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United States Department of Justice
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: PUTZI HANFSTAENGL
Information Concerning

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Coffey
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Harbo
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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Respectfully,

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Edward A. Tamm

ec - Mr. Ladd

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*J. F. Carter
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THE DIRECTOR

Mr. J. Franklin Carter called at my office by appointment. He was accompanied by Mr. Irvin who is a member of Mr. Carter's staff. Carter stated that as a result of his interview in Ottawa with Putzi Hanfstaengel he had succeeded in inducing Hanfstaengel to make his knowledge and services available to the Government of the United States. You will recall that Hanfstaengel is interned as a German alien enemy in Canada. Carter states that he consulted with the President about this matter and the President has approved his bringing Hanfstaengel to the United States to help out in the war effort. Carter has taken the matter up with the State Department and the State Department has requested the British Embassy to issue instructions to the British authorities in Canada to release Hanfstaengel to the United States. The British Embassy has cabled London for this authority. When Hanfstaengel arrives in the United States he will be used primarily by Colonel Donovan's organization, and to this end Irvin is being placed on Donovan's payroll to handle Hanfstaengel and to work with him. Hanfstaengel will apparently be used primarily in matters relating to propoganda material to be distributed through Colonel Donovan's organization in Germany.

Carter stated that he was going to perfect some arrangement whereby Hanfstaengel would be "paroled" to the FBI. I told Mr. Carter that in the absence of specific instructions direct from the President the Bureau would not consider taking any responsibility for Hanfstaengel's conduct in the United States. I told Carter that if Hanfstaengel was going to work for Colonel Donovan's organization here Donovan should take the responsibility from the viewpoint of security and supervision of Hanfstaengel. Carter then desired my recommendations as to suitable place of residence and quasi-detention for Hanfstaengel. I told him that the Bureau could not make any recommendation in this regard. He wanted to know what the Bureau would do if it was given the responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safe custody in the United States and I told him that we would treat him like any other potentially dangerous prisoner and keep him under a constant 24-hour-a-day guarded detention. Carter stated that this did not fit in with his plans and that he wanted to know what the Bureau would do in the way of general supervision of Hanfstaengel's activity if Carter placed him in a house in Baltimore or Washington. I asked Carter what, specifically, he had in mind and he stated that he thought a Bureau Agent could call once or twice a day at the place where Hanfstaengel was being maintained

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to be sure "everything was all right." I told him that this would be just so much window-dressing and that if any program of this kind were undertaken the Bureau would refuse to accept any responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safety or security, since any type of supervision of this kind would be absolutely ineffective. *[Handwritten mark]*

Carter talked at some length about various possibilities which he had been considering, all of which involved the Bureau's having the responsibility for Hanfstaengel, and I told him that the Bureau would not accept the responsibility for Hanfstaengel's safe custody and detention in the absence of specific instructions from the President and that if such instructions were issued we would accept this responsibility upon conditions and under circumstances which we would prescribe and which I stated frankly would result in a constant guard over Hanfstaengel. *[Handwritten mark]*

At this point in the discussion Mr. Irvin expressed his opinion that possibly it might be desirable to quarter Hanfstaengel on some military reservation. I pointed out that if this was done it would probably afford Hanfstaengel an opportunity to function as an espionage agent and possibly as a saboteur. Carter then stated that he would give consideration to having Hanfstaengel detained at some place like Fort Myer or Camp Meade in a restricted area but where he would be under confinement and supervision. I told Carter that, of course, such confinement would absolve the Bureau from all contact with him since we had no authority or jurisdiction on military reservations. *[Handwritten mark]*

Carter stated that the State Department might request the Bureau to take custody of Putzi Hanfstaengel at the Canadian border and escort him to the point in the United States where he would be turned over to Carter or Colonel Donovan's representative. I told Carter that, of course, if this request were made the Bureau would have to treat Hanfstaengel like any other potentially dangerous prisoner and take every precaution against Hanfstaengel's committing any acts which might interfere with the war program.

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

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Putzi Hanfstaengl

Mr. John ~~Sarter~~ called advising that he is leaving tonight for Kingston, Ontario, Canada, to have another talk with "that guy", apparently referring to Putzi Hanfstaengl who is interned in Ottawa. He stated that the Canadian Legation has been informed and the Canadian authorities have been informed and have cleared everything but that he wanted to let us know about the trip so that no wires would be crossed. He stated that he would probably want some advice from us upon his return and I told him that I would be glad to see him.

Respectfully,

Handwritten signature of Edward A. Tamm

Edward A. Tamm

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Date:

To: Chief,
Military Intelligence Division
G-2, War Department
Washington, D. C.

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:

Information in the possession of this Bureau indicates that Egon L. Sedgwick Hanfstaengl, who was born in New York on February 3, 1921, is now serving in the United States Air Corps.

I thought you would be interested in being advised, in the event this has not previously been brought to your attention, that this individual is the son of Ernst (Putzi) Hanfstaengl, who at one time was closely associated with Adolf Hitler, and frequently visited Hitler in Munich.



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

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At this time Mr. John Carter telephoned to advise that he had seen the President this afternoon and they had discussed all of the matters which we had discussed previously.

Re: the Hanfstaengl

First, the President had issued orders to stop Patterson and O'Donnell at San Francisco. Secondly, the President thoroughly approves of the plan for Mr. Carter to go up and see Hanfstaengl if I could make the arrangements with the Canadian officials. I told Mr. Carter I was presently checking on that. In addition, Mr. Carter stated that the President had given him a message to deliver to Hanfstaengl. Thirdly, the President approves of the arrangement of the Trinidad business, but he, Mr. Carter forgot to mention the State Department angle, but said he would call Miss Tulley back and ask her to speak to the President about it.

Mr. Carter stated that he would like to bring Mr. Field down to see me if I were going to be in town. I told Mr. Carter that I would be in town the rest of the week and would be glad to see him. Mr. Carter said that he would probably bring Mr. Field down to see me some time tomorrow.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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J. P. [Signature]

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Fletcher Warren of the State Department telephonically advised that there is no record of a pending visa case on Putzi Hanfstaengl, the individual interned in Canada whom J. Franklin Carter is endeavoring to bring into this country. Mr. Wales who is in charge of the Canadian desk in the State Department is presently out of the city and Mr. Warren has not been able to ascertain whether Hanfstaengl has been called to his attention.

Mr. Warren advised that Putzi Hanfstaengl is writing his memoirs during this period of internment and that several of the larger American magazines are competing for publication rights. I told Mr. Warren this fact suggests that, in view of J. Franklin Carter's position as a literary luminary, he may desire to bring Hanfstaengl into this country in order that he can publish the memoirs for his own personal profit.

I asked Mr. Warren to follow this matter very closely inasmuch as the Bureau is anxious to know very clearly and concisely just what the position of the State Department is. I told Mr. Warren that British Intelligence is being pushed by Carter to take a stand favorable toward bringing Hanfstaengl into this country; that the British are anxious to do the right thing and desire to know the State Department's position one way or the other in order that they may act accordingly.

