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This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed above. All references under the above names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY.

This summary is designed to furnish a synopsis of the information set out in each reference. In many cases the original serial will contain the information in much more detail.

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The 1/27/63, issue of "The Worker" contained an article entitled "Peace Movements Here Greet K's Test - Ban Move." This article stated in part that at a meeting sponsored by the NY Committee for Peace Candidates (100-439899) held on 1/21/63, Mark Lane, former assemblyman from Manhattan, told reporter Fred Gilman, that the move by Khrushchev was a good thing. Lane stated he was always in favor of unilateral disarmament by the US, but if the US and Russia could have an agreement on an end to testing that would be an improvement on his position. Also at the meeting, held at the Textile Workers Hall, 34 East 12th Street, NYC, according to this article, the audience heard Lane, David Livingston, President of District 65, Retail, Wholesale Department Store Union, and David Mc Reynolds of the War Resisters League, debate the role which political action should play in the peace movement. Lane took the view that electing peace candidates was the best way to influence US foreign policy. He said a political action committee should be formed toward this end.

100-439899-2 p.1-3
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Ethel Klein Newton, former CP member, advised that on 4/5/62, a meeting of the Manhattan County CP Coordinating Committee was held at 435 East 9th Street, NYC. The speaker William Albertson discussed election problems in the 19th Congressional District. Albertson stated that they must support Mark Lane as a candidate * with the most consistent people's program; a victory for Lane would be a tremendous victory for the progressive movement.

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NY [3724] PSI advised that Mark Lane attended a dinner at the home of Fanny Axler Goldin (100-398651), 249 East Broadway, NYC, on 12/1/62.

NY 2705-S and NY 2816-S advised that Goldin attended a reception in honor of Ernesto Martinez at the home of Mark Lane, 347 East 4th Street, NYC, on 2/9/63.

NY 2705-S advised that Martinez was co-chairman of the Activities Committee of the Metropolitan Recreation Association in 1962. It was noted that this organization was formerly known as Nature Friends of America, Incorporated, which had been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

100-398651-22 p.4,5
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* Mark Lane was a candidate for the US Congress from the 19th Congressional District, NYC. He was defeated in May, 1962.

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According to a Bureau memo dated 1/31/64, a letter was received from Helen Root, 4018 8th Street, Riverside, California, (105-112123) which stated that she, Root, had known that Lee Oswald was innocent and she was amazed that the FBI should be any less intelligent. Root had read the Mark Lane report and felt that Oswald was the victim of a frame up.

It was noted that Lane was the NY Attorney employed by Oswald's mother to represent her deceased son. Lane made numerous statements disclaiming Oswald's guilt. Lane had supported the CP line and had received CP support in 1962 in his attempt to become elected to Congress. In 1962, Lane was investigated by the District Attorney, Queens County, NY, for alleged sodomy.

105-112123-10 p.1
(18)

LA 4495-S advised that in February, 1964, Mark Lane was in Los Angeles to speak on the Lee Oswald case. At this meeting a student Carl Frank (100-441922) from Antioch College in Ohio, stated that he was a close friend of Lane and he, Frank, had been to many parties at Lane's home where Lane showed pornographic films.

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100-441922-2 p.1,4,5
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SI 100-441922-3 p.C
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SI 100-441922-6p.1
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"The Militant" dated 2/3/64, contained an article entitled "Three Publications Discuss Indiana Subversion Case." This article stated in part that three students at the University of Indiana were indicted under the state's 1951 anti-subversive law, as a result of a campus meeting which concerned peace, civil rights, and socialism. This article further stated that this case was attracting wide and increasing attention and that many prominent public figures had become sponsors of the Committee to Aid the Bloomington Students (100-440538). Among this list of prominent figures was Mark Lane.

It was noted that Bloomington, Indiana, was the seat of Indiana University.

100-440538-A, "The Militant,"
(10) 2/3/64

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Prior to 2/5/64 MI 247-S advised that the Citizens for Peace and Disarmament organization had sponsored Mark Lane, the attorney hired by the mother of Lee Harvey Oswald to clear his name, as the accused slayer of President John F. Kennedy.

It was noted that the Citizens for Peace and Disarmament was a CP front organization.

