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# Nazi Ship Agent Admits Spying

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DETROIT, March 15—"My Jewish 'friends' accuse me of being the leading Nazi spy in Detroit, and I admit it."

The man who made that declaration is Dan Harkins, manager of the Detroit office of the Nazi Hapag-North German Lloyd Steamship Company. He spoke at a recent meeting of local real estate brokers.

Harkins is only one of many Nazi agents who today are operating in Detroit under the protective fascist wing of Henry Ford.

The names and activities of these Hitler agents will be listed in this article. Information concerning these undercover Nazi operatives was secured by this writer after an extensive investigation in which local civic organizations cooperated.

Henry Ford's offices, as is well known, have long served as a clearing house for Hitlerite representatives, many of whom have been given employment by the open shop motor magnate. Ford's employment of the national leader of the German American Bund, Ford's decoration by Adolph Hitler—these are two examples of the well publicized fact that Ford makes no secret of his support to fascism.

## TREASON

But what has not been known, heretofore, is the actual manner in which Detroit Nazis conduct their treasonous work. The details of their activities follow.

In the beginning it should be noted that the Nazis have done their anti-democratic work well. It is known, for example, that both Congressman Louis C. Rabaut of Detroit and Sheriff Thomas E. Wilcox have appeared at Nazi rallies.

Nazis today hold weekly meetings in Detroit at the Deutsches Restaurant, 7209 East Jefferson Avenue, under the name of the German American Volksbund. (Bund).

The president of the German-American Bund here is John H. B. Schreiber, 15486 Woodingham Drive, who is reported to be employed by the Ford Motor Company as a foreman. Schreiber replaced Fritz Kuhn as head of the Detroit unit of the Bund when Kuhn left employment as a chemist at the Ford Motor Company and moved the national headquarters of the Nazis to New York.

The restaurant in which the Bund meets is owned by Max Stephen.

Agents of Hitler here are carrying on an extensive organizing campaign to build the German Nazi movement and undermine American democracy.

## LOVESTONE AIDES

Their immediate objective, which they share with the Lovestone-fascists in the United Auto Workers Union, is to convince the American people that the United States should adopt an isolationist foreign policy. This would leave Hitler and the other fascist dictators free to wage war on the European democracies without a crippling boycott or united action by our country and the democratic nations to curb war.

In this connection it should be noted that Homer Martin, deposed UAW president, has been warmly praised at Nazi meetings since his alignment with Ford.

Harkins, the man who boasts of being this city's No. 1 Nazi spy, made his statement before 35 leading brokers of the Eastern Detroit Realty Association at a meeting held in the Northeastern branch of the YMCA, Harper Avenue and Cadillac Boulevard.

Before admitting he was a Nazi spy, Harkins clicked his heels in goose-step fashion, raised his right arm in a Nazi salute, and exclaimed, "To my fuhrer and comrade," after which he added, "I hope there are no Jews here."

President Roosevelt was slandered at this meeting of real

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estate operators who today are fighting low-cost housing for the people.

The Nazi network in Detroit reaches through all walks of life, and into the highest political and business circles, where there are peoples who eagerly cooperate with the enemies of American democracy.

At a convention of Der Stahlhelm (Steel Helmets) held last September in Detroit, Louis C. Rabaut, Congressman from the 14th District, stood on a platform surrounded by Nazi swastikas and addressed the convention.

## FOLLOW BUND

Here it was proposed to change the constitution of the organization along the lines suggested by the Nazi German-American Bund at its New York convention.

Members urged that the phrase, "and we are duty-bound to become citizens if we are not," be removed from the constitution of Der Stahlhelm.

In a paper circulated at the convention a statement was made that, "all that the Stahlhelm fought for these past years, Adolph Hitler was fighting for with his party."

A festival to be held in Germany in 1939 on the anniversary of the Battle of Tannenberg, to which all former German soldiers and their families are invited, was announced by the secretary of the Deutscher Kreuger-Bund, who declared that this information was confidential and that if it was repeated outside, they would say that the report was misunderstood.

## PAY EXPENSES

They are trying to get not only cheap fare to and cheap living expenses in Germany, but are even trying to arrange so that the visitors will be at no expense whatsoever. All expenses will be paid by the Nazi government, and visitors will be used for German propaganda.

Last summer, a German-American Day celebration sponsored by the Central Committee of German-American societies was held at the Detroit Creamery Park near Mt. Clemens. Circulars advertising the meeting included an invitation to a German-American Bund Camp, 15 miles north of Pontiac on U. S. 10.

Nazi swastikas were flown at the park.

Philip Schaupner, president of the Central Committee, introduced the speakers, the first of whom was Fritz Hailer, German Consul in Detroit, who said that "Germany today, under the leadership of Adolph Hitler, is the only guarantee of world peace."

## ATTACKS NEGROES

Parker Sage, notorious as a Nazi sympathizer, said he believed in the racial endeavor of Germany of today. He attacked the Negroes, declaring that they are smuggled up to Detroit, and that the Communists are responsible for it. He said that the Jews and the Communists are one.

After Sage finished, Sheriff Thomas E. Wilcox spoke, asking the people to vote for him in the coming election. He closed with the following words: "A vote for me is a vote for your organization."

At 8253 Grand River Ave. in Detroit is the anti-Semitic Anglo-Saxon Federation, whose national secretary is William J. Cameron, secretary to Henry Ford.

The secretary in the Grand River office is Harriet Griffith.

## FORGERIES

At one time the national offices of the federation were in the Fox Building, but were removed from Detroit. The magazine, "Destiny," is published by the Federation, which also circulates the obnoxious and forged protocols of Zion.

Those on the private mailing list of the Bund receive invitations through the summer to visit the Nazi camp near Pontiac. The entrance to this camp is at the Springfield Gladiola Gardens.

Most of the people who frequent the Bund camp wear Nazi swastika pins, and the Deutsches Weckruf, official organ of the Bund, is sold openly.

One of the Nazis at the camp furnished the information that the German Nazis have closed a deal with the Italian fascists of Detroit for the use of a hall on McDougall Street for special meetings.

The congressional committees established to investigate un-American activities, headed by Martin Dies, was furnished with most of this information concerning the subversive activities of the Nazis in Detroit and its vicinity, but the Dies Committee not only made no investigation of the strong Nazi movement here, Dies actually concealed information concerning the Nazis, assuring the people of Michigan that the closest Bund camp was much farther from Detroit than the one located near Pontiac.

Also ignored by Dies was the Black Legion, that fascist terror band whose members find a ready welcome in German American Bund circles.

The reason for Dies ignoring the real enemies of Americanism in Detroit is, of course, not difficult to find. With the Nazi-fascist network of spies and agents here encompassing prominent industrialists and political leaders, it is clear that any real investigation of subversive activities here would bring out in the light of day many of the Tory bigwigs and Republican Party stalwarts who support the red-baiting Texas congressman.