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A Link to Hitler Is Libelous, Kuhn Warns Foes of Nazis

Threatens to Sue Dr. Fisher, League Counsel,
Over Posters Calling Him Agent for 'Criminal'

Fritz Kuhn, head of the German American Bund, today threatened Dr. Mitchell Fisher, partner of Samuel Untermyer and legal counsel for the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, with a libel suit if recent posters linking Kuhn with Adolf Hitler were not disavowed immediately. Dr. Fisher said he was not perturbed.

The posters referred to the Bund leader were distributed earlier in the month. Resembling police circulars for wanted criminals, they bore photographs of Hitler, who was accused of 50,000 deaths and other high crimes and misdemeanors. Kuhn was named as one of the agents maintained by Hitler in this country.

At the same time Dr. Fisher received his letter from Kuhn, the Anti-Nazi League received a letter from their Bund chief denying that he was a spy or an agent for Hitler.

"I am Fritz Kuhn, the head of the German American Bund," Kuhn wrote to the league. "I am not the agent of Chancellor Hitler, nor am I maintained by him. I am not a spy. I am an American citizen and take my obligations and duties as an American citizen very seriously.

"Your allegation in said circular and the reference which you have made concerning me, I am informed and advised, constitutes criminal libel. I request that immediate steps be taken to retract these accusations and the insinuation made and to correct the impression which your circular was intended to convey."

Dr. Fisher said he would retain Mr. Untermyer as his attorney.