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## Legion Gives Lie to Bund Attack on Jews

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The Nazi Bund was bitterly assailed for its anti-Jewish activities in a confidential document recently issued by the Cook County Council of the American Legion to all post commanders.

The attack against the German-American Bund is primarily an answer to public statements of Bund leaders, that Jews in the German army during the world war, were cowards and found positions far behind the lines.

The Nazi statement hints that a study of Jews in the American army would disclose the same fear of battle.

The Legion document, which is signed by George F. Himel, Chairman of Americanism, and approved by the Cook County commander, Joseph F. Bernhard, quotes German government statistics to show that of 80,000 Jewish soldiers in the German army, 10,000 were volunteers; 12,000 were killed in the world war; 35,000 were decorated for bravery; out of 165 Jewish flyers in actual war service, 30 were shot down.

"Incidentally," says the document, "Baron von Richthofen, recognized as Germany's great war ace, was of partial Jewish origin."

Speaking of Jews in the American army during the world war the Legion states that though the Jews were three per cent of the population, they furnished five per cent of the fighting forces; 25 per cent of the Jewish soldiers were volunteers.

The document closes with this statement:

"The Legion does not and will not stand for such a spirit of intolerance as has been displayed by the Bunds and their like. We cherish the memory of all men, who, without regard to race or creed, proved their devotion to their country by positive action throughout the entire history of our glorious country."