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"AMERICA NEXT" ADVOCATES HONOR SENATOR WHEELER

Last week, Los Angeles Nazis, the America First Committee and their fellow travelers had an opportunity to demonstrate their appreciation of U. S. Senator Burton K. Wheeler.

On Saturday morning, September 27th, the Montanan, arriving from San Francisco, was greeted at the railroad station by a delegation of enthusiastic isolationists, liberally sprinkled with well known Nazi agitators. They carried posters (illustration on page 4) of welcome to "A Great American". However, only a few of these enthusiasts knew that the posters were made by Nazi hands at the Continental Book Store, 2509 West Seventh Street, which is owned and operated by F. K. Ferenz. The signs were painted by his assistant, Dorothy Groton, who testified as Ferenz' character witness when he brought suit against a theatre-owner who refused to let Ferenz continue the showing of Nazi propaganda films.

When photographers took pictures of the welcoming crowd, Ferenz tried to cover his face with a newspaper, but an NRS cameraman succeeded in snapping a number of pictures proving that Nazi Propagandist No. 1 of Los Angeles was on the spot. Ferenz, as always, had his back against the wall, safe from eyes that might have been behind him (illustrations on pages 4 and 8).

On Tuesday, September 30th, Senator Wheeler spoke before the Los Angeles Town Hall, a highly respected organization whose policy is to present speakers on both sides of controversial issues and to permit members to ask questions of the speaker.

Ferenz made his duty appearance. The Senator was asked by a listener whether the reprinting of his speeches for propaganda purposes by Nazi pub-



Photo shows a woman, challenging one of Sen. Wheeler's mis-statements. German House waitress, Joan McBride, like many other well known Nazis, acted as usher. When the heckler challenged the truth of Wheeler's words, Joan went into action in true Storm-trooper fashion. The picture shows her swinging a wicked right. (Incidentally, Joan always wears a swastika armband, of which she is very proud. With the help of a magnifying glass it could be identified on the original picture.) Last week NRS showed how the Nazis fear for Senator Wheeler's safety. Here we show how they protect their idol.

lications did not tend to render aid to the enemy. Immediately Ferenz wrote a note to the Senator, "tipping him off" as to the identity of the questioner.

The next day a reception was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, at the home of Vernard L. Maxam, 4 Berkeley Square (illustration on page 5). The Nazis appeared en masse to shake hands with the guests of honor. Mrs. Wheeler, as active as her husband in isolationism, is very closely identified with "Women United", exposed in NRS #144.

On the Committee of Arrangements for the reception were such people as Mrs. Robert Allen, closely associated with Mrs. Elizabeth Jewett and frequent visitor at the Los Angeles German House; Mrs. J. Henry Orme; Mrs. Frances Sherrill; Mrs. Louise Ward Watkins (all three referred to in previous NRS issues); Mrs. Russell Frederick (Ila Dixon) Buntz, an ardent Nazi follower who recently returned from a trip to South America. Before leaving Los Angeles, she was given letters of introduction by none other than Dr. Georg Gyssling, German Consul General. Mrs. Buntz is organizer and head of the "Humanist Society of Friends", a Nazi organization which emerged into the limelight since Robert Noble has taken a hand in it.

Among the fellow travelers who came to honor the Montana Senator were Mr. and Mrs. G. Allison Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Hunt, Mrs. Faith McCullough, "Colonel" and Mrs. Bruce Tarkington Dowden, Michael Meller, Mrs. Charles H. Clark, Helen Officer, Fred Dyster, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Pilzer, Dr. C. F. Rosstäuscher, and many others, most of whom were exposed in previous NEWS LETTERS.

