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The demonstration will be an orderly and peaceful one, with no violence.

The Bund has attempted to stop the demonstration by appealing to police and Sheriff Biscalluz for "protection" against "violence," but have been unsuccessful.

Officials of the German-American Bund, who called the convention, have surrounded their plans for the conclave with a show of great secrecy.

It is known, however, that Fritz Kuhn and Henry Allen will be among the chief speakers.

Kuhn is national head of the Bund. Allen heads several dummy organizations, two of which, the Militant Christian Patriots and the American League of Christian Women, will be represented at the convention.

Herman Schwinn, local head of the Bund, will take the platform to speak on "The Persecution of American Patriots."

Advertised as of "especial importance to the public," the Sunday night session, opening at 7:30 p. m., will be thrown open.

Reporters will be excluded from the hall at all other times and will not be permitted to hear what is said on such subjects as:

"Who Wants Revolution?", "Black Soviet for the South," "Will There Be a Slaughter of Gentiles in America?", "Jewish Refugees' Menace to American Workers," "California Under Bolshevist Control," "Crucifying Christ in the Churches," "America's Last Stand" and "Vigilantism?"