

Viereck Jury Hears Details Of Book Sales Legislators Revealed As Biggest Buyers Of Own Writings

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Former Senator Rush D. Holt of West Virginia and Representative Day, Republican, of Illinois, were their own best customers for books they had published by Flanders Hall, it developed today in the District Court trial of George Sylvester Viereck, German propagandist.

Thomas H. Morgan, special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, told the jury his examination of the publishing house accounts showed that sales of "We Must Save the Republic," written by Mr. Day and "Who is Who Among the Warmongers," written by Mr. Holt, were credited almost entirely to the two authors.

The Holt book sales were \$1,000, with the former Senator from West Virginia as the sole purchaser, while Mr. Day's book sales were \$1,164, the witness, a certified public accountant, testified.

Viereck Account Separate.

He also disclosed that a separate account was established in Flanders Hall operations and given the title of "Viereck Publications." The Government contends that Viereck used the obscure New Jersey concern to publish and distribute propaganda booklets having their origin in Germany.

Mr. Morgan testified that records showed the total cost of publishing and distributing the anti-British book, "100 Families That Rule the Empire," was \$3,051.

The jury of three women and nine men yesterday heard Sigfrid H. Hauck, former president of the firm, tell of Viereck pouring \$22,500 into the company over a period of more than a year and receiving back only \$4,500.

Viereck is being tried for the third time for alleged violations of the Foreign Agents Registration Act. He is charged specifically with failing to list with the State Department all foreign principals for which he worked and with failure to supply the department with a comprehensive statement of his activities before the attack on Pearl Harbor.

To Call Dr. Ellinger.

The Government planned to call Dr. Werner Ellinger of the Library of Congress, an expert on German publications, and Dr. Robert T. M. Kempner of the University of Pennsylvania, an authority on German law and Nazi agencies, Prosecutor Albert E. Arent announced.

The Government contends Viereck remained behind the scene of Flanders Hall operations, but at the same time played the leading part in the firm's business, including the supplying and editing of all manuscripts and having the final say in all business transactions.