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ADAMS, Edwin, N.

Grand Central Terminal  
New York 17, N.Y.

He is the Manager of the Pullman Reservation Bureau, New York Central System, Grand Central Terminal.

Murray Hill 63200

I met Mr. Adams when I was down in New York in September of 1944, re the embarkation of the U.K. party from the Quebec Conference. Mr. Adams was arranging for the trains to be spotted on the New Jersey side of the Hudson so that the party could go aboard the ship by tender when it was anchored off quarantine. Mr. Adams was very helpful and I spent considerable time with him in a room at the hotel where Colonel Chaffee, myself and Mr. James were staying. Mr. Adams and his assistant were busily engaged during the evening arranging for their trains to be re-routed as the result of the hurricane which hit New York the night we arrived. In any future discussion with Mr. Adams this would be a good point to recall.

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STEPHENS, R. H.

U.S. Embassy, Paris. I saw him with regard to my air priority to fly from  
Paris to America in December 1945.

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Merr-Johnson,

1947 -

Telephone - Dane End 25.

Dane End House,  
Dane End, Near Ware,  
Herts, England.

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PARKER, Colonel

1947 - He is with Col. Kellam and is in charge of the Legal Division of the Financial Detachment in Berlin. He was a judge in India. He has a wife and son and has a very amusing sense of humour. Was in the Guards with Sir Desmond Morton and Nigel Sutton. I gather they are all graduates of Eton.

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COIT, Richard

28 Charles Street,  
London W. 1, England.

I met Mr. Coit in New York. He is quite a character, mixed up  
in a lot of things and is a typical English cherub, with a very benign  
countenance, but this should not fool you.

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VULITACH, Lt. Colonel

1945 - Was on the Yugoslav delegation to the Paris Reparations Conference and is a Secretary General of the Yugoslav Commission on War, and acted as Secretary to the delegation.

He is fine looking, about 30, well-built, 5811" and presumably a communist, has a small mustache.

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VILLADSEN, H. P.

1945 - He attended the Paris Reparations Conference as one of the Danish delegates. He is the head of the Department of Commerce and Navigation, Denmark, and acts as Custodian. He is a jovial type of fellow, shrewd, tall, heavy set, smokes cigars incessantly, I had him to lunch at the Canadian Officers Club, Paris.

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TAYLOR, Captain Peter

1942 - He is the son of A.J.T. Taylor of Vancouver fame and has been with the Canadian Military Intelligence.

I met Peter in Vancouver - he is married and has twins. His father is quite ill and he has been posted to Vancouver and is quite a likeable chap although I believe rather spoilt. Mercia and I have visited at their home in Vancouver out on the North Shore and it is really a beautiful place and we have met both Mrs. Taylor (Senior) and Mrs. Taylor (Junior). I knew his sister in New York and his father before I knew him. He has worked in Yugoslavia and knows Dickie Coit, etc.

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du MONCEAU DE BERGENDAL, Count Yves-Jean

Telephone 44.95.07

40 rue General MacArthur  
Brussels, Belgium.

1947 -Met him through Mr. Thurott in connection with Baron Edward Empain.

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RAE, S. F.

1945 - Saul is the second secretary to the Embassy in Paris and I spent a great deal of time with him. He has two children and a very charming wife - an English girl. They live in an apartment which was formerly occupied by one of the head men of the Gestapo. He is a marvellous entertainer, was practically born on the stage since his mother and father were troopers in the old Orpheum Circuit.

Medium height, dark, about 28, a Rhodes Scholar, very intense and impatient with old people. He writes a very good report.

Oct. 1, 1947 - He is now back in Ottawa.

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NEHRU, B. K.

1945 - Was the second man on the Indian delegation to the Paris Reparations Conference. He is an official of the Ministry of Finance in Bombay. A cousin of the famous Nehru of India, about 33, tall, very handsome, sharp features and a charming personality.

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MacPherson, Mr. Thomas

1947 - He is a Labour M.P. for Runcford and is a  
great friend of Tommy Bata. He is the  
Secretary of the Clan Chatin and I spent a day  
at his home in the country with Tommy and  
Mrs. Bata. He told me that if I go to Scotland  
to let him know and he will arrange that we see  
the right people.

Fairstead,  
Great Warley,  
Essex, England.

Tele - Brentwood 1308

*Letter to Lord*

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JAMES, H.C.

He is the General Passenger Agent for the C.P.R. in Montreal, and I met him at the Quebec Conference in 1944.

He accompanied Colonel Chaffee and myself to New York when we arranged for the embarkation of the English party with the American and British authorities. We flew down in a U.S. bomber and he was very pleasant company.

He is about 42 to 45, weighs about 160 lbs and is about 5' 10". He has some very important friends in the United States from the travelling standpoint, one being Edwin N. Adams the Manager of the Pullman Reservation Bureau of the New York Central System, who Mr. James introduced me to, and about whom I am making a card.