He Caters to Haters

On Thursday evening, October 2nd, the Senator delivered a speech as demagogic as his previous Los Angeles utterances, at the Olympic Auditorium. Here he was again hailed as the great American statesman by honest and sincere isolationists as well as by known subversivists. The most thundrous applause was accorded the Montanan when he spoke of Charles A. Lindbergh as "a great and patriotic American" -- this despite the fact that the Lonely Eagle's recent utterances were condemned by national leaders of all creeds and professions, and scored by practically every editorial writer except those who toil for Nazi publications or papers which openly advocate appeasement of Adolf Hitler

The applause was almost as great when Senator Wheeler attacked the American motion picture industry. Completely ignoring the fact that the so-called investigation by his Senatorial Sub-Committee, to determine whether there should be an investigation of alleged warmongering films, was a complete flop, he stated:

Some claim that the silver screen will become known in the future as the modern Benedict Arnold....Today, my friends, a Senate Committee is investigating propaganda in the motion picture industry. Experts and past masters in the art of hocus-pocus have hampered this work. Press agents, publicity experts, exploitation specialists -- hundreds of them throughout the nation and some paid from company funds -- seek to smear the Committee and to explain away poor memories and evasive replies.

They have performed an unconvincing job. Attempts are always made to stop or sabotage Congressional investigations. The present Committee is being attacked by these agents and by those in power as Committees investigating the Tea-Pot Dome and Department of Justice were attacked....Even the Roosevelt administration denounced the present investigation of the motion picture industry.

The "investigation" fizzled, but not because it was smeared by press agents, publicity experts, etc. Rather, it was recognized as a subterfuge by Washington correspondents of the nation's press, who reported accordingly to their papers.

That these demagogic statements were cheered by the Wheeler audience is in no way surprising, for there were present many real Benedict Arnolds who often heard the same fallacious arguments at local America First meetings and at gatherings of various subversive organizations.

Among the Senator's Heilers were Hermann Schwinn, West Coast leader of the German-American Bund until his American citizenship was revoked; Hans Diebel, proprietor of the Aryan Book Store, whose application for U. S. citizenship was denied by Federal Court; Muriel Wiseman and Sam Faulk, frequent attendants at the Los Angeles German House; Glenn Belcher, Nellie McCrae, Julia Cane, Larry Griffith, Dr. L. H. Wollendorf, regular attendants at Nazi meetings; Mrs. Faith McCullough, ex-secretary to Nazi propagandist Mrs. Leslie Fry; Martin H. Maeder, head of a secret cell Nazi organization calling itself "The Movement"; Louise Ward Watkins, Apologist No. 1 for Japan's New Order for Asia; Benjamin Franklin Ballard, chairman of the Los Angeles Downtown Chapter of America First and co-organizer of the "American Guards", a Nazi organization; Arthur Burnett, alias Roy Chase, organizer of the picket line at the Wendell Willkie Hollywood Bowl meeting; Charles Cobb, chairman of the Pasadena Chapter of America First, whose rantings against the Washington administration were such that the school board withdrew the use of the hall until Cobb promised to "tone down".

Dr. Rosstäuscher, frequently seen at subversive meetings, was also there, as were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Pilzer, members of the Bund and the German-American Alliance; W. H. Sahli, influential leader of the Ku Klux Klan; Mrs. Van Meter, her daughter and four sons, members of the Bund; D. H. Rathbone, printer of Nazi literature; Chester B. Anderson, former Ku Klux Klan leader and organizer of the Royal Order of American Defenders; Robert Noble, former Ham-and-Egg leader, now associated with the Humanist Society of Friends; Helen Officer and Sarah Morrison, anti-Semitic agitators; Ellis C. Jones, organizer of the National Copperheads, and habitué of the Los Angeles German House; G. Allison Phelps, exposed in NRS #161; ex-Congressman John Harry Hoepfel, editor of the pro-appeasement newspaper, "National Defense", who was found guilty and jailed by a Federal Court for selling appointments to Annapolis.

In the audience also were Dowden, Ferenz' associate; Gertrude Wouters and Ray Bechtelheimer, Bund hangers-on; Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Lewis and their son Carrington, regular attendants at T. W. Hughes' meetings. Ferenz, Nazi film exhibitor, was among them with Dorothy Groton, according to the NRS camera reporter (illustration on page 4). Ferenz constantly hung around the Senator wherever he appeared during his stay in Los Angeles.

