

Seen by D.I.
~~B. Thomson~~
D.S. 28/10/21
Seen Thomson P.A.

V

25th October, 1921.

Dear Thomson,

I enclose a note which shows the Home Secretary's decision about Inkpin's passport. He told Clynes something of the same sort. I have told the Passport Office.

Yours sincerely,

J.R. Buckle and.

Geo. J. G. G.

Sir Basil Thomson, K.C.B.

COPY.

HOME OFFICE,

WHITEHALL,

S.W.1.

25th October, 1921.

Dear Sir,

I laid before the Home Secretary your representations regarding Mr. Inkpin and the proposal that he should pay a visit to Paris. The Home Secretary asks me to say that, as Mr. Inkpin has been sentenced to imprisonment and is merely out on bail pending the hearing of an appeal to the High Court, he cannot intervene with a view to the issue to Mr. Inkpin of a passport to enable him to go abroad.

Yours faithfully,

(SIGNED) A. MAXWELL.

J. McManus, Esq.

S.B. No. 1 (Plain).

SPECIAL REPORT }
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SUBJECT Re

A. Inkpin.

REFERENCE TO PAPERS.

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METROPOLITAN POLICE.

SPECIAL BRANCH,

METROPOLITAN POLICE,

SCOTLAND HOUSE,

19th day of October, 1921.

V

With reference to the application at the Quarter Sessions, Guildhall, City of London, for a fresh trial in the case of A. Inkpin, Secretary of the Communist Party of Great Britain, I beg to report that this application came before the Court at 11 a.m. this day. Sir Richard Muir, M.C. appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions and Mr. Maddocks for the defence.

On the opening of the Court, Mr. Maddocks, addressing the Chairman said "There are five appeals lodged against the conviction by the Lord Mayor in respect of certain offences which I need not detail now. Those appeals have been abandoned. A case has been stated by the Lord Mayor for the opinion of the High Court and under the Summary Jurisdiction Act of 1857, Section 14, if a case is stated by the Magistrate, then any appeal to Quarter Sessions is abandoned, and notice of appeal automatically ceases under the Act".

Sir Richard Muir concurred with the statement made by Learned Council for the Defence and asked for costs.

The Court allowed the application and ordered the appeals to be discharged with costs, which were fixed at 30 guineas.

E. Parker
CHIEF INSPECTOR.
J. [Signature]
SUPERINTENDENT.

20. 10. 21.

D.I.

Chief Inspector PARKER'S report of the appeal was sent forward this morning. The Chief Inspector and Inspector HALLETT, who were at the Court yesterday, are not available. The file regarding the refusal of a Passport to INKPIN is attached with flagged letter from the D. of P. P.


Superintendent.

Supt Is what Mr. Mann says about the passport accurate? M

P.

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Seen. This is purely a legal matter. A man who is appealing against a criminal sentence should not be allowed to leave the country. I gather that this has been intimated to the Passport Office.

M

30.8.21.

D.I.

Yes, and Mr. Boyd, Home Office is replying in this sense to Mr. Clynnes

Seen. Register & letter ^{HM} 31/8
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URGENT

D.I.

Inkpin's application for a passport. I spoke to Boyd, Home Office, who consulted Blackwell and on their decision informed Stafford of the Passport Office that Inkpin was not to have a passport until his appeal has been decided.

29.8.21.

H.M.

30-8-21

Inkpin on being informed as above has now put in for "France only"; and he ^{I now learn} has a passport for this destination issued & your permission. Blackwell's decision would appear to entail withdrawal of this, and I am to tell Stafford this morning whether it does or not. An indicated letter to I. Jones ^W ~~John~~ Paul ~~Foot~~ shows he was going to get in touch with a "political bureau" in

Maassenhase, Berlin

H.M.

KENNETH BROWN, BAKER, BAKER,
SOLICITORS.

Commissioners for Oaths.

Colonial Commissioners.

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BRUSSELS:- 84, AVENUE DE LA TOISON D'OR.

*Lennox House,
Norfolk Street Strand,
London,
W.C.2.*

27th. August, 1921.

Dear Sir,

Mr. A. S. Inkpin and his wife are desirous of going to Germany for the purpose of assisting in a relief scheme in connection with the pending Russian famine.

Before allowing Mr. Inkpin to make his application to the passport office we requested him to obtain the written consent of his sureties. This he has done. We enclose copies and we will hand the originals to you if you wish.

