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"UNITY FOR DEFENSE"....NOT FOR NAZIS AND AMERICA FIRSTERS

Last week, Wendell Willkie spoke in Los Angeles, climaxing the city's "National Unity for Defense" week. While thousands cheered his plea for unity, Nazis and America Firsters picketed the meeting-place, carrying posters with slogans like "Will Your Boy Return?", "Who's Your Sponsor, Willkie?", "Bundle Willkie to Britain!", etc.

It was on Wednesday, July 23rd, that Willkie addressed the "Unity Rally" at the famous Hollywood Bowl. There, a month earlier, on June 20th, Charles A. Lindbergh spoke at an America First mass meeting. Observers who attended both meetings agreed that Willkie drew a dignified audience, while the attendance at the America First rally was largely composed of fanatics, professional haters, and others of the lunatic fringe. Those who shouted themselves hoarse, in approval of utterances of the Lone Eagle, were also at the Willkie meeting-place; however, they did not come to listen but to object. They remained outside, and paraded up and down the street with posters of various sorts.

At all America First meetings, held during the week preceding Willkie's arrival, it was announced that the America First Committee would sponsor a picketing line.

On Sunday, July 20th, the "Save America First" group, headed by T. W. Hughes, consisting almost in its entirety of known Bund members and Nazi agitators, was instructed to cooperate with America First in counteracting

Willkie's activities here. An announcement was posted on the Bulletin Board (reproduction on page 2), giving details of the picketing line. It also stated that on the day preceding the Hollywood Bowl meeting, the Biltmore Hotel -- where Willkie was staying -- was to be picketed.



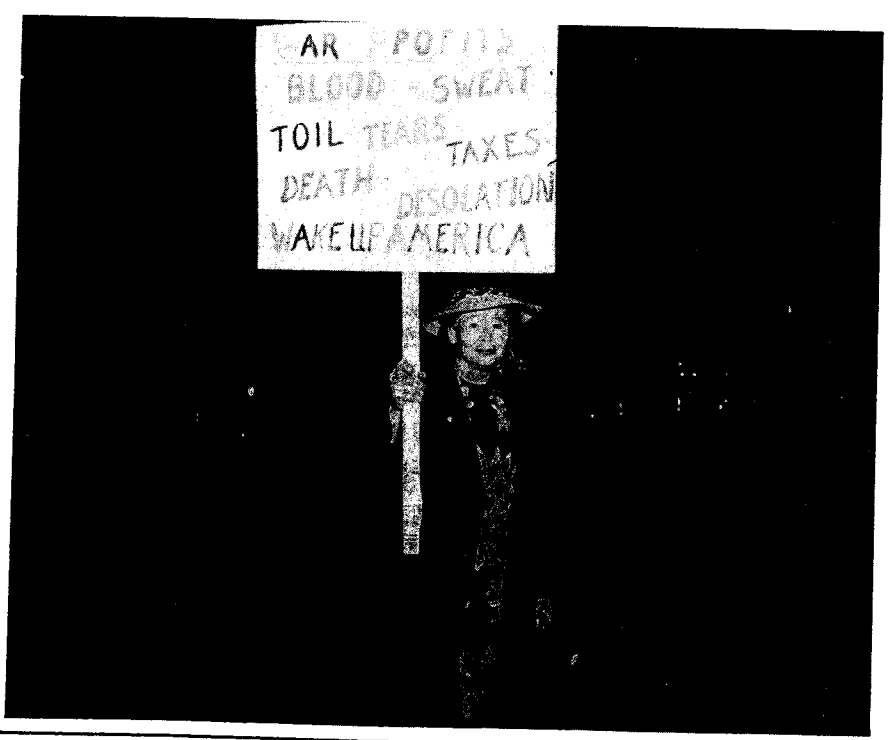
Those opposed to "National Unity For Defense" assembled in front of the Hollywood Bowl last Wednesday and picketed a Unity Rally addressed by Wendell Willkie.