Bund Stormtrooperette Goes Into Action

Many well known Nazis acted as ushers, including Joan McBride, who had come with her husband James. The swastika-braceletted Mrs. McBride frequently acts as waitress at the German House. In true stormtrooper fashion, she was ready to assail a woman who heckled Senator Wheeler when he made his ridiculous charges against the American film industry (illustration on page 1).

At the auditorium entrance, Noble distributed literature; Jones sold the Nazi smear sheet, "Publicity" (illustration on page 4), and reprints of Lindbergh's Des Moines speech, gotten out by his Copperheads. Mrs. Charles H. Clark, also mentioned earlier, distributed handbills (illustration on page 5)

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Warmongers!!

If you are AGAINST War
Don't Patronize
Dr. BEAUCHAMP
 Dentist (Say Bee - cham) Dentist
 NOR
 Any Advertisers
 in the
L. A. DAILY NEWS
 Published by that
Sly "prince" of Warmongers
MANCHESTER BODDY

83% of the people are opposed to war. Let's do no business with Warmonging Newspapers nor their Advertisers. We MUST BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR - RIGHT ON THEIR POCKET-BOOKS - as that is the only language they understand

Hear **ROBERT NOBLE** "CALIFORNIA'S FEARLESS ORATOR" AND OTHERS at **BIG FREE**

LINDBERGH Anti-War Rally
 Every SATURDAY Evening at 8:00 p. m.
 EMBASSY AUDITORIUM, 9th and Grand, Los Angeles.

● WE MUST KEEP OUT OF WAR ●



Above: A picture of scoop dimensions! This shows the welcoming America Firsters who greeted Senator Wheeler at the Los Angeles Union Station. The extreme right, against the wall, face hidden covered with a newspaper, is F. K. Ferenz, Nazi propagandist par excellence.

Above: Reproduction of circular, with which Robert Noble announced plans to picket innocent Dr. Beauchamp, in order to attack the Los Angeles Daily News and Publisher Manchester Boddy's support of the Administration. See picture of pickets on opposite end of layout. Below: The September 25th issue of "Publicity", vendid by Ellis O. Jones of the Copperheads at the Wheeler meeting. Unabashed, the Nazi editor insists on publishing impeachment charges against F.D.R.



IMPEACHMENT DEMAND GAINS MOMENTUM

Day by day, in every way, the program recently launched by pro-American forces over the nation's growing momentum. The very "IMPACT ROOSEVELT" goes up from "Captive American Christians in every book and corner of the Republic." "Captive American Christians" are on the streets by Roosevelt and his Catholic Government to give ALL-OUT AID to "Bloody Joe" Stalin. It plans to completely Communize the Christian Nation and bring it under the same bloody set up that has prevailed in the past twenty or more years in Russia. Under "Bloody Joe" Stalin, those hands upon thousands of Christians were murdered shortly after his rise to power. American Catholic Action Christians are determined that what happened in Russia SHALL NOT happen in Christian America. A few leaders took unto themselves a big task, that of awakening their brethren to the "Satanic Faith" in the great danger confronting America. They have been secretly working from day to day and month to month until now they feel that they have enough support to bring the crusade out into the open. A tremendous drive will soon get under way to reach (See Page 2)

What is an American?
 Meeting Post
 And the MAKING POT

PUBLICITY

LET THE PEOPLE KNOW
 THE SHAME AND FEAR NOW

Roosevelt is a Big Banker, "Jews" Are Not Gods Chosen People Why Not Use Impounded Money Gambler—Schaler
 Silver For Pensions Now?

