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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The League of American Writers, 391 Fourth Ave., N.Y.C., was established at the Congress of American Revolutionary Writers at N.Y.C. on 4/24 to 4/27/35. Signers of the call for the initial Congress included such known Communists as EARL BROWDER, CLARENCE MATHISON, and ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. Subsequent congresses have been held in N.Y.C. in 1937, 1939, and 1941. Complete details on each congress furnished. This organization has been Communist influenced since its origin and has changed its program with the Communist Party change in line. Financial background indicates its principal contributors during the past year have been DONALD OGDEN STEWART, LILLIAN HELLMAN, and COLLISS LAURENT. It has its principal chapters in N.Y.C., Hollywood Cal., and San Francisco, Cal. The Hollywood chapter publishes a monthly magazine called, "The Clipper." The League is now planning a national magazine to be called the "Direction." This organization operates an Exiled Writers Committee and a Writers School in N.Y.C. and Hollywood. Aims, purposes, and constitution set out. Background of national officers furnished. Complete national membership of 637 members secured and set out.

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