

NAZI SECRETS

in U. S. Told by TIMES MEN

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TIMES REPORTER IN NAZI RANKS.—When Astoria storm troops lined up at Camp Siegfried, Yaphank, Long Island, John C. Metcalfe (arrow) was in uniform.



FORMER G-MAN IN NAZI ALIEN GROUP.—James J. Metcalfe (arrow) took part with Chicago Deutscher Volksbund in German day ceremonies at Kenosha, Wis.



Swastika precedes Stars and Stripes in nazi-march at Camp Nordland, near Andover, N. J.

SECRETS OF NAZI ARMY IN U. S. A.



John C. Metcalfe
Reporter-Storm Trooper



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Former G-Man

*By TIMES Men
Who Joined It!*

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NAZI ARMY IN U. S.

Secrets Told by TIMES Men Who Joined It

By William Mueller

THE regimented tread of marching men under the flaming nazi swastika resounds from coast to coast in the United States today.

In uniforms strangely suggestive of those worn by Adolf Hitler's nazi storm troops, a relatively small but rapidly growing army is preparing for the American counterpart of "Der Tag," when it plans to seize control of the United States.

"We are not plotting a revolution," leaders tell their followers. "But we are going to be prepared to wrest control from the communist-Jews when they start their revolution. We will save America for white-Americans."

The growing menace of an organization which outwardly professes to be 100 per cent American but which scorns democracy prompted the TIMES to undertake the first exhaustive investigation of American nazis.

Three reporters worked for months, both from within and outside the *Amerikadeutscher Volksbund*—German-American Bund—and its companion organization, the *Deut-*

Behind the Scenes!

In the past six months newspapers and periodicals have carried stories about nazi activities in America. Nazi leaders have been interviewed. A few nazi public functions have been pictured. But behind the scenes, what?

Before front-stage was being reported, the TIMES had two men working back-stage. One joined the nazi storm troops. The other observed as a frequent "guest." In July, a third TIMES reporter, a former "G" man, joined the strictly alien, non-American nazi storm troops in Chicago!

These three young Americans, all of German extraction, have done an excellent job. Their stories will shock and amaze the nation.—THE EDITORS.

which the TIMES now presents exclusively to its readers.

Months before Atty. Gen. Homer S. Cummings on Aug. 18 ordered G-men to make a "cursory" investigation of the Bund, two TIMES staff men—one a former ace G-man—were members of American nazi or-

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scher Volksbund. They traveled from coast to coast and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico to learn international secrets



Nazi swastika and nazi salute in America. Scene is Camp Siegfried at Yaphank, Long Island, N. Y., during recent *Amerikadeutscher Volksbund* ceremony.

I Am a U. S. Nazi Storm Trooper

(Here is John C. Metcalfe's story of his experiences as Hellmut Oberwinder, storm trooper in the U. S. nazi army.)

By JOHN C. METCALFE
Chapter I.

DRUMS roll out a thunderous echo in Turner Hall. German-American storm troops in silver gray shirts, military belts, black trousers and overseas caps stand stiffly at attention in two lines facing each other.

Flanked by the drummers, troops carrying the American and nazi flags march to the one end of the hall, forming the bottom of a U-shaped formation, with the storm troops lined up on each side.

Into this formation march six new members, about to become full-fledged troops of the *Ordnungs Dienst*—the uniformed organization of the *Amerikadeutscher Volksbund*, I am one of them.

I joined the organization nearly two months previously, purchased my uniform and drilled with the Astoria, L. I., troops in Turner hall and at Camp Nordland in New Jersey and Camp Siegfried on Long Island. Leaders of the Bund supposedly have checked my record and references and have decided to permit me to go through the secret initiation ceremony.



Herman Schwarzmann

troops are not required to wear uniforms.

When I arrive I find about 40 troops present. I ask several, "What are we going to do?" but the only answers I receive are, "Oh, you'll know soon enough," or "You'll find out." There is an air of secrecy about the affair which heightens the impressiveness of the ceremony to follow.

I AM ordered to help erect the American and German flags. In placing the standards in a corner, I notice the nazi swastika is at least six inches higher than the American flag, so that the Hitler emblem easily clears Old Glory.

Along with other new members I purchase an arm band for 35 cents which completes the uniform. The black arm band is bordered at the top and bottom with silver stripes and carries an insignia of the letters A V *Amerikadeutscher Volksbund* from which emanate streams of gold light pointing toward a small swastika. On one side of the design is the letter O, and on the

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CHICAGO NAZI LEADERS



Fritz Matthes (left), former storm trooper under Hitler in Germany, commands uniformed nazis in Chicago, while Fritz Heberling leads strictly alien *Deutscher Volksbund*.

ALL storm troops have been ordered to the meeting the night of July 22 in uniform. The nature of the meeting has not been disclosed to any of the fledglings. On ordinary drill nights, twice a week,

How TIMES Men Got On the 'Inside' of the Bund

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ganizations. A third reporter, maintaining liaison with them, watched the Bund's varied activities from the outside.

The three whose combined reports form this astounding series are James J. Metcalfe, former G-man, John C. Metcalfe and William A. Mueller.

Under the name of Oberwinder, the Metcalfe brothers months ago built themselves up as nazi sympathizers and were accepted as members of the organizations. John Metcalfe established himself in the predominantly German, Yorkville section of New York City and later acted as a propagandist for the Amerikadeutscher Bund on a cross-country tour.

A month after John Metcalfe became a storm trooper in New York, his brother, James, was accepted as a member of the alien army operated by the Deutscher Volksbund in Chicago.