Your presence is requested

at a

Reception

in honor of

Senator and Mrs. Burton K. Wheeler

Wednesday, October First

from three to six o'clock

at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard U. Maxam

Four Berkeley Square

Entrance on Gramercy Place
between Washington and Adams

Above: Front cover of the invitation to the reception for Senator Wheeler and his wife. The inside cover, containing names of patrons, revealed many subversivists and questionable characters. Top, right: The latest attempt by Charles Clark to get his "Peace Army" rolling toward the Capitol, passed out at the Wheeler meeting. At left: Scene of the pickets marching in front of Dr. Beauchamp's office. From right to left: Robert Noble, not noble in his efforts; an unidentified duped follower; Daniel Van Meter, Bundit; and a Mrs. Jefferson. At right: Another picture of scoop importance! This shows Senator Wheeler just as he was about to mount the platform at the Olympic Auditorium. Behind him in the audience are none other than F. K. Ferenz and his assistant, Dorothy Groton, both circled in white. Wheeler and his faithful dog, Ferenz, got along well together.

To Be PRO Anything Else—is Anti-American

National Peace Crusade ON WASHINGTON

Is now sweeping the nation like a prairie fire—and recruiting all countrymen who love their land well enough to protect it.

AWAKE, CHRISTIAN AMERICA AND CLAIM YOUR BIRTHRIGHT!
A COALITION FOR ALL ANTI-WAR GROUPS

A HOLY CRUSADE ON WASHINGTON to petition the Congress of the United States "to keep out of war" and to "repeal the Lend-Lease Act" and to further guarantee that there be "NO UNION NOW" or "UNION JACK" on the Stars and Stripes.

Get Ready

Thousands going from the four corners—converging at central points enroute to the Capital—by train, motors, trailers, bicycles, buses and on foot.

LET'S MAKE AMERICA AN ARSENAL OF PEACE INSTEAD
OF AN ARSENAL OF MURDER

Let's love the "Finns" in "41" as we did in "39"—Let's be consistent

Let's Be Frantically American

LET'S SAVE U. S. FOR US

NATIONAL PEACE CRUSADE HEADQUARTERS, LOS ANGELES, 306 West Third Street

Chairman—Chas H. Clark, Attorney

Iris Clark—Organizer



advertising her "National Peace Crusade". Among other things, her organization demands repeal of the Lend-Lease Act. George Nusang, of the Coughlin-sponsored American Honest Money Legion, gave away literature demanding impeachment of the president. Blanche Duquette (alias Mrs. Day) sold "Social Justice", as usual.

Prelude to Patrioteering

Passing the collection box at the Wheeler rally -- a necessary item on the agenda of each America First meeting -- was under the direction of Marshall Perham, who delivered a purse-loosening appeal to the assemblage.

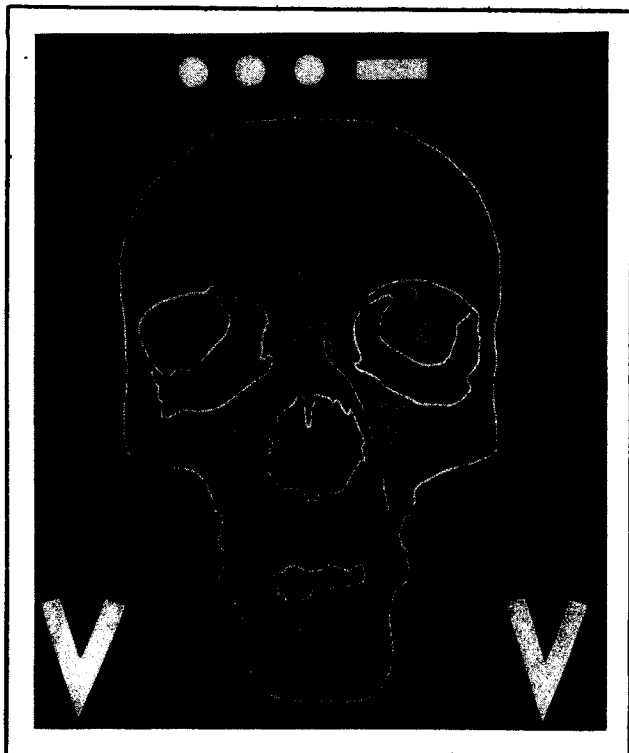
Perham has appeared before America First audiences on many occasions. He specializes in anti-British harangues, following Committee policies to a T. Occasionally, his mind erupts with an idea to heighten America First attacks against the Administration's policies, and against war efforts by the Allies. Recently, he sent to national headquarters of America First a gruesome photograph of a skull flanked by three-dots-and-a-dash and two "V"s (illustration on this page), with the suggestion that it be reproduced and circulated throughout the country to offset the current campaign for Britain's victory.

