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On March 2, 1964, LA 3932-S made available a copy of LAWSON's play entitled "Parlor Magic" which he wrote while in Russia and which is currently being produced in Moscow. (C)(u)

LA 3932-S has advised that LAWSON requested members of the Section Council, Professional-Cultural Section, Southern California District Communist Party, to review this play since he is anxious to have it produced on Broadway and realizes that some modification will be necessary in order to adapt it for American consumption. (C)(u)

LA 3932-S observed that this request by LAWSON for Communist Party advice and direction in the cultural field is somewhat unique, particularly since LAWSON has long been considered a top cultural authority in Communist Party circles. (C)(u)

A copy of this sixty-six page script for "Parlor Magic" is enclosed for the Bureau's information. (C)(u)

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