'Get the Facts'

Ground work for the investigation was laid a year ago. It reached the definite build-up stage in February of this year when John Metcalfe and Mueller were sent to New York to "get the facts."

The Metcalfe brothers were born in Germany and speak the language. Mueller is of German extraction. All are Americans. James Metcalfe was the first Federal Bureau of Investigation agent assigned to the John Dillinger hunt and was in on

NAZI PRIMER OF HATE DISTRIBUTED IN AMERICA



Facsimile of page illustrating poem, reproduced from nazi-printed book purchased in Chicago.

Der Vater des Juden ist der Teufel

Alles, was er tut, ist schlecht und böse... (German text from the primer)

Free translation of this verse, reprinted from primer published in Germany, appears below.

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Nazi Primer (\$5 or 75c) Shows Hatred of Jews

This nazi primer is reproduced by the TIMES to show the extent to which racial prejudice is inflamed in America with propaganda imported from Germany by the German-American Bund.

The book first was called to the attention of the TIMES July 14 in a telephone call from the Home of Books, Inc., 155 W. Madison st. A TIMES representative bought a copy for \$5.00 after a German-speaking clerk assured him it was "smuggled in from Germany and one of only six copies in the United States."

That night TIMES Reporter James Metcalfe, who became a Bund storm trooper, attended a public meeting of the Amerika-Deutscher Volksbund at the Hans Vaterland, 3857 N. Western ave. German books and periodicals were sold at the meeting and prominent among them was the "smuggled" nazi primer.

He bought a copy for 75 cents and was told there were as many available at that price as customers demanded.

The book is titled "A Picture Book for Old and Young by Elvira Bauer." It is published by Steiner-Verlag, Nuremberg, Germany, and printed in German script.

The poems were translated by a German expert and put into English verse by James Metcalfe.

THE DEVIL IS THE FATHER OF THE JEW

When God Almighty made this world / He thought of different races— / Indians, Negroes, Chinese, Jews, / With all their ugly faces.

We, Germans, were another group / To whom the Lord donated / The fertile fields that honest hands / Could well have cultivated.

But, ah, the Jew! He would not do / The part that he was bidden, / For at the very outset he / Was by the Devil ridden.

The Devil ably trained him in / Deceiving and denying, / So that the Talmud* might record / His art of clever lying.

Until the Pharaoh on the Nile / Beheld this people's fallings / And made them work by hauling bricks, / Despite their bitter wailings.

And so the Jews first came to have / Hunch backs and crooked noses; / Disgusting creatures in their looks, / Their manners and their poses.

Then to the Devil did they turn / Their wretched, horrid faces; / He sneaked them into Germany / To take the Germans' places.

*The Talmud is the book of Jewish rules for criminals. (This is part of the translation.)

status of James Metcalfe before he was admitted to membership. A birth certificate from Germany finally convinced them he should be permitted to join the alien army.

Peter Glasbi, brother of Fritz and founder of the Amerikadeutscher group wanted Metcalfe to join his outfit.

Fritz Heberling, tanned and husky leader of the Deutscher Bund, decided Metcalfe was a German citizen, after telling him he had discussed the matter with the German consul here.

In his private office in the new home of the Chicago Bund—at 3867 N. Western ave.—Heberling gave a lengthy explanation to Metcalfe of citizenship and the organization.

'Keep German Ties'

He questioned him repeatedly on whether he had any plans of becoming an American citizen and explained that if he did he could be transferred to the other organization but that the leaders preferred that German citizens retain their citizenship! He said his organization was entirely disassociated from American politics.

"We are under von man only—Hitler," he explained with a thick accent. "We deal with the consul general of Germany here in this country. We take orders from Hitler—no von else. We are stronger and more powerful than the other group but we work with them and get along together." "We had nothing to worry about. We do no harm. We do not have guns and we do not shoot. His house is our own—we owe nothing. And we are going to buy a camp.—We are looking over property near Chicago now."

Heberling, his eyes sometimes suspicious, sometimes naive, explained the alien organization was somewhat stricter than the American, that it was compulsory to wear uniforms and to drill, and that members always were subject to orders of Hitler and the Third Reich.

Heberling introduced Metcalfe to Fritz Matthes, agile and ever-smiling leader of the uniformed troops in Chicago. Matthes acknowledged the introduction with a full and salute and appeared eager to have the new member start drilling as soon as possible.

"It was a storm trooper in Germany before coming over here," he explained proudly.

He said the Deutscher Volksbund uniform was more attractive than that worn by the Amerikadeutscher Bund. He said the uniform consisted of black riding breeches, black boots, Sam Browne belt, silver shirt, blue armband and military cap with a different design from that of the other organization.

Silver-Gray and Black

After experimenting with a variety of uniforms, the Amerikadeutscher Bund (ostensibly American citizens) this summer settled upon a silver-gray shirt with Sam Browne belt and black long trousers.

The first uniform had included a Hitler-brown shirt. This was changed to a white shirt with military trousers set in heavy black boots. The new uniform, ordered effective as of July 1, does away with the boots and military trousers. Leaders admitted the changes were made because the booted organiza-



Peter Gissibit

the Dillinger "kill." He resigned a position with another federal investigation service to join the TIMES editorial staff.

The TIMES investigators found the German brand of fascism spreading its tenacious tentacles throughout the nation. Leaders of the movement say they will seize control of the United States, but not until "the communists' revolution starts."

The organization is an integral part of the Hitler movement in Germany. Leaders are in frequent communication with Berlin. Every method of modern propaganda is used to win converts to the cause.

