, mentions enclosed letter re Becker from Julia Godman (see fr. 17-20, infra) (fr. 13) -- Mary Farquharson to RNB, March 16, 1936, enclosing letter re Ray Becker from B. H. Kizer (see fr. 11-12, supra); Irvin Goodman, I.L.D. attorney in Portland, has been handling Becker's habeas corpus proceedings (fr. 15) -- RNB to Farquharson, March 17, 1936, authorities trying to break Becker's spirit by making him eat crow through a parole application (fr. 16) -- Julia Godman to ? (probably Ewing C. Baskette; see fr. 13, supra), first page missing; re Ray Becker case (fr. 17-20) -- exchange of letters re Becker among Kizer, RNB, Farquharson, Trowbridge, Attebery (fr. 21-46, 50-57, 60-61, 63)]

[9] Bellingham Committee

[Seattle ACLU representatives encounter difficulty in obtaining a hall in Bellingham for Anna Louise Strong talk (fr. 1-3) -- prompts interest in formation of Bellingham civil liberties committee]

[19] Tacoma Committee

[Tacoma flag ordinance and a "peace strike" of students prompt formation of ACLU committee in Tacoma]
Seattle Committee

[Dr. Ward comes to Seattle -- Some material re police raid on Labor School (see [5], supra) -- Irving M. Clark to RNB, Feb. 3, 1936, discussion of Seattle activities; Becker's case to be heard this date in U.S. District Court (fr. 21) -- Clark to RNB, Feb. 8, 1936, re mass meeting in Seattle for Dr. Ward; Dr. Attebery chairman of meeting; also State Chaplain for the American Legion, which was useful (fr. 23-24) -- Case of men arrested for distributing literature to school children in Seattle -- Other matters discussed: cancellation of Earl Browder radio speech in Seattle an on West Coast; Washington's criminal syndicalism law; Student Strike Against War at UW; William H. Fisher, Jr., son of president of Bellingham normal school, being groomed for local secretary; matter of radio speaker John C. Stevenson's endorsement of Veterans of Foreign Wars' Americanism program; Senate investigation of civil liberties led by LaFollett and prompted by three great church bodies, the ACLU cooperating -- Irving Clark to L. B. Milner, June 8, 1936, Erwin Goodman of Portland writes that he considers any further action on behalf of Ray Becker to be hopeless (fr. 64) -- Membership record of Seattle ACLU branch (fr. 76) -- "Friends of the A.C.L.U. in Washington" (fr. 77-78)]

Seattle Committee: Minutes

[February 11, 1936 - Feb. 19 - March 4 - March 18]

General

[Mary Farquharson to RNB re opportunity to get favorable publicity in Seattle Star to counteract Hearst's P-I -- RNB et al to Harry Westfall, Jan. 30, 1936, re decision to set aside parks for public assemblage]

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Seattle Committee

[Paul A. Olson to ACLU, Feb. 10, 1935, re organization of Seattle ACLU committee; notes same people attracted by civil liberties cause also attracted by Commonwealth Builders; notes activities of Mike Smith in state legislature (fr.2-4) -- James Duncan to RNB, July 1, 1935, lists Mary Farquharson as first choice to act as Seattle "advisor" to national ACLU office (fr. 15) -- Paul A. Olson to RNB, July 4, 1935, re Tacoma strike and declaration of martial law; Seattle organizational matters; possible academic freedom case at UW; etc. (fr. 16-20) -- Much material re suppression of communists and prevention of their meetings in Seattle -- General Hugh Johnson, speaking in Seattle (late 1935), recommends deportation of four million aliens (fr. 52) -- L. B. Milner to Irving Clark, Dec. 20, 1935, Dr. Ward to come to West Coast and Seattle to address mass meetings on gag bills in Congress (fr. 55)]

Political Parties Test

[Re state law barring political parties advocating overthrow of government by force and violence from ballot -- section consists of carbons, ACLU to correspondents in several states]
[3] Scott Nearing Meeting Ban

[Cancellation of auditorium for Scott Nearing by Spokane school board; Nearing sponsored by Friends of the Soviet Union]

[4] Tacoma Lumber Strike


[Petition to Congress aimed at suppression of sedition and seditious organizations]

[6] University of Washington Anti-War Strike

[Dr. Sieg refuses meeting place to UW General Committee of Strike against War and Facism (sic). -- 213 students reported suspended from a Seattle high school for participation in April 12, 1935 strike (fr. 5)]

[7] Seattle High School Anti-War Strike

[See [6], fr. 5, supra]

[8] Elwick Academic Freedom Case

[High school teacher placed on probation for year as result of bulletin he edited for Teachers’ League]

[9] Dean Tyler Academic Freedom Case, University of Washington

[Technocrat -- Dismissed because of off-campus activities?]

