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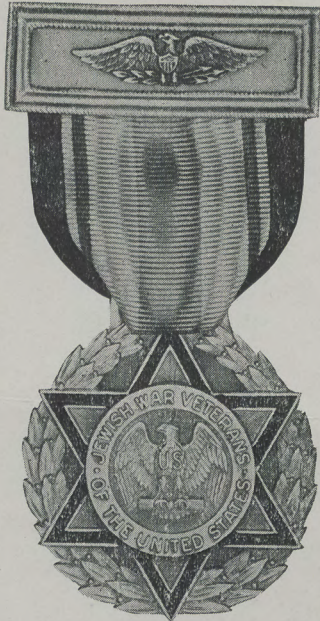
Dear Comrades:

Happy New Year! Let's forget the horrors of the year 1938, and look forward with hope to a better and saner 1939. All buddies believe that this fact can be accomplished through the activities of J.W.V. Among such activities are the building of GOOD-WILL with other veteran organizations.

JANUARY should be "Good-Will" month for every J.W.V. There is no better time to invite and get together with your comrades than at Installations. All J.W.V. installations should be public. Let the world know the foundation of J.W.V., what our objects and purposes are, and what we are DOING. That's the way to build confidence and respect.

And when company comes to your house, you should put forward your best front. Will your post be prepared to receive its company at your installation? Will your officers be in uniform? Will every comrade in your post have an overseas cap? Do your officers have a Manual of Ceremonies? How about Badges? And last but not least—a Past Commander's Medallion! And if you want to reward your past officers for their sacrifices during the last year, why not with an appropriate J.W.V. Gift?

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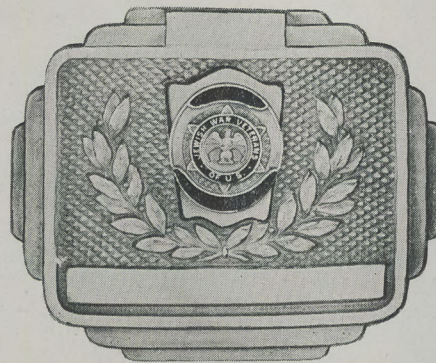
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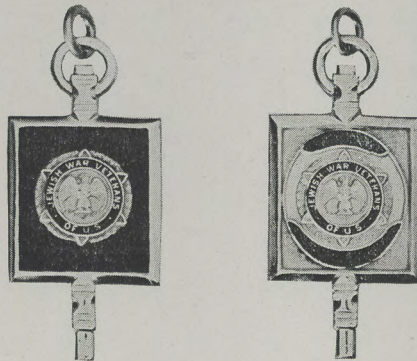


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Why Did Prof. Krueger Receive A Hitler Medal?

By K. v. G.

THE case of Professor Frederick Karl Krueger is the case of Pan-Germanism in the United States.

Dr. Krueger, Professor of Political Science at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, since 1923 was born in Kottbus, Germany in 1887 and became a naturalized American citizen in 1930. He was recently "honored" by Adolf Hitler (with six others, one of whom declined later to accept) with the "Order of the German Eagle" First Class.

For years, Prof. Krueger has been one of the stoutest activists for Pan-Germanism in American College life. Recently, he uttered a belated denunciation of racial persecution abroad which would be worthy of a Father Coughlin.

An exchange professor at the German university of Goettingen, Dr. Krueger's sanguine defense of Nazism led him in 1934 to enlighten an audience of students at the Nazi Academy of Political Science in Berlin on the many difficulties that beset distribution of Nazi propaganda in this country. The New York Times report at that time states:

"In his opening lecture before the Nazi Academy of Political Science he devoted some attention to the question of efficient propaganda in the United States, warning his hearers that only thorough-going National Socialists should be sent to America and only those acquainted with conditions abroad."

Krueger's attitude of looking at the United States as a "hostile" country, (that is hostile for Nazi ideas) was duly rewarded. In 1937, three years after his eloquent plea before the Nazi Academy, Professor Krueger was ordained as one of the leading spirits for pan-Germanic propaganda activities in the United States for the (German) "League for Germanism Abroad," the organization which recently rubbed out Czechoslovakia.

Beginning in 1936, the "League for Germanism Abroad," subtle cultural propaganda machine of the Third Reich, has extended its orbit to include American Colleges and universities. It promoted a revival of Germanism among the students by sending here from Berlin Special Emissary Dr. Glaser for a one-year cross country trip. Dr. Glaser who had come to America as a promoter of "good will towards Nazism" made all efforts to create support for Pan-Germanic ideas. Professor Krueger, was one of the College Professors who readily participated in the "Good will movement" towards Hitler's Germany.

Counting on contacts made by exchange students and professors from Germany, for whose maintenance the Reich can always spare sufficient foreign exchange in its propaganda budget, and counting on the cooperation of German Consular officials, Dr. Glaser was confident enough of success to call a conference in the Spring of 1937 of leading college men and outstanding men of public life (this conference was called in Cleveland) to discuss "historical research" as sponsored by the

The author is a former German newspaper writer, and contributor to various American magazines, including "Current History," "The Nation," etc. Behind the surface of this article can be recognized the aim the Nazi exchange professors, and the pro-Nazi naturalized professors, to influence the formative minds of American youth in our colleges and universities.