Chief tenet of the German-American Bund is an intense hatred of Jews and all things Jewish. Other anti-Semitic organizations are building up with the Bund in what leaders plan will be a general fascist merger.

Hold Jews, Reds the Same

Jews and communists are almost synonymous in the Bund mind. The day of bloodshed will come, leaders say, when "Jewish-mongrel-communists attempt to seize the government just as they did in Germany."

In one breath, they predict there never will be another democratic

election in the United States; in the next, they talk of uniting with other "Aryan" groups in a political party "to uphold the constitution."

The German-American Bund is composed ostensibly only of American citizens or prospective citizens. But many members admit privately they never intend to become citizens and plan to return to the "glorious Third Reich" as soon as the Vaterland is capable of absorbing its surplus population abroad.

The Amerikadeutscher Volksbund now has 60 odd Orstgruppen, or posts, scattered from coast to coast. Each group has a select organization of "Ordnungs Dienst," commonly called O. D.'s. The avowed purpose of this uniformed force is to police Bund gatherings, but it is an exact replica of the Hitler storm troops and is ready at all times for any type of terroristic activity.

TIMES Investigator John Metcalfe, drilled twice a week with the Astoria O. D. unit in Turner Hall, 44th and Broadway, Astoria, listened to the school-session lectures on the duties of O. D.'s; marched with them under the swastika and American flags at week-end celebrations in their elaborate camps on Long

Island and in the rolling hills of New Jersey. Later he carried the official greetings of Fritz Kuhn, national fuhrer, to units on the west coast and learned further secrets of the organization.

Posed as a German

James Metcalfe, posing as a German citizen, joined the Deutscher Volksbund in Chicago. The setup of the Hitler worshippers in Chicago is different from that in other sec-

tions of the country in that there is a separate organization (the Deutscher Volksbund) for native Germans who have no intention of becoming American citizens.

The Deutscher Volksbund was founded in Chicago in 1935 after Fritz Gissibit, leader of the Friends of New Germany, got into trouble because of his German citizenship. Its application blank says (in German):

- 1. The German Peoples' league is an organization of native Germans and is conducted under national socialistic principles.
2. The German Peoples' league is purely a cultural and industrial organization.
3. Any native German at the completion of his 18th year may become a member.
4. The final membership approval follows after a three months' period of waiting.
5. The entrance fee is 50 cents, the monthly fee is 50 cents. Cases of exceptions can always be considered.

There was considerable discussion among the leaders of the Deutscher Volksbund and the Amerikadeutscher Volksbund about the citizenship

350,000? No, 20,000. Rep. Samuel Dickstein, New York, charged in a speech in congress, July 27, that membership of the German American Bund began with 75 four years ago and today they have 350,000 in 40 states of the Union. TIMES reporters on the inside learned the membership today in about 20,000 in 17 states and the District of Columbia.

Nazi Salute Here Like in Berlin



YOUTH AND AGE.—This girl upraises her hand in nazi salute during German torch light parade in Chicago. The man, with folded arms, typifies majority of Germans in U. S., interested in "the old country" but uninterested in nazi movement in their adopted land.



IS THIS THE SALUTE TO OLD GLORY?—It's not what Americans are accustomed to, yet it's given as Amerika-deutscher Volksbund celebrates in Harms park, Chicago.



NAZI SALUTE FOR AMERICAN LEGION.—Milwaukee Legionnaires were greeted thus in 1934 visit to Berlin. They need not leave U. S. to receive same salute today.

Nazis Drill!—and 'When the Trouble Comes—'

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tion was open to more criticism from peace-loving Americans than the semi-military garb. Many of the troops, however, have not discarded their boots. The alien outfit apparently is not worried about criticism and retains the boots.

American storm troop discipline is as strict as that of the old Prussian army. Each member must obey without question any and all commands of his superior officers.

Ready for 'Trouble'

Again and again at drill meetings and lecture sessions members are told they must be ready for "any emergency." They must study and learn the duties of a Fuehrer, since all members of the presently composed compact group of O. D.'s expect to be Fuehrers in their own right "when the trouble comes."

Many of the Fuehrers of local posts are former German army officers. In the ranks are expert machine-gunners, aviators and riflemen, some of whom wear on their shirts Iron Crosses awarded for bravery in the World war.

The American Hitler—the national Fuehrer of the Amerikadeutscher Volksbund—is Fritz Kuhn, about 45, who left his position as chemical engineer for the Ford Motor Co. in Detroit to take over direction of the Bund at an undisclosed salary.

Kuhn is a well-built, square-jawed aggressive Aryan, more than six feet tall and weighing more than 200 pounds. When he stands erect in his storm troop uniform with gray officer's coat, his paunch is not so very noticeable. He is hard-faced and stern when reviewing his

NOTE ANY RESEMBLANCE?



Fuehrer Adolf Hitler John C. Metcalfe
From New York to California, members of Amerikadeutscher Volksbund remarked about facial similarity of nazi fuehrer and TIMES reporter.

Day week-end) at the Biltmore hotel, New York City, the Fuehrer's term was extended to four years and Kuhn was re-elected "unanimously."

He had told intimates he would not take the position unless he received 90 per cent of the vote. But there was no question of his reelection. Whether they liked it or not, (and most of them did) members in local posts were steam-rolled for convention delegates committed to Kuhn. Storm Trooper John Metcalfe voted for Kuhn and was a guest at the convention banquet.

"Most of the delegates wanted to elect Mr. Kuhn for life," one member revealed. "But he wouldn't have it. He said that if he couldn't accomplish the Bund's aims in four years, he would be no good."

