
Viereck Jury Gets Case After Long Charge

Judge Emphasizes Requirements of Registration Act

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The case of George Sylvester Viereck, on trial in District Court since June 25 for violation of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, was given to the jury of three women and nine men at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The jurors began deliberations after a charge from Justice Bolitha J. Laws lasting one hour and 20 minutes.

Justice Laws explained to the jury that Viereck may be found guilty on any one or all of six counts, charging him with failing to list all foreign principals for whom he worked prior to our entrance into the war, and failing to give the State Department a comprehensive statement of his activities in this country.

He stressed that Viereck had the right to carry on propaganda activities for the Munich newspaper and the German Library of Information—the two principals he listed with the State Department—or “even the German Reich” so long as he revealed this fact to the State Department.

Viereck, if found guilty on all six counts, would face a maximum penalty of 12 years in prison and \$6,000 in fines.

The jurist's charge began following the lunch recess. Counsel for the defense and the prosecution concluded their arguments to the jury this morning.