

Anti-Nazi Resistance: the Communist Party

Communists were the Nazis' first victims, ruthlessly repressed. Members of the Communist Party who escaped the initial wave of arrests immediately established an illegal underground organization to carry on their political struggle against Hitler. Commanded by senior party officials from exile in the Soviet Union, an effective courier system kept each local Communist group in communication with the leadership. Communist Parties outside Germany collected money from their members to pay the expenses of their German comrades, particularly the costs of couriers.

A 1935 American Communist's membership book includes both unemployed dues stamps and solidarity assessment stamps.

Red 2-cent assessment stamps are receipts for each month's payment to support the illegal anti-Nazi activities of the German Communist Party.

Membership Dues for 1935

Month	Day	Day	Day	Day	Day
January	14	15	16	17	18
February	19	20	21	22	
March	23	24	25	26	
April					
May					
June					

Membership Dues for 1935

Month	Day	Day	Day	Day	Day
July	27	28	29	30	31
August	32	33	34	35	
September	36	37	38	39	
October	40	41	42	43	44

Communist Party of the U. S. A.
(Section of the Communist International)

Membership Book No. 17596

Name Nicholas Morrow for
Date Admitted to Communist Party 4/34
Entered Revolutionary Movement.....
District 13 City.....
Section One Shop or Street Nucleus.....
Signature of Member (in ink).....
This book was issued on 12/31/34 (date)
DISTRICT Initiation Stamp
Signature of District Organizer and Party Seal
No Party Membership Book Valid Unless It Has Party Seal Stamped On
Issued by the Central Committee, C.P.U.S.A.