

Bátor Viktor dr.

Lorenz, Gabriel: The two movements for
free Hungary in the U.S.
(Jan. 30, 1942.)

"There is Victor Bator, chief legal advisor to the Commercial Bank of Budapest, one of H's leading banks, and legal representative of the Manfred Weiss munition enterprises in Hungary. (He is said to be a son in law of Weiss.) (Note: A check up shows this is untrue. Also Bator claims that he has been deprived of power of attorney - just as E. was "expatriated" Certainly fair material for investigation.) However since these (the munition factories) have been nationalized, Bator is actually in the services of the Hungarian Government.

Bator is now in the U.S. and it is generally known that he places considerable sums at the disposal of Eckhardt. (Heavy gambling has always kept E. in financial straits. He was heavily in debt even after the Gömbös Government paid him \$12,000 (60,000 pengos) when they sent him to Geneva.)

Bator's contributions to E. can be made only with the approval of the Hungarian Government. Bator must therefore be regarded as a possible link between E. and the government which expatriated him. It is certainly pertinent whether this expatriation is genuine. 4