Mr. Warren will place a stop with the Visa Division in order that he will be notified when Hanfstaengl's visa application comes through and at that time he will advise the Bureau of the State Department's feelings in the matter in order that we, in turn, may advise the British.

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I told Mr. Warren that there was a passport case against Hanfstaengl in about the summer of 1932 at which time he came into this country on a temporary visa to deliver a series of lectures at Harvard University or some such place and that an indictment, complaint or other legal process was issued for some irregularity but that he had returned to Europe prior to the issuance of the legal process.



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I talked to General Strong outlining to him the circumstances surrounding the entry of Putzi Hanfsgnagel into the United States, the call upon the Bureau of Mr. J. Franklin Carter and your conversation with Sumner Welles. General Strong was advised of the President's interest in keeping this matter quiet and at the same time being assured that someone was with Hanfsgnagel at all times. After considerable discussion of the entire project, General Strong agreed that he would assign representatives of Military Intelligence to be with Hanfsgnagel at all times. He stated that he would take care of this matter at once.

Putzi Hanfsgnagel

Respectfully,

Edward A. Tamm

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 26, 1943

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~~MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD~~

Re: Putzi Hanfstaengl

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Putzi Hanfstaengl

Respectfully,

[Signature]
L. B. Pennington

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United States Department of Justice
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: PUTZI HANFSNAGEL

In accordance with instructions from Mr. Tamm, Supervisor Harry M. Kimball interviewed Mr. J. Franklin Carter who called at the Bureau to advise that the Board of Psychological Warfare, a joint committee of the State, War and Navy Departments, has recently effected the release from internment in Canada of an individual who is to be known in this country as Ernest Sedgwick, who was formerly a high ranking and influential member of the Nazi regime. It should be stated at this point that, although Mr. Carter would not say so, this individual is undoubtedly Putzi Hanfsnagel, former Nazi party official, who has been interned in Canada. He advised that while in the United States this individual will be used on varied assignments such as analyzing propoganda, preparing biographies of Nazi leaders and "such other assignments as the Board of Psychological Warfare may think up for him".

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Mr. Carter stated that Sedgwick is presently at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, where he will reside during the tenure of his stay in this country, which it is believed will be for about three months. He stated that it is desired that a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation be continuously assigned to Sedgwick while he is in this country.

Mr. Carter advised that the purpose of this assignment would be first "to keep an eye on Sedgwick to see that he does not escape"; second, "to satisfy the British we are taking reasonable precautions to see that he does not escape"; and third, "to obtain such information of an intelligence nature as may be of interest to us in connection with the assignments which are given to him by the Board of Psychological Warfare". Mr. Carter stated that Sedgwick will be under the sole control of himself and Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles. He pointed out that he did not believe that the "guarding problem" of Sedgwick would be much of a task in view of the fact this individual has a son in the United States Army Air Corps. This son is presently visiting with Sedgwick at Fort Belvoir, while on furlough. In this regard, you will recall that Putzi Hanfsnagel has a son who is also in the United States Army Air Corps. 6



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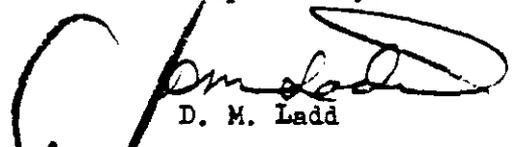
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Mr. Carter stated that the operations of this individual are to be extremely confidential and that he would prefer, if a Special Agent is assigned, that he be capable of speaking the German language and one of some education and cultural background. He stated that the operating expenses of the Special Agent assigned, other than the payment of his salary, would be reimbursed from funds of the Board of Psychological Warfare. He stated that in the event you should so desire, a letter requesting the assignment of a Special Agent in this matter can be obtained by him from Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, but he added that he did not "want to ask Mr. Welles for such a letter unless it is absolutely necessary".

No commitment whatsoever was made to Mr. Carter in connection with his request. It was pointed out to him that the present national emergency has considerably taxed the investigative personnel of the Bureau and it is not known whether there would be personnel readily available for such an assignment. He was advised that his request in this regard would be brought to your attention. U

Respectfully,


D. M. Ladd
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

July 2, 1942

HMK:JR
Call 6:15 PM
Dict 6:20 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: PUTZI HANFSNAGEL

Reference is made to my memorandum earlier today concerning an interview had by Supervisor Harry M. Kimball with Mr. J. Franklin Carter. You will recall Mr. Carter wanted a Special Agent assigned to Hanfsnagel while he is allegedly working on an assignment in this country for the Board of Psychological Warfare.

Mr. Carter telephonically called your office at this time and was referred to Mr. Kimball. He stated he was trying to get either you or Mr. Tamm personally, to get a decision as to whether the Bureau would assign an Agent in this matter. He remarked that General Marshall is "raising hell that no FBI man is on the job with Hanfsnagel", and wanted to get a decision from the Bureau at the earliest possible moment as to whether an Agent would be assigned. He advised he is "in a hell of a hole" and needs some help from the FBI. Mr. Kimball advised him he was certain his request would be brought to the attention of the Director at the earliest possible moment, but he held out little hope for the assignment of an Agent to such a project.

The above conversation was called to the attention of Mr. Tamm, and in accordance with his instructions Mr. Kimball called Mr. Carter back and advised him the Bureau could not furnish a Special Agent for such an assignment in view of the fact it is not an investigative matter, and further that in view of the present national emergency the Bureau personnel is taxed to capacity and we could not have a man available to handle such a job.

Mr. Carter's only remark was, "Well, that clears the air. Thank you very much". Mr. Tamm was immediately advised of the remark of Mr. Carter in this regard.

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D. L. Ladd

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM
MR. LADD

I called Under Secretary of State Sumner Welles to advise him that the Attorney General had spoken to me about his, Secretary Welles', call concerning Putzi Hanfstaengl. I explained to Secretary Welles that John F. Carter had been here at the Bureau yesterday in regard to this case and the reason we were Assistant in proceeding on it was because it was guard duty on a military reservation and we did not have jurisdiction over a case of this nature; therefore, if the subject tried to do anything or make any move, we could do nothing. Secretary Welles stated that the only thing he was interested in was seeing that the man did not get away and apparently the Army is not willing to do any more than have him reside at Fort Belvoir. I suggested to Secretary Welles that I thought it was a matter that we might work out with MID and if it was agreeable with him I would be glad to talk with General Strong and see if action cannot be taken to keep the subject in custody. Secretary Welles stated that I could handle the matter as I saw fit, but that the President had asked that Hanfstaengl's presence in this country be kept as quiet as possible. I told Secretary Welles that I would work out something with General Strong, and that he, Secretary Welles, would not be bothered with this matter again.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

PUTZI HANFSTAENGL

- Mr. Tolson _____
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Re: PUTZI HANFSTENGEL

*ack 3/18
wrt 3/16/43*

I note from the press that Putzi Hanfstengel, a German alien, is now in the United States apparently cooperating with agencies of this Government. I shall appreciate it if you will advise me of his whereabouts and of any facts in your records reflecting on the question whether he may become an alien enemy security problem.

