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A N N H . S I D O R O V I C H , recalled and again  
duly sworn by the Foreman, testified as follows:

BY MR. LANE:

Q Just a few questions, Mrs. Sidorovich. I want to  
take your mind back to your connection with Julius Rosenberg.  
How well did you know the Rosenbergs? A We were quite  
friendly.

Q Mrs. Rosenberg also? A Both, as a couple rather  
than individually.

Q How long had you known them? A Well, we met them --  
I met them when we lived -- the first year I was married.

Q When was that? A 1941; I think it may have been  
'42; I don't know exactly. And then the second year we  
moved to 10 Monroe Street, which was their residence also,  
and of course we visited each other frequently; and after we  
moved to Chappaqua we did not see very much of them at all.  
That was about a year and a half after we were married we  
moved to Chappaqua, and from then on we did not see too much  
of them.

Q Did either of the Rosenbergs ever try to enlist you  
in the Communist cause? A No.  
Q Did they ever ask you to work with them as couriers?  
A No.

Q Did you ever have any discussion with them in that  
respect? A No.

Q They ever ask your husband to act as a courier?  
A No, not to the best of my knowledge; I do not recall that

conversation.

Q Were you present in the apartment in the early part of January 1945 at which time David Greenglass was also present? A That's the time Mr. Harrington has been asking me about?

Q Yes. Do you recall meeting the Greenglasses at that time? A No, I haven't remembered meeting them there.

Q Did you ever meet the Greenglasses at the Rosenberg apartment? A I met Ruth Greenglass once.

Q When was that? A I do not remember the time I was visiting.

Q Was it prior to January 1945 or subsequent? A I couldn't say definitely whether it was or not.

Q What did you discuss when you were with -- A I do not remember any discussion. I just remember seeing her in a blue-green coat. I do not remember whether she was leaving or coming in. That is the only thing I remember of her.

Q Have you had any discussion with the Rosenbergs since their arrest? A No, definitely not.

Q Did you talk to your husband Mike about it since their arrest? A We of course discussed their being arrested as espionage agents.

Q Did that frighten you somewhat? A Yes, quite.

Q Why? A Well, we were friendly.

Q You think that you might be involved in it too? A No, but usually when someone gets in trouble, friends usually are brought up also.

Q Did you talk to Perl about it? A No, we did not talk to Perl about it.

Q Did you ever discuss it with him? A We had never discussed anything with Perl.

Q You do not deny knowing Perl? A Yes, I deny knowing Perl.

Q You still deny that? A Yes.

THE FOREMAN: You deny knowing him?

THE WITNESS: Yes, I deny knowing Perl.

JUROR: We were talking, I think it was yesterday, about the purchase of the car on a Sunday sometime in July 1948. You went out to see the owner of this Studebaker, wasn't it?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

THE JUROR: He had advertised his desire to sell the car in the newspapers in Cleveland. Now, were there other people there trying to buy the car at the same time you were there?

THE WITNESS: There were other people there. I do not know why they were there.

JUROR: You saw some people in the back yard, in the back of the house?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

JUROR: Did you see other people looking at the car when you were looking at it?

THE WITNESS: I don't know. No, I don't think so. I am not sure.

THE FOREMAN: You may be excused.

MR. LANE: Is there anything more you want to tell us about the Rosenbergs?

THE WITNESS: No, but I am willing to answer any questions about the Rosenbergs. I do not know of anything I can just give.

JUROR: Were you surprised to know that your friends, the Rosenbergs, were involved in a spy case?

THE WITNESS: Very definitely.

JUROR: You had no idea they were involved?

THE WITNESS: Definitely not.

BY MR. LANE:

Q Did you ever anticipate taking a trip to Denver, Colorado? A We did take a trip --took a trip to Denver, Colo. We did not anticipate it as such.

Q When did you take it? A Shortly after we got the car in 1948. It was about two weeks before Labor Day.

Q What was in Denver? A Just the Rocky Mountains.

Q No relatives? A We have no one there.