Presiding at the Wheeler rally was Joseph Scott, prominent Los Angeles lawyer and Catholic layman. Two days before the meeting, Scott was the intended victim of a "putsch" on the part of a handful of "America Next" Nazis. They marched to the office of John Wheeler, son of the Senator and head of the local America First organization, to demand Scott's ouster as chairman of the Wheeler meeting. They were opposed to Scott because he had publicly denounced Lindbergh, following the Lonely Eagle's disastrous denouement in Des Moines. Scott had issued a statement to the press, saying:

It is very unfortunate that Colonel Lindbergh raised the issue in the manner in which he did.... They (Jews) are a patriotic, socially-minded group. They have a right to be disturbed, especially at the abominable treatment of their race by Hitler. But I don't think they want to drag this country into war.

Signs of the Times

This incident was but part of a busy afternoon's activities by these "patriots". Two hours before the foregoing call, they had picketed the offices of Dr. Beauchamp, a leading dentist. The reason for this picketing becomes apparent from the signs which were carried (illustration on page 5). One read: "Warmongers! Don't patronize Dr. Beauchamp. He advertises in Manchester Boddy's Los Angeles Daily News". Another proclaimed: "We speak for the 83%



To frighten the wits out of those who back the "V" campaign, Charles Perham suggests to National Headquarters of the America First Committee that the above photo be circulated throughout this country. Perham, America First speaker, reveals his twisted mentality for all to see. Apparently, he does not desire a British victory over Hitler.

who are against war. Do no business with advertisers in warmongering newspapers." Still another denounced the Daily News and all war newspapers, and praised Lindbergh. The picketers had hoped to attack the Los Angeles Daily News through one of its advertisers. The Daily News has steadfastly endorsed administration policies. Hence, it was no surprise to find, among the picketers, Daniel Van Meter, Joan McBride, Arthur Burnett (alias Roy Chase), F. K. Ferenz, Ellis O. Jones, Robert Noble -- all of them mentioned before.

The picketing was under the direction of Noble who, three days earlier, had distributed handbills (illustration on page 4) at an Embassy Auditorium meeting under his own sponsorship. Noble caters to the same group of down-and-outers, Nazis and haters that flock to hear the rantings of T. W. Hughes.

Dr. Beauchamp inserted in the Daily News a subtle analysis of this unexpected parade in front of his offices. In a paid advertisement, he remarked, among other things, that this was indeed a strange place to agitate about foreign affairs, and concluded: "If you want a good interventionist bridge, or an isolationist jacket crown, we advise you to go elsewhere....But if you are in the market for some first class dental work, we can give you this service".

Matters are really approaching a state of confusion:

1. Senator Wheeler, through creation of the Senatorial Committee to investigate whether there should be an investigation of the American film industry, is trying to curtail constitutional freedom of expression.
2. Senator Wheeler, in all his speeches, accuses President Roosevelt of being a dictator, and cries that his (Wheeler's) freedom of speech has been curtailed.
3. America Next Nazis demand the ouster of an America First official who dared criticize Lindbergh.
4. America Next Nazis picket the office of a dentist because he advertises in a paper which doesn't like Hitler.

All of them demand for themselves the American Constitutional right of free expression, and use that very same right in an attempt to silence those who stand behind the President's foreign policy.

Senator Wheeler plays politics with our country's safety -- at the same time, he plays into the hands of the Fifth Column. The Knights of the Trojan Horse appreciate the Senator, for he supplies them with new grist for their mills of subversivism.

