

Q. Do you know the date you purchased the car?

A. No, I have forgotten now.

Q. Do you know the month? A. November, I believe.

Q. What year? A. 1937.

Q. Do you remember talking to Mr. or Mrs. Hiss about the money? A. Yes, I do.

Q. Whom did you talk to? A. I talked with both of them.

Q. What did they say or you say? A. I said that I wished to buy a car; that Colonel Bykov was opposed to my using a car, but that a car was very necessary in the work I was doing; and either Mr. Hiss or Mrs. Hiss then offered me this amount of money, the amount I have named.

Q. Now, what else did you do as far as definitive plans were concerned prior to breaking? A. I really do not recall any other plans.

Q. Now, did you on a number of occasions say that you broke with the Party in 1937? A. Yes, I did.

Q. Is that date correct? A. No, it is not.

[161] Q. You say now the approximate date was what? A. The approximate date was the middle of April 1938.

Q. You can't be more specific than that, can you?

A. I believe it was April 15.

Q. Now, after you broke—what do you do when you break? Just tell me what you did or did not do when you broke in April 1938. A. To break with the Communist Party I simply moved my family bag and baggage out of the Mount Royal Terrace house into the Old Court Road room and broke off all contact with the Party. In fact, I did not appear at my next appointment with Colonel Bykov.

Q. How long did you stay at this house at the Old Court Road? A. I stayed at the Old Court Road for about a month, I believe, until I had obtained a translation to do.

Q. How did you obtain a translation to do?

A. Professor Schapiro introduced me to Paul Willert,

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who was then either treasurer, I believe, or vice-president of the Oxford University Press. Paul Willert gave me a translation and an advance.

Q. Did you do that by coming to New York? A. I saw Paul Willert in New York.

Q. And then what did you do after that? A. As soon as I had the translation and the advance I went to Florida to Daytona Beach where I believe I finished the translation, and after a month returned to New York.

[162] Q. And did you get— A. Excuse me. After a month I returned to the Old Court Road in Baltimore.

Q. Did you get more translations? A. Yes, I had a second translation through Paul Willert for Longmans Green, which is some kind of an affiliate of the Oxford University Press.

Q. Do you remember what you translated? A. The first translation was called "Dunant—The Founder Of The Red Cross"; and the second one was called "The Great Crusade," I believe, and I have forgotten the author's name.

Q. Well, how long did you stay at the Old Court Road?

A. We stayed at the Old Court Road until about July of 1938 I think.

Q. Then what did you do? A. Then I bought a house on St. Paul Street in Baltimore.

Q. In your name? A. Yes, in my wife's name and mine, I believe.

Q. Did there come a time when you bought a farm?

A. I bought the farm on which I lived after I went to work for Time.

Q. And that is down in Westminster? A. That is near Westminster, Maryland.

Q. Well, didn't you buy some property in Westminster before that? A. I had bought another small place which is also near Westminster about 1937, I believe.

[163] Q. How did you find that place? A. That farm was originally bought by Alger Hiss, and after making a down payment he withdrew from the deal.