

HEARST, COUGHLIN BACK FASCIST GROUPS IN MARCH ON CAPITAL TO KNIFE THE REORGANIZATION BILL

Threaten to Use Force— Chiefs Boast of Wall Street Aid

By Lowell Wakefield

The cadaver of Paul Revere marches on Washington tonight.

Conceived in the mouth of Father Coughlin, born in the office of Hearst's Journal-American, and dedicated to the destruction of democracy, a committee mis-named for a hero of 1776 has today become the center of a fascist threat to our government.

The Paul Revere Committee claims it will fill six trains with a delegation of protest against the reorganization bill, to leave tonight or tomorrow night, depending on developments in the capital.

"None of the poor class will be along," Dennis Conroy, in charge of headquarters, 147 E. 41st St., told me last night.

"If we must have a dictator, we'll have a good one," said Rudolf G. Bank, manager of an importing firm and vice-chairman of the committee. ("I spell my name the German way," he added.)

THREATEN FORCE

Lambert Fairchild, wax-moustached spokesman for the group, answered the question, "What will you do if congress passes the reorganization bill?" with the direct threat—"Force! Roosevelt is inviting revolution!"

Fairchild says he is an ex-alderman, but refuses to name any present business connections. "The S. E.C. (Securities Exchange Commission) put me out of business," he declared.

Bank tells how the committee was formed, in his own words:

"Friday night James F. O'Kelly (O'Kelly heads the committee—Ed.) and I listened to Father Coughlin's appeal against the reorganization bill. He asked us to work all night to defeat Roosevelt. We contacted our friends, and about 2:30 A. M. we decided to get in touch with the Journal-American. We made an appointment and went down Saturday morning.

"We met with Mr. Schoenstein,

the assistant city editor, and planned out this campaign. The paper is devoting itself completely to the drive."

HEARST PAYS BILL

Members of the committee revealed that time for the four radio broadcasts made for the Paul Revere last night and today was donated by the Journal-American. Four Journal-American men assigned to the story are writing the radio copy being broadcast by committee members. "When Hearst goes after something, he certainly does a job," a committee spokesman confided.

Connection with the Paul Revere Society of Chicago, exposed by the New Masses, the Daily Worker and the Dickstein Congressional Investigation as a leading fascist, anti-Semitic organization, was denied by Bank.

Yet James True, whose office in the Kellogg Building, Washington, D. C., is a center of anti-democratic and anti-Semitic propaganda, who is an associate of the Silver Shirt fascist, William Dudley Pelley, the notorious Col. Edmondson, head of the American Nationalist Party, and of Fritz Kuhn, American Fuehrer of the Nazi German-American Bund, will officially welcome the delegation to the Capitol.

And headquarters in Washington will be the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies, 209 Kennedy St. In charge there is Mrs. William Sherman Walker, of the staff of the National Republic. Editor of the National Republic is Walter Steele. Walter Steele is on the advisory board of the Paul Revere Society, of Chicago!

WALL STREET BACKING

Preceding the departure for Washington will be a mass meeting in the Hippodrome tonight, whooped up by the Journal-American. Official sponsor is the National Defenders' organization, 542 Fifth Ave. Another "super-patriotic" organization, it was born of the reactionary drive on Supreme Court reform. Its last mass meeting, held Sept. 13, listed Senator Royal S. Copeland as main speaker. Director is L. M. Bailey, who told me he had done

"similar jobs in Los Angeles and Chicago, with the same co-operation from the Hearst press."

"Most of our support for the march on Washington is in Wall Street," Bank told me. "A broker

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at 25 Broad St.—he said not to use his name—promises that the American Patriotic Association of Connecticut will send a train of 1,000. He says that all are wealthy business and professional men and that the group included judges and admirals."

"Jeremiah Cross is for the march," Fairchild said. Cross it was who called for storm troops to force passage of the McNaboe Bill.

Bank said the Pennsylvania and

B. & O. lines were cooperating with a special \$4.50 round trip fare.

Headquarters on 41st St. are not imposing. The tumble-down home of Conroy has been taken over by the committee, which lists as principal equipment a gang of hustling fascists, a telephone (ASHland 4-6345), a table, portable typewriter, four Hearst men, a stack of tags from the Committee for the Preservation of America, located in Carnegie Hall, with the slogan "No One Man Law" imprinted, and a baseball bat alongside the door.

Hitler started as modestly.