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An Open Letter to The Associated Press

Judge Rutherford points out the disadvantages of an organization claiming to tell the truth,
and studiously neglecting to do so

October 24, 1935.

Mr. Lloyd Stratton,
Executive Assistant,
Associated Press,
383 Madison Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Mr. A. R. Goux has called my attention to correspondence between himself, the New York *Times*, and your office. I have before me the letter of the New York *Times*, signed by Mr. Edwin L. James, addressed to Mr. Goux, bearing date of October 23, in which he quotes the following from Mr. Lloyd Stratton: "I am glad to reply to yours of October 21, by repeating that Judge Rutherford's speech was not made at the request of The Associated Press."

Your effort to evade the facts is manifest. By using the word "speech" you hope to be within the clear in denying that you requested me to express my views on flag saluting. By referring to my copy, which I furnished you and which I broadcast, you will see that I said this: "The Associated Press has requested me to express my view of the matter." You certainly would not attempt to deny the absolute truth of that statement.

Your office called my attention for the first time to the fact of the controversy at Lynn, Massachusetts, about the flag saluting. You requested me to furnish you a statement, asking me to dictate it over the telephone. This I declined to do. I then agreed to furnish you a written signed statement and you promised to have your reporter in my office the following morning at ten o'clock for the copy. You failed to keep that appointment. About seven o'clock that same evening you called my office and asked me again

for the copy and again promised to send your reporter. And this you failed to do.

As I was going away I sent the copy to the editor of *The Golden Age* and informed your office that your reporter could obtain a copy from him upon the condition that you would publish it exactly as made. I am informed that you received the copy the next morning but stated that you could not agree to publish it all as made and therefore the copy was returned to Mr. Woodworth of *The Golden Age*.

A short time after that you called me by telephone at the radio station on Staten Island. I then informed you that I was going to broadcast my statement concerning flag saluting, that this broadcast would be Sunday morning October 6, at ten o'clock, and that then you could have the statement as made. You inquired: "What stations will it be on?" My reply to that, this information would be furnished to you in ample time.

The next day, Friday, October 4, a messenger from the office of the Peoples Pulpit Association delivered to the executive offices of The Associated Press a list of the stations over which the broadcast would be made. I am also advised that the *Golden Age* editor sent a list to one of your news editors showing over what stations the broadcast would be put, and this was in response to request that Mr. Woodworth had received from your Brooklyn representative, E. A. Lozier.

On Sunday morning, October 6, about 8 o'clock you called my office and asked when you were going to get the copy of that speech. You were told by my secretary that it would be broadcast at 10 o'clock and you could have it immediately thereafter. You sent your messenger to 124 Columbia Heights between 10 and 11 o'clock on

that same day and received a full text of the speech, which copy you afterwards mutilated to suit your own wishes, misrepresenting me in fact, and making me appear to say what I did not say.

The above and foregoing facts you will not attempt to deny if you have any regard whatsoever for the truth. In view of these facts [and] your statement in the letter addressed to Mr. Edwin L. James of the *New York Times* it is patent on the face of it that you are trying to pass the buck and deny that you requested me to express my views and to deny that you had anything to do with my furnishing the copy. I have never said that I made the speech at your request, but I have said and repeat that The Associated Press requested me to express my view in the matter and I took occasion to broadcast because I knew by reason of my past experience with the press that The Associated Press would not publish the statement as I gave it.

It would have been just as easy for you to tell Mr. James of the *Times* the truth as it would have been to make the statement as you have made it. It seems to be in keeping with the practice of your office to garble the truth when the truth would serve to a better purpose.

Let me remind you again that I told your office over the telephone that I was not asking anybody to publish my views, to which you agreed. I said, however, that since my views were asked I have no hesitancy in expressing them.

I think the Press, and a lot of other would-be loyal citizens of America, have made a mountain out of a mole-hill by magnifying the fact that an eight-year-old boy declined to salute the American flag. I have been interrupted by your office numerous times about this matter and I am very tired of it, and in view of your repeated calls and interruptions and failure to carry out what you agreed to do, I am sending a copy of this letter to the president of The Associated Press at Washington, Mr. Frank Noyes.

It is a great pity that an institution such as yours claims to be would not be willing to tell the truth once in a while rather than willfully and deliberately misrepresent that which is furnished to you, and that at your request.

You knew that I stated positively in my statement that I am not a member of any cult, and that Jehovah's witnesses are not a cult, and yet you deliberately inserted in your report three

times the word "cult", as applied to me, and quoted Jehovah's witnesses to make it appear as ridiculous as you could.

I am writing you at such length because I am trying to find some language to express my absolute contempt for a bunch of hypocritical men who claim to tell the truth, and who delight to resort to lies to shield another crowd of men who are foreigners to America and who are inimical to American institutions and who make a lot of fuss about the flag in order to hide their crooked ways.

Let me say this once for all: I am not asking publicity by the press association, and if you don't want my views published as I give them, then please don't ask for them.

You might show a copy of this letter to Mr. Edwin James of the *Times*, that he may know that you have little or no regard for the truth and that you like to mislead even your fellow members of the press.