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Very truly yours

E. J. Ennis
Edward J. Ennis
Director

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no actual action or
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARD J. KEELIS,
DIRECTOR, ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL UNIT

RE: DR. ERNST FRAZ SECKWICK ("PUTZI")
HANFSTAENGL

Reference is made to your memorandum to this Bureau dated January 29, 1943, captioned "Putzi Hanfstaengl," requesting to be advised of the whereabouts of the above individual and any information in the files of this Bureau reflecting that he may become an alien enemy security problem.

The files of this Bureau contain no information indicating that Hanfstaengl at the present time constitutes a security problem.

For your confidential information it is known that at one time Hanfstaengl was in the custody of the military authorities.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

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b7C [redacted] called and stated he had seen the news items pertaining to Ernest Hanfstaengl, which recalled to his mind an incident which he thought we might be interested in.

b7C In 1939, [redacted] went abroad. He knew the mother of Hanfstaengl, who asked him to see her daughter in Munich. The mother, he stated, was a very wonderful woman about 80 years old, who later went to Germany and he is very fearful as to what might have happened to her. He called on the daughter, who is the sister of Putzi Hanfstaengl, in Munich. She talked very freely to him and appeared to be very bitter against Hitler. [redacted] stated he understood that Hitler at one time was engaged to her. At the time [redacted] called on her in Munich, Unity Witford was living with her. [redacted] stated that the Hanfstaengl girl was very attractive very pleasant, but obviously was uneasy about her brother.

b7C She told [redacted] about the manner in which Putzi got out of Germany. He was put in a plane by the Nazis, thinking that he was going to Spain as an envoy. After getting in the plane, he discovered he was going to be dropped over the Red troops, which of course would mean certain death. However, there was some engine trouble and the plane landed in Switzerland, from which Putzi made get-away and eventually got to London.

b7C His sister told [redacted] to tell Putzi that he was not to return to Germany unless she personally came to London for him. She further told [redacted] that even if she wrote for Putzi to return for him not to do so as Hitler might ask her to do so and she might not be in a position to do anything else.

b7C [redacted] called on Putzi Hanfstaengl in England, at which time he was living at Hampstead in a little block house. He delivered the message from his sister to Putzi. Putzi asked [redacted] to help his son to get back to America.



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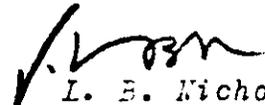
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b7c At the time [redacted] called on Putzi, he noticed that an individual was watching them at all times from a window while they were sitting in his back yard. Putzi stated he was not afraid of being shot by the Nazis, since he had written his complete story on Hitler and the Nazis; that the manuscript was in a safe deposit vault in the Bank of England; that as a matter of fact he had thought of using it at that time in order to pay back a \$5,000 loan.

b7c Shortly after the outbreak of war, Putzi was, of course, interned. [redacted] thought that possibly it might be well to locate the script in the Bank of England. He further thought that if we were interested in Putzi that he might be of some assistance.

b7c I thanked [redacted] and told him if a situation should ever arise, we would not hesitate to call upon him.

Respectfully,


L. B. Nichols

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MR. ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI") HANFSTAENGL

Information has been received by this Bureau from a confidential informant that he interviewed Hanfstaengl in England in 1939, and delivered to Hanfstaengl a message from his sister in Germany to the effect that he, Hanfstaengl, should not return to Germany unless she personally came to London for him.

According to this informant, at the time he talked with Hanfstaengl, he noticed that an individual watched them at all times. Hanfstaengl stated that he was not afraid of being subjected to violence by German interests, since he had written a complete manuscript concerning Hitler and the National Socialist German Workers Party, which manuscript was in a safe deposit vault in the Bank of England. Hanfstaengl allegedly stated also that he had thought of using this manuscript in order to pay a \$5,000 indebtedness.

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United States Department of Justice

Newark, New Jersey

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January 30, 1943

Director, FBI

RE: ERNST (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL
INTERNAL SECURITY - G
ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a clipping from the New York Daily News for January 28, 1943, which contains a statement that HANFSTAENGL reportedly has been employed for several months by the United States State Department. It is believed the Bureau files will contain considerable information concerning the background of this person.

As a matter of interest to the Bureau, I am also transmitting a publication entitled "HITLER WIE IHN KEINER KENNT". Portrayed on page 35 of this publication is an individual who from all appearances is identical with HANFSTAENGL. This similarity was called to my attention by Special Agent [redacted] who, after reading the New York Daily News, happened to examine this publication and immediately noted the similarity. This book may be retained by the Bureau in its files for any purpose that may be desired.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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DAILY NEWS THURSDAY JANUARY 28 1943

Report Hitler's Putzi State Dept. Employee

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27 (AP).—Ernst (Putzi) Hanfstaengl, former Nazi press chief and one-time intimate of Adolf Hitler, has been employed for several months at the State Department here, according to reliable reports today.

There was no official confirmation and the State Department declined immediate comment. Other government officials, however, said in reply to questions that they could not deny his presence in this country or that he is working for the State Department.



Ernst Hanfstaengl

It was not known in what capacity he is employed, but it was assumed that, as one of Hitler's former closest confidants, he probably works in an advisory capacity.

Mother Backed Hitler

Hanfstaengl, 36, a graduate of Harvard, was interned at the beginning of the war in England. He had resided there since leaving Germany under somewhat mysterious circumstances some five years ago. He was transferred later to an internment camp in Canada.

In the early years of Hitler's struggle for power, Hanfstaengl

became one of the most influential members of the Fuehrer's inner circle. Hitler was a frequent visitor at the home of Hanfstaengl's mother, who had advanced considerable funds to the Nazi Party and, as a token of gratitude, made Hanfstaengl foreign press chief of the party.

Hanfstaengl held this post until 1937 when he left Germany suddenly. The Nazis permitted a story to leak out that he had been abducted. Actually, he was believed to have been ushered quietly across the Swiss frontier and told he could not return to Germany.

Avoided World War

After a brief residence in Switzerland he went to England, where he lived until the outbreak of war.

Hanfstaengl is 56 and was graduated from Harvard in 1909. His father, a rich Munich art dealer, and his mother, daughter of Gen. John Sedgwick, a Civil War union commander, sent him to the United States where he remained during the World War, spending much time at the Harvard Club in New York and conducting business there.

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New York, New York
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Washington, D. C.

