

Wiedemann Denies It

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Capt. Fritz Wiedemann, German consul-general, today denied he had even been publicly congratulated by Adolf Hitler in Berlin for "preventing the U. S. Senate from accepting President Roosevelt's modified neutrality legislation in July, 1939."

He called the report of the incident, carried in an early Col. William J. Donovan-Edgar Mowrer fifth column installment, "pure invention."

"A matter of this kind is outside the scope of a consulate," he said.—UP.

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