SILVER SHIRT HEAD YELLS ASSASSINATION THREAT AT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN CHICAGO BUND RALLY

Roy Zachary, Silver Shirt Field Marshal, Makes Personal Threat at Secret Nazi Bund Rally—Vile Anti-Semitic Insults Hurled at President and Mrs. Roosevelt—Fascists Praise Garner

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CHICAGO, May 9.—"If no one else will volunteer to shoot him, I will."

With those words, Roy Zachary, field marshal of the Silver Shirts, personally threatened to assassinate President Roosevelt here Sunday night at a joint meeting of the Silver Shirts and the German-American Bund.

Your correspondent was one of two reporters who gained admittance to the secret meeting at the Great Northern Hotel attended by approximately 300 people. After Zachary finished his treasonous attack upon the President, a representative of the German-American Bund took the floor and officially established joint relationship between the two organizations by saying:

"I agree with everything that Mr. Zachary said. The aims and purposes of our organizations are the same."

Zachary's threat against the President was made after he had pictured every member of Roosevelt's cabinet as "Jews" who were plotting to bring about a government crisis out of which they would establish Roosevelt as a "dictator."

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"John L. Lewis and his CIO Communists will break loose and pillage and plunder. Then Roosevelt will establish martial law and you will have dictatorship. Cut Christian white Americans will not tolerate this red dictatorship.

"I say that within a year the only law that you people in Chicago will recognize will be that of vigilante groups organized by the Silver Shirts—if you want to scare the Jews just mention vigilantes."

A large percentage of the audience were present at the Nazi bund meeting here recently when G. Wilhelm Kunze incited an attack upon two anti-fascist students.

BUND LEADER SPEAKS

"Heil Hitler," was shouted by the audience when Zachary declared that "Hitler has shot a few Jews in Austria and he should shoot a few more if they are going to get what's coming to them."

The spokesman for the Nazi German-American Bund, who remained unidentified except to announce that he was heading the delegation of Bund members to the meeting, took the floor immediately after Zachary and harangued the audience for 15 minutes on the merits of the two fascist bands. He then gave the fascist salute to Zachary. The Bund leader said:

"All I wish is that all the Jews in the world would come to America, for that would make the day come sooner. We have selected a new flag for the Bund and soon you will see it waving all over the country."

The Silver Shirts, who held their second meeting within a month at the Great Northern Hotel last night, are headed by William Dudley Pelley and were exposed in a Congressional investigation in 1934 as an open fascist organization backed by funds of the duPont family. Zachary, Pelley's aid, is touring the country organizing secret cells and has recently spoken in Johnstown, Pa., and Youngstown, Ohio.

Grey-shirted troopers guarded the meeting here and ejected several persons who failed to produce the proper credentials.

Zachary explained that "if you don't have the right kind of a nose you can't get in."

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The dispatch said that the alleged plot was brought to light following the arrest last Saturday night of Chalmers Waldorf Kennedy, formerly of Charleston, S. C., by the "check" squad of the District of Columbia police.

On Secretary of State, Hull: "Hull says he is a good Democrat, but his wife is a full-blooded Jewess."

On Jim Farley: "Let me tell you about Farley. Farley says he's a Catholic but he isn't, he's a crook."

The most shameless and vile denunciations, however, were reserved for Mrs. Roosevelt.

While the women in the audience let out suppressed shrieks, Zachary cried:

"Do you know what they call her in Washington? They call her 'Red Ellen.' Why she is the biggest barterer and traitor there. She might as well go back to the Ghetto."

The Silver Shirt leader made no pretense of hiding his fascist affiliations. He lavishly praised Hitler, Mussolini and Franco and declared that if the newspapers held that his band's program was fascist, "We admit the charge"

A large part of Zachary's speech was calculated to prepare his followers for the fascist insurrection that he declared must come within the year. He boasted of the support of industrialists who he said brought sums of \$500 and \$1,000 "to Pelley every once in a while."

The secret councils of the Silver Shirts are to be divided into separate sections for men and women in preparation for the fascist coup. This is because, Zachary explained, "the men of Silver Shirts are going to be going places and doing things in the next year where they won't want the women folk along."

A quotation from a leaflet signed by Silver Shirt Leader Pelley, which was distributed at the meeting, reads:

"I propose to effect conditions which shall eject and dismiss the Sephardi Jew, Franklin D. Roosevelt, from the office of President of the United States, and discharge every agent and attache of the alien oligarchy he has inducted into the federal government."

Funds were collected at the meeting to take what Zachary called "legal action" immediately against the President.