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# Merry-Go-Round

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One year ago today this column revealed the strange activity of Senator Ernest Lundeen, of Minnesota, prior to the still-unexplained airplane crash which killed him. Particularly it was revealed how his speeches had been written by George Sylvester Viereck, a registered agent of Nazi Germany.

Following publication of that story the U. S. Senate appropriated \$5,000 to investigate the allegations of these columnists. So far that investigation has not taken place.

However, our own investigation of how German agents have used Members of Congress has continued and has revealed further startling developments.

These are not so important regarding Senator Lundeen as they are regarding the fact that the Nazis have been able to use a highly placed Member of Congress and appear to be using other Members of Congress even today. For if the public loses confidence in one of the few remaining legislative systems in the world, then we may be in for what happened after the German people lost confidence in the Reichstag.

We have already revealed who wrote Senator Lundeen's speeches. Most important additional development was how his speeches were used after delivery on the floor of the Senate. They became an integral part of the Nazi propaganda network in the United States. After being printed in the Congressional Record, they were reprinted and sent out under the Senator's frank to lists of Nazi sympathizers all over the country. Bundles of 500 to 1,000 were made up, unaddressed, sent to German-American organizations in Chicago and New York. These organizations wrote the addresses on the franked envelopes and mailed them—free.

*NOTE: The free mailing privilege was given Congressmen as a free means of getting legitimate personal information to the public, not to be passed on for the use of others.*

*These were the speeches written by a paid Nazi agent, registered with the State Department as receiving \$1,000 monthly from Germany—Nazi speeches mailed postage-free, after being delivered on the floor of the most revered legislative body in the world.*

## Lord Lothian vs. Lord Lothian

One of the speeches written for Lundeen by Viereck was called "Lord Lothian vs. Lord Lothian." This was printed in the Congressional Record of June 19, 1940.

But three months later this same speech showed up in book form, this time written under the name of James Burr Hamilton. The name of the book is identical with the title of the Senator's speech—"Lord Lothian vs. Lord Lothian." And the contents of the book are almost identical. The speech, however, was that of a U. S. Senator and the book was signed by James Burr Hamilton.

Key to this mysterious identity is to be found in the registry of the State Department. The book "Lord Lothian vs. Lord Lothian" was published by Flanders Hall. State Department records show Flanders Hall to be subsidized by George Sylvester Viereck. Furthermore, James Burr Hamilton is the pen name of George Sylvester Viereck.

Thus we have an agent of Germany ghost-writing a speech for a U. S. Senator, getting copies of it sent free through the mails, then turning round and having it issued in book form by a publishing company

registered as a German agent.

This might not be important—since Senator Lundeen is dead and gone—were it not for the fact that his speeches and the book are still being broadcast over the country both by Nazi agents and by isolationists.

Furthermore the Flanders Hall Publishing Company has been active with other Congressmen, namely Representative Day, of Illinois, and ex-Senator Holt, of West Virginia, who agreed to write, but has not yet written, two books for them.

*NOTE—Interesting fact is that it is the isolationists who are drawn magnet-like to this Nazi-sponsored book house.*

## Faked Nazi Translations

Among the isolationists playing ball with Flanders Hall is the famous Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling who calls Roosevelt a "Red" and who sent copies of the book free to her regular mailing list. Father Coughlin also gave a big boost to "Lord Lothian vs. Lord Lothian" in his Social Justice, while the Germania Book Shop and Westermann's, of New York, pushed its sale.

Another interesting feature of Flanders Hall is its other publications. One of them is called "The Hapless Boers," supposed to be written by a Dutchman, but actually translated from "England und die Buren," by Stephen Schoeder, a German.

Another smear on the British is "Democracy on the Nile," allegedly by an Egyptian, Sayid Halassie, but actually a translation of "Englands Gewaltpolitik am Nil" by Paul Schmitz-Kalro. Both books were published by the German Information Bureau, a Nazi propaganda agency.

Flanders Hall also publishes "Inhumanity Unlimited—India," supposedly translated by a Frenchwoman, Jeanne d'Arc Dillon La Touche, but actually a book by Reinhard Frank castigating the British and distributed by the German Information Bureau.

Yet several Congressmen, either too careless of the distinction they hold of being duly elected representatives of the people, or else deliberately cooperating with Nazi agents, have lent their indorsement to this publishing house.