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pan-Germanic "League" in the United States. This research, put special emphasis on the Germanic element in the United States and laid the ground work for Fuehrer Kuhn's claim of 20,000,000 "German-Americans." These "German-Americans" were to be won over to the Nazi cause in the course of Hitler's desperate attempt to turn America into another Nazi camp.

According to a report later published in Berlin, the "Cleveland Conference" was a tremendous success. Professor Krueger's familiarity with "conditions abroad" enabled the League to get wide-spread support for its Conference, although it must be doubted that all who participated knew in advance that they would be used as front-men for Nazi propaganda.

The mutual ties of "blood brotherhood" which had proved so immensely successful when applied to the Sudeten Germans were brought to the fore-front in Cleveland. Dr. Hans Steinacher, leader of the Goebbels controlled "League" in Berlin, urged his listeners in a recorded speech to become active towards a militant rejuvenation of Germanism in the United States. He urged the conferees to "fight for a regeneration of Germanism in the United States—loyal to the laws of your folkdom . . . take part in the happiness of racial-connected and home-country-determined beings."

A shrewd selection of college professors and public figures witnessed this intervention and meddling into American internal affairs executed under the pretext of furthering "historical research." The "Cleveland Conference" was the meeting ground for the Mayor of Cleveland, Harold H. Burton, Dr. C. Ellis, president of Cleveland College, Dean Dr. Trautmann, Layton Garter from the Cleveland Foundation, Professor Frederick K. Krueger, the Nazi Bund leader Fritz Kuhn, the German Consul's representative Dr. Kassler. Telegrams of congratulation were received, according to the German report, from Governor Davey of Ohio, Congressmen Crosser and Mosier (lately on the Dies Committee) and from President Leutner of Western Reserve University. Various minor Nazi officials, also attended the conference.

This selection of participants shows the deceptive means which was used by the "League" to get well-known men, many of whose standing in American public life is beyond reproach, on the platform for advertising."

The "League" has had quite a bit of experience in the preparation of irridentist movements. Wherever the official Nazi party's foreign branch under Gauleiter Bohle finds the terrain too difficult for open operations, the "cultural approach" of the League is applied. South America, South Africa (especially the former German colonies) Roumania, Poland, Russia, all have had to deal at one time or another with Nazi propaganda, and they have found that the least offensive, but most effective at the same time, emanates from the pan-Germanic "League." "Historical Research," so unselfishly supported in this country from Berlin with money which the Reich withholds from its foreign debtors, is to lay the groundwork in the great task of making Americans of German extraction "conscious" of their German descent from which basis the Nazis believe they have an excellent beginning for a genuine Nazi movement among native Americans.

The "League for Germanism Abroad," which Professor Krueger so ardently supports, has cleverly divided the field with the Nazi Bund, leaving to the "Bund" largely the German born and reserving for itself the more promising second and third generation of Americans of German extraction.

It need not be stressed that the "Cleveland Conference" is only one in a series of similar conferences which will be held as soon as the protests of American public opinion against the recent pogroms in Germany have died down. The "League's" program calls for intensified work to appease American college professors and students with the bait of free trips to Germany, exchange professorships for teachers and students, etc.

In these activities, Professor Krueger must have been an invaluable asset to the Third Reich, and the decoration he received from Chancellor Hitler is an official recognition of his services to the Nazi cause.

The bestowing of medals upon the breasts of Americans by Adolf Hitler, beginning with Henry Ford (whose book "The Eternal Jew" is again enjoying prominent circulation in Germany), followed by Colonel Lindbergh and climaxed now at the height of American disgust over Stone Age barbarism in Germany with seven new decorations must be interpreted as a move to back the pro-Nazi elements in this country at a time when world opinion is condemning them more than ever before.

Hitler—"Eagles" for Americans are a signal that their recipients are the danger spots of free America.

Past National Commanders, Morris J. Mendelsohn, J. George Fredman and Abraham Kraditor have been appointed the Committee on Arrangements for the "Emergency Conference." Desired information on hotel reservations, transportation rates, program, etc., should be referred to them care of National Headquarters.

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"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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The year 1938 has passed into history. From a humane standpoint there can be no regrets at its passing. We have always preferred to believe that the world is growing better, what with improved educational opportunities, modern inventions, and closer association between different peoples and races. But the savage attacks on the Jews in Germany have no parallel in all history. The Japanese attacks on defenseless women and children in China, the brutal bombing of civilians in Spain, the wholesale purges in Russia and the civil war in Palestine all seem to belie such conclusion and the millennium of the brotherhood of mankind seems more distant than ever.

