

"Several months ago, in the course of our investigation of Nazis and Nazi sympathizers, our committee ascertained that a clique of German Nazis were employed in highly-strategic positions" in a factory which had produced a plane that crashed, Dies disclosed. This plane was "probably" sabotaged, he stated. He made no mention of the time, the location or identity of the plant or the names of the Nazis who presumably did the wrecking.

Actually, the Dies committee was fully informed of real sabotage in west-coast airplane factories beginning on January 28, 1939. In May 1939 further and more complete details were laid before the committee. This data included names of employes, location of factories, specific incidents of sabotage and technical descriptions of means and effects. During all this time the committee did nothing. And during this time the same saboteurs had the run of ~~the~~ ^a half-dozen key factories.

~~The F.B.I., also presented with the facts, likewise took no action.~~

The reason for this ~~suppression~~ suppression is simple. Trade unions under the direction of Harry Bridges had collected the proofs. It is the Dies line that Bridges is bent upon overthrowing the government. Were Bridges credited with the detection of real sabotage the case against him would collapse.

Just a few hours before the crash of the Douglas plane secretly carrying a French military observer about ²⁰ ~~12~~ months ago - a sensation at the time and apparently the crack-up Dies referred to in his speech- Bridges wired his charges of Nazi activity to President Roosevelt. ~~This~~

This is not an exceptional case. Dies began hearings on August 12, 1938 with a smash-bang expose of Nazi and Bund activities - retailed from the pages of the Chicago Daily Times. Many exhibits were produced, but they were not printed in the public record. They were "filed" with the committee. Ever since Dies has consistently employed this device, of filing rather than print-

ing in full documentary evidence about Nazis and Fascists, native and foreign.

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However, 19 days after Dies' first hearing, his investigator, John C. Metcalfe, met with a Nazi agent in Chicago. To produce this Nazi agent before the committee for a thorough public airing of his record Metcalfe need only have served a subpoena and brought him directly to Washington.

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 committee's printed record, shadow-boxed with them, rehashed old stuff, most
 of which had been made public previously, and then proceeded to dismiss them
 as racketeers. More often than not he was a sounding board for their vicious
 propaganda. ^{But} While toying with ^{this} these small fry he steadfastly refused to do
 anything about the big-timers, like Father Coughlin, The Ku Klux Klan, Henry
 Ford and the Christian Front.

Yet when the Department of Justice arrested 17 Christian Front ^{STs}
~~terrorists~~ Dies rushed into the headlines with the statement that ^{their apprehension} it was
 as a result of his committee's work. He cited the committee's report as
 proof of the claim. The claim is pure ^{bunk} fraud, as suppressed testimony before the
 committee on January 31, 1940 shows.

When, pursuant to the requests of Committee Members Voorhis and Joe Starnes the author, accompanied by Gardner Jackson, with whom he collaborated in anti-fascist research, and an attorney, presented documentary evidence of a fascist revolution implicating men high in public life, ~~the~~ Congressman Voorhis professed amazement. But the Dies committee neither used this evidence nor questioned ~~any~~ witnesses about it.

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~~When Dies was criticized by President Roosevelt for his rigid procedure after publishing lists of the members of the Washington Branch of the American League for Peace and Democracy Dies promptly replied on a nationwide radio hookup~~

The committee's ~~record~~ ^{obstinate} for suppression of ^{meant} evidence is no more surprising that it's employment of native fascists as committee agents. First of several was Edward Francis Sullivan, a Nazi, who was exposed by Friday on Sullivan was paid \$3600 a year, plus expenses. When Dies was confronted with the ^(damaging case) damning evidence against Sullivan he fumed it was "a smokescreen to cloud the real issue".

Hitherto unexposed is the service rendered the committee by the ~~ill-famed~~ ^{notorious} William F. "Red" Hynes, Los Angeles cop, collaborator of the fascist Associated Farmers, speaker before ^{anti-semitic} fascist organizations, scab-herder and labor-spy purveyor. Hynes worked for the committee in July 1938. Rather than employ Hynes, Dies should have exposed his ^{relations} connections with axis espionage services, particularly Italian and Japanese, over a period of several years. ^{Italy Hynes is known as} agents beginning December 18, 1934, when the Italian vice-consul at Los Angeles went to him for help.

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Congressional immunity ~~immunity~~ protects committee members from libel and slander suits.

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~~It is his charge that Dies is releasing more frequent and his charges more sensational as the end of the year, when the life of his committee expires, approaches~~

Here is the real, ~~the~~ dangerous Dies, anti-democratic and irresponsible, storming ~~through~~ over the land unleashing ~~the~~ floods of hysteria in the hope that all obstacles to his ambitions will be swept aside. This is not the Dies of the newspaper scareheads. This is the Dies who demands ~~the revival of his committee~~ a million dollars for the revival of his committee and the underwriting of his own Fifth Column activity.