

THE NAZIS IN AMERICA: THEY GROW BOLDER DAILY IN THEIR EFFORTS TO TEAR DOWN OUR DEMOCRACY



TARGET PRACTICE gives American Nazis a chance to become adept with arms. They dare not drill with guns in public, but they welcome handling them.

THE PICTURES on these pages were not made in Germany. They may look like accurate shots of a foreign political movement—which they are—but they were made right here in these United States. Almost coincidentally with Hitler's assumption of power in the Reich, our free democracy began to feel the long paw of Nazi propaganda. Overnight there sprang up on a national scale a Friends of New Germany, its program incorporating all the repression and racial persecution of the Nazified fatherland. Starting from hushed meetings, nursed on literature and perhaps funds from the homeland, the movement grew more open, more bold, until it found itself in the midst of a first-class Congressional investigation. Ensuing publicity made the Friends dissolve, but it was immediately replaced by the German-American Bund, which has continued the drive for a Nazi America. German and American Nazis continually deny that they have any connection with each other; yet Ambassador Dieckhoff has addressed meetings attended by Bund members and Hitler has received Bund officials in Berlin. In 60 American counties, on 22 American camp sites, alien-fostered forces drill and agitate to end our democracy.



THIS BOOTH was a feature of a Nazi celebration in New York's Madison Square Garden last year. It advertised the German Awakener and Observer, official newspaper of the Nazis in America. Note the uniformed attendants on duty and the pictures of Adolf Hitler.

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"FIGHTING GERMANISM" is the slogan of this Bund yearbook. Note the picture of Hitler receiving Fritz Kuhn and the symbolic welding of U. S. and Nazi flags.

PRO-NAZI propaganda circulars were seized from the German ship, *Estes*, in New York in 1934. This is an example of the bold plotting of Nazi agents.



FIVE NAZIS had the effrontery to drive this truck through New York's heavily Jewish garment district. They were beaten up.

NEW YORKERS were shocked to find swastikas painted on a Jewish Synagogue in 1937. The low vandals who did this were not found.



WHITE RUSSIANS in America are joining the Nazi movement. One is A. A. Vonsiatsky who "plots" to overthrow the Soviet regime

VONSIATSKY has fitted out his Connecticut home as a miniature arsenal, employs a pudgy-faced, uniformed orderly. Note National Guard box on the floor.



THE STORM TROOPS of the Nazis in America are the uniformed *Ordnungsdienst*. Their early uniforms were smuggled in from Germany; later they adopted the ones shown here; today they have more elaborate outfits.

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THESE FACES are those of typical Nazi leaders in America. These are the men who preach against our democratic nation. Their motto is: "For a Single Germanism in America and at Home". Left to right: Gustav Elmer, the Bund's national organizer; August Klapproth, president of Camp Nordland and Hudson county, N. J., leader; Gustav Kunze, chief of public relations, who has often quarreled with the American Legion; James Wheeler-Hill, Bund secretary, whose Anglo-Saxon name is said to be acquired; Donald Shea, who is not a Bund member, but commands the National Gentile League.



BUNDESFUEHRER KUHN is a naturalized citizen. He gave up a job as chemist with the Ford Motor Co. to spend full time promoting Naziism. He claims leadership of 200,000; more likely figure is 20,000.



ONE AIM of the Bund is to unite all Fascist elements in America. These Italian Blackshirts attend a drill at Camp Siegfried, Long Island.



"WHO'LL BUY my nice swastikas?" cries a hawker at Siegfried. The sign above, at the same camp, says: "BRONX POST—FOR CHRISTIANS ONLY".



YOUTH MUST learn the ways of strife. A knife may be an innocent thing, but not when it's coupled with doctrines of hate.



ON PUBLIC MARCHES they make sure to carry Old Glory. But here the German Nazi flag precedes it during a parade at Camp Nordland, N. J. At camps like this all over the U. S. the Nazis drill for "the new day".

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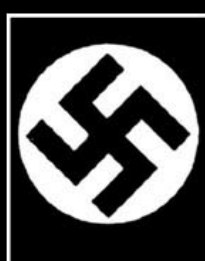


THE CHILDREN say they would run away if their parents didn't make them stay," a liberal German-American newspaper reported of Camp Nordland. "The general atmosphere is that of a penitentiary".



THE ROAD TO FASCISM:

FIRST THE INSIGNIA, THE BIG-CHINNED BARKING, AND THEN THE UPRAISED ARM



FASCISM has a way of starting as a friend of labor, a friend of agriculture, a foe of mysterious "vested interests." Hitler, sent to jail as a dangerous radical in 1923, spent his political infancy shrieking for the right of economically oppressed German masses, even called his party "National Socialist." Mussolini, until 1914, was a leading light in Italy's Socialist Party and editor of a Socialist newspaper. And now, from Wisconsin, comes Governor Phil LaFollette's announcement of a new party for America—a party of National Progressives who would slay the Communist spectre with one hand while reforming the "bad boys" of big business with the other. Even America is used to this sort of vague political chatter. But unfamiliar to America is the new party's insignia: a symbol that looks much too much like a Nazi swastika.



IT MAY NOT be fair to Phil LaFollette to brand him a potential Fascist. Perhaps the swastika-like cross, the mysterious symbolism, the spell-binding oratory, the shadowy protests, the vague program are all chance resemblances to the methods of Germany's Nazis. Unfortunately, chance resemblances to the methods of Germany's Nazis.



Unfortunately, he put himself on record in 1933 when, returning from a German visit, he wrote a series of newspaper articles expressing admiration for many of Hitler's policies.

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HUEY LONG was America's nearest approach to the Fascist-dictator menace. The mob that wants something for nothing liked Huey's wild promises.



THESE BOYS know that it pays to put on a good show. They have developed the knack of fooling their public by obscuring real issues behind clouds of pagantry and invective. Will free, democratic America ever fall for the same sort of thing?

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