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Justice Department Gets Eisler Case

Justice Department officials today promised immediate study of a House Un-American Activities sub-committee request for prosecution and deportation of Hanns Eisler, German-born Hollywood songwriter.

The request of the sub-committee was scheduled to reach Atty. Gen. Tom C. Clark officially later today.

CHARGES PERJURY

The committee, after hearing Eisler and former State Department attaches, alleged yesterday that the 54-year-old musician had "perjured his way in and out of the United States at will, going to Soviet Russia and other countries whenever he pleased."

Hanns is a brother of Gerhart Eisler, previously named by the FBI as No. 1 Communist agent in this country. Gerhart currently is under conviction for passport fraud and contempt of Congress, and is free on bond pending an appeal of the passport case.

At the close of the Congressional hearing, Chairman J. Parnell Thomas (R., N. J.) issued a statement that said in part:

"The committee has shown beyond doubt that Hanns Eisler was not only a 'mere' member of the Communist party as he testified, but that he has been an international Communist figure of extreme importance to the Soviet Union for many years."

NO MENTION OF MRS. F. D. R.

No specific mention of Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was made in the committee's statement. The former First Lady's name had been brought into the testimony when two notes to former Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles concerning Eisler were introduced as evidence.

In these notes, Mrs. Roosevelt asked Mr. Welles to bring the Eisler visa case "out in the open" and give him and his wife a chance to defend themselves.

HANNS EISLER

The committee said it did not mean to imply that Mr. Welles or any other State Department officials involved in the case had "pro-Communist sympathies." But it added:

"The committee is definitely of the opinion that thru the influence and pressure exerted by certain prominent people, efforts were made to manipulate the immigration laws to such an extent that in the final analysis the principal point at issue—that is to say Communism—was entirely overlooked."

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