December 29, 1942

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- Miss Gahm _____
- Miss Gandy _____

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CUNNINGHAM

Re: SEDGWICK REPORT

There is attached a memorandum for General Strong prepared by John Franklin Carter [redacted]. A copy of this memorandum was furnished to the writer by Colonel Bissell.

You will note therein that it is stated that Sedgwick says [redacted]

For your information, the Sedgwick referred to is "Putzi" Hanfstaengl, formerly a confidant of Adolf Hitler and who is now being held at Fort Belvoir by the military police. As you know, Hanfstaengl was brought into the United States with the President's approval as a result of a brain-storm of John Franklin Carter.

Respectfully,
E. C. Burton

Hanfstaengl or Hanfstaengl

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JOHN FRANKLIN CARTER
(Jay Franklin)
1210 NATIONAL PRESS BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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"The Week in Washington"

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL STRONG: SEDGWICK REPORT.

Undersecretary of State Welles today directed me to bring the following report from Sedgwick promptly to your attention:

A recent news-story in the New York Times reports that on December 1 a German named Esser arrived at Lisbon on a mission supposedly designed to secure suitable quarters for wounded and invalid German officers on the Azores, Canary Islands, Madeira and Cape Verde Islands. The story represented Esser as having failed in Nazi penetration work in Switzerland and suggested that this was a sort of fool's errand.

Sedgwick says that Esser is Nazi Party Member No. 2 and is the great Nazi specialist in "travel bureau infiltration". He suggests that his mission in Lisbon is part of the Hitler political strategy designed to outflank our forces in North Africa by securing Spanish and Portuguese bases. He thinks that Franco will find it very hard to resist Hitler's offer to make him (Franco) the man who restores Gibraltar to Spain.

This is original correct

S/ J.P.C.
J.P.C.

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United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: "PUTZI" HANFSTAENGL

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
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- Mr. Ladd
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SAC Donegan at New York called and advised that Sugs Baer in the "Journal American" refers to the captioned individual and states that "both Scotland Yard and the FBI have put 'Putzi' through the wringer and have decided that he is on the level." I advised Mr. Donegan for his confidential information that this, of course, was not true and we have nothing to do with him here.

Respectfully,
JKM
J. K. Mumford

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Gentlemen - In re attached clipping -

I know nothing about this man but knowing Germans and so-called German-Americans as I do, I wouldn't trust him further than I could throw an elephant, & that goes for a lot of German-Americans

Yours truly,

[Redacted signature]

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Tells on Nazis



Dr. Ernst (Putzy) Hanfstaengl, one-time bosom pal of Adolf Hitler and an organizer of the Nazi movement, now aids the allied side by giving the U. S. State Department inside information on Hitlerism.

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Durant, Oklahoma

Dear [Redacted]

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I have before me for acknowledgment your letter of recent date, together with the enclosure attached thereto.

You may be assured that I have carefully noted the content of your communication and enclosure and wish to thank you for your courtesy and interest in letting me have the benefit of your observations in this regard.

Should you obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I trust you will feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Oklahoma Field Division which is located at 940 First National Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

655 Federal Building
Louisville, Kentucky

February 3, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: ERNEST HOPSTENGLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Ernest (Putzi) Hopstengle

Dear Sir:

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[Redacted] Louisville, Kentucky,
on January 30, 1943, telephonically advised this office that a
news item appearing in the evening edition of the Louisville
Times for January 29, 1943, stated that subject would soon be
released from a concentration camp in Canada.

Complainant advised that she attended the Winold-Reiss Art School
in New York City several years ago at which time the subject was
then President of that school. She further stated that subject
at that time was very rabid in his denunciation of the United
States Government. She believed that the reason for this was
the fact that subject's father's property was confiscated during
World War I.

This information is being forwarded to the Bureau for any action
deemed necessary.

Very truly yours,

Herbert K. Moss
HERBERT K. MOSS
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Director, FBI

Putzi Hanfstaengl

Re: FRITZ HANFSTAENGL

5-8-90

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Dear Sir:

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[redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised this Office that FRITZ HANFSTAENGL was a person who could not be trusted in any matters whatsoever.

[redacted]

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP ON 5-23-86
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Informant declared that there were two theories explaining HANFSTAENGL's fall from favor, one being that another very high Party member had fallen in love with HANFSTAENGL's wife to which HANFSTAENGL objected and which eventually led to his divorce; the other being that HANFSTAENGL had in some manner done something drastic to displease the Party.

Informant stated that inasmuch as HANFSTAENGL is a former American who gave up his American citizenship, he was never at any time liked by the average German



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and was considered somewhat of a traitor; that is, the German people had no respect for any individual who would abandon his country so easily. *Au*

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[Informant] concluded that from what [redacted] had *b7D* learned about HANFSTAENGL, he was not a person whom the Government should trust in any way whatever, adding that he was in Washington merely in an attempt to provide himself with easier accommodations.

Very truly yours

J. T. Madigan
JOHN T. MADIGAN
S.A.C.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI
WASHINGTON, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Repeatedly I have read in the News Papers that the former bosom friend of Hitler, Dr. Ernst Hanfstaengl, is now giving the U.S. Department inside information on Hitlerism.

For years since Hitler took over the Government in Germany, Dr. Hanfstaengl exercised the important and influential office of Director of the Bureau for Control of the German Press.

For many years as an old member of the Nazi Party and an intimate friend of Hitler, that is to say on the ground of his own convictions, he voluntarily and deliberately approved and advocated the criminal policy of Hitler in a most influential journalistic activity which aided in painting injustice as justice, and dressed up to the taste of the German people the rascally methods of his old croney Hitler.

This man has fervently wished for the victory of the Nazi ideals and has contributed to gain this victory. Through his devotion to the ideals of Nazism he earned the intimate friendship of his Fuehrer. He certainly aided in destroying the freedom of the Press, in annihilating Christianity and freedom of Religion, in depriving of their positions, their property, and even their life hundreds of thousands of innocent people, whose crime consisted only in the fact that they had been adherents of parties adverse to Nazism or that they were of non Aryan descent, in destroying the property and the very life of blameless Jewish people whether they were scholars, university professors, lawyers, judges, physicians, officers, or even merely businessmen.

Since January 1933 he had it as his function to fulfill the extraordinarily responsible task of poisoning the soul of the German people with the madness of the Nazi philosophy, the glorification of the Nazi ideals of German blood and soil, and the deification of Hitler. In company with the devilish Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels he discharged his task in a masterly fashion after the heart of his best friend Hitler.

In so acting through the decisive years since 1933 he has day by day betrayed all the ideals of humanity, personal liberty, freedom of religion, freedom of press and speech, all those great ideals of mankind so highly esteemed in this country. Aged Dr. Hanfstaengl who is no more youth but a mature, old man, throughout all the years, has felt his personal solidarity with the Nazis and has approved their unbridled, bestial methods of attack upon property and life in Hitler's domestic and foreign policies. He has carried on a most energetic propaganda in favor of these gangsterlike methods.