Kuhn came to the United States with his wife, Elsa, in 1927 from Hoechst am Rhein, Germany, where he had been employed as a chemist in the famed I-G Farben Works (dye manufacturers). He obtained a position in the laboratory of the Ford hospital in Detroit and after several years was transferred, because of his value, to the Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn.

Kept Vaterland Ties

He became an American citizen but did not cut his ties with the homeland. He served as midwest leader of the Friends of New Germany (predecessor of the Bund) before he was elected National Fuehrer of the Bund in March, 1936. Several months later he obtained a "leave of absence" from the Ford Motor Co. so that he could devote his entire time to Bund activity. Kuhn drives a Ford sedan (license No. Mich. 46-118) on his trips about the country.

National headquarters of the Bund this summer was shifted from Detroit to New York City because of the rapid growth of the organization in that territory. For purposes of organization the Bund has divided the country into three sections—

east, middle west and west.

Eastern district leader is handsome Rudolf Markmann, 3326 73d st., Jackson Heights, L. I., who has dark hair, red cheeks, flashing eyes and is in his middle 30s.

Leader for the middle west is George Froboese, smallest of the sub-fuehrers and partly bald. He is about 40. His address is 3227 N. 2d st., Milwaukee, Wis.

The western leader, Hermann Schwinn, might pass for a romantic movie star in his home city of Los Angeles, where he operates an insurance agency. He is in his early 30's, has dark, wavy hair and a trim, little moustache. His address is the Deutscher Haus, 634 W. 15th

st., Los Angeles. After the July convention in New York, Schwinn left for a two-month visit to Germany carrying greetings of the Bund to national socialist leaders in the Vaterland.

The Bund's chief propaganda organ is the weekly newspaper, the *Deutscher Weckruf und Beobachter*, published in three editions, which are edited in New York and printed in Philadelphia. Two editions, New York and Philadelphia, are circulated in the east; the third, the *Chicago Deutscher Weckruf*, 3243 N. Western ave., Chicago, is for mid-west consumption. The *California Weckruf*, published in Los Angeles, for the western district, has not been issued for several months, but it is planned to revive it in the fall.

The *Weckruf* is printing more and more columns in English in an attempt to enlist non-German readers in the fight against "unpatriotic and subversive work of the reds in our own America." The policies and language of the *Weckruf* follow closely those of the Hitler-controlled press of Germany.

The Present Posts

Present posts of the rapidly expanding organization by districts: East—Astoria, L. I.; Baltimore, Md.; Bergen County, N. J.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bronx, N. Y.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Danbury, Conn.; Glendale, N. Y.; Hudson county, N. J.; Jamaica, L. I.; Huntington, L. I.; Lindenhurst, L. I.; Nassau county, L. I.; Newark, N. J.; New Haven, Conn.; New Rochelle, N. Y.; New York, N. Y.; Norwalk, Conn.; Passaic county, N. J.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Reading, Pa.; Rockland county, N. Y.; Schenectady, N. Y.; Stamford, Conn.; Staten Island, N. Y.; Trenton, N. J.; Washington, D. C.; Waterbury, Conn.; White Plains, N. Y.; and Yonkers, N. Y. Midwest—Chicago, Ill.; Cincinnati, O.; Cleveland, O.; Dayton,

Suppress? No, Expose!

"Don't suppress the nazis—expose them."

Thus advised the New York Post in an editorial commenting on demands that the nazi camps in the east be closed. Arguing that to close the camps would be to punch "the first breach in our structure of civil liberties," the Post said:

"We say let them live. Their open anti-Semitism, their shabby Hitler worship, their political alliance with Italian fascists in this country are proper cause for alarm. But the way to handle them is to expose them, not to suppress them."

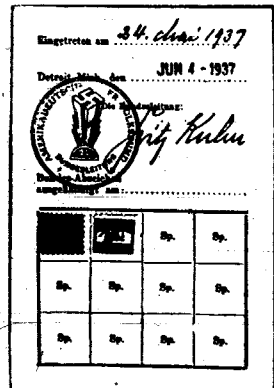
O.; Detroit, Mich.; Gary Ind.; Hammond, Ind.; Kenosha, Wis.; Milwaukee, Wis.; South Bend, Ind.; St. Louis, Mo.; Sheboygan, Wis.; Toledo, O.

West—Denver, Colo.; Los Angeles, Cal.; Oakland, Cal.; Concord, Cal.; Petaluma, Cal.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Santa Barbara, Cal.; San Diego, Cal.; San Francisco, Cal.; San Gabriel, Cal.; Seattle, Wash.; Spokane, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Omaha, Neb.

Plans have been made to organize posts next month in Indianapolis, and in four Texas cities: Dallas, San Antonio, Galveston and Houston.

The Bund maintains at least 15 camps, where boys and girls are trained and where adult members parade, listen to speeches, drink beer and dance on week-ends. The newest camp, Nordland, near Andover, N. J., spreads over 100 acres of wooded, hilly countryside and was formally opened, despite protests of

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Signature of Fritz Kuhn, nazi fuehrer in U. S., in TIMES reporter's Bund membership book. Note paid dues stamps.

troops, issuing orders or making a fighting speech; but he can relax, laugh and drink beer with his fellows in "Gemuetlichkeit."

