

Date of Report: 8 March 1967

Subject: Training of Heine and Tammark in Soviet Union.

Source: Jaan Jaagund - former major in Estonian Army, about 65-70 years old.

Jaagund met on New Year Eve's party in Chicago the chairman of Chicago Estonian Association Johan Raudruut, who is a former police officer from Estonia and the police prefect for Viljandi during the German occupation.

Raudruut told Jaagund that he had a conversation with Ants Eskola who was visiting his children early 1965 in Chicago. (Comment: Actually the visit took place in 1966). Eskola is from Tallinn, Soviet Estonia. Eskola told Raudruut that some time somewhere in Soviet Union Heine and Tammark joined his acting group and received training in cavalier behavior and other social graces including dancing. After completing the course the two were sent to free world and Eskola returned to Tallinn where he returned to stage as an actor.

Eskola has in USA his former wife and a son and daughter from previous marriage. Wife lives in Chicago. The son lives in Washington state, operates a gas station, married with two children. The daughter lives in Chicago and is married to the son of Johan Raudruut - Juri. Juri Raudruut is about 30 and works as a painter. This is his second marriage and they have three children. His former marriage to a French girl ended in divorce.

From a former actor Paul Tammeveski Jaagund heard the following: Ants Eskola had a family friendship prior to 1940 with an Englishman named McKibbin who was in the service of British Intelligence. Soon after Soviet occupation in 1940 Eskola was arrested and taken into Russia. When the Soviets and British became allies in 1941, Eskola was released and found employment in Russia as an actor and singer belonging to a stage troupe. Eskola is remarried and has a wife in Tallinn. During his stay in Chicago he also paid a short visit to Tammeveski.

Source: Estonian newspaper "Teataja" (The Announcer) 3 Dec. 1966, published in Sweden.

In an obituary "One of the Best Friends of Estonia" the former ambassador of Estonian Republic to Sweden H. Laretei describes his co-operation with Mr. McKibbin in Sweden during the war. Mr. McKibbin directed British intelligence operations against the Germans in Baltic area and is credited with providing information which lead to sinking of several ships.

Comment: There have been strong rumors about the co-operation of British and Soviet intelligence during the war to the effect that information provided to the British by Estonian resistance movement was transferred to the Soviets.

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Subject: A. Viirlaid's books on Heine

Source: Toronto Estonian newspaper "Free Estonian" 22 Feb. 1967

In an interview with visiting actor Aario Marist the latter mentions that he has received a letter from A. Viirlaid to the effect that the rights for any transaction with the books about Heine have been transferred to Heine's attorneys. The lawyers do not intend to do anything with the books until the end of the court proceedings in the USA higher court. Marist had previously translated into French Viirlaid's novel "Graves Without Crosses", had been working on the French translation of the first book about Heine and even negotiated with two publishing firms in France.

Comment: Marist is about 60 and has lived in France since 1927. His profession is acting as a "one man Theater". He intends to move to USA. Claims to know DeGaulle and visited Gov. Romney whose sons he met in France.