100-14325-69 p.3
(4)

J. Lee Rankin of the President's Commission (62-109090) advised that John F. Doyle, a Washington D.C. attorney, had been designated by the President of the Washington, D.C., Bar Association to represent Marguerite Oswald when she appeared before the President's Commission on 2/10/64.

Mr. Rankin stated Mark Lane, the NY attorney who was representing Mrs. Oswald, stated that he was too busy obtaining affidavits and other material to show that Lee Harvey Oswald was not guilty of shooting the President to appear before the Commission with Mrs. Oswald. Rankin commented that he was very thankful for this development so they would not have Lane to deal with.

62-109090-89
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SD 1034-S advised that at a meeting of the Congress of Racial Equality held on 2/6/64, at San Diego, Art Stevens gave Jim Stone, CP member, a supply of leaflets advertising the 2/12/64 meeting where Mark Lane was to discuss the case of Lee Oswald.

SD 865-S advised that on 2/12/64, a meeting was held at San Diego sponsored by the San Diego Neighborhood Forum, the name under which the CP sponsored public meetings, and the Friends of the "NG". Mark Lane was the featured speaker.

Art Stevens was also a CP member according to SD 864-S.

100-353475-51 p.2,6
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On 2/13/64, Wallace Terry of "Time" magazine telephoned the Bureau and asked for information regarding the connection of Mark Lane with the "NG" the left-wing NYC weekly. It was suggested to Terry that he might wish to check with the HCUA for the background of this publication, and Terry said he would do this.

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Affairs Forum, a student campus organization at the UW, did sponsor Lane as a speaker at the UW on 2/16/64. WISCONSIN

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SI 100-441691-4 p.3

(10) ("The Milwaukee Journal,"
2/17/64)

SI 100-440934-5 p.2

(10) ("Wisconsin State Journal,"
2/17/64)

MI 262-S and MI 247-S advised that Ralph Sacks (100-441027) stated at a meeting of the Milwaukee Friends of the "NG," held in Milwaukee, on 1/31/64, that Mark Lane was scheduled to come to Madison, Wisconsin on 2/16/64. Lane was seeking new facts about the Kennedy assassination as he did not think Lee Harvey Oswald was responsible for it.

According to this informant, Sacks stated that Lane's appearance at Madison would be sponsored by the Madison Friends of the "NG" and that they could use a similar name, The Milwaukee Friends of the "NG" and sponsor Lane's appearance in Milwaukee after his Madison talk. Sacks read an article written by Lane which appeared in the "NG" dated 1/9/64. He also read part of Lane's brief prepared for submission to the Warren Commission investigating the Kennedy assassination.

MI 249-S* advised that Sacks received a telegram from NYC which stated that Lane would be available to speak in Milwaukee and Madison only on 2/16/64, and that all arrangements should be made through the "NG".

MI 247-S advised that the Citizens for Peace and Disarmament (CPD) held a program at 2937 North Farwell Avenue, Milwaukee on 2/16/64, and Lane was the speaker. After this meeting Lane was to go to Madison and was to be accompanied by Sacks and another individual.

It was noted that the CPD was a CP front.

100-441027-7 p.1,7,8

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SI 100-370365-23 p.1,4

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SI 100-426330-29 p.1,4-6

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this question in his own mind, as he had accepted two or three speaking engagements on the West Coast and elsewhere.

Records of the US Department of State stated that Semenov was a Russian national employed at the Amtorg Trading Corporation as secretary.

It was noted that James Aronson was employed with the "NG."

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100-341652-1096 p.3,4,12-14,48
(5)

Isidore Sparer, Law Assistant, Criminal Court, NY County, 100 Centre Street, NYC, advised that Vicki Morris (100-438147) was one of seven individuals arrested on 8/1/63 in Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller's office in NYC, on a charge of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, in connection with a civil rights sit-in demonstration by representatives of CORE in Governor Rockefeller's office commencing 7/10/63. Sparer stated that Mark Lane and Percy Ellis Sutton, 135 West 125th Street, NYC, represented the seven defendants.

NY 3563-S advised that a Militant Labor Forum sponsored by the NY Local of the SWP was held at the Henry Hudson Hotel, NYC, on 1/24/64. Mark Lane spoke on "the unanswered questions in the Oswald case."

NY 3563-S advised that it was announced that the "NG" was going to sponsor a tour by Lane and Lee Harvey Oswald's mother, which would end at Town Hall in NYC on 2/18/64.