"FREE WORLD", published by International Free World Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City. Subscription price, \$4.00 per year. A group of outstanding liberals from all parts of the Western Hemisphere have banded together and organized the International Free World Association. This month, the first issue of their publication, "FREE WORLD", has made its appearance. The issue contains articles by Cordell Hull, Edouard Benes, Marcello T. De Alvear, Archibald MacLeish, Carlo Sforza, Clark Eichelberger, Walter Millis, Nicholas Murray Butler, Norman Angell, and many others. No liberal-minded person who wants to keep abreast of developments on the international scene can afford to miss reading "FREE WORLD". The editors of NEWS RESEARCH SERVICE recommend it most highly.

O V E R !



Left: Cartoon by Rollin Kirby in the New York Post. Though the Lend-Lease Bill has become law long ago, Sen. Wheeler is still fighting it. Above: Picture of F. K. Ferenz, Nazi film exhibitor, awaiting arrival of Wheeler at Los Angeles railroad depot. Below: Part of handbill distributed at Wheeler mass meeting held at Olympic Auditorium.

were open to advocates of war were closed to speakers who opposed it. A fear campaign was inaugurated. We were told that aviation, which has held the British fleet off the continent of Europe, made America more vulnerable than ever before to invasion. Propaganda was in full swing.

"There was no difficulty in obtaining billions of dollars for arms under the guise

next, we agreed to loan arms to Europe; then, we agreed to patrol the ocean for Europe; then, we occupied a European island in the war zone. Now we have reached the verge of war.

"The war groups have succeeded in the first two of their three major steps into war. The greatest armament program in our history is under way. We have become

American people, do that, independence and freedom will continue to live among us, and there will be no foreign war."

CHARLES A. LINDBERGH
Des Moines, Iowa
Sept. 11, 1941

NATIONAL COPPERHEADS

The National Copperheads have chosen as a slogan what was intended as an insulting opprobrious epithet hurled at Colonel Lindbergh and his patriotic sympathizers by a peevish power-mad Roosevelt—a fighting slogan around which to rally and organize in support of the unpolluted Americanism, the straightforward realism and those sound enduring principles so ably and staunchly enunciated over and over by that most popular of all Americans, our beloved Lindy.

Events since launching this rapidly expanding organization prove more and more the need of a solid front to combat the sneer-smear campaign of subversive groups against Lindbergh and his followers and nothing has proved this more emphatically than the reaction of certain politicians, editors and other hypocrites to Lindbergh's epoch-marking Des Moines speech in which at long last, after months of patient restraint, he fixed the blame for the war-mongering precisely where it belongs.

We need new leadership in the United States, leaders who will think clearly and act courageously. Charles A. Lindbergh has proved himself outstanding as such a leader. Thus, unlike practically all other anti-war organizations, the National Copperheads is by no means a passing fancy, but is designed to carry on to further practical accomplishment after the war menace is removed and we are able once more to concentrate upon our own problems. We are for America first, not as an abstract proposition, but concretely by building an organization of true and intelligent patriots in order to eliminate from power those democracy-wreckers who now sit so arrogantly in the seats of the mighty.

For this purpose we need the active cooperation of similar-minded patriots everywhere. Won't you get in touch with us and tell us you will help. Get our literature. Show your colors by wearing "I'M A COPPERHEAD" pins. Distribute the above speech. Give us suggestions. — ELLIS O. JONES, Founder.

LITERATURE PRICES

Lindbergh's Des Moines speech (this leaflet) 10c a dozen.

"I'm A COPPERHEAD" buttons, 10c each, 6 for 25c, 100 for \$2.00.

Lindbergh Post Cards (containing one of his inspiring statements) 10c a dozen, 100 for 50c.

America First March, words and music by Ellis O. Jones, 35c. Quantity prices on request.

Address NATIONAL COPPERHEADS, 5512 Metro. Sta., Los Angeles, Calif.