While such elemental viciousness was occurring in all parts of the world, we in the United States have been comparatively safe from physical violence. We are the only large democracy which still permits its citizens uncensored the privileges given us in the Constitution, and which were the result of ordered evolution of civilization. God grant that we may long live to enjoy these privileges!

We have much to be thankful for. What would not the million of homeless European refugees give to be in your place? Let us all therefore APPRECIATE these privileges. At the beginning of the year is a good time to rededicate ourselves to those principles and ideals of democracy, for which WE fought, and for which thousands of our buddies laid down their lives.

We do not know a better way to start the New Year off.

**January 1st is a good time
to start a Convention Club
for Miami—1939**

Our "Bill of Rights"

What distinguishes American democracy from all other forms of government is our "Bill of Rights." Probably not five out of 100 Americans have ever read the Bill in full. Yet it takes less than five minutes to read them. For this reason we have printed them on the back cover of this issue. At the moment, there is no better way of promoting Americanism, than for the posts to have copies of the Bill of Rights neatly printed, and distributed to all children in the upper grades of public schools and in the high schools. Every professional and business man in your community should have a copy. A copy should be sent to every fraternal and social organization with the request that it be read to their members at their next meeting. A copy should be framed and posted in every public library and reading room. It should be memorized by every prospective citizen, and read by each Judge when swearing in new citizens. Too wide distribution and understanding of this Bill of Rights, *cannot* be had. This program is within the easy accomplishment of EVERY POST of J.W.V. At the moment we cannot think of a more constructive AMERICANISM activity. If all Americans knew what this Bill of Rights gives them and what it means to them, they could never be sold on the fantastic and illogical promises of the peddlers of any of the foreign "isms."

On December 15th, 1938, United States celebrated the 147th anniversary of the Ratification of the Bill of Rights. However, the anniversary of such an important document can be celebrated at any time. In St. Louis all veteran organizations under the sponsorship of the St. Louis Veterans of Foreign Wars Council conducted a Public Forum in celebration of the event. Prominent Catholic, Protestant and Jewish Clergymen participated. It succeeded in painting for the citizens of St. Louis, the "American Way of Life." The veterans of every other city are recommended to follow the pattern of St. Louis. Morris Stone, National J.W.V. Intelligence Officer has sent your Post Commander details of how they did it successfully in St. Louis. Why not make such a "Bill of Rights" rally the first public function of veterans in your city, after the installation of your new officers. It would be a fitting way to start off the New Year right.

J.W.V. Triumph

One of the important planks in our Americanism program is the promotion of classes on tolerance and democracy in our public schools. We have advocated that all schools set aside one period each week for such teaching.

We learn with much gratification that the Board of Education of New York City has ordered that each school set aside two periods each month to instruct their pupils in "Tolerance" and "Good-Will."

We urge upon posts in other cities to petition their Boards of Education to follow the example of New York City.

A proper understanding of democracy in our youth will do much to offset the infiltration of alien ideologies.

"Made in U.S.A."

Millions of Americans have recently been added to the total who refuse to buy goods made in dictator-ruled countries. Unwillingly, they frequently do purchase such un-wanted goods.

Inspection of many items sold in retail stores indicates that they are not stamped with the name of the country of their origin. Scheming foreign manufacturers know and take advantage of this condition. How? The U. S. import laws require all imported items to be plainly marked in a conspicuous place with the name of the country of origin. The container in which the smaller items arrive are properly marked. After passing through the customs, the items are taken out of original containers and repacked. Often the container is then marked "Packed in U.S.A." or "Printed in U.S.A." However, after the articles are unpacked and displayed on the shelves, there is absolutely nothing to indicate where it was made. This is a fraud on the American public, but the Customs officials either cannot or will not stop it.

There is one simple way to overcome it. ALL articles made in the United States, should be plainly and conspicuously marked "MADE IN U.S.A." This will not only defeat the foreign frauds, it will advertise United States products; it will increase American employment; and it will help humane-minded Americans to combat effectively the fanatic dictators.

You are urged to start a campaign in your community, through Chambers of Commerce, business organizations, trade unions, and with the manufacturers direct, to stamp all American-made articles, "MADE IN U.S.A."

Why?

We hold no brief for Communists. At every National Encampment the past five years we have passed resolutions condemning their activities, and during all these years we have actively combatted their attempts to make American inroads. Through their labor activities, their atheism, their influence on our youth in colleges and their false Peace propaganda, they are a menace to our democracy.

Unfortunately, there are other alien philosophies equally as subversive and dangerous to our form of Government as Communism. We refer of course to Nazism and Fascism. The latter have their cells, their camps, their trained and uniformed personnel, their propaganda agents, their spies—with all of which the daily press has made us familiar. The activities of the Nazis have been more bold and public than that of the Communists. One type of "ism" is no better than the other. All are equally bad.

Why? Why do we rarely hear the "100% Americans," the self-styled patriotic organizations and the demagogues attacking Nazism and Fascism? Let us combat all the "isms" equally and unitedly. And above all, let us all promote sincerely true Americanism.