

STORY OF NAZI THREATS HOLDS 5 IN HIGH BAIL

Charges of Nazi terrorist tactics—dramatically injected into a misdemeanor hearing—resulted in the holding of five officials of Camp Siegfried, German-American settlement at Yaphank, L. I., in \$1,000 bail each yesterday.

At the arraignment, before Justice of the Peace Moses W. Drake in Bay Shore, L. I., the prisoners



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were charged with only violating the State Civil Rights Law in failing to register the names of the entire membership of their organization. They pleaded not guilty. Drake was about to parole then without bail for a continued hearing May 16, when Roy P. Monahan, National Commander of the Disabled War Veterans of America, who swore out the original warrants, objected.

Charges Threats by Mail.

"Bail should be set," he said. "I have received threatening letters through the mails. Several letters threatened that I would never be able to appear against these men."

Assistant District Attorney Lindsay R. Henry, of Suffolk County, who had concurred in the parole, expressed surprise.

"This is the first time I've heard about the threats," he said. "It puts a different light on the matter. In fact, there seems to be a lot the District Attorney does not know about this case."

Herman J. Schoenfeld, Patchogue, attorney for the prisoners, pressed Monahan for details.

"Did any of these defendants threaten you?" he demanded.

"Some of the letters were marked with the Volks Bund (Nazi organization)," replied Monahan. "I received eighteen letters yesterday."

The Assistant Prosecutor then asked for the high bail and instructed Monahan to bring the threatening letters to his office.

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The defendants, Ernst Mueller, president of the German-American Settlement League, Inc.; Addo Bielefeld, Herman Schwarzman, Henry Wolfgang and Bruno Haehnel, were late in arriving and Justice of the Peace Drake announced he would send sheriffs' deputies to arrest them. The courtroom, with Nazi and anti-Nazi sympathizers glaring at each other, was tense.

At 10:30, however, the defendants came in with their lawyer. Henry made a short speech to the spectators, declaring he would order arrests forthwith if there were any demonstrations. Bail for the five was provided by Joseph B. Schmierer of Middle Island.