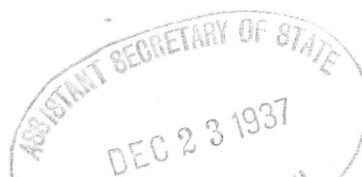


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December 21st 1937

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Personal and confidential

Dear MR. Messersmith :

This is to acknowledge your personal & confidential note of Decbr 18th .
It is impossible to remember the Date of the Luncheon given by the
Chamber of Commerce in Berlin as there is one every Tuesday with only
Holiday exceptions or Summer Months . It will be possible to ask Mr .
Dunning for a Member List of 1932 & 1937 & compare the NAMES of the
Members . The treasurer has been living in Germany since & during
Ambassador Gerards time in Berlin before 1914 . & at least 30 years .
Still I am sure he is a loyal American in Heart & thought . BUT he
has absolut no outside Means , in fact I have reasons to know less
than \$100.00 (**36** Months ago) . His income depended on the NET Income
of DUES paid by Members of the Luncheon Club of the Chamber of Commerce
after Rent etc had been paid .

When Hitler came in Power the Nazi Organisation became at once Luncheon
Visitors & used the & tried to use the other Visitors for their Purpose
of Propaganda . A play was made with speeches to influence antipropa
ganda to offset the Boycott of German Goods in America & to organize
EXCHANGE of Students *for* the Purpose of course to teach American
Students etc in the U.S.A. Nazi politic & Antisemit feelings & to bring
as many Visitors as possible to Germany not to show them how beautiful
Germany is B U T what Nazi Politic MEANS & to have the american Visitors
return to their Homeland & work for Nazi Politics in all sort of Ways .

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Of course the Nazi Visitors at the Luncheon objected sitting with None ^{Yaus} ~~Ariens~~ & requested Dunning to have the Jewish Members (German Industrials) seperated . Dunning did so under pressure . WHAT C O U L D he do, he depends as to his existence on their good will towards him & besides he is doing so much BETTER, has his own car etc e tc .
They use him for their HOME Prapaganda etc .

The same as they use the Name of Carl Schurz Vereinigung , which has his political Meetings which I visited once trough Hanfstaengl but I was rejected & never invited again .

The Speakers were : A Man I forgot his Name who used to ^{live} ~~live~~ in China, then he worked in the American Consulate & was discharged by Consul Geist during your administiration . He is now Head of the club "(Zum fernen OSTEN)A Political Organisation . Then Professor Nash of the New York University (who came to Germany on their Invitation & who wrote a Book of Anti Jewish Feelings .)Then it was decided upon to purchase ^a Magasines in America for Prapaganda to be directed from the Prpaganda Ministerium in Wilhelmstrase .

Dr Ernst Hanfstaengl father was a close Friend of my Father trough the late Painter Lembach with whom my Father was acquainted trough his Life long Friend Bismark & trough his recomandation my Father Geheim Comerzienrath Feldheim in Mainz (he died in 1905) became Honory Cosul of Mexico in Mainz .for Life .

This Dr Hanfstaengl brought me in to Contract with his Nazi Friends until I found out that they wanted to use me (They had no idea that I was none ^{Yau} ~~Arier~~) Then I left Germany in October 1936.

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Frau von Hausberger a American Citicen who taught Girls In Colleges
Secretary
here was Dr Hanfstaengl & was brought to Germany for t hat purpose , she
& her Husband (2nd Husband) Fritz von Hausberger at present activ in Germ
any & austria for the Carl Schurz Vereinigung Berlin will be here permanan
tly , Frau v. H. is now with George HAvell 112 East 19 Street New York
a Magazine PUBLISHER who needs Captal (She told me that here 3 weeks ago)
The other day I was stopped by a German whom I did not know , but he knew
me & he said Are you not a former Berliner & Friend of Dr Hanfstaengl ?
When I asked him what he was doing here he told me I am on my way to Kansas
City & then to Denver etc For what ? And he said : Well how do you came
here with your 10 Mark and what Territory have you got here ?
He evidently sought me a German Citicen in the employ of the Nazis because
he seen me with Dr Hanfstaengl . The Mother of Dr H was a Friend of the
late Mr Loeb who died in Munchen leaving a Fortune to the Museum there
(before Hitlers Time) Mr Loeb was of Kuehn Loeb & Co & a Friend of mine
& like Frau Hanfstaengl who was an American born very Musical) playing
the Violin Chello & so Did Frau Hanfstaengl & Myself .
I think as an American Citicen Dunning must make out a Income Tax List
& there he can be asked WHERE his Income comes from , besides if the Chamber
in Berlin is American it must make out a Income List of his Memberfees
& Expendtures ?
I claim that when Streicher says the Jews in the World are etc then he
insults American Jews which are Citicens here & with this AMERICA who must
defend his Citicens .
Wishing you pleasant holidays , I remain cordially & sincerely yours

Otto C. Feldheim