

Chicago 'Super-Patriot,' Bund Pal Works for Army Air Corps

By LEO J. MARGOLIN 4/27/52

Col. Edwin M. Hadley, Chicago super-patriot who was pro-German before Pearl Harbor and who has been labeled as anti-Semitic by the American Council of Public Affairs, is today chairman of a War Dept. Civilian Committee which passes on applicants for commissions in the Army Air Force Procurement Division.

In that position, Hadley, a wealthy retired businessman and former associate of the pro-Fascist, red-baiting Elizabeth Dilling, can—if he likes—recommend to the Army only those men sympathetic with his views.

Some of the Colonel's views are made amply clear in a recent book issued by the American Council of Public Affairs, an organization led by such responsible public figures as Dr. Frank Kingdon, the Rev. John Haynes Holmes and Lowell Mellett, now Director of the Office of Government Reports.

The Council's book, *Organized Anti-Semitism in the United States*, points out that the Colonel was the "dominant personality" as well as the nominal leader of a now defunct patriotic organization called the Paul Reveres.

The book records that the Paul Re-

veres circulated two anti-Semitic pamphlets called *Facing the Facts* and *The Plan in Action*, both written by Earnest Sincere.

"The name, Earnest Sincere, looks patently like a pseudonym," the book says. "As a matter of fact, Albert W. Dilling, husband of Elizabeth Dilling, has declared that Hadley is the real author of *Facing the Facts*. . . . That Hadley also wrote *The Plan in Action* admits of little doubt."

We reproduce below the document in which Dilling says that Hadley and Sincere are one and the same man.

Following are some choice quotations from *The Plan in Action*:

"Real Germans are smashing Jewish influence; weeding it out of Germany. Because of this setback to their plans, world Jewry is turning the full blast of its temporal power and control of instruments of publicity in all countries *against Hitler, to vilify, misrepresent and destroy him.*" (Italics ours.) This is, of course, straight Hitler propagandist line.

" . . . modern Jews are not God's chosen people at all, but a race of mixed Mongoloid hybrids, who simply seized upon that classical designation as a means of gaining world prestige." This is

more bunk, mixed with pseudo-science.

"We must drive from control those organized minorities who are conspiring to overthrow the Republic and the Constitution of the U. S." Right—and chief of these organized minorities are "lunatic fringe" organizations like the Paul Reveres.

¶ Hadley attacked the Jews in speeches he made before the Advertising Men's Post, American Legion, Chicago on May 22, 1939 and the Rotary Club of South Bend, Ind., on Dec. 4, 1935.

¶ Hadley was present at a meeting on Jan. 20, 1939, in Chicago to plan a mass rally for Feb. 10, 1939 where G. Wilhelm Kunze, national leader of the Nazi German-American Bund was to be principal speaker. Also present were Harry Jung, pro-Fascist propagandist; Mrs. Dilling and members of the Bund.

¶ When Hadley spoke before the Kiwanis Club of Aurora, Ill., on Feb. 13, 1939, he said that the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America and the Jews "were a source for agitating the radical masses" in America.

¶ Associated with Hadley in the Paul Reveres was Col. E. N. Sanctuary, a vicious pro-Fascist, anti-Catholic and

anti-Semite and a great Ku Klux Klan booster.

A complaint against Hadley and two other reserve colonels, including Sanctuary, was filed Mar. 8 with the War Dept. by the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League. The three were charged with carrying on "un-American activities . . . helpful to the designs of our enemies."

When Hadley was asked about these charges he made this statement to the *Chicago Sun*:

"Why, that's absolutely silly. I'm as much opposed to Hitler as anybody.

"I'm now working actively toward recruiting officers for the U. S. Army."

On the Paul Reveres' advisory board, in addition to Sanctuary, was Rep. Hamilton Fish of franked-mail fame.

Sanctuary, like Hadley, holds a reserve commission in the U. S. Army, but will probably not be called because he's over 70.

Hadley is not on active duty and his job as chairman of the War Dept. Civilian Committee is unpaid and only semi-official.

But all Chicago applicants for commissions in the ground forces of the Air Corps must be approved by Hadley.

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

April 1, 1942.

Dear Sir:

Your inquiry of March 19, 1942, regarding a commission in the Army of the United States for duty with the Army Air Forces has been received.

Due to the large number of such inquiries being received, arrangements have been made for those interested individuals to see members of Civilian Committees located in all cities throughout the country. The Chairman of the Civilian Committee nearest your home is

Col. Edwin M. Hadley,
11 So. La Salle Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

It is suggested that you contact Col. Hadley for further information regarding appointment.

Yours very truly,
L. B. Cuyler
Lewis B. Cuyler,
Major, Air Corps,
Assistant Chief,
Appt. & Proc. Sec.,
A-1, Air Staff.

Despite Complaints, the U. S. Army Air corps continues to use Col. Hadley as chairman of the Chicago Civilian Committee which passes on applicants for commissions.

Rev. Albert D. Bell,
712 Puena Avenue,
Chicago.

Dear Mr. Bell:-

I was very much surprised to have you state that in your opinion the pamphlet "Facing the Facts", supposedly written by one "Harnest Singer" was in reality the work of Mr. Harry Jung of the A.V.I.P. For I happen to know that Lieut. Col. Edwin Marshall Hadley is its author.

You will recall that something over a year ago Mrs. Dilling and I were associated with Col. Hadley in "The Paul Reveres", which I organized and which as a matter of fact, Mrs. Dilling named. We were in entire sympathy with the aims and purposes of that organization, but broke with Col. Hadley and withdrew entirely because he insisted upon "baiting Jews" in connection with it.

I think that Col. Hadley has done a lot of good work fighting Communism and that much of the matter in the manuscript was splendid. It surprises me that he was too "yellow" to take responsibility for it. Still, I might have expected it, too, after the way he blew up and almost insulted Mrs. D. after she had cooperated with him 100% in the "Paul Revere" movement and was responsible for what little degree of success it had up to the time of the breach. Had to relate, it is today little more than a name.

Yours very truly,
Albert W. Dilling

Evidence that Col. Edwin M. Hadley is the anti-Semitic, pro-German author of *Facing the Facts*, to which *The Plan in Action* was a sequel by the same author, is contained in this letter from Albert W. Dilling.

Administration

Encircled are the names of Col. Hadley and Col. Sanctuary, the latter a vicious pro-Fascist, anti-Catholic and anti-Semite. Topping the second row of names is that of Rep. Ham Fish. The Paul Reveres which Hadley headed were a "super-patriotic" group, specializing in reaction, red-baiting and Roosevelt-hating. They went out of business a few years ago.

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