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Boycott statement, 1934.

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MASS MEETING

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43rd STREET and 6th AVENUE

Wednesday, April 10th - 8:30 P. M.

The following speakers among others will address the meeting

SAMUEL UNTERMYER

Pres. Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League to Champion Human Rights, Inc.

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Vice-President, American Federation of Labor

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Naziism must lead to war. Those who have deprived their people of all their liberties, shattered their national economy, lowered the standard of living of the masses and reduced labor to a position of helplessness will soon be driven to the desperate measures of military adventure² in order ~~to divert attention from their own failures~~ and to check the rising tide of national resentment and indignation.

The Nazis will not remain satisfied with the revision of the Versailles treaties. Their dream of a racial empire within the heart of Europe will not content itself even with the ~~frontiers~~ ^{frontiers and the} political status of Germany ~~of~~ 1914. Hitler ^{himself} declared, "The frontiers of 1914 mean for the future of the German nation nothing whatever." The so-called Rosenberg plan calls for a Germanic Reich which will embrace all the German speaking peoples in Europe. Such a state can be created ~~in Europe~~ only through bloody war. ~~And~~ The Nazis

are indoctrinating their people with the idea of the inevitability of such a war and are preparing them ^{physically and ideologically} for it. The whole of Germany is fast becoming a military ^{training} camp and the dominant motif of Nazified Germany today is ~~militarism~~ ^{war} not alone in its industrial life but in its educational ^{and cultural} life as well.

There will be no peace in Europe until the power of ~~the~~ ^{this Nazi} cabal of black reactionaries and ruthless militarists ~~in Germany~~ is completely destroyed. This is not an internal problem of Germany. It is the most ~~urgent~~ ^{urgent} and ~~immediate~~ ^{inescapable} problem of ~~humanity~~ ^{the whole of} humanity today. ^{RP} The power of the Nazis can be broken through a world-wide boycott. It is in their economic ^{failures} ~~weakness~~ that the Nazis are most vulnerable. They who hate war will use the boycott as the surest means of averting the oncoming war which the Nazis are fomenting.

To trade with Germany is to trade with the enemy of civilization. To travel on a German ship is to travel under the emblem of the Swastika, the ⁱⁿ Mark of the Beast. To wear a German-made garment is to put on a garment of shame. To buy a German-made toy is to strengthen the hands of those who have caused the hearts of little children to bleed by isolating them from their classmates and

otherwise humiliating them. To buy from Germany today is to ehlp a government which has flaunted every decent human sentiment, trampled under foot every value sacred to civilization, substituted force for law, terror for justice, blood for brotherhood and war madness for the great peace hope of an harrassed humanity.