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The "Washington Capital News Service," dated 3/4/64, stated that Mark Lane told the Warren Commission (62-109090) that he had heard of a mysterious meeting in Jack Ruby's Dallas night club eight days before President Kennedy was assassinated. Lane said that he was informed that J.D. Tippitt, the Dallas patrolman, slain while trying to arrest Lee Harvey Oswald, was one of three persons at the meeting. The other two, he said, were a NY man who placed an anti-Kennedy advertisement in a Dallas newspaper the day the President was shot there, and an unidentified third person. Lane challenged the theory that Oswald was guilty of Kennedy's murder.

62-109090-A, "Washington Capital
(4) News Service." 3/4/64

(S) [NY 2233-S*] advised that Karel Kync1 (105-105262) was scheduled to hold an interview with Mark Lane on 1/23/64.

This informant also advised that Kync1 had approached Mark about his appearance before the commission* in Washington, D.C. and requested an interview with him regarding this matter. Kync1 told informant that his first interview with Mark was broadcast fully by Radio Prague, and was a "very big success." According to the informant, Mark had agreed to meet with Kync1 at his apartment, 330 East 33rd Street, NYC on 3-6-64.

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105-105262-49 p.4
(18)

* Warren Commission

A letter from the Director dated 3/16/64, to the Honorable J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel, The President's Commission, Washington, D.C., made reference to a request for the Bureau to provide coverage of the public appearances of Mark Lane and Marguerite Oswald.

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On 8/19/64, Legat, Bern advised that the Austrian Federal Security Police, Vienna, Austria (protect identity) furnished information that Mark Lane was among the individuals who attended the 8th Congress of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers. (C)

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(6)

* The 8th Congress of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers was held in Budapest, Hungary on April 4,5,1964.

CIA, Rome (protect identity) advised that on 3/31/64, Mary Ann Dillon (105-95771) had written to Luciano Mencaraglia, a member of the Secretariat of the Italian Peace Committee, urging Mencaraglia and other members of the committee to hear Attorney Mark Lane when he spoke in Rome concerning Lee Harvey Oswald, and to publicize Lane's stg 14 appearances. (S)(u)

The above source again advised that Dillon had written to Mencaraglia from Temple City, California on 4/14/64 and thanked him for having sent her clippings from Rome newspapers concerning Mark Lane. (u)

105-95771-20 encl. p. 1,2
(18)

NY 1286-S* learned in March 1964, that a recording had been made of a meeting on the Lee Harvey Oswald case, which was held at Town Hall, NYC, under the sponsorship of the "NG". Jane Mc Manus felt that 1000 copies of this recording could be sold if Mark Lane were to consent to its release but Lane had ignored all requests to discuss the matter.

Isidore Gibby Needleman (100-341652) approved a letter that Mc Manus intended to send to Lane, but observed that the "NG" could distribute the recording even without Lane's consent and that Lane could sue if he did not like it. (NY 1286-S*)

According to the above informant, Mc Manus stated that before Lane left on a European tour, he had agreed to allow the "NG" to distribute a recording of the Town Hall meeting provided that Folkways Records approved. Lane stated he had a record contract with this company.

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Mark Lane was the featured speaker at the following meetings on the dates indicated below. Lane discussed the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Informant</u>
2/7/64	W.E.B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco	1007 McAllister St. San Francisco	SF 2470-S
2/8/64	"National Guardian"	California Hall, San Francisco	SF 2114-S SF 2011-S SF 1933-S
3/19/64	W.E.B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco	Sun-Reporter Building San Francisco	SF 2011-S
4/26/64	W.E.B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco	California Hall, San Francisco	SF 2011-S

The "National Guardian" was established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a progressive weekly. Although it denied CP affiliation, it had manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia. (no source)

100-230736-61 p.2,3,13
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REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

The following references on Mark Lane located in files maintained in the Special File Room of the Files and Communications Division, Records Branch, were not reviewed:

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
[64-330-250-1605](S)	(4)✓
105-34074-34-289	(11)✓
-290	(11)✓
-291	(11)✓
-298	(11)✓
-400	(11)✓
105-82555-2499	(13)✓
105-115728-61	(18)✓

The following reference was not available during the time this summary was being prepared.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
62-109090-168 encl. p. 6523	(4)✓

See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Differences in source will be noted on the search slip.

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