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Seek Bund Link To Crash of Stratoliner

Officials Promise Union To Trace Clews of Nazi Activity

SEATTLE, Wash., April 15.— Civil Aeronautics Authority officials here to probe the Stratoliner crash have assured the Aeronautical Mechanics Union 751 that employment of Bund members in Boeing Aircraft Co. would be considered in their investigation.

Thomas Hardin, vice chairman of the air safety board, who conducted the probe here, dispatched a letter to Hugo Lundquist, secretary of the local, expressing appreciation for the union's interest and the information furnished to the Air Authority.

"It is a fact that members of the Bund are employed in Boeing plant," Hardin told reporters. He declared that possible sabotage

was promptly investigated when this information was disclosed.

The FBI was also called into the probe, he said, to trace reports that a strategic link in national defense employed members of the Bund in important posts.

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A resolution passed unanimously by the union in its first membership meeting following the crash urged the investigators turn the searchlight on activities of Bund members in the plant.

Warning of the encroachment of fascism, the Aeronautical Mechanics Union pointed to the "treasonable utterances" of the Bund in their recent meeting in Madison Square Garden.

Full inquiry into Bund membership of Boeing employes, the resolution said, was vital if the national defense program of the United States is to be safeguarded.

Eight high-ranking members of Boeing's technical staff and two members of a Dutch airline met death in the crash of the Stratoliner last month.