

# Viereck Described As Derisive Violator Of American Laws

## U. S. Charges at Trial He Set Up Machinery To Propagandize Nation

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George Sylvester Viereck, German propagandist on trial for violations of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, was described today as "a willful, derisive violator of the law," who set up "an American front" for the dissemination of Nazi propaganda in this country.

The charges came from George A. McNulty, special assistant to the Attorney General, as the Government opened its case in District Court before a jury of five women and seven men.

Following an hour-long statement by Mr. McNulty, Justice Bolitha J. Laws adjourned the trial until 10 a.m. Monday. The defense, represented by Attorneys Leo A. Rover and John J. Wilson, deferred making an opening statement.

Mr. McNulty charged that Viereck was the originator of "a scheme whereby propaganda was engineered into the Congressional Record," and then distributed "by the hundreds of thousands—at the expense of the taxpayer." He further declared Viereck had been on friendly terms with the late Senator Lundeen, an ardent isolationist, and frequently helped him prepare speeches.

"Viereck was no amateur in the art of propaganda," Mr. McNulty told the jurors, "and in fact, boasted of being an expert in every technique of propaganda."

He said that the Government would attempt to prove that Viereck sent weekly reports to a Munich newspaper, which found their way to the German Foreign Office. The Government also will show, he said, that Viereck was "in direct and intimate contact with the German Foreign Office," prior to our entrance into the war.