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Solon Brands Bund Members As Traitors

Derides Hoover, Dies For Acclaim Given by Nazi Storm Troopers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Cheers echoed through the House of Representatives today as Representative John A. Martin (D., Col.) attacked Nazis at the Bund rally in New York City Monday night as "traitors to the American government."

In what was interpreted as a slap at Martin Dies and Herbert Hoover, who were among those applauded at the Nazi rally, Martin asserted:

"I had rather my name remain forever unknown than to have it acclaimed at such a gathering."

"When I saw pictures in the press of the uniformed and swaggering minions of an un-Christian dictator marching in Madison Square Garden I had to shake myself to see if I was really awake," the Coloradan declared. "Shades of George Washington! Must such a thing be tolerated in this country in the name of freedom?"

In answer to Nazi Fritz Kuhn's claims that Washington was a Nazi at heart, Martin declared amid cheers:

"The Nazis wore the uniform of the greatest enemy in the world of everything that George Washington stood for and that America typifies, and every man who attended that meeting and sympathized with it is a traitor to the American Government.

"In the World War their sympathies were with the Kaiser, and now they are with Hitler, a Pagan dictator, who has denied God and suppressed the Bible. Their sworn mission is to destroy American democracy."

Martin declared that if Americans had attempted similar action in Germany "they would be in concentration camps or decorating a stone wall."