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Police Lieut. Member of 'Christian Front'

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**Valentine, However Says
'Front' Charge Will Not
Be Pressed; He 'Quit'**

Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine admitted yesterday that a Police Department inquiry was being made into the charge that Lieutenant Thomas A. Cavanaugh was a member of the anti-Communist Christian Front.

Cavanaugh, already under charges in the Brooklyn bail bond racket, was said to have actively solicited policemen under his command to enroll in the terrorist organization.

Valentine said that no charges on the Christian Front matter would be brought against Cavanaugh. The lieutenant is said to have "resigned" recently from the anti-Semitic organization.

Meanwhile federal agents followed up the arrest of the 17 who are already under arrest with an investigation which is to include the entire anti-labor organization.

More arrests were predicted in Brooklyn, and evidence against the followers of Father Coughlin in other cities was being sought.

It was learned that federal agents have had the organization in Boston and Philadelphia under scrutiny since October.

Gov. Lehman ordered an inquiry into the possibility that many more members of the National Guard may be members of the terror organization.

On Monday the 17 arrested terrorists pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiring to overthrow the United States government and were held in \$50,000 bail each. None of them has yet raised the bail.

Among the "objectives" of the band were to be bombings of The Daily Worker, the Jewish Daily Forward and the Sameo Theatre, West 4th Street.