In this man we are obliged to see one of those persons who are responsible for the mental confusion, the innumerable tragedies in the life of innocent people, for the awful hell of the concentration camps, and the criminal attitude and activity of the Nazis inside and outside of Germany.

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M. L. Davidson*

*Inquiries please
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July 24, 1948
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Feb 2/11

The crimes of the Nazis and Hitler's which cry to a very heaven Dr. Hanfstaengl tolerated, concealed, and even glorified. The ultimate purpose of Nazism which aims at the destruction of every form of democracy in the world, this man approved and adopted as the goal of his own activity. The Nazi philosophy was completely his own, and that Nazi philosophy is the mortal enemy of the whole democratic world view, as is generally recognized. For many years he was the faithful servant of his master.

That he finally withdrew from connection with Hitler and like so many other old party comrades and personal friends of Hitler had to flee from Germany is his own affair. This flight however can never exonerate him, can never atone for all the things for which all the leading Nazi personalities were responsible.

This man, Dr. Hanfstaengl, ought to be regarded as one who has forfeited the right to remain at liberty in a free democracy like the United States, all the ideals of which he has surrendered and betrayed, and to breathe the fresh air of this country.

As a proven enemy of democracy and of all human rights he ought to meet mistrust from the Government.

I cannot believe what is written in the news papers that the State Department is about to have any confidential relation with this man.

I rejoicing in the possession of my first papers toward citizenship in this "sweet land of liberty" I cannot help directing your attention to the above described facts. I believe that I have the right to do it in the name of countless other people, at least in the name of hundreds of thousands of refugees who have had the misfortune to experience for years Dr. Hanfstaengl's activity in Nazi Germany, in the name of people who have found a home in the United States which they desire to see free from the pestilence of the Nazis and their propagandists.

May I assure you that this letter is written from purely patriotic motives. It is sent to you in the hope that our beloved Government may be aroused to its danger in exercising lenity or confidence in dealing with this former Nazi agitator, whose presence and activity in this country are in the light of his past record to be regarded with extreme suspicion.

I have the honor, my dear Sir, to remain

Yours very respectfully

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A copy was sent to the President of the U.S., Mr. F.D. Roosevelt.

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March 5, 1943

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Cleveland, Tennessee

Dear [Redacted]

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I have for acknowledgment your letter of recent date.

You may be assured that I have carefully noted the content of your communication and wish to express my appreciation for the courtesy and interest which prompted you in bringing this information to my attention.

In the event you obtain any additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, I want you to feel free to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Knoxville Field Division, which is located at 407 Hamilton National Bank Building, Knoxville, Tennessee.

-Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

- Mr. Tolson _____
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Putsi Hanfstaengl

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b7c While talking to [redacted], he was unable to understand why the War Department and the State Department were playing ball with the above. He stated that Hanfstaengl is an out and out Nazi, one of Hitler's closest friends and is a rake without any sense of moral responsibility of any kind.

Respectfully,

L. B. Pennington
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February 17, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: ERNST SEDGWICK (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL

Dear Sir:

For the information of the Bureau there are being transmitted herewith translations of excerpts taken from the book, "Hitler in the Caricature of the World", which was published by HANFSTAENGL in 1933.

This information was furnished by [redacted] of this office, who also translated the articles described herein. b7c

Very truly yours,

J. F. SEARS
Special Agent in Charge

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a Picture Collection by Ernst Hanfstaengl

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"Pamphlets are to be hung lower"

Friedrich II

"It has been a particular pleasure for me, in agreement with my Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, to comply with the request by the publisher to write a book that concerns itself with caricatures around and about Hitler.

For few have been as fortunate as I have been to witness the origin and growth of the National Socialist movement from its beginnings in immediate contact with its founder and Fuehrer. Through almost all phases of the gigantic struggle of this man, in the happiness of his successes as in the bitterness of the many disappointments which were not spared him either on his way, I have been close to him. On the other hand, my work as Foreign Press Chief of the NSDAP has made me acquainted at an early date and continuously with the criticisms which abroad as well as at home have been leveled in word and picture to an increasing degree against the measures of the Fuehrer.

This book is created therefore not without a certain feeling of satisfaction because it gives me an opportunity to assemble for the first time in one place and to make available to the public a selection of the many derisive and insulting pictures with which one thought arrogantly to be able to block the path of this man of action; this makes it possible for me to demonstrate the disproportion between invention and truth.

It is a coincidence that in these very days the world public at large through the English edition of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" is given an opportunity for the first time to form for itself with the help of this autobiography of Hitler an opinion of this man whose entire will power, from his early youth on, has been devoted unselfishly to great German ideals. Even the widest foreign public is thereby put into the position of confronting the distortions which this book reproduces with the true spiritual picture of Hitler, which emerges from a life of endless efforts, full of disappointments, tensions, bitternesses, surprises and successes from year to year more and more clearly as that of an unbendable pure man of will and action.

Without fail the result will be that the foreign countries cannot help but make up their minds to clarify in an honest fashion their attitude

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towards the problems of National Socialism. For only to the degree with which the foreign countries are willing to recognize the unquestionable deep contents of this new German world philosophy the other nations may hope to find those ways which promise a rescue from the impending world disaster.

All that I would like to ask my readers therefore is: to look at these caricatures attentively and without prejudice, and to relate them to the actual events. Very soon the glaring contrast between the "ink" and the "deeds" will then be demonstrated.

For what is the miserable tin kettle music of the world press compared with the almost counterpoint like consequence of the political actions of the Fuehrer and the symphony of his successes.

Hitler has honestly ventured and honestly won as a true hero's fight his struggle with Communism and Marxism. With the nature of a true leader he has carried it through almost without any help - forced to live through the decisive turning points of his political struggle against a world of opponents with only a few proven friends.

Small wonder therefore that the trail of his memorable road from the Braumau of 1889 to the Berlin of 1933 is occupying the minds of the entire world. A Frederick the Great once ordered the pamphlet directed against him "to be hung lower." With the approval of this my book, which represents a collection of the most important ones among the caricaturistic defamations of his person, the Fuehrer follows this great example.

Berlin and Berchtesgaden, August 1933

The Editor^o
(tr. note: Ernst Hanfstaengl)

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February 11, 1943

TRANSLATION FROM THE GERMAN

From "Hitler in the Caricature of the World"/Deed versus Ink
a Picture Collection by Ernst Hanfstaengl

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..... "However, contrary to all expectations and constitutional custom, Adolf Hitler, the leader of the now strongest faction, was not offered the Chancellorship but only the Vice-Chancellorship. Hitler declined. Thereupon the Papen government tried to govern without the support of Hitler. Its failures in this ended with another dissolution of the Reichstag. The following Reichstag election of November 6, 1932 brought the National Socialist Workers Party 196 seats. Again Hitler did not yet come to power; instead, the Chancellorship went to General von Schleicher.