Named 'Unanimously'

Kuhn took office after the 1936 convention of the organization, held in Buffalo, N. Y. His first term was for only one year. At the 1937 convention, held secretly, (but ironically enough, over Independence

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Amerikadeutscher Volksbund
BUNDESLEITUNG
ORTSGRUPPE: ASTORIA, L. I.
Mitgliedskarte Nr. 10620

Name: *Hellmut Oberwinder*
Wohnort: *New York City*
Strasse: *150 East 86th Str.*
Geb. am: *2. August 1904*
Hellmut Oberwinder
Organisationsnr.

Diese Karte ist gültig, wenn die Beiträge der letzten drei Monate nicht bezahlt sind.

This membership card, with swastika insignia on back cover, was presented to TIMES Reporter John C. Metcalfe when, using family name of Hellmut Oberwinder, he joined Amerikadeutscher Volksbund in New York.

Early Pre-Bund Leader Fled U. S. Warrant

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the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, on Sunday, July 18.

Others are Camp Siegfried, Yaphank, L. I.; Camp Deutschorst, Croydon, Pa.; Camp Etende, Detroit, Mich.; Camp Hindenburg, Grafton, Wis.; Deutsche Centrale Farm, Cleveland, O.; Camp Deutschorst, St. Louis, Mo.; Hindenburg Park, Los Angeles, Cal.; Oakland, San Francisco, Cal.; Portland, Ore.; Seattle, Wash.; Spokane, Wash.; San Diego, Cal.; Buffalo, N. Y., and Schenectady, N. Y.

The camps are laid out with ample space for parade grounds and drill fields, disguised as athletic fields. The broad expanse of drill field at Camp Siegfried, where now the swastika and Hitler are heeled, was used as a U. S. army training camp during world war days.

Forerunner of the Bund was the Teutonia society, organized in Chicago in 1924 by Fritz Gissibl, German citizen employed as a Chicago newspaper printing pressman. It was anti-Jewish and anti-Negro and as early as 1929 flaunted a swastika banner.

Fled from Warrant

After Hitler seized power in 1933, the Teutonia Society became the "Friends of New Germany." Heinz Spanknobel, its first leader, fled to Germany in the face of a federal warrant charging him with operating in the United States as an accredited agent of a foreign government without registering with the state department as provided in the wartime laws of 1917.

Fritz Gissibl took over the leadership with the departure of Spanknobel. His regime was short-lived, for early in 1934 Adolf Hitler himself was credited with issuing an order that membership in the Friends

NAZI LEADER IN AMERICA



Fritz Kuhn, bundesfuhrer of Amerikadeutscher Volksbund, as he addressed Fourth of July audience of 10,000 at Camp Siegfried, Yaphank, Long Island. His listeners included two TIMES reporters, John C. Metcalfe and William Mueller.

but TIMES investigators believe it about 20,000 and growing. Each member pays \$1 membership fee, a "voluntary" contribution of not less than 50 cents, and 75 cents monthly dues. Each membership card has

secretly but have no outward connection with the organization.

There are an estimated 12,000,000 German-Americans in this country. The Bund believes most of them are pro-Hitler and "would be on the right side" when the often-predicted explosion bursts in America.

TIMES investigators learned, however, that the vast majority of German-Americans turn cold shoulders to the Nazi movement in America. They are proud of the way Germany has come back, but take no part in the work of American storm troopers.

Kuhn's job is to enlist all German-Americans in the Bund.

During the past few years, Nazi propaganda, organized by the Bund, has engulfed many German-American affairs which formerly had no political significance. German Day celebrations in most parts of the country now are given over completely to praise of Hitler. Swastikas appear at concerts, dances and literary meetings and professional Bund speakers preach the doctrines of national socialism.

The other main objective of the Bund is to form alliances with other anti-communist and anti-Jewish organizations in America. When the day for actual merger of all American fascist forces arrives, the Bund hopes to lead the parade.

"Democracy is doomed," cried a young American rabble-rouser at a New York local meeting of the Bund. And the crowd of men and women applauded when he asked for a gun and the assignment to use it on communists in Union Square, New York, when "Der Tag" comes.

More conservative members shook their heads and declared the speaker, Edwin Westphal, did not express the official sentiments of the Bund.

Propaganda direct from the German ministry for propaganda and enlightenment is distributed by Bund officials. At each Bund gathering a long table is loaded with books, magazines and pamphlets from Ger-

many which are sold to members and friends.

Another Revenue Source

Probably the chief source of Bund revenue, aside from dues and contributions, is the *Deutscher Konsumverband*, the German Business League, commonly called the DKV.

The league is designed to counteract boycotts of Nazi goods. German-American business men must pay to be listed in local directories. Bund members pledge themselves to buy only from DKV members and receive rebate stamps for each purchase.

Business owners also are called upon to advertise in programs of the numerous festivals sponsored by the Bund. Many programs contain hundreds of advertisements and thus the treasury of the Bund is enriched.

The Bund also receives a steady stream of contributions from members and sympathizers. At every official meeting and even at affairs which supposedly have no Hitler connection, collections are taken up for one or another of the Bund's varied activities.

(Other pictures on pages 8, 9, 24, 25 and back page)

And Tomorrow--

What is the German-American Bund doing to the minds of American children? Is it educating them for war or peace? What is going on behind the barred entrance of the Bund Youth Camps? Are innocent American boys and girls of today the lifeline of tomorrow's revolution?

Don't miss tomorrow's story and exclusive pictures from behind-the-scenes!

'Sense of Duty---'

From speech delivered in German at the World's Fair, Chicago, June 15, 1893. Translated by Miss Schurz. From Carl Schurz, Speeches, Correspondence, Political Papers, V. 5, p. 182.

