

KEEP THE NAZIS OUT OF BOSTON!

● THE FORD HALL FORUM, under cover of the slogan of "free speech", has invited a representative of the Hitler Government of murderers and anti-Semites to speak at their Forum next Sunday evening, November 26.

DEMONSTRATE!

● COME AND SHOW your unalterable opposition and indignation against Hitlerite terror and reaction!

OUTSIDE FORD HALL (Ashburton Place off Bowdon Street)

Sunday, November 26 — 7.00 p. m.

● IN THE LAST FEW DAYS, scores of protests have been sent to David K. Niles, director of the Ford Hall Forum, demanding that he cancel the Nazi speaker. Replying to our protest, Mr. Niles stated that he is against Hitler, but believes in allowing Hitlerites to present their views. In response to his letter, the John Reed Club of Boston sent the following communication:

John Reed Club
825 Boylston Street, Boston
November 20, 1933.

Mr. David K. Niles, Director
Ford Hall Forum
Boston, Mass.

My dear Sir:—

We have received your answer to our letter and cannot help expressing surprise at the extent to which you chain yourself to an untenable logic.

While on the one hand you insist that you are determined to fight against Fascism, on the other hand, as a defender of "free speech" even for Hitler Fascists, you are yourself destroying the effectiveness of your fight. Indeed, you become a means of spreading Fascist propaganda, a defender of Fascist propaganda.

You say that the meeting at which Schoennemann is invited to speak will be utilized to expose Hitlerism, and Fascism in general; we simply cannot agree on such a form of anti-Fascist struggle. You do not seem to realize the fallacy of your logic, the consequences of such a logic: you do not differentiate between a philosophy which calls for clarification, AND A NEW TREND OF CAPITALIST DEVELOPMENT — A MOST BRUTAL DICTATORSHIP OF CAPITALISM — which requires just such a propagandist as Schoennemann to make it palatable to the unsuspecting victim. Your "fight" against Hitler's Fascism, against this band of murderers, of German Kaiserists and chauvinists, is no fight at all.

Further, you must realize that while you are permitting Hitlerites to speak under your auspices, you are serving as the doorman to introduce Hitlerites into countless Ford Halls of the United States, where they will conduct, not a

simple propaganda of their "philosophies", but will organize Fascism, will organize a combined struggle with the Ku Klux Klan and other reactionary bodies, against the great masses of American workers.

Here is the position, then, to which your logic drives you: **INDIRECT BEARERS**. It is a position that the Fascists gleefully utilize as a means of spreading their venom against the workers, against the Jewish people and against the Negro people, through their ally, the Ku Klux Klan.

You signify in your letter your intention of maintaining your freedom of fighting Fascism in your own way. If we do not convince you of your untenable position, with all its consequences, you must understand, on your side, that we signify our full right of maintaining OUR freedom in applying OUR methods of fighting Fascism, preventing the Fascists from spreading their propaganda in the United States, demonstrating against Fascism, proving our solidarity with the oppressed masses of Germany, with the oppressed Jewish people, with the defendants in the infamous Reichstag trial.

Your methods oblige us not only to organize to prevent Fascists from speaking in Boston, but to rally other organizations in support of our position. At the same time, your methods oblige us to expose your attitude — an attitude which sets you up as a defender in this country, of capitalist dictatorship at its murderous worst.

In order to head you off from the contradiction into which you are sailing, so that we may still fight shoulder to shoulder against the common enemy, we emphatically demand that your invitation to Professor F. Schoennemann be withdrawn.

Yours very truly,
EXECUTIVE BOARD, JOHN REED CLUB.

● GIVE NO OPPORTUNITY to the Fascist murderers who are killing and torturing thousands of workers and Jewish people, who are responsible for the scandalous Reichstag trial frame-up, to spread their venom here in Boston! Send protest telegrams, letters and postcards demanding the cancellation of the Nazi speaker to David K. Niles, Ford Hall Forum, Little Building, Boston.

● THE JOHN REED CLUB, an organization of workingclass artists, writers and intellectuals, calls upon all workers and professionals, all Jewish people, all anti-Fascists and all organizations to appear outside Ford Hall, Sunday evening, at 7:00 to demonstrate against Nazi propaganda being brought into Boston.

John Reed Club, 825 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.