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1. ZVUK REPORTS THAT THE KhATA IS INVESTIGATING PEL (1943)
2. PEL's INFORMATION ON BALDWIN

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"ZVUK" [i] has reported that the "KhATA" [ii] has resumed investigation of the case of "PEL" [iii]. A few days ago two representatives of the KhATA visited "PAZh" [iv] and began to [1 group unrecovered] about PEL in particular is he a FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN [v]. PAZh apparently replied that he knows P. [vi] [3 groups unrecovered] FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN organizations he does not [3 groups unrecovered] of PAZh, what [3 groups unrecovered] the representatives of the KhATA replied that

[13 groups unrecovered]

PEL's information: [1 group unrecovered] FARM SECURITY ADMINISTRATION BALDWIN [vii] has had to give in his resignation at the personal [1 group unrecovered] insistence of "KAPITAN" [viii]. BALDWIN is known to PEL as a liberal and

[11 groups unrecovered]

reactionary elements in the Ministry of Agriculture; Now B. [ix] has been appointed assistant chief of AMGOT [x] in ITALY.

In PEL's words [1 group unrecovered] BALDWIN

[7 groups unrecovered]

impression that KAPITAN

[21 groups unrecovered]

of KARFAGEN [xi] there exists the opinion that

[6 groups unrecovered]

because [it/he] proved

[31 groups unrecovered]

of the Supreme Secretariat

[35 groups unrecovered]

signifies a change in the policy of the "BANK" [xii] in future

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- Footnotes:
- [i] ZVUK : ie "SOUND"; Jacob GOLOS
 - [ii] KhATA : ie "HUT"; The Federal Bureau of Investigation
 - [iii] PĒL : ie "PAL"; Nathan Gregory SILVERMASTER
 - [iv] PAZh : ie "PAGE"; possibly Lauchlan B. CURRIE
 - [v] FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN: Member of the Communist Party
 - [vi] P. : ie PĒL
 - [vii] BALDWIN : Calvin Benham BALDWIN, head of the Farm Security Administration
 - [viii] KAPITAN : ie "CAPTAIN"; Franklin Delano ROOSEVELT
 - [ix] B. : ie BALDWIN
 - [x] AMGOT : Allied Military Government of Occupied Territories
 - [xi] KARFAGEN : ie "CARTHAGE"; WASHINGTON D.C.
 - [xii] BANK : The Department of State