Haase, Former 'Firster,' Plugs Peace-Ottensive Drive

His 'Americans for Peace' Parallels Goebbels Line

Horace J. Haase, the Brooklyn America. First organizer who told Lindbergh after Pent Harbor that the organization should be kept going, is trying to rally his isolationist friends for a negotiated-peace drive.

For the last two months he has been issuing bulletins attacking this "insane war."

He shares a cluttered office at 1165 Broadway with John G. Scott, editor of *Money*. The May issue was fulled seditious and nonmailable by the Post Office Dept.

The story of these two men-their activities and their network-is told on this and the next two pages.

Hase is the self-proclaimed leader of Americans for Peace, a paper organization he hopes will unite all groups who want the war to end immediately by appeasement. Quotations from his bulletins are repro

Quotations from his bulletins are reproduced to the right. Haase is attempting to convince the public that:

¶ The isolationist argument is just as valid today as it was before Pearl Harbor.

(The isolationist argument was never valid-Pearl Harbor proved that.) ¶ There is no difference between Axis or

Allied domination.

(The difference, of course, is the difference between slavery and freedom. ¶ The claims of the Axis are morally just.

(See any of Hitler's speeches.)

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(Hitler always has plugged the propaganda theme that the U. S. A. has no reason to fear or fight him.)

At present, Haase is a little man with little financial support, but he is known to have influential friends among the appeasers who well might support him if he gathers sufficient momentum.

He has been in close touch with a number of "mothers" and "women" peace groups. Haase is not a Fascist prototype, but he has identified himself with pro Fascist an.

has identified himself with pro-Fascists, appeasers and anti-Semites. There is no evidence to show that he even

went in for Jew-baiting. As a matter of fact, only a few days ago, he is said to have told a friend that he (Haase) could get a lot more help from former <u>America Firsters</u> if he'd come out against the Jews. But with this exception, his line, as is

But with this exception, his line, as is shown by the reproductions, is an open echo of post-war Axis themes.

of post-war Axis themes. Haase has just returned from a midwestern fund-raising trip. He had hoped to see Lindbergh again in Detroit. The last time he saw him was at the famous dinner party given by Edwin Webster, Ir., executive director of the AFC's New York Chapter, on Dec. 17. It was at this dinner that Lindbergh was reported to have expressed his regret that England had not united with Germany against the yellow races and Communism.

Haase told that group of Firsters the orreganization should stay intact. He gave high praise to Lindbergh, who is said to have thanked him warmly for his confidence.

Haase's program has been plugged by some of the most outspoken rabble-rousers. David Baxter, of California, one of the tough guys, circulated a statement praising Haase's peace offensive." Reproduced to the right are photostats showing what Publicity and the Broom printed about him. AMERICA'S HOPE - AMERICA'S HOPE - AMERICA'S WORKSO FOR AMERICA -STATUTOR WORKSO FOR AMERICA -STATUTOR OF AMERICA -Constructive Artificials for Pases and Progress - A RAME from and the Industry of You, K. T. Statutor You Ro. 1 Apr. 15, 1948

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The first shock is over. And these who hats war because they love their fellow men and their country are beginning to recover their balance. They are again coming to realise facts which were crystal clear before. Their vision is beginning to return after the nerveshattering shock of the unexpected attack upon Fearl Harbor. They are slowly coming to see that while the Japanese assault changed a few things it has not affected in the least the soundness of their pre-December arguments.



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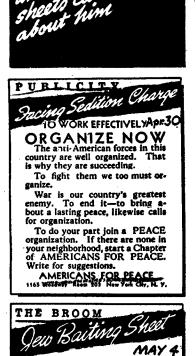
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One of the embarrassing accusations these days is that the adroc of peace is doing what Hitler wants. The simple answer is that if Merrica's welfare and Hitler's pleasure do happen to coincide on becasin the good American must think of his country even thon. Ask the befuddled questioner if he would destroy America in order not to lease Hitler. These ask him how he happens to know what Hitler wants.



Ingersoll and Haase Seek to Organize Peace Movement

Office at 1165 Broadway, New York City, Is Given as Headquarters of the New Effort to Abolish War

(THE FORUM, Stockton, Calif.)

Charles H. Ingersoll is one of the most tireless men. The older he grows, the more active he seems to be. Associated with him is Horace J. Hease. Their names appear upon a 12-page paper, The State Courjer, issued in connection with a Campaign in New Jersey to substitute rent for taxes.

Among their activities is an effort to organize a movement to unite the people for the abolishment of war. Below is a circular issued from 1165 Broadway, concerning their peace organization:

From The Atlantic To The Pacific AMERICANS FOR PEACE

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May Issue of Scott's 'Money' Ruled Seditious by P.O....

Scott Quoted and **Touted Pro-Fascists**

The office mate of Horace Haase (see preceding page) is John Scott, who regards himself as a sincere "reformer" but who has identified himself with pro-Fascists of every hue.