Q Did Julius Rosenberg ever ask you to go to Denver? A No. We hadn't seen Julius Rosenberg for years when we decided to go. We just got the car and decided to see the western part of the United States.

Q Did you ever assist Julius Rosenberg in any way, in any matter? A I think I have fed him once or twice.

Q What? A I had fed him, had him in to dinner.

Outside of that I do not know of any other assistance you mean.

Q Julius Rosenberg visit you at Chappaqua? A Yes.

Q Quite frequently? A They ever there for a summer vacation. They stayed about a month.

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Q About what? A They stayed about a month.

Q At your place? A Yes, in Chappaqua.

Q With you people? A That's right.

Q When was that? A Well, I think it was the only summer we were out there. That would have been the summer of 1945, I believe.

Q Do you recognize this picture? A Yes, that's Julius Rosenberg and his son.

Q And that was taken -- A On our property.

MR. LANE: May the record so indicate.

Q And do you recognize this picture? A That is Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Q Was that taken up there, too? A I don't know about that one.

Q They stayed with you for months, so you knew them quite intimately? A I knew them well.

Q Did they ever enlist your services in any of the work that Rosenberg was doing as a Communist? A There was one time I did some typing for Ethel. I don't think it was anything to do with the Communists. I have an idea it had something to do with the war effort.

Q With the Young Communist League? A No. Somehow Rent Control or something comes to mind. She was working at this little office right across the street from our apartment on Avenue "B" and I think it was shortly after I met her she found I could type and she asked me to stop in

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one afternoon, and I did. But it had nothing to do with any Communist thing; it had something to do with the war effort.

Q Did you talk to Perl recently? A I have never talked to Perl.

Q Where do you plan to go when you leave New York?

A We should like to go up to Connecticut to see my parents.

Q How long will you be there? A Well, for the week-end.

Q And then where did you plan to go? A Back to Cleveland.

Q Does Mike hold a job out there now? A Yes, he does.

Q And you don't want to change your testimony at all?

A No.

Q Your recollection is still as clear as it was the last two times you testified? A Yes.

Q You don't want to change your testimony in any way?

A No.

Q And you still insist that everything you said was the truth? A Yes.

BY THE JURY:

Q Why did you decide to move to Cleveland? A Well, there were any number of reasons. We had to commute over an hour to get to Chappaqua from New York and an hour and a half Mike had to commute to New York to get out of Brooklyn. And then most of his friends were going into the Army and he was 4-F, so he felt lost and out of things. And then there were several other little things that came up and we

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just decided to sell at Chappaqua and go to a city.

Q Well, why Cleveland? A Well, I think we discussed going some place with friends and they suggested Cleveland as a good place for an engineer because there is much industry there that requires that kind of labor.

BY MR. LANE:

Q Who were the friends; the Rosenbergs? A I don't believe the Rosenbergs said anything. I don't know whether we talked to them about that time. But I think Mr. McNutt might have mentioned it and I think our neighbor, Bill Morrison, mentioned it too.

Q What does he do? A He was the carpenter. He is our neighbor in Chappaqua.

Q What does McNutt do? A I don't know what he is doing now. He has a farm.

Q Where? A In Frenchtown, New Jersey.

Q Did you talk to Alfred Sarant about it? A No. I don't know Alfred Sarant.

Q How about Joel Barr; do you know him? A I have never met Joel Barr.

Q Well, I show you a picture. Is that McNutt?

A No. That's Russell McNutt. That's not the McNutt I'm talking about. I'm talking about Waldo McNutt.

Q Are Waldo and Fussell -- what is their relationship?

A They are brothers.

Q Where did you meet Russell for the first time?

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A At his mother's farm in Connecticut.

Q How did you happen to know him? A We met him there.

Q Well, have you seen very much of him? A No. The only other time I saw him was at his brother's farm in Frenchtown.

THE FOREMAN: You know, my impression is that all the things that you want to say you say so fast -- I have nothing more to say.

MR. IANE: Can she be excused?

THE FOREMAN: She can be excused.

[WITNESS EXCUSED]