On Monday, July 21st, an America First meeting was held at Richter's Cafeteria, in downtown Los Angeles. Chairman of the meeting was Franklin Ballard, whose connection with the "American Guards", a fly-by-night Nazi organization, was reported in NRS #107. Again picketing

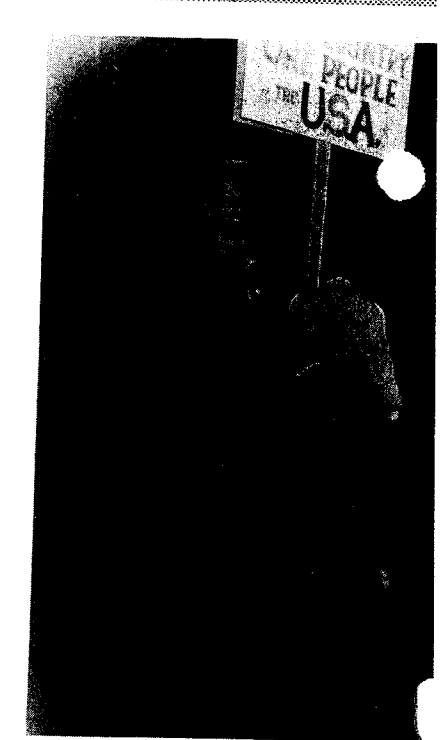
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Mrs. Blanche Duquette, sales agent for Coughlin's Social Justice in Los Angeles. Brief case she carried contained copies of Social Justice, ready for distribution at the Bowl.



At left in cowboy hat right, face partially in shadow. Meter. Both are in foreground, photographers of

MILLIONS OF AMERICANS ARE ORGANIZING FOR "THE DAY OF VUDAH" (THE DAY WE GO TO WAR) ON THAT DAY NEWS OF AMERICA WILL BE LIQUIDATED FIVE DEFEATISM WILL NEVER BE BELIEVED BY AMERICANS.

ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS FREE LITERATURE (Box 1991 - Hollywood) CHRISTIAN AMERICAN CRUSADE SEND CHAIN POSTCARDS TO ALL U.S.A. STOP THESE GOOLESS COMMUNISTS IN WASH. D.C.

Extreme Left: Reproduction of announcement posted on Bulletin Board of the "Save America First" group. This organization, headed by T. W. Hughes, is the new front of the German-American Bund.

At Left: Reproduction of announcement distributed to attendants of America First meeting held at Richter's Cafeteria on Monday, July 21. Note that words "America First Headquarters" were crossed out.

Above: Reproduction of threatening postal card sent out by Roy Chase who is also author of the two announcements at left.

Top Right: "Call To Arms" written by Roy Chase, widely distributed among Nazis in Southern California.

BIG ANTI-WAR RALLY Hollywood High School (SUNSET AND HIGHLAND) Wednesday, July 30, 7:45 P. M. SPEAKERS: Capt. James D'Orsay Murray, British Army Retired Miss Laura Ingalls, Noted Aviatrix Ellis O. Jones, National Copperheads Founder AUSPICES NAT'L COPPERHEADS Box 5512 Metro Sta. Los Angeles No. 10

Announcement of the "Big Anti-War Rally", planned by Ellis O. Jones, head of National Copperhead Association. Formerly, Jones presided at meetings of T.W. Hughes' "Save America First" group.



Left, Mrs. Dunn, America First helper. Center, Joan McBride. Right, husband James McBride. McBrides are Bund members; Joan frequently acts as waitress at German House of Bund.



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plans were announced, and notices giving details were distributed. However, by Monday night, the America First board of strategy had decided that the organization as such should not be connected with the picketing officially. The announcement was written before this decision was made, and the name of America First, which appeared in the notice, was crossed out (reproduction on page 2).

Author of both announcements is a well known Nazi, frequently seen at the Los Angeles German House (headquarters of the German-American Bund), who goes under the name of Roy Chase. His real name is Arthur Burnett. He is also author of many threatening notes sent through the mails to people who have voiced approval of President Roosevelt's foreign policy and condemnation of Hitler's New Order. Burnett, alias Chase -- an American citizen who completely succumbed to Bund propaganda -- is obsessed by the idea that every person who disagrees with him is "a Jew". This is reflected in the notes he sends, a typical sample of which is reproduced on page 3. He also authored a "Call to Arms", widely distributed among Nazis in Southern California (illustration on page 3).

