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SEEBAUER, Georg

Nationality: German

Address: Berlin Zehlendorf, Leuchtenburgstrasse 30

Positions: Head of Produktionsamt für Verbrauchsgüter (Division of Consumer's Goods Production) - since November 1944 reorganized as Production Board - of the Reich Ministry of Armament and War Production,

Sonderbeauftragter für Energieeinsparung (Special Commissioner for Power Conservation) and Leiter der Energiestelle beim Chef des Rüstungslieferungsamts (Head of the Power Supply Office attached to the Office of Armaments Supply) of the Reich Ministry of Armament and War Production. (1943),

Head of the Reichsausschuss für Leistungssteigerung (Reich Commission for Increase of Efficiency, etc.

Wehrwirtschaftsführer,

Member of the Board of Directors of Bayernwerk AG, Bayerische Wasserkraft AG and other electric power works.

Date and place: 27 May 1897, Munich.

Education: Seebauer attended school in Augsburg until 1914, served in the army in World War I and subsequently joined the Freikorps Epp (Free Corps) in Munich. He attended the Technische Hochschule in Munich, graduating as Diplom-Ingenieur (Certified Engineer).

Personal and Political History: Before becoming a fullfledged Nazi Party member, Seebauer in the early twenties belonged to such extreme nationalistic organizations as the Freikorps Epp (see above), the Deutsch-Völkischer Schutz-und Trutzbund, and the Kampfbund Deutscher Architekten und Ingenieure. In 1932 he was placed in charge of one of the subdivisions of the Central Political Office of the NSDAP in Munich (Stabsleiter des Unterkommando II B des Politischen Zentral Kommandos der NSDAP).

After Hitler came to power, and particularly since the outbreak of World War II, Seebauer received important posts in the Nazi administration of German business. In 1934 he was appointed Head of the Amt für Technik (Technical Office) of the NSDAP, now headed by Speer. When the Nazis began to

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prepare for war, making every effort to expand production of armaments and vital war materials, Seebauer was appointed head of the Reichsausschuss für Leistungssteigerung (Reich Commission for the Increase of Efficiency), and of the Reichskuratorium für Wirtschaftlichkeit (Reich Association for the Rationalization of Industry), an organization established in the twenties to promote efficiency in industrial production, which was adapted by the Nazis for their purposes. He became a member of the Verberat der Deutschen Wirtschaft, which since 1933 controls all German advertising, private and public, all exhibits, fairs, etc., and in addition is supposed to promote the sale of German products abroad.

After the outbreak of the present war, Seebauer was appointed to increasingly important posts in the Reich Ministry of Armament and War Production under Speer. First he served as Sonderbeauftragter für Energieeinsparung (Special Commissioner for Power Conservation) and head of the Energiestelle beim Chef des Rüstungslieferungsamts (Power Supply Office attached to the Office of Armament Supply). In 1943 (?) he was promoted to the position of head of the Produktionsamt für Verbrauchsgüter (Division of Consumers' Goods Production). In this capacity, Seebauer controls all industries manufacturing consumer goods, coordinating their operations with the requirements of war production. In November of 1944 the Reich Ministry of Armaments and War Production was reorganized. The Division of Consumers Goods Supply was transformed into the Production Board, and its powers were enlarged by the addition of controls heretofore exercised by the Rüstungslieferungsamt and other Divisions which were either liquidated or subordinated to the Production Board, the Raw Materials Board and the Technical Board, which are now the three top offices of the Ministry. Seebauer remained as head of the Production Board.

At the same time that Seebauer became one of the powerful figures directing the German economy through administrative controls, he acquired extensive interests in the electric power industry. He is a member of the Board of Directors of a considerable number of power works, particularly in Bavaria. Following is a list as of 1943:

AG für Licht und Kraftversorgung, München,  
Bayrische Wasserkraftwerke AG,  
Bayernwerk AG, München,  
Fränkische Licht und Kraftversorgungs AG, Bamberg,  
Gross-Kraftwerk Franken AG, Nürnberg,  
Lech-Elektrizitätswerke AG, Augsburg,  
Mittlere Isar AG, München,

Nordwestdeutsche Kraftwerke AG, Hamburg,  
Oberpfalzwerke AG, Augsburg,  
Rhein-Main-Donau AG, München,  
Überlandwerk Oberfranken AG, Hamburg,  
Walchenseewerk AG, München,

Seebauer received the title of Wehrwirtschaftsführer, which is granted to keymen in the Nazi economy who are in excellent standing with the Nazi party.

Summary:

As keyman in the Bavarian electric power industry, and by virtue of his position as head of the Production Board of the Reich Ministry of Armament and War Production, Seebauer plays a large part in formulating and executing Nazi economic policies.

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