HUAC Investigates North Carolina: How Federal Documents Can Help Uncover State and Local History: Bibliography

1. Fascism in the Mountains: William Dudley Pelley and the Silver Legion of America

Federal Documents Sources:


-The Los Angeles hearings contain testimony on Silver Shirts in So. Cal.


-Pelley’s testimony is in v. 12, pgs. 7201-7333. The Silver Legion is also discussed extensively in V. 6.

Secondary Sources:


Federal Documents Sources:


- Transcript of hearings held in Charlotte, NC from March 12-14, 1956.


- Contains the testimony of Fred Beal, a disillusioned former communist who had been involved in the CPUSA’s campaign to organize the 1929 Gastonia, NC textile workers’ strike. Beal’s testimony can be found from pages 6006-6042.


- The Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW), active from 1938-1948, was alleged to be a CPUSA front organization. Mary Price headed the SCHW in North Carolina.


- The Educational Fund, a SCHW spinoff organization, was likewise alleged to be a CPUSA front.


- Crouch (1903-1955), a North Carolina native, was a longtime CPUSA member before turning anti-communist informant.

Secondary Sources:


-Mary Wolfe Price: The Spy Who Ran for Governor:

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-Elizabeth Bentley’s main testimony against Price is on pgs. 25-27.


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-Pts. 1 and 3 contain information and testimony on the Klan in NC. Greenville resident George Leonard Williams’ testimony is in pt. 3, pgs. 2867-2900.


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