

**NAZI STUDENTS  
AT DE PAUW U.  
SUPPORT HITLER**

Believe Rhineland Action Is  
Justified as Move  
for Equality.

*Times Special*  
GREENCASTLE, Ind., March 11.—Two German exchange students in De Pauw University spoke today of their homeland that seethes with war talk after Adolf Hitler's re-militarization of the Rhineland.

One is a young man, the other a young woman. Both were active in Hitler's organization in Germany. Both hold substantially the same views in regard to the Hitler revolution and the present European crisis.

They support Hitler and consider his latest move justified because it is aimed at bringing equality to Germany.

Miss Ilse Woessner, born at Wurttemberg in 1915, said Hitler's action in sending troops goose-stepping into the Rhineland was only a "symbolic action—symbolic of our determination to give Germany equality."

Siegfried Rauch, born in 1917 at Strassburg—which is now a focal point in Hitler's troop movements—said: "It is not an aggressive move. It is simply repopulation of German territory. If France is broad-minded enough to accept Hitler's peace offer, it will establish permanent peaceful relations."

**Think War Remote**

Expressing the opinion that war will not come, both students pointed out that neither the German people nor the French want war any more than do Americans.

Rauch, an 18-year-old law student who already has reached graduation in classification in Germany, said he believed the ultimate result would be that France will recognize German equality and will not make war because England will not back her.

While in Germany, Miss Woessner was a member of the staff of Wurttemberg leaders in the Hitler organization, and was active in the radio and press propaganda departments.

Rauch is still a member of the Hitler Brown Shirts. He went through a labor camp for six months, and when he returns to Germany this summer is to enter military education for a year. If war came, he said, he would be among the first called.

**Hitler Popular, They Say**

Contrary to the popularly held

American opinion, both students said the German people are nearly

solidly behind Hitler.

Germans are not living under the heel of an unwelcome oppressor, the students said, but are being guided out of inequality by a popular leader.

Rauch admitted, however, that Germany's legal position in disregarding the Locarno pact and the Versailles treaty is not a strong one.

"What," Miss Woessner asked earnestly, "would America do in the same situation? Would America endure the insults and the subjugation that Germany has?"

**Both Like America**

Both said they liked America "very much." Miss Woessner described the United States as "a happy country," and Rauch said he will be homesick for America when he returns to Germany.

They expressed the opinion that American young people are just as interested in politics and world affairs as are European youths, but "in a different way."

"You view European politics as a show," Rauch said. "We view it earnestly." Both believed America's isolation as compared with Germany's central position responsible for this difference of attitude.

They think the Hitler revolution is not a passing phase, but that it will remain permanent because it has popular support. Rauch said, "Hitler himself declares Germany is a democracy." Asked if he thought this were true, he answered, "that the plebiscites speak for themselves—90 per cent of the voters support Hitler."

**Germany Doesn't Want War**

"Germany does not want war—can not have war," Miss Woessner said. "We are in a crisis period—economic, political and social crisis. We can not have war now. Hitler promised to keep the peace and regain Germany's equality. That is what he is doing now."

"We know Hitler is doing the best for Germany," Rauch said. "No one could have done better than he in re-entering the Rhineland country that is my home."

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