

PLOT LEADER'S HOME YIELDS AMMUNITION

G-Men Raid Christian Front Chief's House

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 (C.T.P.S.). G-men found 450 rounds of ammunition and a machine gun belt in the home of William Gerald Bishop, arrested Christian Front leader, United States Attorney Harold M. Kennedy announced today. He said the cartridges were seized Wednesday.

Agents questioned other residents of the brownstone house on East Thirty-sixth St., Kennedy declared, and were satisfied that only Bishop was implicated in the possession of the ammunition.

\$50,000 Bail

Bishop pleaded not guilty to a plot-conspiracy charge on Monday, after previous arms seizures by G-men, and is being held in \$50,000 bail.

Kennedy's announcement followed the action of a group of clergymen and educators, who asked that Father Charles E. Coughlin's possible connection with the plot be investigated.

Headed by Prof. Harold C. Urey, Columbia University chemist, they dispatched a telegram to the Department of Justice in Washington.

Along with the telegram, went a four-page summary of speeches and articles in Father Coughlin's magazine, Social Justice, which Prof. Urey and his group interpreted as proof of a link between the Christian Front and Father Coughlin's Union for Social Justice.

Coughlin's Threat

Father Coughlin's "threat in a radio speech to use the 'Franco way' if necessary, seems to us an incitement to the sort of seditious conspiracy for which 17 men, including John F. Cassidy, are under arrest. We are convinced that the 17 members of the Christian Front could not have undertaken their fantastic program without financial and moral support from higher-ups," the clergymen wired.

The message "respectfully suggested a careful check along this line of inquiry" saying that "it appears to have been in response to Father Coughlin's call for the formation of 'platoons' that the Christian Front was formed."

Meanwhile, in Supreme Court, Manhattan, Justice Louis A. Valente dismissed an action brought by the Christian Mobilizers, another "Front" organization, to restrain the Federal Government from prosecuting members on passport, income-tax, or other charges.