(Carl Schurz (1829-1906) was a German immigrant, a general, a diplomat, a journalistic commentator upon political affairs, a senator, and secretary of the interior, whose work was influential upon the history of the United States during the latter half of the 19th century.)

"We (Germans) are, indeed, faithful citizens of the great American Republic—as loyal as the truest. We are proud of our commonwealth, for this self government is our government, its growth is also our growth, its destiny is our destiny.

"However fervent may be the sympathy of the German-American with the fortunes, the aspirations and the struggles of the old home; however ardently his good wishes may follow all enterprises of his old country, he never allows his sense of duty towards the new Fatherland to become shaken by the idea of leading this Republic away from the secure path of its traditional and wise policy, nor to attempt to involve it in the quarrels or conflict of interest of the old world. Never has he tried to mingle European politics with those of America."

Carl Schurz

of New Germany should be limited to American citizens only.

Forced to Resign

Gissibl, a German citizen, was forced to resign as Fuhrer. At a meeting at Yorkville Casino in New York City, March 27, 1934, he announced he was returning to Germany to work for the Third Reich. Reinhold Walter, New York, was elected national leader.

Factional fights split the organization in 1935 and for a short time Seppi Schuster, who organized the American storm troops, served as Bundesfuhrer. He, too, has reportedly returned to Germany.

After a shakeup in the national convention in Buffalo in March, 1936, the organization emerged as the *Amerikadeutscher Volksbund* with Kuhn as Bundesfuhrer. The addition of America to the name was designed to counteract criticism. The Bund now claims it is the most 100 per cent American organization in the country.

But Door Is Left Ajar

The new constitution of the Bund lists as eligible for membership American citizens and prospective American citizens, thus opening the doors to all German-citizens in this country.

The aggressive campaign of the American Nazis is fast winning new members and new affiliated German-American societies. The claimed membership now is 50,000—

spaces for stamps issued on payment of monthly dues and other spaces for special assessment stamps.

There are thousands of German-Americans who will stretch their arms in a Hitler salute but who, for financial or business reasons, are not members of the Bund. Some who work for Jewish employers are afraid to join. Other wealthier German-Americans contribute money

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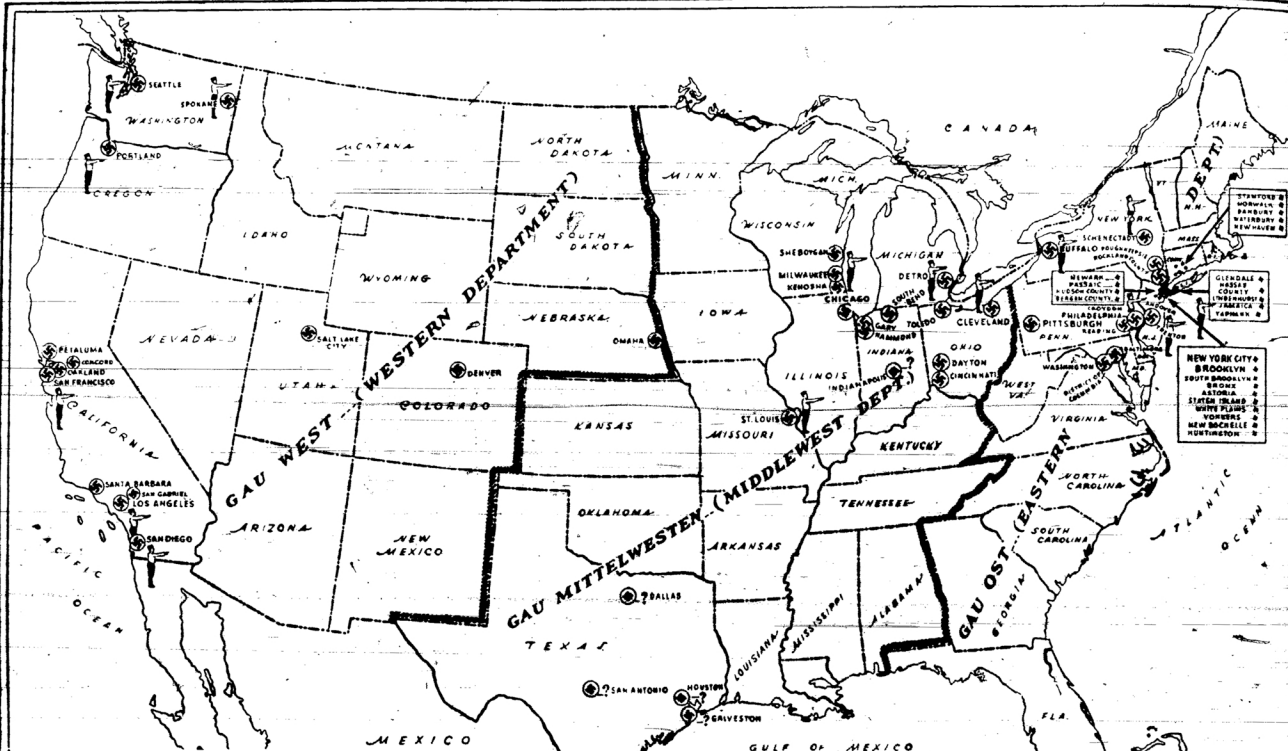
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NAZI UNITS AND CAMPS FROM COAST TO COAST IN U. S.



Each swastika represents unit of Amerikadeutscher Volksbund in United States. Each storm troop figure indicates camp where Bund members gather for nazi-like ceremonies. Bund has divided nation into three departments, each directed by a fuhrer. Question mark beside swastika indicates units that have not definitely sworn allegiance to Bund.

