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Kansas City CIO Heads Fly Hitler

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Point to Fascist
Suppression of Unions
in Blocking 'Creed'

(Courtesy of the Record)
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 7.—All Kansas City affiliates of the CIO issued a joint statement denouncing Nazi membership and the public this week condemning the persecutions of minorities by Nazi Germany.

"We voice our protest against discrimination against minorities in Europe; we are mindful of discriminations practiced on union labor in America by pro-Nazi advocates such as Henry Ford, Tom Girdler and Jersey City Mayor [unclear] and the state [unclear]."

The CIO affiliates endorsed the Kansas City creed proclaiming [unclear] the mayor and other [unclear] leaders, which demanded an end to Hitler terror against Jews and Catholics.

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The statement added:

"Labor throughout the world has felt the lash of tyranny and oppression. We voice our protest against the developing forces of intolerance and hatred."

"We know that the first step in establishing a dictatorship is to break and defeat the forces of union labor. Dictators are then free to discriminate against any minority at their leisure."

"The people of America while extending a helping hand to the oppressed minorities of Europe should be mindful of the need to curb similar tendencies on the part of pro-Nazi groups to crush union labor in the United States."

The CIO statement was signed by Jack Swift, international representative of the United Automobile Workers; Allen Stiller, international representative of the United Retail and Warehouse Employees; H. H. Miller, president of UAWA Local 447; Neil Beam, CIO regional director; Hyman Reiff of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers; Gilbert E. Jewell, president UAWA Local 93; Gene Carroll, president of the CIO Industrial Council; Alex Hudson, national representative of the Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee; Walter Love, representative of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee; and Walter Williams, recording secretary of UAWA Local 249.