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GREGORY, Sir Henry S. (Jan. 1948) K.C., M.G., C.B.,

Trading with the Enemy Dept.,  
724 Kingsway,  
London W.C. 2, England.

He is the head of T.W.E. His telephone number is Holburne 4300.

He is small in stature and also in mind; considers himself very clever; dislikes Mr. McCombe and all lawyers; insists on making mountains out of molehills in his arguments particularly when he doesn't want to agree. He stands in direct awe of all British Bankers; has a kind of sense of humour; is inclined to handle too much detail as an executive head and likes to be a martyr about his work. He is in my estimation a small man in a big job. He was originally in the Customs & Excise Department of the British Civil Service. I hope he is not representative of the Civil Service.



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EMPAIN, Baron Edouard and Baroness

1 rue Zinner, Brussels.

Tele. - 12.19.50

I met him through arrangements made by Mr. Thurott with the Count Yves-Jean du Moncea de Bergendal. Baron Empain wants to get about \$600,000. in cash released from the Bank of Montreal for the purpose of investing it in Canada.

His Mother is Baroness Francois Empain at the same address.

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ROE, Mr. John Ernest

1943 - I met him in New York this spring and  
also in the Custodian's Office in Washington

General Counsel,  
Office of the Alien Property  
Custodian,  
Washington 25, D.C.

He is a large man, about 6'2", weighs about 210 lbs., well  
built, a very pleasant personality and I would say he is  
above the average of people we meet at the various confer-  
ences associated with the Custodian.

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BOUVERIE, Barty - Colonel

1945 - I met him through New York. He was in Washington in charge of the office.

His wife was Lady Bouverie and was killed in the blackout in London by a truck and was of the Grace Line family.

Barty always impressed me as being a fine type and I have undertaken to call him when I go to London.



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ALCHIN, Mr.

He is in the U.K. Foreign Office and I met him in the evening at Quaglino's Restaurant in London at the end of August 1947 when I was having dinner with Jim Phillip and Bryce of the Finance Department in Ottawa. Mr. Alchin insisted we join his party upstairs where we met Lord Swinfen who was one of the top men in the airforce during the war. Before we went upstairs we met Lord Tennyson, the son of the poet and one of the famous cricketers of England. Alchin invited us to meet him at his club, No. 10 St. James Place, but we didn't have time although I phoned and apologized.

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CHAFFEE, Col. F. H.

1943 -

Dec. 1944 -

3-D-827,  
Pentagon Building,  
Washington, D.C.

Tele. - Republic 6700, Ext. 3851

HQ SWPA APO 500,  
c/o PM, San Francisco.

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de SELLERS de MORANVILLE, M.

He is a Counsellor in the Belgian Ministry of Finance and was the second delegate on the Belgian delegation to the Paris Reparations Conference.

He used to be in Ottawa at the Belgian Legation, enlisted in the Canadian Army and is now back in Government Service. I saw a great deal of him in Paris.

About 6', 185 pounds, about 33 years of age, and one of the Belgian aristocracy. I flew from Baltimore to England with him in 1944 on the B.O.A.C. Clipper.

Oct. 1, 1947 - Now in New York with International Monetary Fund as assistant to Mr. Gutt.

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WHYTE, Sir Frederick (Alexander) K.C.

Sir Frederick is a Director of the Bata Tilbury Company; Director of General English Speaking Union of British Empire, 1938; former head of the American Division of M.O.I., and a very prominent businessman in London. I first met him in New York in 1943, with Jan Masaryk at the Waldorf Astoria, I had lunch with him at Grosvenor House on the 8th of November, 1944 with Mr. Cerny. He is a friend of Mackenzie King and knows Dafoe.

He is about 6' 1", 190 lbs, steel gray hair, straight, the old soldier type and is interested in hunting. He has a son who is also interested in hunting, and ~~he~~ <sup>he</sup> ~~won~~ <sup>he</sup> ~~a~~ <sup>he</sup> ~~bet~~ <sup>he</sup> ~~with~~ <sup>he</sup> a Chicago man who had to give him the best hunting rifle he could find in the U.S.

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TENNINSON, Lord

1947 - I met him in Quaqlino's Restaurant the night we met Alchin.  
He was the captain of the English Cricket Team at one time and has been  
in Canada. He is a very big man, rather rough and ready. He asked me  
to call at his house at St. James Place and he would give me a copy of  
his book but I was unable to do so.



Taped telephone interview - Glenn - July 24/94

How many people - 13,000 people live there now - 7,000 when he was growing up

Does it look the same downtown? Yes, except that they've built a big shopping centre on the edge of town but they've left Saskatchewan Ave. pretty much the way it was. It's paved now - it wasn't paved when I lived there, just a dirt road

The theatre's gone - Mr. Willis -

Skating rink - don't think so

Didn't stay in town - stayed at Delta -

The house - 150 Broadway now Fifth - still there

The grain elevators and the flour mill - a huge one Lake o the Woods Flour Mill - burned down

The building in which his Dad's office was is - the building's gone.