

Dilling's Anti-Semitic Insults

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WASHINGTON, July 20. Elizabeth Dilling's anti-Semitic tirade at the trial of an Army major whom she judged to be Jewish caused indignant comment among observers at the Nazi plot trial yesterday.

The author of the Red Network cracked out an anti-Semitic remark as she saw the officer entering the court with a major's oak leaf shining on his uniform. When the major protested the shrill-voiced defendant began abusing him as a Jew. The tirade lasted till a marshal told her to go inside.

Mrs. Dilling, who is accused of attempting to undermine Army morale in a Nazi conspiracy, pours out her hatred of the Jews on listeners daily. Using a pseudo-Jewish accent, she mimics labor speeches on the courthouse steps during recess and she tells people that Hitler had taken Germany from the Jews and given it back to the Germans.

She even tried to sell that poisonous lie to the reporters.

This is the second time that uniformed Army officers have been insulted by anti-Semites during this

trial. Only recently defense attorney Koehne called an Army lieutenant "a dirty, g-d d---d kike," and said, "I'd like to strip your uniform off." All this at the top of his voice in the courtroom during a recess.

Meanwhile, testimony of an overt act by a defendant to undermine the morale of a soldier at Fort McClellan, Ala., highlighted the evidence given by William Luedtke, former national secretary of the German-American Bund.

Luedtke identified a signed receipt sent Pvt. Edward J. Powers of Company [redacted] Infantry, for a \$1 four months' subscription to the bund's organ, the Deutscher Weckruf und Beobachter, dated July, 1941.

In the following four months the bund bombarded Private Powers with papers predicting America's defeat at Germany's hands and attacks on the war against Hitler as a "Jewish" plot.

The bund paper, edited by a defendant, August Klapprott, carried anti-war articles by defendants such as Charles B. Hudson, Ellis O. Jones, Joseph McWilliams.