Agitators on Parade

On Tuesday evening, July 22nd, America Firsters and Nazis assembled in front of the America First headquarters on Wilshire Boulevard, but, instead of parading to the Biltmore Hotel, drove to North Hollywood where a new chapter of the America First Committee held its inaugural meeting. Roy Chase helped in decorating the cars for the motorcade. Among those who participated in the cavalcade were Mrs. Van Meter and her four sons, Mr. and Mrs. James McBride, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Moffett, all members and sympathizers of the German-American Bund; Mrs. J. Henry Orme, closely affiliated with Mrs. Faith McCullough; Lucille Tauer and Sam Faulk, both frequently seen at the German House; Mrs. Blanche Duquette, sales agent for Coughlin's Social Justice; Ellis O. Jones, organizer of the National Copperhead Association; W. H. Sahli, aide to G. Allison Phelps, radio broadcaster and organizer of the "League of Free Americans".

Chairman of the newly organized North Hollywood Chapter of America First is William P. Williams, a North Hollywood High School teacher, long known and highly endorsed in Nazi circles for his subversive activities. Williams specializes in organizing secret cells among flyers and others connected with the aviation industry. Main speaker at the affair was Aviatrix Laura Ingalls, exposed in NRS #151.

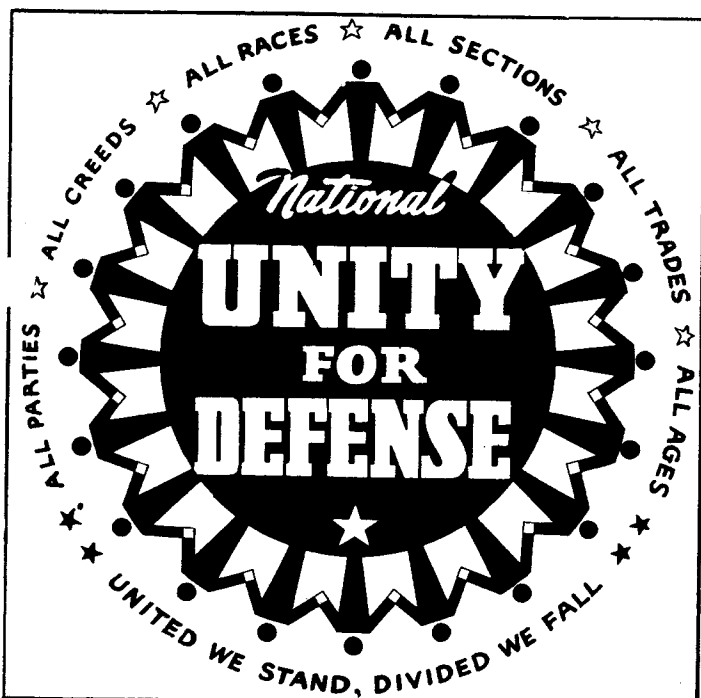
America First....Last in "Unity For Defense"

On Wednesday, July 23rd, pickets assembled at the Hollywood Bowl, where they were given posters prepared by the Youth Group of the America First Committee. They were instructed to keep secret the fact that these posters were supplied by America First. Among the pickets who carried posters were Mr. and Mrs. James McBride; the Van Meter family; Mrs. Blanche Duquette; Roy Chase; Lucille Tauer, mentioned above; Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Stevens, members of Hughes' "Save America First" group; Gertrude Wouters, sister-in-law of James McBride; Mrs. Koch, Bund member; Nellie McCray, active in many subversive organizations; Ray Bechtelheimer and Muriel Wiseman, frequently seen at the Los Angeles German House.

F. K. Ferenz, exposed by NRS as exhibitor of German propaganda pictures, and Hermann M. Schwinn, West Coast Bund leader until his American citizenship was revoked, were on the scene but refrained from picketing for obvious

reasons. However, Schwinn did his duty by encouraging the pickets, and Ferenz' assignment was to inject himself into every argument between picketers and Bowl attendants. He felt he could get the Nazi point across better than the ordinary picket.

After the Bowl affair, some of the pickets drove to the meeting of the Glendale branch of America First, which was addressed by G. Allison Phelps. William Hunt, chairman of the Glendale branch -- closely associated with William P. Williams and Mrs. Faith McCullough, announced that a "Big Anti-War Rally" would be held on the following Wednesday at the Hollywood High School, sponsored by the National Copperhead Association. Cards announcing the affair were distributed (illustration on page 3).



