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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

LAWSON scheduled to give four lectures in NYC under sponsorship of NCASP on "Our National Culture" during latter part of March and first part of April. He was a speaker at a Stalin memorial meeting in NYC on 3/26/53. The "Daily Worker" indicates **LAWSON** spoke at a Roosevelt-Stalin memorial meeting on 4/12/53, which was sponsored by Chicago Council of American-Soviet Friendship. He wrote an article in "Masses and Mainstream" of May 1953.

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DETAILS: Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised on March 20, 1953, that **JOHN HOWARD LAWSON** would present a series of four lectures on "Our National Culture", beginning on March 20, 1953. Other lectures were scheduled for March 27th and April 10 and 17, 1953. According to the informant, the lectures would be under the auspices of the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions (NCASP).

According to the informant, **LAWSON's** lectures would consist of a discussion of **FREDERICK DOUGLASS, WALT WHITMAN, EUGENE V. DEBS** and **THEODORE DREISER**. The material to be used in these lectures is based on **LAWSON's** forthcoming book on the culture of the United States.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, on April 15, 1953, furnished a throwaway which indicated that **LAWSON's** fourth scheduled lecture was rescheduled to April 19, 1953. COPIES DESTROYED

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T-2 NY 384-S	Stalin Memorial Meeting, 3/26/53.	4/2/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY	134-82-154
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T-3 CHARLES R. SILCOCK, Potential Confidential Source, NYC	Reception delegates, NCASP, 4/25/53	4/26/53	SA WILFRED R. SCHLARMAN	134-186
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T-5 NY 359-S	Negative	6/9/53	SA JOHN W. DOOLEY	Instant report
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Summary report of SA ANDREW JOSEPH DECKER, Jr., 3/23/53, Los Angeles

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