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### Abstract:

This article represents the small line of translation of poems by the wonderful German writer, publicist, screenwriter, and cabaret poet, Erich Kästner. The translation of this collection of poems will be carried out thanks to the work of one of our editor Dr. Dragos Caracevici from German into Romanian. The second poem is entitled "Lob der Volksvertreter" and can be heard in German by following the link to the YouTube Chanel of Ralph Mr. Light with the interpretation of Ulrich Gebauer. Dragoș is Lecturer at the German Studies Department of the „Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University from Iași, Romania, and Ph.D. of the same university and of Université de Genève, Switzerland, with a thesis on Friedrich Dürrenmatt's adaptations and stagings (2011). He works in the field of German and Swiss Studies as well as in the field of literary translations and Theatre Studies. He is also one of the editors of "Acta lassyensia Comparationis", a Romania-based international journal for Comparative Literature. The picture on the cover: ©Erich Kästner Gymnasium

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k8AwD-vTB50>



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## Lob der Volksvertreter

Man hält sie, wenn sie schweigen, für Gelehrte. Nur ist das Schweigen gar nicht ihre Art. Sie haben vor der Brust Apostelbärte und auf den Eisenbahnen freie Fahrt.

Ihr seht sie eilends in den Reichstag schreiten. Das Wohl des Volkes fördert ihren Gang. Und würdet Ihr sie noch ein Stück begleiten, dann merktet Ihr: sie gehn ins Restaurant.

Sie fürchten Spott, sonst nichts auf dieser Welt! Und wenn sie etwas tun, dann sind es Fehler. Es ist, zum Glück, nicht alles Hund, was bellt. Sie fürchten nur die Wahl und nicht die Wähler.

Ihr Leben währet zirka siebzig Jahre, und wenn es hochkommt —. Doch das tut es nie!  
Das Volk steht auf vor jedem grauen Haare. Das Volk steht immer auf! Das wissen sie.

## Laudă reprezentanților poporului

Când tac îi luăm drept luminați.  
Doar că tăcuți nu sunt de fel.  
Au bărbi de-apostoli lungi de-un  
braț  
și gratis patul la hotel.

Îi vezi mergând spre parlament să ne slujească-n mod concret.  
De i-ai petrece mai atent,  
ai observa: merg la bufet.

Se tem grozav de zeflemea,  
iar faptele le sunt erori.  
Și le e frică, tot aşa,  
de-alegeri, nu de-alegători.

La șaptezeci de ani abdică,  
iar când să plece – stai, dar cum?!  
De ești cărunt, poporul se ridică.  
Poporul se ridică-oricum!