When Isolationists were given automobile stickers (like the above) by the Committee of Arrangements for the "Unity for Defense Week", they replied, "Unity for what?.....Unity means totalitarianism!"

General Robert E. Wood, National Chairman of the America First Committee, was last week provided with issues of NEWS LETTER exposing known subversivists who, with "America Next" as their secret slogan, have climbed on the America First bandwagon. In San Francisco, he took swift and decisive action. The reins of America First were snatched from the hands of several close associates of ex-Consul Fritz Wiedemann. NRS is reliably informed that General Wood pledged immediate similar action in Los Angeles. However, America First in that city is primarily the bailiwick, not of General Wood, but of Senator Burton K. Wheeler, whose son John is its Southern California chairman. Young Wheeler has made tentative plans to rid the organization of subversive elements, with the result that they (the subversivists), in turn, are now conspiring to have him ousted as chairman.

AMERICAN BUSINESS AND HITLER, by Douglas Miller, formerly Commercial Attache at the U. S. Embassy in Berlin -- The Atlantic Monthly, July (page 1).

"Must Reading List" This article is taken from Mr. Miller's recent excellent book, "You Can't Do Business with Hitler", and emphasizes the dangers to the American system presented by proposals to "do business as usual" with Nazi Germany. For, he writes, "the Nazis hate the United States more poisonously than any other country. Our very existence disproves their racial and economic theories. We have welcomed their beaten enemies....Above all, we alone

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possess the loot which would make a world conquest worth while. The Nazis have.....said that there are two opposite poles in the world -- Germany, the pole of order, discipline, and scientific progress; and the U. S., the pole of democratic anarchy, decadent Christianity, and the degeneration and loss of efficiency which accompany a system of free enterprise." But, "totalitarianism is by nature parasitic and predatory", and "the Nazis have been kept going in the past through exploiting the Jews, the Catholics, and other minority groups.....The whole technique of German commercial policy is one of exploiting the assets of others." And Mr. Miller continues with a graphic picture of our American economy should we finally be forced to deal with a victorious Germany.

NAZI INTRIGUES IN CENTRAL AMERICA, by Lawrence and Sylvia Martin -- The American Mercury, July (page 66).....The strategic territory lying between South and North America is, according to the authors who live there, being as efficiently prepared for the "new order" as were the conquered nations of Europe. Christian Zinsser, "the evil genius who prepared the way of the Fifth Column in Poland just prior to the invasion", is now stationed in Guatemala, with an extensive staff to assist him. They are neglecting no class: "The business and professional men are told that the foreigners and especially the Jews will be cleaned out; no more competition from them. The devout Catholic is assured that the United States is the Protestant Anti-Christ," etc., etc., with special propaganda for the coffee growers and the natives. These activities are being effectively aided by local politicians who are intrigued with the promises of the Nazis, and by Falangist agents from Spain.

"National Socialism at one great stroke swept away the pathological manifestations of Jewish musical intellectualism and freed the way for unhindered creation by German musicians. Our classical masters again appear before the public in pure and undistorted form." (Dr. Goebbels, at the opening of the Reich Music Week; *Reichspost*, Vienna, 5/29/38).....

"Among wide circles of the German nation Handel was regarded as a composer of feeble, sanctimonious music, or even as an interpreter of the Old Testament spirit.....Handel looked around to find the right words for his fighting melodies and he chose finally, because of the lack of great themes, subjects from the Old Testament. It must have been difficult for this master of sounds to use second-class texts." (Alfred Rosenberg, at a Handel Festival in Halle; *Völkischer Beobachter*, 2/24/35).

"The poet Hermann Burte has been commissioned by the National Socialist *Kulturgemeinde* to write a new text for Handel's 'Judas Maccabaeus'" (*Frankfurter Zeitung*, 5/14/36). "This new text has been dedicated to the Fallen of the Great War and is entitled 'Hero and Work of Peace'". (*Jüdische Rundschau*, Berlin, 12/4/36).

"We stand at the beginning of a new culture. Thinking of Beethoven, we shall have to make do with one movement of one of his symphonies. But when on a festive occasion someone appeals to the nation as the *Führer* does at his great demonstrations, and if then the *molto vivace* of the Ninth Symphony lends to such an appeal immense breadth, then we shall realise the force of this artistic work." (*Der Deutsche*, 4/6/34).
