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Mexico Will Oust Its No. 1 Nazi

MEXICO CITY, June 13 Semi-official sources said today that Arthur Dietrich, press attache to the German legation, was about to be declared undesirable in Mexico because of his propaganda activities.

It was understood that Mexico would ask the German legation that he be either recalled or dismissed. If he were dismissed he would be stripped of dipmetic stripped of diplomatic privileges and subject to deportation.

Dietrich's "headquarters" and mem-bers of his household said he had been "out" since Monday night.

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'FIFTH COLUMNIST' It had long been rumored here that Dietrich was a brother of Otto Die-trich, German press chief in Berlin, but Kurt Benoit, Mexico City corre-spondent of the German news agency, Transocean, denied that the Dietrich here was a relative of the high Nazi official. Allied diplomats long have charged he is a "fifth columnist."

charged he is a "fifth columnist." Dietrich is a veteran German press agent who operated in Mexico during the World War and in Spain during the recent civil war. Meanwhile, Gen. Roberto Fierro, Mexico's "Lindbergh," became director of Mexico's military aviation, replac-ing Col. Alberto Salinas Carranza. Observers wonder how the appoint-



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ed by a Brownsville, Tex., Federal jury on Dec. 6, 1938, on charges of flying planes from the United States to Mexico for transshipment to Loyalist Spain in violation of the Neutrality Act of 1935.

ing Col. Alberto Salinas Carranza. Observers wonder how the appoint-ment would be received in the United States, where Senor Fierro was indict-

Cardenas leaves office in December No reason was given for the appointment of his successor now.