The in the long run impossible attitude - to keep the by far greatest party from the decisive power of the State - led to the inevitable end. At the end of January 1933 General von Schleicher had to resign. Then, on January 30, 1933 Reichs-President von Hindenburg offered the Reichs-Chancellorship to Adolf Hitler. Thus the Fuehrer had arrived at his first goal.

Under an elemental explosion of popular enthusiasm the alliance was concluded thereby between the heroic past of the German nation, symbolized by the aged Fieldmarshal von Hindenburg and the activist youth of the present, symbolized by Adolf Hitler and his victorious movement; and the determination to build a better future was publicly demonstrated before the entire world by the Reichstag election of March 5, 1933.

This was roughly the road of the political actions and excellent leadership on which Adolf Hitler from 1919 to the present, as I will demonstrate on the following pages, was misrepresented in distorted pictures, derided in mock pictures and laughed at in caricatures by his enemies the longer the more.

I do not know whether these enemies will continue to do so, but I do know for certain that Hitler will continue to go his way undisturbed by derision and rebuke to the best of his knowledge and conscience"

/s/ Ernst Hanfstaengl

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April 21, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Eyle Roberts called to advise that Tim Durrant and Charlie Chaplin were working on a picture at United Artists and were anxious to secure Putzi Hanfstaengl to aid in directing the picture. She had received a wire from them to contact this individual and secure his services.

I told her that according to recent newspaper items the statement had been made he was a prisoner of war and was in custody. Accordingly, I told her while we had nothing to do with this case and did not know where he was being held, it would apparently be impossible to secure his services at this time.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols
L. B. Nichols

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 Friedrich Wilhelm
 mir - Frau - Ob. Reich
 (Rustig H's Gedenktag)
 einige Jahre sollen zu
 Freude der Freiheit
 gesungen werden
 (Hoffe!) Für diese große
 Lusten dank. Aber ich
 wünsche Gold, Gold, Gold
 Aber nur ganz früher
 kommt die alte Freiheit
 freie Bewegung, Rich. Wegell
 Selbheit, etc. etc. bringen
 mir große. Keine Gold!
 Ich habe, Russell und
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TRANSLATION FROM THE GERMAN

Re: Post card postmarked at New York, N. Y., April 18,
1943, and addressed to Mr. Putzi Hanfstaengl, c/o State
Department, Washington D. C.

Dear Putzi Wutzi:

I am herewith requesting you to send me a few hundred dollars
by April 28th (Rudolf H.'s birthday). We celebrated together several years
ago! Thanks for your greetings! But I need money, money, money. All those
who come over from the house of Borsig, Rich, Wagner, Schmitz, etc. bring
greetings to me, but not one of them money! You two, Rudolf and you, are
secure and no longer want the U. S. A. and England wiped off the map. I
am expecting a (remittance) immediately.

"Heil," your (Goda?)

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Assistant Chief of Staff
War Department
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Attention: Colonel L. E. Forney

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POTZI HANFSTAENGL

There are attached two copies of a translation of the contents of a postal card addressed to the subject in care of the State Department, Washington, D. C.

This is being furnished as a matter of possible interest to you.

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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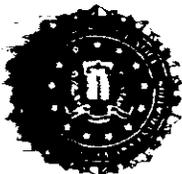
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: ERNST SEDGWICK (PUTZI) HANFSTAENGL
Internal Security - G

You will recall that Mr. George McNulty of the Department called Mr. Tamm, advised of his desire to determine the identity of the individual or organization having the captioned person in custody and arranging for a personal contact with such person. Mr. Tamm advised Mr. McNulty he would endeavor to determine who has custody of Hanfstaengl and advise him.

I called Mr. J. Franklin Carter, National Press Building, Metropolitan 4112, and advised him of Mr. McNulty's desire. Mr. Carter expressed immediate and complete willingness to have Mr. McNulty referred to him.

I then called Mr. McNulty, advised him I was calling for Mr. Tamm, and furnished him with the name, address and telephone number of Mr. Carter. He expressed his appreciation for the cooperation and assistance rendered him.

Respectfully,

J. K. Mumford
J. K. Mumford

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T. Hoover

Dear Walter Winchell: *Ernst Franz Sedgewick (Putzi) Hanfstaengl*

In reading your column recently I noticed a few references to Hanfstaengl (or what the hell ever it is) and his activities in Washington and etc.

While working on the Macon Telegraph a few months back I ran into his son who is in the Army (staff sgt) in Macon. His son still carries (according to him) a pen given him by Goering which supposedly signed some death warrants. He knows Hitler personally if you didn't already hear and has some hairraising stories about life in Naziland. Says his pop had to take up all Hitlers bad checks.

Thought you might want something on this. There's more to it in case you want ~~xxx~~ to hear it.

Regards,

Birmingham, Ala.

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Assistant Chief of Staff
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel L. E. Forney

ERNST FRANZ SEDGWICK ("PUTZI") KAMSTANWICK

For your information, there is set out below the pertinent portion of a communication received at this Bureau by reference from a confidential source. This communication concerns the above referred to individual and his son who the writer of the communication alleged is in the army.

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Mr. Tolson, Mr. Clegg, Mr. Coffey, Mr. Glavin, Mr. Ladd, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Rosen, Mr. Tracy, Mr. Carson, Mr. Harbo, Mr. Hendon, Mr. McGuire, Mr. Mumford, Mr. Piper, Mr. Quinn Tamm, Mr. Nease, Miss Gandy

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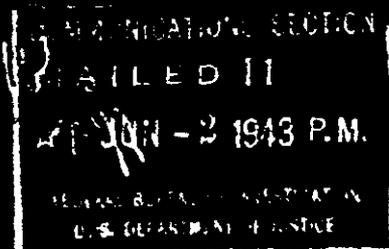
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype dated May 29, 1943, in the above captioned matter, in which you requested that Ernst Franz Sedgwick Hanfstaengl, also known as Putsi Hanfstaengl, be interviewed and that a brief summary of information relating to Hanfstaengl be furnished to you. Hanfstaengl is being interviewed, and the results thereof will be promptly furnished to you.

According to the Bureau file, Hanfstaengl, whose mother was a Miss Sedgwick of Boston, Massachusetts, and whose father was a GERMAN national, was born February 11, 1887 at Munich, Germany. He was educated in Munich and later attended Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Hanfstaengl remained in the United States for a number of years and finally returned to Germany in 1921. His interest in the Nazi Party dates from the time he met Hitler in 1922.

After the unsuccessful Putsch of 1923, Hanfstaengl sheltered Hitler in his home. Thereafter, he became a personal friend of Hitler and in 1931 he accepted a position in the Nazi Party, which can be described as that of Liaison Officer between the Party and the Foreign Press. Mr. E. A. Tamm acting as Liaison Officer for the Foreign Press, Hanfstaengl paid frequent visits to this country. He held this position until he fled from Germany in February of 1937. Hanfstaengl's flight from Germany is stated to have resulted from personal disagreements between himself and other Nazi Party leaders. He made his escape to Switzerland and subsequently went to England.