One of the most tragic phenomena of the pro-Fascist movement in this country has been its ability to attract followers of the old-line school of monetary reform-the Greenback Party, the Free Silverites, and the later-day advocate of a labor-unit dollar. Scott affords a good case history of this

phenomenon.

Since the war, Scott's magazine Money, while still devoted in great part to an analysis of monetary reform, has attacked our war effort.

Money's principal theme is that the Administration's interest in the war is in upholding the gold standard. In the May issue, ruled seditious by the P. O. Dept., it charges that "alleged Japanese atrocities remind us of those perpetrated on Americans by the Money Lords during the last Depression."

A front page article, headed Listen Suckers, was carried in the March issue.

"Ersatz money did 90 per cent of the business of America in peacetime. It may do more in wartime. . . . Some shell-game sucker. Remember Hog Harbor."

(PM is not concerned now with the pros and cons of Scott's monetary ideas. Today the real enemy is the Axis powers. After the war, there will be time to debate monetary reform.)

Before the war, Money championed a negotiated peace.

After the war came, Money argued that technically the U.S.A. attacked Japan first. (This is sheer, deliberate distortion.)

In 1937, Money praised Robert Neble, recently indicted on a charge of criminal conspiracy to libel Gen. MacArthur.

In 1939, Money carried material from Edward Holten James, now under arrest for criminal libel of President Roosevelt.

In 1939, Money carried material from George W. Christia no, now under arrest on sedition charges.

Money consistently has hailed Coughlin as a great monetary-reform leader.

On the policy board of Money for the last five years has been Mrs. E. Sohier (Margaret P.) Welch of Boston, a wealthy socialite.

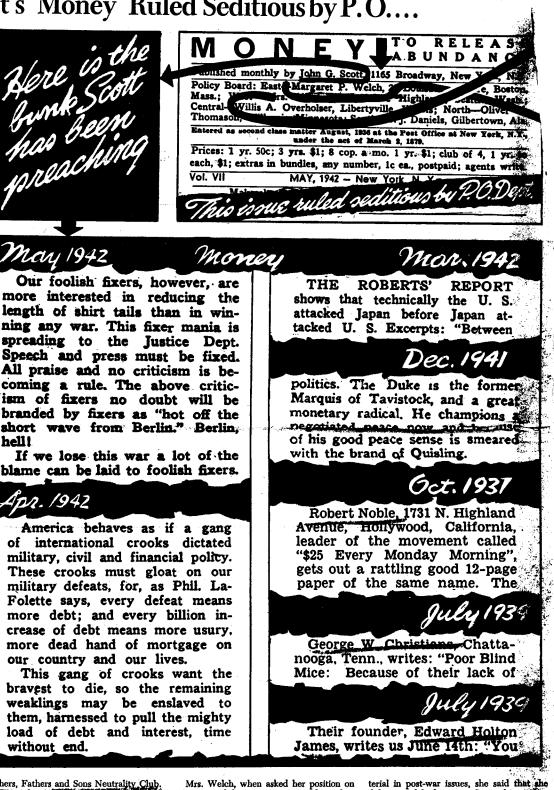
Mrs. Welch is also an interesting case study.

In 1933, after Hitler came to power, she and her hsuband visited Germany. Reproduced to the right is the article she wrote for the late Boston Evening Transcript on her return. A few of the sentences she wrote bear repetition.

"But especially they (she an' her husband) saw happy faces everywhere, eager with hope for a new Germany, and they realized that the Germans are a fortunate people, fortunate in high ideals of service to their country and in the guidance of a great leader . . .

"Yes, these two amazed Bostonians (she and her husband) envied the German people, and at their journey's end returned the universal salute with heartfelt warmth-'Heil Hitler.'

In 1939, Mrs. Welch was chairman of the



Mothers, Fathers and Sons Neutrality Club. In September of that year she resigned when the club voted, 40 to 2, to favor raising of the arms embargo.

She was treasurer of the Greater Boston America First Committee She defended Lindbergh's Jew-baiting

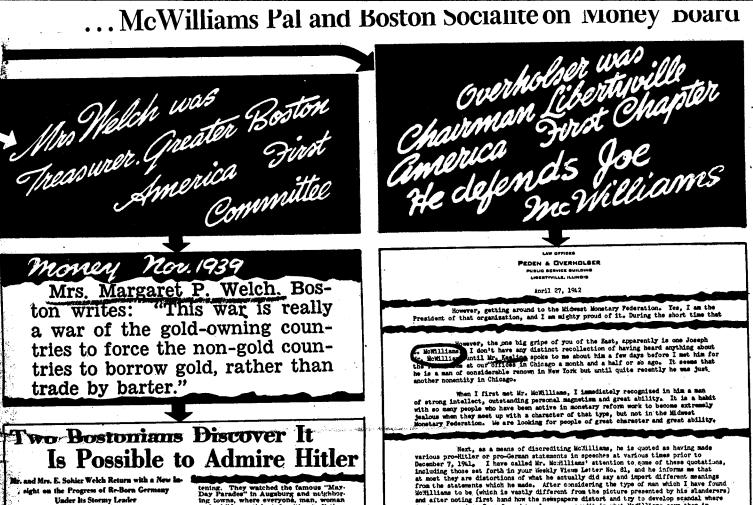
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Des Moines speech as not anti-Semitic.

