



than 10 years. I mentioned ~~AHRENS~~, ~~MUELLER~~, ~~WALTER~~, ~~van der WAL~~, ~~PIEPE~~ and ~~KUEHNE~~ and gave their addresses. Regarding the latter two, SCHREIEDER claimed that he had "never heard of them" (sic). When I mentioned the others, though, SCHREIEDER became fairly enthusiastic and stated that he was very willing to help us out for the good of the cause (Im Interesse der guten Sache). After he had fortified himself with an American cigarette and a cup of Stadthaus coffee (which he said he had enjoyed on many previous occasions), he mentioned (Kriminalkommissar) MUNT, now living in Hamburg and formerly working in the Referat Communist Party as one of the men who should be interviewed on this problem. As a second prospect he mentioned (Kriminalrat) HARDSERS, formerly working in the Referat "General Resistance" (Allgemeiner Widerstand). Then, since I had brought up van der WAL, he mentioned one KNOLLE who had worked together with van der WAL. SCHREIEDER then said that he thought he could also contact MUELLER, AHRENS and FAHRENHOLZ.

5. Regarding WALTHER, SCHREIEDER mused that WALTHER might well be living still in Amsterdam inasmuch as WALTHER had been permitted to retire in 1943 in Holland after marrying a Jewish woman. When I brought up Ernst MAY in Lindau, SCHREIEDER at first brushed him aside saying, "He knows nothing"! At the end of our conversation, SCHREIEDER said, on the other hand, that he would check with MAY after the others since it was not far to Lindau and MAY also made occasional trips to Munich.

6. The more we talked about his wartime associates, the more SCHREIEDER warmed to the idea of looking them up and sounding them out in this matter. He repeated several times that he, rather than I or some other American, should make contact with these people; that he was able to ask them in confidence; that they, after all, knew him and trusted him; and also that he knew them well enough, on the other hand, to evaluate their information and detect any lies they might try to palm off on him. We worked over this aspect for a full ten minutes with many knowing sly winks and grins, etc. I enthusiastically agreed that SCHREIEDER was the man to contact these people and said that, provided his superiors agreed, we would very much like him to do so. He suggested that I should contact his chief--RIEDMAYR, presumably--through @ MERTENS, "or the superiors of @ MERTENS," and ask that SCHREIEDER be permitted to extend his next business trip to Cologne on 28 June by some eight days so he could look up his former associates. He added that he would gladly furnish us with a report on each of his interviews, together with his own comments and evaluation of the information. I reiterated how pleased we would be with such a trip and stated that as a matter of course we would be very glad to meet his expenses on this. SCHREIEDER replied by saying that this certainly in his opinion would remove any reservations which his superior might entertain against this trip.

7. The conversation then got back to SCHREIEDER's wartime days in Holland. He said he would try to rack his brains for additional information and also consult his old diary which the Dutch authorities had permitted him to keep and take to Germany. The first (and only) name that popped into his mind, he said, when he learned what we wanted was that of LASZLO. LASZLO, SCHREIEDER explained, had been a Hungarian member of a harbor Communist resistance group in Amsterdam whom the

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Germans had arrested and doubled. An ambitious young German or Dutch officer working for the Germans wanted IASZLO to keep a rendezvous with another resistance member in an Amsterdam restaurant. SCHREIENDER said he had suggested the use of his surveillance team, but that the officer involved wanted to carry out the job all by himself. As a result, IASZLO managed to hold his "meeting" and then to elude his surveillor. Since, to the best of SCHREIENDER's knowledge, he was never recaptured, SCHREIENDER speculated he possibly might still be in place.

8. SCHREIENDER then gave me a searching glance and asked, "How are your relations with the Dutch police?" I replied that I assumed our relations were satisfactory, but that since I was working in Munich--as he well knew--I was, of course, unfamiliar with the situation in Holland. However, I assured SCHREIENDER that if he would turn up any promising leads, I would be able to summon a colleague familiar with the Dutch situation with whom he could then discuss all the details. He agreed that this was a sensible arrangement.

9. After several repetitious expressions of mutual satisfaction and esteem, we said good-by and I left the "Stadthaus" ahead of SCHREIENDER.

## 10. Personal Description of SCHREIENDER:

Approximately 50 years old; 5'7" tall; 175 lbs.; a little corpulent; ruddy complexion; dark eyes; wears glasses; balding, greyish-brown wisps of hair; speaks with Bavarian accent; dresses a little shabbily and sloppily in comfortable fashion of some Bavarian officials; shrewd police-type; appeared to be ambitious and vain, profoundly convinced of his own professional skill.

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