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TITLE ANTHONY GERALD MATUZAK, with alias A. Marvcek			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject reported to be a Communist by Confidential Informants CGO-56 and CGO-5097. Protested Union article condemning HARRY BRIDGES. Delegate to American-Polish Labor Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 6/13/43. Candidate for Financial Secretary of Union Local 108, UFMWA, on "Communist ticket", 12/15/43. Elected Recording Secretary of Local 1/1/45. Selected on "left wing slate" as delegate to UFMWA Convention by Local 1/15/44.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent LOWELL D. RYAN, dated July 21, 1944 at Chicago, Illinois.

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DETAILS:

At Chicago, Illinois

RESIDENCE AND BUSINESS ADDRESS

Subject continues to reside at 5129 South Menard, Chicago, Illinois, according to the records of his employer and the records of Local Draft Board No. 69, Chicago, Illinois. Subject's business address is the McCormick Works, International Harvester Company, Blue Island and Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

OCCUPATION

The records of the Personnel Department, McCormick Works, International Harvester Company, Blue Island and Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, reflect that ANTHONY G. MATUZAK, 5129 South Menard, is employed there as a

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International Union, perhaps with the intention of going into the A.F. of L. Union. MR. PAIMER advised that a General Foreman, THOMAS SCHIEVE, had complained that morning about the conduct of the subject, advising that he does practically no work and spends a great deal of his time in Union matters. PAIMER indicated that according to the best figures he can obtain Local No. 108 collected \$6300 in dues in February at \$1.50 per person and also collected \$2000 in initiation fees. Of this amount, half goes to the International Headquarters. He stated that the United Automobile Workers are claiming that the present officers of the Local are ceasing to buy war funds with the dues money collected and that he personally thinks that the dispute between the two is due to the fact that Local No. 108 is a very rich local, supposedly having about \$27,000 invested in United States War Bonds. He further believes that this is the reason why the International Headquarters of the Farm Equipment Union is interested in controlling this local and keeping them in the Farm Equipment Union due to the International Union's poor financial circumstances as reflected in the report at the convention last fall.

MR. PAIMER advised that the subject has access to confidential information regarding the construction of torpedoes for the Navy Department.

On November 1, 1943, CGO-56, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that ANTHONY MATUZAK, 5429 South Honore Street, (a previous address of MATUZAK) was a member of the Packinghouse Branch of the Communist Party.

On October 15, 1944, CGO-5097, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that TONY MATUZAK had been reported to be a member of the Communist Political Association and that he was one of a list of candidates selected by the "left wing slate" as a delegate to the Farm Equipment Convention by Local No. 108.

On August 1, 1942, CGO-5097 advised that an article published by Local No. 108 of the UFEMWA (at that time controlled by a different faction) presented the deportation proceedings against HARRY BRIDGES and requested the Department to expedite his removal. Immediately following the appearance of this article the members of the "left wing" of Local No. 108 held a meeting and demanded the retraction of this article. Among those at this meeting was TONY MATUZAK.

The "Farm Equipment News" dated June 15, 1943 stated that among the delegates to the American-Polish Labor Victory Conference held in Chicago on June 13, 1943 was TONY MATUZAK, and also BRUNO BARTNIK, WALTER KNYCH, and others. It is noted that these three men have all been reported to be members of the Communist Party.

CGO-5097 advised that the election held by Local No. 108 on December 15, 1943 for the officers for the following year was fought on strictly pro-Communist and anti-Communist lines. Among those who were candidates nominated by the alleged pro-Communist group of the local was

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TONY MATUZAK, a candidate for Financial Secretary. CGO-5097 advised that TONY MATUZAK was one of the candidates selected by the "left wing slate" of Local No. 108 on October 15, 1944 as a delegate to the Farm Equipment Convention in South Bend, Indiana.

Confidential Source A advised that ANTHONY MATUZAK was registered at the Oliver Hotel, South Bend, Indiana, on October 14, 15, and 16, 1944, as a delegate to the United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers of America Convention. This same source further advised that JAMES J. SZALKOWSKI, one of the delegates, declared in a caucus meeting that membership in the Communist organization was a required qualification of the International officers of the ~~United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers of America~~. He stated, "I know because I was once an Organizer signed up on condition I join the Communist Party."

Confidential Source B advised that ANTHONY MATUZAK was a subscriber to the "Daily Worker" as indicated by a list of subscribers obtained from a reliable and confidential source and that the subject subscribed for a year's subscription at \$6.00 on January 1, 1943, this subscription running out December 31, 1943. The letters PQ after the date apparently indicate that the subject was a subscriber under the "Daily Worker" Press Club Plan and consequently a member of the Communist Party. The letter Q indicates the subscriber was a member of the "Daily Worker" Press Club and a new member of the Communist Party.

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