[10] Centralia Imprisonment Cases

[Ewing C. Baskette (Nashville, Tenn.) to RNB, July 25, 1935; Beckers' habeas corpus petition denied two months previously by Washington Supreme Court; petition to be filed at U.S. District Court at Spokane; will need about $500; know of anyone who can help? (fr. 8) -- E. Raymond Attebery (Grace Methodist Episcopal Church) to RNB, May 17, 1935; delay in answering occasioned by attempt to pay off debt incurred during dry fight (to prevent repeal of 18th Amendment, May to August, 1933); more re Ray Becker (fr. 12) -- Mrs. Bennett to RNB, Sept. 28 (?), 1935; Bishop Huston and Ray Attebery seem to think that in refusing to accept the same conditions for release as the others, Becker has placed himself behind their help; Gov. Martin said Becker could have had a parole long ago, but he was so abusive when before the parole board on several occasions that he had alienated all sympathy; Martin spoke highly of other Centralia prisoners who had been released (fr. 20) -- RNB to Mrs. Bennett, Oct. 6, 1935, re Becker’s stand for principle: "However misguided, it is a high quality and ought to be respected." (fr. 24) -- Mary Farquharson to RNB, Nov. 9, 1935, will attempt to get Ben Kizer to intervene with Gov. Martin in Becker's behalf (fr. 28)]

[Re student strike in Spokane]

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4. Washington

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a. Committee Matters

[Material re Washington legislation, elections -- vigilante activity against strikers in White River Valley area -- Seattle Star attack on Seattle CLU]

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b. Seattle Committee

[Irving Clark to RNB, June 26, 1937, re Dr. Charles H. Fisher, president of Western Washington College of Education (fr. 1) -- Pamphlet: "Labor and Dave Beck" (fr. 2-4) -- Irving Clark resigns as Seattle chairman; failing eyesight given as reason (fr. 7)]

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c. Ray Becker Case

[Ben Kizer to RNB, Jan. 13, 1937, "The difficulty with your point of view is that it takes a minimum of intelligence to appreciate it..." which the parole board does not have (fr. 3) -- RNB to Julia Bertram, Sept. 27, 1937, is any attempt being made to get Becker's case before parole board again? (fr. 13) -- Bertram to RNB, Oct. 4, 1937, on Free Ray Becker Committee (Portland) letterhead; Free Ray Becker Committee disbanded; Oregon Journal ten days previously reported that Becker applied to the superior court of Grays Harbor County (Montesano) for an order to vacate his sentence; Will Lanning (Seattle) handling case (fr. 14)]

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d. "Seattle Star" Strike

[Police used to disperse picket lines around Star plant]

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e. Ban on Communist Meetings

[Mayor bans meeting of Northwest District Communist Party in Seattle after leasing contract made; Marris Raport (district organizer for Communist Party) involved]

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f. Wallace Campbell Case

[Campbell committed to Steilacoom; some question as to legal propriety; letter from Campbell to ACLU (fr. 4-7) -- Campbell probably justly placed in mental institution, reports Irving Clark (fr. 9) -- ACLU takes no action! (fr. 14)]

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g. State Legislation

[Re criminal syndicalism law repeal; teachers' loyalty oaths]

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1. Seattle Committee

[Mary Farquharson to RNB, Dec. 9, 1939, Michael B. Smith and Arthur Barnett are new members of Seattle ACLU (fr. 5-6) -- Several letters re RNB's visit and speech in Seattle (apparently at invitation of Bar and University)]

2. Ray Becker Case

[U.S. Rep. John M. Coffee (from Tacoma; Paul A. Olson one of his secretaries) to RNB, April 22, 1938, includes paragraph quoted from Becker letter calling RNB and Adele Parker-Bennett "poison" (fr. 1) -- Coffee to Becker, n.d., John J. Jenkins, head of Washington, D.C., Tom Mooney Defense Committee, taking an active interest in Case (fr. 2) -- RNB to Coffee, April 28, 1938, re ACLU's attitudes toward Becker's court proceedings (fr. 4) -- Will Lanning to ACLU, June 1, 1938, Becker requests Lanning to withdraw before hearing in Grays Harbor previous autumn on motion to vacate judgment and sentence (fr. 6) -- Mary Farquharson to RNB, Aug. 10, 1938, reporting friendly conversation with governor and suggesting a renewal of effort re Becker from national organization (fr. 7) -- RNB to Arthur Garfield Hays, Sept. 3, 1938, suggesting that Hays write to Martin making offer of home and transportation for Becker since R. Trowbridge doesn't want to risk a falling out with Becker by making him offer himself (fr. 9) -- B. H. Kizer to RNB, Sept. 9, 1938, Martin seems willing to commute Becker's sentence; wants someone to meet Becker when released (fr. 10-11) -- copy of Hays letter to Martin (fr. 14) -- copy of letter, Mrs. Bennett to Dick Hamilton (Governor Martin's secretary), Dec. 30, 1938, re holidays release for Becker (fr. 35) -- Mary Farquharson to RNB, Sept. 24, 1939, describing Becker's release (fr. 64-65) -- Minutes of national ACLU Board of Directors meeting, Oct. 2, 1939, mention a 20-year study of civil liberties being prepared by ACLU (fr. 71)]

3. Aberdeen Riot -- Finnish Workers Hall

[3pp. report by Hoquiam lawyer F. L. Morgan to ACLU, Dec. 13, 1939, re attack on Aberdeen Finnish Workers hall (fr. 5-7)]

4. All Workers Union Case

[Matter of Joseph Laws insanity case -- Persecuted for his radical views? B. H. Kizer thinks not -- Case apparently dropped by ACLU]

5. Civil Liberties Bill

[Re Washington state civil liberties bill; pushed, apparently, by State Senator N. P. Atkinson (Seattle)]

6. Miscellaneous

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