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SAC, Miami

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

May 1, 1943

Mr. Edgar Hoover
Chief of Bureau of Investigation
Wash. D.C.

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My dear Sir: -

Enclosed please
find an article referring
to Dr. E. F. S. Hanfstaengl
which may be of help
to you in gathering
data against this
individual.

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DR. ERNST FRANZ HANFSTAENGL

should be taken off the Europa at Quarantine tomorrow morning and sent to Ellis Island as an undesirable alien. It shivers the timbers of many principles which I hold dear to express this opinion, and for that I must apologize. But an even more abject apology should be forthcoming from the government if it fails to order this action. I hate to see people barred because of their political views or even their political activities in foreign lands even when they espouse things which I abominate. But on many occasions in the past visitors from abroad have been denied the hospitality of our shores for reasons which were often fantastic or trivial.



Heywood Broun.

Even the worn out and wholly academic theories of Emma Goldman were sufficient for years to throw Washington into a panic lest her landing should occasion turmoil. Now, there is nothing academic or fantastic in the threat to public peace occasioned by the visit of Dr. Hanfstaengl.

One need not be a prophet to predict that from the moment Hitler's agent steps from the gangplank his progress through the United States will be marked by a series of bloody riots.

Not Any Private Fight

NOR will it be just to say these will be instigated solely by the leaders of small radical minorities. I can think of only one other individual in the world calculated to rouse more different kinds of hatred and animosity in this City of New York. If would, of course, be sound counsel to suggest that the most punishing sort of greeting might be to receive Hitler's piano player with thunders of silence and mountain ranges of inattention. I do not think the young man merits the tribute of a riot. Yet I know perfectly well that there will be riots here and all along the line of Hanfstaengl's journey to the Harvard Stadium.

It seems to me a great pity that the risk of making many people should be accepted for no better reason than to make a colorful afternoon for a small, snobbish group at Cambridge. Dr. Conant might well have used his own good offices to prevent the situation. Somebody may attempt to say that Harvard believes in free speech, but they will be charged by every man to be heard. Fortunately, for the present the argument Harvard is not in a good position to take any such attitude in regard to the visit of Dr. Hanfstaengl.

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When Harvard Saw Red

DR. HANTSTAENGL was tactless enough to say that he had the Ludtania. He was not alone in making the remark in the bar just about the cocktail party. I do not know just who swung the right-hand punch at the professor. As I remember, many of the students of the whole incident was Dr. Ernst Franz Godswick Hantsstaengl. At that time there was a great difference between any of the students of the Ludtania where he had

described the incident. Only the day greeted the incident to me and said that he was grateful that any such thing should have occurred among a group of educated men. "And yet," he said at the time if I had been standing a little closer, one must remember that some of the people in the group had friends who went down on the Ludtania."

Asking Too Much

HANTSTAENGL did not see that torpedo. He merely expressed gratification. But tomorrow he will come to New York as a man who has actively been active in fomenting the cruel religious and economic persecutions going on in Germany. And in New York there are hundreds of thousands of people who have relatives and friends who are suffering at this very moment under the heavy hand of Hitler. The provocation is too great to expect

Of course, Hantsstaengl will be carefully guarded. The fight will be a vicious one between police and guards who may hate Hitler just as much as anybody else and enraged mobs. Washington must deal with the matter. I don't think Hantsstaengl's feelings in the matter are particularly important. It is much better that his pride should be hurt than that many should suffer. He is not a man of any gift or distinction. Of late I have seen a tendency to label him as a "good" man. I don't think anybody would have heard his report which would not have been particularly involved with the simple statement. He says very loudly. I think that Dr. Ernst Franz Godswick Hantsstaengl should be officially advised to stay in Germany.

How to Net Fortune in Nets

DAVID DIEHL
 Scripps Howard Science Editor
 A fortune awaits the inventor who can devise adequate methods to prevent the deterioration of fish nets. According to Dr. A. C. Robertson, of the University of Illinois, depreciation of nets costs the nation's fishing industry \$10,000,000 a year, or about one-fifth of the value of the annual gross catch of fish.



Behind the Scenes

Eighty per cent of the principle affairs in an important thing new on Broadway. The average legs, twinkling. The stage's dream thinking early about ing. to choose bet education and a situation leading to a and Phi Beta Kappa

Calls for

Most students' institutions for recreation with you're looking squeezing a depresso pet phrases in the does for everything events to eugenics. Not the play however. There is Nancy from Scrivley, Pa. 90, who has written lyrics and sketches. Miss Hamilton could've written the Washington strain that on it as easily as she could to embarrass a two-serial of conducting perfection. Nancy is good to taste and education finishable but unmissable good breeding, she (how) and a slender shape and poise.

See Broadway
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 ...better that his pride should be hurt than that many
 ...should suffer. He is not a man of any gift or dis-
 ...tinction. Of late I have seen a tendency to refer
 ...to him as "an accomplished musician." It was my
 ...privilege a good many years ago to hear Hanfstaengl
 ...at the piano while he was still an undergraduate.
 ...Possibly he has improved since then, but I have
 ...heard later reports which would not indicate much
 ...change. His status as a pianist may still be com-
 ...pletely reviewed with the simple statement, "He
 ...plays very loudly."

I think that Dr. Ernst Franz Sedgwick Hanf-
 ...staengl should be officially advised to play in his
 ...own backyard.

How to Net Fortune in Nets

By DAVID DIETZ

Scripture-Honored Science Editor

A fortune awaits the inventor who can devise ad-
 ...vante methods to prevent the deterioration of fish nets.

According to Dr. A. C. Robertson, of the University
 ...of Illinois, depreciation of nets costs the nation's fish-
 ...ing industry \$10,000,000 a year, or about one-fifth of
 ...the value of the annual gross catch.

"Nets usually lead a short life," Dr. Robertson says.
 ...Not only do powerful fish, sharks and seals entangled
 ...in a net escape easily and demolish it, but floating
 ...debris often tears holes in a net or pulls it adrift.

"Storms effect even worse damage, especially if the
 ...net is fouled with marine growths. In addition to the
 ...damage caused by these external and obvious agencies,
 ...a net is constantly losing strength by reason of normal
 ...wear and tear. The net and line from the cause the net
 ...to "heat" when it is deposited in a heap in the hold
 ...of a fishing vessel, and there is always a weakening
 ...influence which is apparently due to the action of the
 ...water."

Bacteria cause so much damage in this world,
 ...they play their part in the deterioration of the net.

A recent study of the deterioration of nets in fresh
 ...water showed that certain cellulose-digesting organisms
 ...were to blame, Dr. Robertson says. "The hydrate or
 ...cellulose in the fisherman's breaded so much, were
 ...found not to be guilty."

