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500 Picket; Only 40 Come To Hear Kuhn

Demonstration for Nazi Fuehrer Proves Grand Flop

Only 40 persons turned out to hear Fritz Kuhn, fuehrer of the German-American Bund, last night at Turn Hall, 44th St. and Broadway, Astoria, while more than 500 pickets staged an anti-Nazi demonstration outside.

The pickets formed an endless chain around the building, while the street opposite the hall was lined with thousands watching the anti-Nazi demonstration.

Kuhn, Hitler agent in the United States, arrived at the hall early to avoid the picket line. He and his two aides, G. W. Kunz, national publicity agent for the fascist outfit, dressed in a powder blue Nazi uniform, and Gustave Elmer, managing director of the Bund, were downstairs at the bar together with Paula Swazman, a woman member, who was also drinking.

Guarding the entrance to the hall were a few members of the Bund, dressed in Nazi uniform.

More than 100 policemen and 20 plain clothes men were outside under the supervision of Captain John J. Donegan.

The picketing demonstration was called by the Anti-Nazi Council of Astoria, the American League for Peace and Democracy and the German-American Club. Murray Kenbert, executive secretary of the Council, was in charge of the picket line.