

Laud Mayor for Silver Shirt Ban

CENTRALIA, Washington, June 21—Local progressives were congratulating Mayor O. D. Nugent here today for his action in suppressing a meeting of the Silver Shirts in Centralia.

When asked why he had taken steps to prevent Silver Shirt leader Roy Zachary from addressing his followers here, the Mayor said:

"The meeting is definitely not in the public interest. The Silver Shirts advocate violence and incite to riot."

Mayor Nugent's decision to act against the fascist band came after Zachary, in recent speeches in Illinois and Washington, had threatened assassination of President Roosevelt. Before barring the Silver Shirts from Centralia High School the Mayor heard

protests from officials of the International Woodworkers Union.

Zachary, who is the chief assistant of Silver Shirt chief William Dudley Pelly, has been touring the West coast. Recently he told a secret meeting in San Diego that President Roosevelt was insane and that specialists from the Mayo clinic had operated on his brain. Persons present at the meeting revealed his statements to the People's World.

Asserted Zachary: "President Roosevelt is insane and in order that the rest of the world should not know that America is under the influence of a Jewish maniac, his aides send him out on fishing trips under the watchful eyes of naval officers.

Continued Zachary: "I am now going to let you in on secret. We tried to contact the Mayo Brothers, brain specialists in Washington, D. C. but found they were not available. Do you know where they were. They were in the White House. Someone in the White House needed a brain operation. Now do you think that Roosevelt is fishing all the time."

Zachary then admitted that the recent expose by the Midwest Record—made when he threatened to assassinate Roosevelt in Chicago with the result that a congressional investigation of the Silver Shirts is under way—had aroused widespread opposition to the existence of the fascist band. He said:

"We may go underground soon."

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