We have obtained from Mr. and Mrs. Inkpin a written undertaking of which we also enclose you copies. The originals of these are also at your disposal if you wish to have them.

Yours faithfully,

Kenneth Brown Baker Baker

K.B.B.

Sir Basil Home Thomson, K.C.B.
Asst Commissioner of Metropolitan Police,
Scotland House,
Westminster, S.W.1.

Copy

6 Tavistock Square,

W.C.2.

August 23rd. 1921.

Albert Inkpin,

 SHO

Dear Inkpin,

In response to your request I write to say that I have no objection to your making the journey to Germany for relief purposes in connection with the pending Russian famine.

Yours sincerely,

B.N. LANGDON-DAVIES

Copy

39 Bow Road,

E.3.

August 23rd. 1921.

Albert Inkpin.



SHO

Dear Inkpin,

In response to your request I write to say that I have no objection to your making the journey to Germany for relief purposes in connection with the pending Russian famine. Good luck and best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

George Lansbury.

A.B.

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18th July 1921

CONFIDENTIAL

Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter of 9th instant, I beg leave to say that one or other of the Defendants must be in a position to indicate what class of Documents he wishes you to inspect.

On receiving this information I will make an appointment.

Yours faithfully,

Sgd B H A

Messrs. Scott Duckers & Thompson,
2, New Court, Carey Street,
Chancery Lane, W.C. 2.

T/F.

SCOTT DUCKERS & THOMPSON,
SOLICITORS, 2, NEW COURT,
CAREY STREET, CHANCERY LANE,
LONDON, W. C. 2.
TELEPHONE CITY 563.

9th July, 1921.

Dear Sir,

S.B.

We are in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date and we should much prefer to be able to give you a list of documents which we desire to inspect, but we are unable to do so and we shall be glad if you will let us have an appointment on Monday or Tuesday so that we can inspect the documents with one of the Defendants.

Yours faithfully,

SCOTT DUCKERS AND THOMPSON.

The Assistant Commissioner of Police,
Scotland House,
London, S.W.1.

S.B.

8th

July,

21.

J. de M.

Sirs,

I have to acknowledge your letter, T/M, of the 7th instant relative to documents in the possession of police which it is desired to examine in connection with a pending libel action against members of the Communist Party, and to acquaint you that in view of the quantity of documents there are in the case concerned, it would be of assistance if you would inform this office exactly which papers it is desired to examine as they can then be sorted from the others and prepared for your inspection.

I am,

Sirs,

Your obedient servant,

Messrs. Scott Duckers & Thompson,
Solicitors,
2, New Court,
Carey Street,
W.C.2.

S.B. No. 1 (Plain).

SPECIAL REPORT }
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METROPOLITAN POLICE.

SPECIAL BRANCH,

METROPOLITAN POLICE,

SCOTLAND HOUSE,

SUBJECT Re the
attached.

8th. day of July, 1921.

REFERENCE TO PAPERS.

With reference to the attached letter from Messrs Scott Duckers & Thompson, Solicitors, asking for permission to inspect certain documents seized by Police at 16, King Street, Covent Garden, and D.I's minute thereon, I beg to report that this property is sorted but I would suggest that The Solicitors be asked what documents they wish to examine so that they can be looked out and prepared for inspection.

D.I.

So write

[Handwritten signature]

8/7/21

M

[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature: J. Hallen]

INSPECTOR.

[Handwritten signature]

SUPERINTENDENT.

T/M.

SCOTT DUCKERS & THOMPSON,
SOLICITORS, 2, NEW COURT,
CAREY STREET, CHANCERY LANE,
LONDON, W. C. 2.
TELEPHONE CITY 553.

7th July, 1921.

Dear Sir,

We are acting for members of the Communist Party who are Defendants in a libel action brought against them. We understand that, in the raid on the Party offices, certain documents relative to the defence of the action were taken by the Police. We desire to have an inspection of the documents for the purpose of enabling us to complete the defence and we shall be glad if you will let us know when Mr. Thompson can attend with one of the Defendants for this purpose. As the matter is urgent, we shall be glad if we can have this appointment at once.

Yours faithfully,

SCOTT DUCKERS AND THOMPSON.

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The Assistant Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch,
Scotland House,
S.W.1.

*Special Are the documents sufficiently sorted
or shall we ask which are required?*

BJ 7/7