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Says 'Front' ³ Plotted to Bomb Daily Worker

FBI Agent Tells Jury of Overhearing Plot in Home of Spy

Peter J. Wacks, FBI agent, yesterday told the jury sitting in the trial of 16 "Christian Front" members that he heard the defendants plotting to bomb the Daily Worker.

Wacks described a meeting of the conspirators' so-called "action committee" at the home of Denis A. Healy, the government's star witness, last Nov. 13. He and another special agent, Wacks said, heard the discussion by means of a listening device in the Healy home.

He quoted William Gerald Bishop, one of the alleged leaders of the plot, as saying the action committee had 800,000 members throughout the country.

"This minority group can do a lot of harm in the United States in the event this country enters the war," he quoted Bishop as saying. "The group could carry out sabotage and we might as well be killed here rather than in a war arranged by international Jewish bankers."

Wacks described other meetings at which, he said, Bishop gave instructions in the making of tin-can bombs with which "to blow some windows in."

The agent said he and a colleague also visited a rifle range near Narrowsburg, N. Y., at which members of the group, directed by Bishop, practiced marksmanship and military skirmish maneuvers.

On this occasion, Wacks said, the group greeted John F. Cassidy, another alleged leader, with "a salute similar to the Nazi salute."

On another occasion at the Healy home, Wacks testified, he heard defendant John A. Viebrock say that Bishop had more than 10,000 rounds of ammunition and refer to other ammunition which defendants Capt. John T. Prout, Jr., and Bishop had obtained from the National Guard armory with which Prout was connected.

Wacks then described discussions he said he had heard of plans for the bombing of the Daily Worker.