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CDU-U. S. 'UNHOLY ALLIANCE' IN W. BERLIN

Berlin, ADN, in German Hellschreiber to East Germany, Sept. 19, 1957,
0809 GMT--L

(BERLINER ZEITUNG Editorial: "Power Intoxication")

(Summary) Adenauer's CDU follows up its election victory with the preparation of a serious blow against the SPD. As a battleground the CDU has chosen the NATO front-line city of West Berlin where the SPD's readiness to form a coalition has given the CDU great self-confidence. In connection with the problem of electing a new West Berlin mayor, the CDU has had the impudence to interfere openly in the inner party affairs of the SPD. "Adenauer feels that the time has come to politically emasculate the SPD." Thus, although it is obviously the sole concern of the SPD to decide about the succession to the late Dr. Suhr, the CDU insists that the mayoralty candidate be chosen by a majority of the West German SPD congress, and the CDU even demands that a certain person be selected, --Brandt, president of the West Berlin parliament.

"The broad masses of West Berlin voters feel that this CDU attempt to dictate to the SPD is designed to destroy the last remnants of democracy in West Berlin." In these circumstances the West Berlin SPD must, in order to preserve its independence as a party, put an end to the coalition with the CDU forthwith.

It is significant that Miss Dulles, U. S. expert on Berlin affairs, has suddenly put in an appearance in West Berlin. She always turns up when an attempt is made to coerce the SPD into obedience. All this means that an unholy alliance between the CDU and the Americans is now engaged in handing over West Berlin to Adenauer and his concept of totalitarian power.

U. S. AGENT GROUPS WILL BE ANNIHILATED

Berlin, Deutschlandsender, in German to East and West Germany, Sept. 19, 1957, 1842 GMT--L

(Commentary by Karl Eduard von Schnitzler)

(Excerpts) Yesterday, Herr Dr. Alfred Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach arrived in Montreal, Canada, to negotiate about the possibilities for iron ore mining in the Quebec region. For one hour Canadian workers demonstrated in front of his hotel. They carried streamers with the legend "Back to Nuremberg," "War Criminal," Krupp, the Enslaver," and so forth. Rather unpleasant, for Canada is, after all, a NATO member which is trying so hard to whitewash the present representatives of the Federal Republic.

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It is, of course, difficult to make war criminals seem fit to appear in drawing rooms. Actually, it is possible to make them fit to appear in the drawing rooms of the upper ten thousands where German's war criminals are respected, but to succeed in making simple people in all countries believe that Krupp and his scum are honorable men and good allies is almost impossible. This is particularly true since those gentlemen do not themselves contribute toward improving their bad reputation.

Nor can they. They cling to their old plans. They let loose their responsible representatives, their chancellors, their ministers, party leaders, and journalists on the population so as to capture public opinion. Talking about disarmament, they steer their course toward rearmament. They say defense and they mean attack; they say unification and they mean division; they say security and they mean insecurity.

Sometimes they even speak the truth. Especially in the heat of the election campaign they let slip this admission: Liberation of the eastern zone, for instance; somebody else demands: Warsaw, Prague, and Budapest must be liberated. The third wants to rub out the Soviet Union. In short, we find the old people and the old plans and the old methods. And a straight line leads from the crimes committed by the Krupp family in the past, and planned by the Krupp family for the future, toward the Scharnhorststrasse where four men and one woman were proved before the Supreme Court of the GDR to have committed the most grave crimes.

Krupp and the crimes of which he and his like were reminded yesterday in Canada are not meant as cumbersome introduction to a commentary about this trial. The purpose is rather to put the crimes in proper context.

It might be said that these defendants are small fry who wanted to earn a few marks by their work for the U. S. secret service. Or perhaps it might be said that one should not make such a fuss about it. Perhaps one or two of these people were really not aware of the actual importance of their crimes. What, counts, however, are the facts. Are all these crimes really worth a trial before the Supreme Court and do they deserve such harsh punishment?

Such events cannot be properly evaluated unless they are placed in proper context. It is a proven fact that the U. S. War Department, being the supreme NATO authority, is maintaining through its secret services, the CIC and MID, a large number of organizations such as the "Group Walter" (word indistinct) which under the direction of U. S. Captain William von Walter, the son of the owner of a large estate near Potsdam, an emigrant and naturalized American, worked from West Berlin against the GDR and was smashed by the organs of our state security forces.

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The chiefs of main divisions and chief agents "kept" by these authorities were undoubtedly poorly paid and badly treated, but they are not small fry who can claim our leniency, let alone pity. Their dirty work in the service of the U. S. secret services directly serves the preparation of war. The NATO general staff needs their information for the drawing up of its aggressive plans. Their preparations for actual war will come into force once the sudden attack has started. Their measures, the kindling of dissatisfaction, the organizing of gangs, the provision of arms, ammunition and radios for these gangs are designed to serve the purpose of bringing about a war.

A warlike conflagration in central Europe, however, means atomic war. Even the smallest item of military espionage is therefore a crime against peace deserving of the harshest punishment.

But where does the name Krupp come in? In this context Krupp's name only stands for men of his kind. We might just as well have said Mannesmann, Flick, Siemens, I. G. Farben or Stines. It is in their interests, like that of their American friends, to make money out of armaments. This is what Krupp, NATO, Washington, and Bonn want. This is the aim of CIC and MID, and he who lends himself to their purposes will be annihilated.

The hundreds of agents' organizations in West Germany and West Berlin could not exist if they were not tolerated and supported by the Federal Government. Konrad Adenauer believes that the election results have furthered his cause, but he is mistaken. The verdict of guilty inflicted on his outriders by the Supreme Court of the GDR gives the lie to his hopes. The "group Walter" no longer exists. There are still other groups, including the "group Adenauer" and the "group Krupp." They will be no more successful than "Walter's men." One day the law court and a just verdict will catch up with them too.