Development of net preservatives, according to Dr.
 ...Robertson, has amounted to two types, a copper resinate
 ...and for the treating of gill nets and a cuprous oxide
 ...for gill and pound nets.

The art of net preservation has benefited by the
 ...process made in preserving marine pling and in
 ...treating other materials," Dr. Robertson points out. "The

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Eighty per cent

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Sees Broadway

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 ...were auditioning
 ...literally dancing

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Attention: Colonel L. R. Farney

DR. ERNST FRANZ SEDOWICK HANFSTAENKEL

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~~MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON~~

Re: ERNST FRANK SEDGWICK
(PUTZIG/HANFSTAENGL)
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

b7c [redacted] of Censorship called and advised that they have four letters addressed to Hanfstaengel in an internment camp in Ottawa, Canada, from people in New York State, and he knows that Hanfstaengel is not in an internment camp and desires to know his correct address.

b7c Upon approval, I advised [redacted] that his exact address is not known but suggested he might ascertain the address through J. Milton Carter. *ll*

Respectfully,

J. C. Strickland
J. C. Strickland

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Submitted by Supervisor W. J. Powell

Re: Letters from Katherine Hanfstaengl
Uffing (Staffelsee)
Oberbayern
To: Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl
No 3026
Camp 31
Ottawa Canada

Ernest Hanfstaengl

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September 20, 1943.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Mr. Powell.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are forwarding herewith for such attention as you
may deem necessary seven letters addressed to Dr. Ernest
Hanfstaengl, Camp 31, Base Post Office, Ottawa, Canada, origi-
nating in Germany.

Sincerely yours,



Acting Chief, Postal Section.

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September 25, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR LABORATORY REPORT

Re: Letters Addressed to Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Ottawa, Canada

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The evidence listed below was submitted to the Bureau by Censorship and in turn forwarded to the Laboratory for appropriate examination on September 22, 1943.

- Q1 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 10.5.43. 18".
- Q2 First sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink on thin white tissue paper in foreign language beginning, "Giebt es etwas.....".
- Q3 Second sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink on tissue paper in foreign language beginning "Ich lebe hier..." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".
- Q4 One envelope addressed to "Herrn Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 24.5.43 18", bearing the return address on the reverse side "K. Hanfstaengl, Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern".
- Q5 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink on tissue paper in foreign language dated "24.5.43" beginning "Diese Kriegsjahre sind.....".
- Q6 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 19.7.43 11" bearing the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern".
- Q7 First sheet of accompanying letter dated July 18 1943 handwritten in ink on tissue paper in foreign language beginning "Practische Arbeit war:.....".
- Q8 Second sheet of accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign language on tissue paper beginning "Heute vor acht Tagen.." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".
- Q9 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernst Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 15.6.43.11".
- Q10 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink on tissue paper dated 13.6.43 beginning "Hante ist Pfingssonntag..." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".

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- Q11 One envelope addressed to "Dr. Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 28.6.43 12".
 - Q12 Accompanying handwritten letter in ink in foreign language beginning "Heute wurde...." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".
 - Q13 One envelope addressed to "Dr Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" portmarked "Uffing 05.7.43 11" bearing the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern".
 - Q14 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign language dated "4 July 43" beginning "Gestern wurde ein..." signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".
 - Q15 One envelope addressed to "Dr Ernest Hanfstaengl No 3026 Camp 31 Base Post Office Ottawa Canada" postmarked "Uffing 21.6.43 11" bearing the return address on the reverse side "Frau K. Hanfstaengl Uffing (Staffelsee) Oberbayern".
 - Q16 Accompanying letter handwritten in ink in foreign language beginning "Wieder ein sonntag" signed "Katherine Hanfstaengl".

The handwriting appearing on the letters listed above as Q1 through Q16 was compared with material

without effecting an identification. A suitable photographic copy of this handwriting

The evidence listed as specimens Q2, Q3, Q5, Q7, Q8, Q10, and Q16 was examined for secret ink with negative results. The remaining specimens had been treated prior to their entry into the FBI Laboratory.

The instant specimens were examined for the presence of code and cipher messages but none was found.

The original letters, Q1 through Q16, were returned to the Liaison Section of Division Five on September 24, 1943 for appropriate disposition, photographic copies of which were retained in the files of the Laboratory for future reference.

Translations together with photographic copies of the original letters are attached hereto for your information.

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Uffing on Staffal See
May 9, 1943.

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My beloved son,

Is there anything sadder for a mother than the separation which we now must suffer? And still it must be borne without complaining because it all could be much, much worse. Thanks to the presence of the great-grandchild and Eva, I have a nice conversation, for Eva developed quite satisfactorily, is a good, diligent housewife, cooks by herself, cares for her garden well, and since her old nurse Anna cares for her child, she can become perfected in the business of the firm the first two or three week days. Her husband is a good chemist for the pigment division, no longer important. Erna, whose outlook on life has, unfortunately, poor health; which obligates her to a quiet life on account of her heart. She was visiting friends in Niese, heard Fuerstlewangler as Wagner's conductor and the Verdi "Week Among Italians".

I live here quietly and thoughtfully read all my lovely books for the third time, at present ^{Orwell} Spengler's works. How intelligent he is! In so-called "pleasure" I have no joy until peace again rules the world. And then how long will it last until someone sets up a new form of living. I am happy that the whole world must build itself up from a simple life, as it was in America before 1860 (or 1800). The _____ was always too big.

My little old Unleg is taking the meatless meal remarkably, she looks quite young. Frida is a cronic invalid, but helps with money wherever she can. Hedda became a Dutch citizen and supports herself as a travelling wood-carver. Lauterburg will be fifty years old in a week, which will be celebrated in Berne with a large _____ show. Mrs. Holautschick has become a good painter in Salzburg. Always inquires interestedly about you. Ernst died on account of his lungs, sad to say. Both sons are doing well and are at the front, as almost all the friends. If I only knew how you are!

I have no material complaints.

Your faithful mother
s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

Frank is in England where he is slowly recovering from a severe lung inflammation.

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Q5

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House 2½
Uffing on Staffel Sea
May 24, 1943

My dearly beloved son,

These war years are, in spite of all personal welfare, a torture for all those separated from their loved ones who must remain without news of their welfare. This torture can't be expressed in words. From us now the same old thing is to be reported. We have no personal complaints but need much patience until the war ends. Uffing is occupied to the last bed, which decidedly disturbs the otherwise so country-fied impression, the cities are avoided at the time. Yesterday, Sunday, Fride came for tea, is well, under the circumstances. Hilde is currently living with her husband in Amsterdam. Hedda, who has become a fine wood-carver, lives there, too; has become a Dutch citizen, which I don't understand.

All our friends ask about you. If good wishes could help, it would be fine for you.

Your fond old Mother

s/ Katherine Hanfstaengl

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