



Guthrie      Cumming

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There are enclosed herein one negative and two photographs picturing the Subject in company with WILLIAM LEE CUMMING. The latter individual until recently was Chairman of the Spokane Section, Communist Party, USA.

Confidential Informant [redacted] of this office advised that during April, 1947, the Subject was present in Spokane, Washington, at a National Conference on Rural Electrification.

On April 22, 1947, GUTHRIE sang and auctioned off songs at a party sponsored by the Communist Party, held at the home of WILLIAM LEE CUMMING, North 1209 Howard Street, Spokane, Washington, as a result of which services furnished by GUTHRIE the Party made \$63.00. It was explained by CUMMING that GUTHRIE charged for entertainment at regularly constituted bodies such as the Rural Electrification, but offered his ability free at Communist affairs in order to help raise money for the Communist Party activity.

This informant also advised that on April 25, 1947, GUTHRIE sang at a money-raising party held at the home of ROY and HELEN LAMPITT, East 1528 3rd Avenue, Spokane, Washington. Money was raised at this party for the Emergency Fund to combat anti-Communist legislation then pending before Congress.

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