

Questions to Goering re Schacht

Did you first meet Schacht when he accepted an invitation of von Strauss of the Deutsche Bank for the purpose of meeting you? At this meeting, were the German and financial situation and economic difficulties discussed? Interr. of S, p. 58

On Jan. 5, 1931, did Schacht meet Hitler at your house? And did Hitler elaborate on his national Socialist program at this meeting? (interr. of S, pg. 58) And would you say that Schacht was impressed by Hitler as being a man with whom one could cooperate as a result of this meeting? Interr. p. 24

Did you hear Schacht, in a speech on reparations of the Versailles treaty, praise Hitler?

At a meeting at your house, at which Hitler spoke to all the prominent industrialists and bankers, did Schacht organize the financial means for the decisive March 1933 election? Did Schacht take up the collection of several million marks as a campaign fund? (Interr. of S, p.28- statement of Funk, June 28, 1945, state. of Schnitzer)

Would you say that Schacht helped create a powerful armed force for Hitler in order to make Germany strong enough to keep the Powers from interfering with Hitlers policies? (Interr of S. p. 71-2) This being true, did Schacht create the Wermacht that enabled Hitler to acquire Austria? (speech to employees of Austrian National Bank of Vienna, March 21, 1938)

Was Schacht told of the letter you received from Blomberg Aug.21,1936, to the effect that all formations of the air force were to be ready by April 1, 1937? (1301 PS, #7)

Was Schachts participation in the armament voluntary, his purpose being to have as large an armament as possible? (EC 417)

Was Schacht instrumental in secretly financing the rearmament program even before Hitlers public announcement of German rearmament on March 16, 1935? (Interr. of Goering, p.1, of Blomberg, p.2)

Did you receive a letter from Schacht April 2, 1937, suggesting a temporary diminution of armaments to increase reserves of foreign assets for a later resumption of full scale armament? Was the emphasis of this letter on the temporary postponement in order to ultimately gain stronger armaments and a better trained army and technical improvements? (EC 286)

Did Schacht, as pres. of the Reichsbank, participate in the secret rearmament to the extent of 12 million so called mefo bills. Were these bills(used solely for financing armaments) Schachts suggestion? (affad. of Puhl,Nov.2, 1945) Mefo bills-p.16,17,18 of brief

What were the various tasks of the General Plenipotentiary for the War Economy, the title given to Schacht by Hitler May 21, 1935?

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What were his activities? (p. 29 of brief)

Were you not appointed as delegate for the Four Year Plan in Sept 1936? (Interr. of G. p. 9) And did you not take the view that your position superseded Schacht's and that Schacht should now come under your orders? (Interr. of S. p. 9)

This being so, was there a jurisdictional dispute between yourself and Schacht? (Infra Sec. VII) the result of which Schacht notified Blomberg that he was not acting for the time being? Were Schacht's duties considered so important that Blomberg wrote to Hitler speaking of Schacht's cooperation as being of utmost significance and Keitel urged that there be an agreement between yourself and Schacht? (EC 248- Keitel to Koerner June 14 1937)

Was there, by decision of Hitler, an agreement in writing between yourself and Schacht in which Schacht was recognized as "a highest Reich authority"?

Did you both sign it? (EC 384 and 251) p. 32 and 33 of brief

Did the Reichsbank, under Schacht, continue to be an important instrument for Hitler's rearmament program till Jan. 1939? 41 of brief