I Am a U.S. Nazi Storm Trooper

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other side the letter D. Troops are commonly called O. D.s (pronounced O. Days.)

HERMAN SCHWARZMANN, fuhrer of the Astoria post, calls the troops to order and after a series of drills about the hall we line up in company formation. Then we are divided into groups consisting of those who have been with the O. D. three years, two years, one year and new members. After a check of names by a visiting officer, we are returned to company formation.

Schwarzmann, a stocky, red-faced man, steps before the troops and in clipped, military speech, explains in German:

"Tonight the new storm troops will become full fledged members of the O. D. But before going into the ceremony, I want to explain about our flags. The one you see is the national flag, the American, and the other is our storm flag. It happens to be a swastika. But I want you to consider it as your storm flag. In many nations—Sweden, Finland, Denmark, England, France, Poland and Spain, there happens to be similar storm flags. So, too, in America we have a storm flag.

"YOU new members are about to express your fealty to this flag, for all that it stands for and to stand fighting side by side with your comrades, come what may. I want to make clear that you

Nazi Secrecy Stressed

Secrets!

"The chief thing the matter now is that the (nazi) camps are conducted with such strict secrecy that all manner of suspicious and rumors were certain to be circulated," said the Wichita (Kas.) Eagle editorially on Aug. 25, endorsing Atty. Gen. Cummings' order for an investigation by G-men.

are not taking an oath of allegiance to your storm flag. We are not permitted to do this. However, you will express your loyalty by a ceremony which will signify your word of honor. **AND WE EXPECT THAT YOUR WORD OF HONOR IS JUST AS BINDING AS IF IT WERE AN OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.**"

THE speech finished, the new members are segregated from veterans, who with the flag bearers

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and drummers create the U-shaped formation. Marching two abreast, the new members come to a halt a few feet from the flags.

Schwarzmann marches to the flags and holding the lower corner of each flag in his left hand calls for a Hitler salute from the old members. Several new members go through the ceremony and then it is my turn. I approach Der Fuhrer and stretch out my left hand, giving the nazi salute with my right, as I have seen the other do.

SCHWARZMANN with military precision, places the corner of the American flag in my left hand and puts the corner of the nazi flag on top of it. Then he returns the

salute as the drummers pound out a thunderous dirge. Next he grasps my left hand with the grip of a professional wrestler and glares with fierce intensity into my eyes, as if to impress deeply upon me the significance of the ceremony. I return to my position in the center ranks, still seeing that intense glare from Schwarzmann's hard eyes. After the sixth new trooper has returned to his post, Schwarzmann calls for three "Sieg Heils" (victory

cheers) from the old guard for the new members. The troops then are dismissed and adjourn to an evening

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ning of drinking beer and singing Hitler storm troop songs. Most of the songs are hymns of hate against Jews. Verse No. 2 of the Storm Troop Fight Song is in English:

"For liberty and truth we fight
"With words and deeds and song,

"For honesty and human right
"We stand and not for wrong.
"All true Friends of New Germany—

"And this with pride we say—
"Are friends of Peace, will always be
"Friends of the U. S. A."

A German Boy Scout from East Berlin is a guest at the "gemuetlichkeit" session that follows the initiation ceremony. He is dressed in light brown uniform with dark brown handkerchief around his neck and a crimson swastika armband.

At a previous "school" session for the Astoria O. D.'s, Fuehrer Schwarzmann read from a book of O. D. regulations about duties of a Fuehrer.

"I am reading this to you," he explains, "not so much because I want you to know what my duties are, but because someday all of you may be Fuehrers of your own groups

THEY LEARNED ABOUT NAZIS



James J. Metcalfe, William Mueller and John C. Metcalfe (l. to r.), all of German extraction, investigated nazi army in U. S. for the TIMES. The Metcalfes are brothers.

What They Want to Do

Nazi Germany's "program" for German-Americans as revealed in an editorial in the National Socialist Kurier, official party organ for Stuttgart, center of the reich's pan-German agitation (as reported in the New York Times, Aug. 18):

"We desire to bring back Germans in the United States to the racial unity and common fate of all Germans. To this end the intellectual and spiritual reform of Americans of German extraction is necessary in accord with the model furnished by the old homeland. . . .

"German-American influence thus economically strengthened and politically reactivated, shall then be thrown in the balance under our leadership for the coming struggle with communism and Jews and for the Americans' regeneration."

if you work hard and come to understand the problems before us.

"Every storm trooper should look forward to the day when he may become a Fuehrer himself. He must know how to handle people. He must understand people; he must lead and teach them.

"I tell you that exactly what happened in Germany some years

ago is happening now in this country. The Jew pigs are grabbing control of everything they can get their sticky hands on. This is exactly what took place in Germany. Finally the people rose up in resentment. This will happen here—it is inevitable. When that day comes, and it probably is not far off, we must be prepared to fight for the right kind of government. We must win the masses, the good people to our side.

There will likely be bloodshed and fighting. We shall have to do our part. No one knows where we shall have to go—New Jersey, New York or some other part of the country—or what we may be called upon to do. When that time comes, every man must be thoroughly trained to assume his responsibility, the important duties, of course, falling upon the shoulders

of our O. D. membership.

"You may think I am just dreaming or talking in the clouds. But I tell you that I know what I'm talking about. This trouble will

come, probably sooner than we think. It has to come, judging from the trends of the nation. When we understand how Germans handled their situation in Germany, we shall know how to handle the difficulties which will arise in America.

"In all likelihood the day of trouble will come with a financial crisis in Washington. Then will be the time to wipe out the Jew pigs."

