

# Stabbed by Reds, Dies Witness Says

Maurice L. Malkin, ex-Communist organizer who testified recently before the Dies Committee on Communist spy plots in this country, charged yesterday that members of the Red party attacked him Saturday with fists and a knife in retaliation for his disclosures.

As his physician in Brooklyn bound up his wounds, Malkin told reporters a group of Communists "coming from the New Masses annual ball" saw him eating at a Greenwich Village cafeteria late Saturday, worked up their anger by insulting him, and then jumped him under the leadership of at least two persons he knew were Communist leaders. He also charged his personal keys and valuable papers were stolen.

"When I testified before the Dies Committee Oct. 13, the Congressmen promised me protection," Malkin declared. "I have a standing subpoena to testify at any time, and as such I am a Government witness. 'I'm going to complain to the Federal Bureau of Investigation tomorrow of this attack, as the Congressmen advised me.'"

### Due to Testify

Malkin stated he is scheduled to testify on the workings of a Communist ring to obtain fraudulent passports for their agents, following methods similar to those for which Nazi spies were convicted here in New York last year.

Forced to race out of the cafeteria, Malkin left his overcoat containing his wallet with \$18, his keys and important papers. He hurried to the Charles St. police station, where he refused to make a formal charge, but requested police aid in recovering his coat. When a patrolman accompanied him to the cafeteria, the coat was gone.

Once a furrier, now a writer, Malkin disclosed before the Dies Committee that he had been a member of the Red Party from 1919 to 1935.

As a result of the fur strike of 1926, Malwin was convicted of felonious assault and sent to Sing Sing for five years. He was paroled after two years. His testimony before Dies, made during a whole day on the stand, was so startling the chairman himself said he could only believe it because he had supporting testimony from other sources.

Malkin charged that Communists had built up cells in U. S. Navy yards and were transmitting secret information to the Soviet Government. He named a number of trade unions he charged were Communist-controlled, and further charged that New York police officers had accepted \$110,000 in bribes to protect Communists fighting for control of the fur trade.

After investigation, Commissioner Valentine denied the charges relating to the police and exonerated officers named by Malkin.

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