Money, said her name was on the policy board with her full knowledge and approval and that she had contributed nominal sums to the magazine.

She characterized the magazine as interested only in monetary reform. When asked if she approved all the material in post-war issues, she said that the did not and had written Scott objecting to certain articles. She said she had not to have her name removed as a policy beard member.

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"RANSCRIPT 201, 1 1932

By Margaret P. Welch

"HEIL HITLER!" HE words tumbled from the mouth of a babe in a perambulator who gravely raised his fat arm in formal salue. "Hell Hitler." The words rang noisily from every gung of small boys at play in

every village square; shrilly, from all the little girls in pigtalls standing shyly on their doorsteps; lussily, from the throats of youths hiking along back country roads; reverently and religiously from the older men and women at work in the ficids or busy with errands in city streets. The greating sprang to every lip, every right arm saluted. The recipients were two Bostonians who had returned this spring to see more of a Germany that had so cordially enter-tained them together with other Boston yachtsmen (and that had so skilfully de-reated them) at Kiel in 1930 and to re-new their acquaintance with one of their charming hosts, Doctor Roderick Schlu-bach of Hamburg. every village square; shrilly, from all the

(Dr. Schlubach also said that as the "brains" of the Communist party, the Jews had represented a grave menace to the State b State J

AFC chapter. He is currently the president of the Midwest Monetary Federation, with offices in Chicago. <u>Ice, MoWilliams</u>, rabid Jew-baiter, and Nazi-loven currently is working for the Fed-

eration.

Last month, a flyleaf advertising McWilltions as a public-speaking teacher for the

tening. They watched the famous "May. Day Parades" in Augsburg and neighbor-ind tohid, participasid without distin-tion of social rank or office; they listered over the radio to the mass meeting in Berlin: they sat in country inns and lis-tened to the men and women singing over their beer; they asw Jewish travelers treated like themeesleves to the greatest courtesy; they saw law and order firmly but plesantly enforced; they may no riots, no mai-treatment of any hursan be-ing. But especially they saw happy faces everywhere, eager with hope for a new Germany, and they resilied that the Germans are a factuate poord, for-toountry and in the suidance of a greet leader. A bloodless revolution had taken place with a regeneration of the fluest national spirit, under the leadership of a man who, mistrusted at first by conserv. two months of his four years' grant "& power, gained their confidence and ral-lied them to his cause." Dr. Schlubach

Federation was inserted in copies of Social Justice distributed in the Chicago area. overholser thinks McWilliams is a fine

selary whatever). And most constructive of all, Hilder propose to draft all boys and girls of infesten, rich or poor, for a year's service is their country. In the forests, on the roads, in the fields, in bukeries, carpentry and machine shops, so that they might learn the brotherhood of common secrifice to a great Meal-William Jamee's own idea of a "Morel Equivalent for War." Tes, these two amased Bostonians en-journey's end returned the universal se-iume with heartfelt warmth-"Hell Hitler."

young man, as evidenced by excerpts from a letter by him reproduced to the right. Overholser is listed as one of eight men

who, in 1940, published the Honest Money Year Book.

the monetary-reform experts Among the monetary-reform experts quoted in that book were Hitler; W. L. Guneron, Ford's radio spokesman; Ren, James C. Onref of Maine, who campaigned in 1930 on the Coughlin-Lemke-Townsend ticket; and Noble of the \$30 Every Wednes-day plan. The editor regretted they could not obtain copyright clearance on a speech

Honest Money Year Book and Directory 1940

Edited by The National Monetary Conference

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by Coughlin.

Scott praised the Honest Money Year Book in his magazine.

Copies of Money distributed in the Mid-dle West list former Rep. Charles G. Bin-derup of Nebraska as editor. Binderup, since Pearl Harbor, has advertised his money reform book in Publicity.

Next, as a means of discrediting Mcillians, he is quoted as having made various pro-Hitler or pro-German statements in speeches at various times prior to December 7, 1941. I have called Mr. Mcillians' attention to gome of these quotations, including those set forth in your Weekly Yiame Letter No. 81, and he informs me that at most they are distortions of what he actually did any and import different meanings from the statements which he made. After considering the type of ram which I have found McTillians to be (which is vasily different from the picture presented by his slandersre) and after noting first hand how the newspapers distort and try to develop scandal where it does not exist, I am forced to place more credit in what McTillians says than in any of the statements which I have seen in print.

pies of this letter are being forwarded and to form some basis for showing to our a members how positively groundless the various attacks upon us are.

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Quoted Money as a Expert