Schwarzmann then repeats the charge, repeatedly made by all Bund members, that Jews have gained control of the press, radio, stage, movies and practically everything else in the United States.

"WHILE we are still Germans— for blood is stronger than paper—we are also American citizens," he continues. "And as American citizens we have the same rights as any other good citizens. But our rights have not been observed. The O. D.'s are not even permitted to march on the streets. The Jewish-controlled press will not print our side of the story. Some day that will be changed. For some day we will demand our rights as citizens be observed as are the rights of any Frenchman, Englishman or Spaniard who becomes an American citizen."

THE Fuehrer then reads clippings telling the part men of German blood played in the building of the American nation from the days of the revolution to the present. The meeting adjourns with three hellos—for the homeland, Hitler and the German-American Bund.

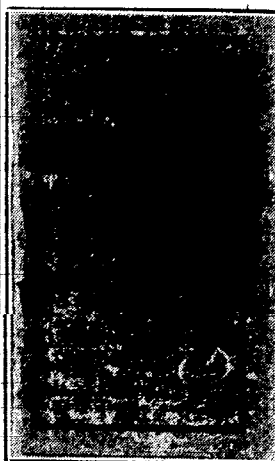
Three new members are signed up that night. New and old members both contribute to the "cause" and I see many dollar bills produced when the time comes for donations.

"The American is joining with us," one member says as I order a beer with a group of O. D.'s.

"You mean the German," another admonishes. "He's one of us now."

(Other pictures on pages 24, 25 and back page)

(Watch for Chapter 2 of John C. Metcalfe's story in tomorrow's TIMES.)



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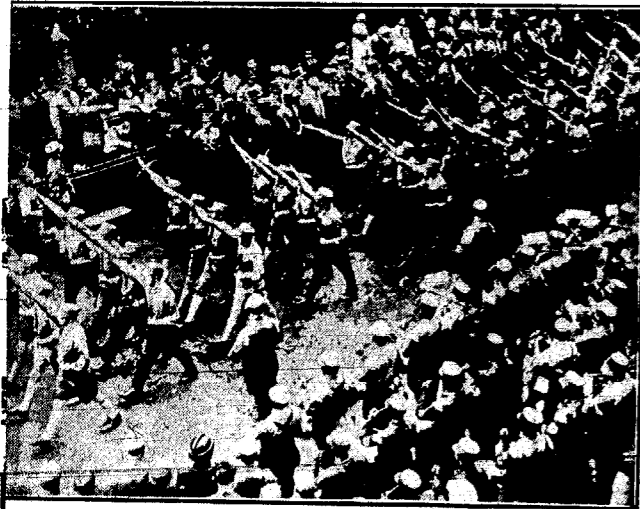
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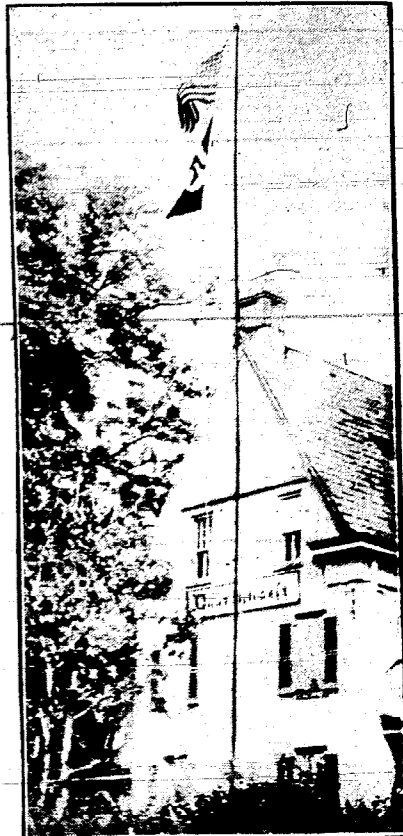
NEW YORK

—Nazi salute in America. Right arms extended, palms down, men in uniform take oath of allegiance to Fritz Kuhn, der fuehrer of German-American bund, at Camp Siegfried on Long Island.



ILLINOIS

—Only German-born who have no intention of becoming naturalized American citizens are eligible to march with this Deutscher Volksbund band, led by Karl Bahe. This strictly alien group makes its appearance at Soldier field, on the Chicago lakefront, during the Charter Jubilee celebration.



PENNSYLVANIA

—Stars and Stripes unfurl from same staff as nazi flag at headquarters of Camp Deutschorst, Croydon.



DER FUEHRER.—Adolf Hitler commands unwavering allegiance to himself and Germany... at home and abroad.

TOMORROW MORE STARTLING FACTS, PICTURES



CALIFORNIA—Picturesque in Mexican motif, the Grape Vine cafe is volksbund headquarters at San Gabriel.



MICHIGAN—Camp Efdnende, near Pontiac, attracts bund members on week-ends.



MISSOURI—Over protest of majority of units in newly organized St. Louis Federation of German Societies, Amerikadeutscher Volksbund displays nazi swastika at picnic and festival in Gray's grove.



OHIO—Through this gate pass bund members to get to Deutsche Zentrale camp near Cleveland. It is popular rendezvous.



WISCONSIN—Their voices are raised in "The Star Spangled Banner." Their hands are raised in the nazi salute. Divided allegiance is being German day celebration in Kenosha bund headquarters.

SWASTIKA IN NUREMBURG.—Nazi Germany's official emblem hangs from national socialists' convention hall. Its display is as it should be... in Germany. Its display in America is becoming more frequent, more prominent.