Selvage Quits Navy Job

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WASHINGTON, May 13.—James Selvage, hate-Roosevelt propagandist who started raising an anti-FDR fund while working for the Navy, has resigned his Navy post, it was learned today.

PM revealed several weeks ago that Selvage, former public relations man for the National Assn. of Manufacturers and ghost writer for Herbert Hoover, had been soliciting money from America Firsters and reactionary industrialists for a campaign against the New Deal.

Although word of Selvage's resignation has reached PM from several independent sources, the Navy continued today to blanket the story in mystery. A spokesman there would not confirm or deny the report. He said:

"The Navy has nothing to say at this time."

It is understood, however, that Selvage, employed as a civilian consultant in the industrial incentives section, submitted his resignation several days ago. He is now in Chicago, his office said yesterday. It is reported that his job as Navy "morale builder" among U. S. workers is to be filled by Steve Hannagan, who became famous as publicity man for Miami and immortalized bathing beauties in many parts of the country. (See Heard and Overheard on Page 23).