Rep. Day: Writer of Fascist Book, Darling of 5th Column

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Illinois Congressman Seeking Reelection Has Close Ties With Leading Seditionists in America

(This is the fourth in a series on the leading defeatists in Congress who are running for reelection. By Adam Lapin (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 19.—On the night of Sept. 4, 1941, a stocky, bald-headed man made a typical Nazi speech to an audience of 2,000 in the Cass Technical High School in Detroit.

The speaker made virulent anti-Semitic remarks which might well have come out of the forged "Protocols of Zion." Stephen A. Day, according to the New Republic, is

the name of this pro-Nazi orator, and believe it or not, he is the Republican Congressman-at-large from Illinois who is running for reelection this Fall.

Recently, Day has been insisting that his book is now published by a firm called the Shaw Publishing Company. Copies on display at the Washington office of this mysterious outfit bear only the imprint of Flanders.

The platform of the auditorium was decorated with a huge poster in the form of a giant circle with the words "Committee of 1,000,000" in large letters in the foreground, and an American flag in the center painted against the background of

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Hauck made a special trip to Washington to see Day about the book and the two met for lunch early in 1941 at the Raleigh Hotel, together with Prescott Dennett, Viereck's Washington representative.

Shortly thereafter Hauck received a check for \$1,000 from the Make Europe Pay War Debts Committee, one of Viereck's dummy organizations, and signed by Dennett, for promoting the book.

Day modestly told Hauck that his book "will sell hundreds of thousands of copies."

Representative Day has been giving tough competition to Congressmen Clare Hoffman and Martin Dies as a favorite of the defeatist pro-Nazi groups operating in various parts of the country. He has connections with practically all of the vermin press.

## SEDITIOUS TIEUP

The Illinois Congressman permitted Charles B. Hudson, editor of the seditious "America In Danger' bulletin, to mail out reprints of his speeches postage - free under the Congressional frank. Hudson is now under investigation by a Federal Grand Jury here which is looking into Nazi activities.

Charles W. Phillips, Lincoln, Nebraska pro-Nazi pamphleteer who puts out "The Individualist," attached a reprint of Day's speech of Aug. 7, "Congresmen Must Keep Faith With Selectees," to one of his bulletins. Phillips was also Smith's Committee of 1,000,000,

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# PELLEY'S PRAISE

On Aug. 11, 1941, William Dudley Pelley, Silver Shirt leader now in jail, devoted the entire front page of his weekly magazine, Roll Call, to a hymn of praise for Day. The article was headed, "Will Stephen A. Day Save This Republic?" Pelley's answer to this theoretical question was in the affirmative.

The July, 1941 issue of "The American Digest," a Coughlinite publication formerly known as "Social Justice Digest," ran a front page article commending Day.

Day runs a close second to Senator C. Wayland Brooks in the affections of the defeatist Chicago Tribune and has the support of the Tribune in the fall election. Day has reciprocated the favors of Col. McCormack by frequently inserting articles from the Tribune in the

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It is to be hoped that the people of Illinois, including all of organizec labor, will recognize Day as one of the best friends of the Nazis in Congress whose defeat is essential to the successful prosecution of the

[Tomorrow's article will deal with Rep. Clare Hoffman of Michigan.]