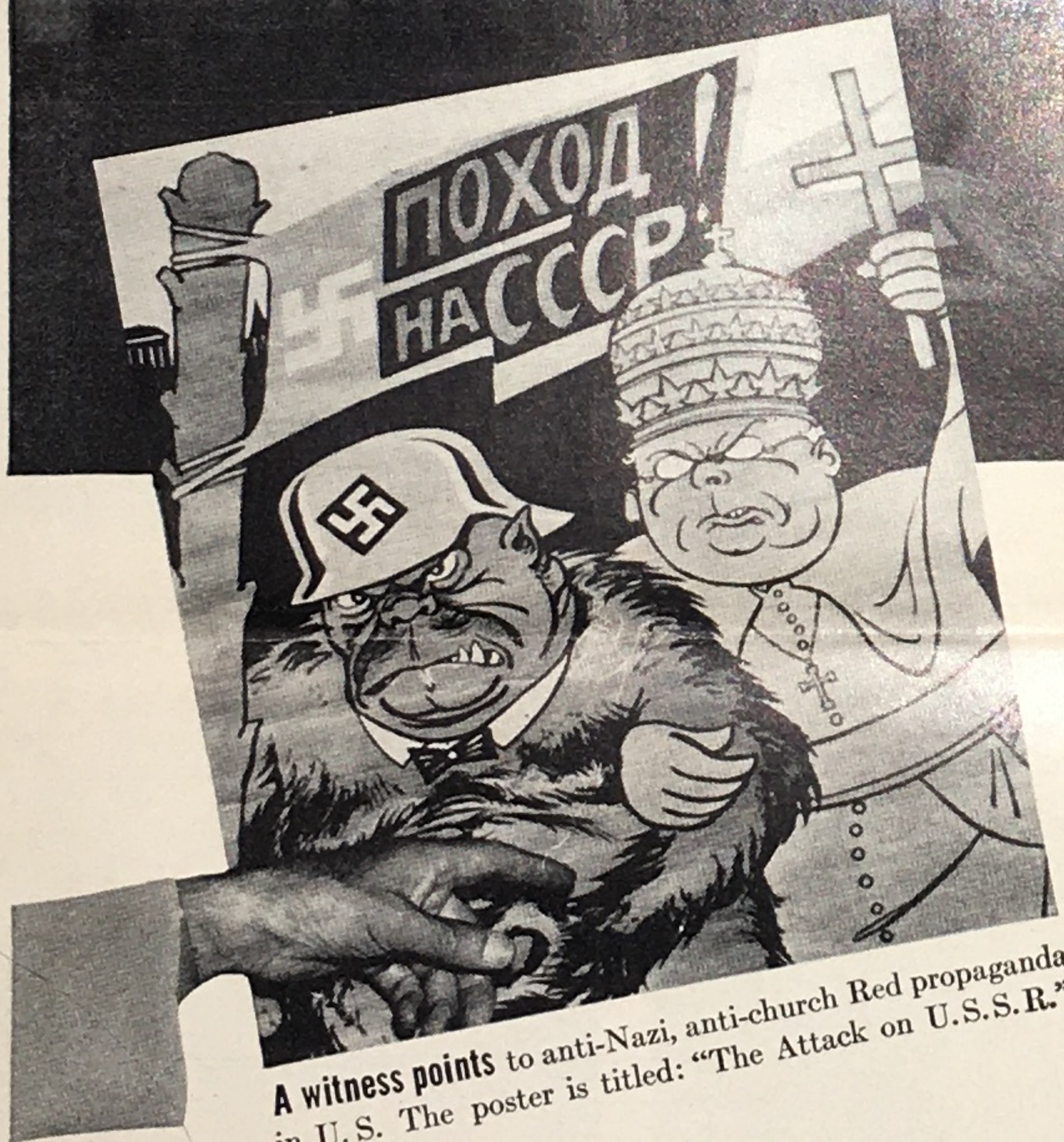


BIG, BLUFF CHAIRMAN DIES, ANTI-C.I.O. AND ANTI-COMMUNIST, LISTENS TO A WITNESS



A witness points to anti-Nazi, anti-church Red propaganda in U.S. The poster is titled: "The Attack on U.S.S.R."

## CONGRESSMAN DIES ON RED TRAIL; NEW DEALERS, MOVIE STARS ACCUSED

Since Aug. 12 the Special House Committee Investigating Un-American Activities in the United States, with Martin Dies of Texas as chairman, has been making daily, front-page headlines. On its first day of hearings in Washington, the Committee, which is delegated to investigate all evidences of Communist, Fascist and Nazi activity in America, heard testimony about the "American Nazis" (LIFE, March 29, 1937, Sept. 13, March 7). Next day it switched to Communism and stayed there.

Opening its doors to anybody who cared to come in and call anybody else a Red, the Dies Committee heard that hundreds of C.I.O. officials are Communists or their sympathizers. It heard that the C.I.O.'s Pacific Coast leader, Harry Bridges, belongs to the Communist Party under the name of "Harry Dorgan" and that a "high official" of the Labor Department is protecting him from deportation. It heard that the American League for Peace and Democracy, and most other anti-fascist, anti-war, pro-Labor and pro-civil liberties organizations of grownups and college students are dominated by Communists. It heard that Communists, putting on a false face of democracy and gloving their guiding hands, have duped such citizens as Vassar President Henry Noble MacCracken and Emporia Editor William Allen White into serving as sponsors for their organizations. It heard that eight middleweight New Deal officials belong to the Peace and Democracy League. Also drawn more or less innocently into Communist service, it heard, have been such Hollywood stars as Robert Taylor and Shirley Temple.

To see some of the Committee charges and charges, turn the page.



## A Small Sample of Red Agitation on Relief In U.S.



he said are affiliated with the U. S. Communist Party. That Party, he declared, is far stronger than its 75,000 dues-paying members would indicate, for it has no less than 6,500,000 sympathizers and spends \$10,000,000 a year, much of it "from Moscow" on propa-

ganda and general subversive activity. Questioned by committee-men, Editor Steele could not figure what more than \$1,500,000 of the \$10,000,000 went. The Communist Party professes to be chronically hard up. Its Presidential candidate polled 80,000 votes in 1936.



**American Legionnaire** Homer A. Chaillaux, Americanism director, said that America's Communist-dominated organizations are not interested in peace, democracy or fascism, but "only in hiding their Communist support."



**Congressman** Noah M. Mason of Illinois, Republican member of the Committee, charged eight New Deal officials with belonging to a league which he said is Communist-led, suggested that *Life* magazine helped the Communist cause by addressing the World Youth Congress (see p. 4) at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on Aug. 17.



**Ex-Soldier** Abraham Sobel gave the Red salute as he told how Boston Communists recruited him to fight in Spain's Loyalist Army. A deserter, he said 4,000 American Loyalist fighters are virtual prisoners in Spain.



**Newspaperman** John C. Metcalfe told how he had joined the German-American Bund under an assumed name to write an expose for the *Chicago Daily Times*. He said that 400,000 Nazi sympathizers in America are being welded into a great spy and sabotage machine to cripple the U. S. if it ever goes to war with Germany.

Hollywood is called  
"Communist hotbed"

The Dies Committee heard Hollywood called a "Hotbed of Communism." The movie stars below, for instance, were charged with sending greetings to a French Communist newspaper or joining the "Communist" League of Women Shoppers.



MIRIAM HOPKINS



CLARK GABLE



BETTE DAVIS



ROBERT TAYLOR



SHIRLEY TEMPLE

