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Ferenc Gondor, 'Az Ember' Editor

Ferenc Gondor, sixty-eight, for more than thirty-five years the editor and publisher of "Az Ember" (The Man), a Hungarian-language weekly, died Tuesday in Lexington Hospital, 135 E. 55th St. He lived and conducted his editorial work at 320 E. 79th St.

Mr. Gondor established the newspaper in 1918 in Budapest. He came to the United States in 1926 and the paper has been published in New York since that time. In Hungary it opposed the rule of the Communists and when Bela Kun came into power it moved to Vienna to continue its fight.

Just as he had battled the Communists, he returned to fight their successors, the Fascists, headed by Adm. Nicholas Horthy. Mr. Gondor had been smuggled to Vienna by way of a railroad cattle car, and not long after he returned to Budapest, he had to be smuggled out again to escape Adm. Horthy's Fascists. Finally he moved to New York to conduct his crusade.

Here he won the admiration of a number of public figures for his work against both the radical right and the radical left persuasions in politics.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ibolya Gondor; a daughter, Mrs. Terry Giles, and two grandchildren.

