

Two Organizations, Seven Persons Found Guilty of Aiding ~~Foe~~

By the Associated Press.

NEWARK, N. J., May 19.—Two organizations and seven individual have been convicted by a Federal Court jury of conspiring to violate the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, and face possible maximum sentences of two years' imprisonment, \$10,000 fine or both.

The Government contended the defendants, accused of conspiring to act as German agents before the Pearl Harbor attack without notifying the State Department, spread Nazi propaganda in this country.

The jury, which reported its verdict last night, acquitted five other individual defendants and reported disagreements on three other individuals.

The German-American Vocational League and its subsidiary, the DAB Recreational Resort, Inc., were the organizations found guilty.

The individuals convicted:

Fritz Schroeder, New York, identified by the Government as former DAB national leader and president of the subsidiary.

Joseph B. Leiblein, formerly of New York and now in the Army, treasurer and youth leader of the DAB.

Theodore Koehn, Flushing, N. Y., editor of the DAB magazine in Retrospect.

Gustave Schmidt, Chicago, member of the DAB National Board of Directors and leader of the Middle West district.

Otto Bremer, Philadelphia, DAB local branch leader.

Guenther Gibbe, San Francisco, local branch officer.

Albert Robert Bertram, New York, former DAB national secretary.

Sentences will be imposed June 2. The jury acquitted these defendants:

Hans Flohr, Rochester, N. Y., official of the DAB Rochester branch.

John Kobbe, Rochester, treasurer of the Rochester local branch.

Herman Warth, Guttenberg, N. J., member of the DAB national board of directors.

Emil Schneider, former official of the San Francisco branch, with Chicago, Denver and San Francisco listed as addresses.

Paul F. L. Sievers, San Francisco and Denver, a DAB local officer.

Disagreement verdicts were returned for Karl T. Marx, New York, contributor to DAB publications; Albert Kiesler, Detroit and formerly of New York, member of the DAB national board of directors, and Walter Schell, with Seattle, Salt Lake City and San Francisco listed as addresses.