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The files reflect the following information on: **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS**, and the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS** (All underscoring and capitalization supplied, unless otherwise indicated.)

First Report of the Joint Legislative Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington State, 1948, pages 446 to 498, contains the testimony of [redacted]. [redacted] advised he was a charter member of the **COMMUNIST PARTY** having joined in 1919 under the name of **JOSEPH ZACK** and progressed from Unit and Section organizer to a member of the National Committee of the **COMMUNIST PARTY (Politbureau)** and Labor union activities director for western United States. He attended the Lenin School and became a member of the **RUSSIAN COMMUNIST PARTY** and a member of several Sub-committees of the **COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL (Comintern)** in Moscow, Russia, from 1927 to 1930. He then was sent as a delegate (Representative) of the **COMINTERN** to two South American Countries and as such he was the highest official of the **COMMUNIST PARTY** in these two South American countries. He subsequently returned to the United States and again was a member of the **POLITBUREAU** of the **COMMUNIST PARTY** and Labor union activities director for eastern United States.

[redacted] stated that "as Soviet Policy developed along Imperialistic lines they were interested in technical or industrial espionage, and espionage of various other sources. So they conceived of the idea of organizing the 'white collar' element, and particularly so, technicians, engineers, chemists, draftsmen, and so on."

When [redacted] returned to the United States he was instructed to make every effort to set up a new union among chemical workers. After various attempts to organize the chemists and technicians, he was left with the idea that they could only be gotten by organizing very respectable professional clubs, or as later developed, by organizing "a thing like the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS**."

[redacted] stated that the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS** was organized by the **COMMUNIST PARTY** on orders from the political leaders in Moscow and used specifically for the purpose of securing information from an American industry.

[redacted] further stated that "according to the design that they had in Moscow, the idea for organizing a group like that, (**FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS**) was primarily to get at the technical secrets of production, new processes and so on, being developed in these plants. A union like that could be of tremendous help in getting the necessary information about what's going on in these vital processes and then working upon securing them."

[redacted] concluded by indicating that the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS** was formerly affiliated with the CIO, but "The group got to have a bad name, and they decided that it was one of those things that they had to liquidate, so it was liquidated about a year ago (1947) and whatever remained of it was merged into one of the other unions, also controlled by **COMMUNISTS**. I'm not certain whether it was the United Authors and Professional Workers-- I think we're merged into that."

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(NOTE: \*\* Organization referred to above as the United Authors and Professional Writers is, in all probability, the **UNITED OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA**).

The Report of the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, U.S. House of Representatives, 78th Congress, 2nd Session, dated March 29, 1944, on the CIO Political Action Committee, pages 84 to 87 disclosed the activities and background of [REDACTED] and the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS**.

In the above report [REDACTED], who was President of FAECT, was identified as a member of the **COMMUNIST PARTY** and the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS** was disclosed to be a tightly controlled **COMMUNIST** organization with at least eight known **COMMUNISTS** in control of the organization.

Information received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation reflects that a Confidential Informant of known reliability, advised that:

" \* \* \* he had joined the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations** union, and after attending several meetings of this organization, had obtained a position at the Brooklyn Naval Yard, near the New York Naval Shipyard, as a draftsman. Shortly after being employed at the Naval Yard, he was asked by one [REDACTED] to join the **COMMUNIST PARTY**, and did so. The informant stated that while a member of the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations**, he heard that [REDACTED], the president of the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations**, was on the Central Executive Committee of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and that all officials of the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS, AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations**, were members of the **COMMUNIST PARTY**.

The informant stated that about fifty percent of the membership of the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations**, were **COMMUNIST PARTY** members, and that the remainder of the members were friendly with the **COMMUNIST PARTY** and were usually members of some **COMMUNIST PARTY** front organization. The informant advised that the secretaries of the branches of the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations** were all members of the **COMMUNIST PARTY**.

Confidential Informant New York City T-1 further advised that the **FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CHEMISTS, AND TECHNICIANS - Congress of Industrial Organizations**, was organized by the **COMMUNIST**

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PARTY and that the union held weekly classes in trade unionism  
which were to benefit all those who attended, but which were  
designed to recruit members into the COMMUNIST PARTY."

~~REDACTED~~ 1/4/56