Your association poses before the American people as the friend of America and the publisher of all news that is fit to publish, and yet you studiously avoid publishing any statement such as that made on the floor of the United States Senate by such men as Senator Schall, of Minnesota, calling attention to a combined foreign element that is trying to seize control of the American Government. You can spend a lot of time and energy in holding up to ridicule an eight-year-old boy and inoffensive people and make a great hullabaloo about the flag, and yet you sit idly by and close your ears and mouth and remain silent when it comes to saying anything about a foreign power or a combination of foreigners that are attempting to gain control of America and Hitlerize it. The time must come surely when the duplicity of the public press will be properly exposed before the American people.

I quote from Senator Schall's speech made in the Senate these words: "Fully 99 percent of all the statements issued by these Government press agencies are falsehoods. They are designed to deceive the people and make them believe their government is trying to help them, when just the opposite is the purpose of this maladministration of our affairs. Every day a dozen or more of these untrue statements are handed to the press and radio, printed, and broadcast as truth. Not even under the Soviet rule in Russia are so many barefaced untruths given out as Government facts. Our government has resolved

itself into a propaganda bureau for disseminating falsehoods to its citizens."

The Associated Press is a part of this propaganda crowd, and the American people are beginning to learn that it does the bidding of a gang of selfish men who have no regard for the true principles of the American Government. If your association were 100-percent as patriotic as you claim to be you would be looking after American interests and not howling about an eight-year-old boy failing to salute the flag. It is about time that you are hiding your face with shame, if it is possible for you to have any shame. The time was when American newspapers sought to get the truth to the people. A few such editors are left, but there do not appear to be many of them amongst the Associated Press organization. This is a deplorable condition to be found in a country that for centuries has posed as the land of freedom.

When I see such a studied effort to dodge the truth as the quotation in your letter mentioned

here in the outset I am reminded of the words of Jesus when He spoke to the hypocritical Pharisees, the clergy of His day. He used these words: "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." (John 8:44) Jesus spoke with absolute authority, and He is authority therefore for the statement that the Devil is the father of liars and those who delight to lie show that they proceed from the Devil.

Respectfully,



cc

Mr. Frank Noyes,
Washington, D.C.

Mr. A. R. Goux,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Further Expressions on Flag Saluting

Christians and the Flag

THE following is an interesting and instructive letter by Reverend Louis L. Perkins, St. Paul's Episcopal church, Kittanning, Pa., in the Kittanning *Leader-Times*, October 21, 1935:

Recently at a public school in Lynn, Massachusetts, a certain boy of 10 was dismissed from school and his parents were arrested because the boy refused on grounds of religious scruples to salute the flag of the United States according to a new State law of daily salute in all schools for all children of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The man of the street may laugh at such squabbles, and pour out still further contempt on the name of the Christian religion. But no serious-minded Christian can let such an incident go unchallenged. For such an incident bears on a very fundamental issue that has been more or less dormant between church and state ever since the Christian religion came into this world, 1900 years ago. The boy refused to salute the flag because he said to salute the flag was a pagan act and inconsistent with the earnest loyalty of a Christian man to Jesus Christ as our real Lord and Master. The flag stood for the country of the United States, and a salute to the flag was a pledge of allegiance inconsistent with a Christian's supreme pledge of loyalty to Christ—the parents said in backing up the action of their son.

Such an attitude is not a ridiculous one. For, think back over history for a few minutes to the days of the persecutions of the early Christians by the authorities of the Roman Empire. In those days the Roman authorities demanded a pledge of allegiance to the emperor as the supreme symbol of the state. This pledge, given by the sprinkling of some incense on a fire of coals before a statue of the emperor, was demanded of everybody. But the early Christians refused to do so. They said that a pledge to Caesar was inconsistent with and disloyal to their new-found allegiance to the Lord Christ. And these early Christians stuck to their principle in this matter through fire and death, till eventually under the emperor Constantine the status of the Christian religion as over against the state was duly recognized. The Christians won out and their point of view prevailed—the State granted to them a point of supreme loyalty to Christ first. The idea of the supremacy of the State over the Christian religion was defeated.

Down through the ages that principle between State and church, once established under the emperor Constantine, has come through a long and varied history. Sometimes there has been a tendency to reversion to the supremacy of the State over the church—as under Henry VIII in England in the sixteenth century, or as under Bismarck in Germany in the nineteenth century. And sometimes the tendency has swung the other way (which is wrong too), for the church to completely ignore man's ordinary civil obligations to the country

in which he may live. But, generally speaking, a just balance has been maintained, with the general assumption in mind that when it comes to a showdown the claims of God in the church really come first over the passing claims of man in the State.

But today and since the World War the swing has been back again toward the situation in early Roman days. Modern States have tended to ignore and submerge man's supreme allegiance to God. Where Fascism and Communism have raised their heads in Russia and Italy and Germany and other countries the idea of the worship of the State to the banishment of the claims of the church has arisen. Since the war in many countries Caesar has tried to take all power to himself and to utterly ignore the things of God!

In this turn of affairs our own country has not been immune. This school-salute-to-the-flag law in Massachusetts along with other extremist measures in the past few years are signs of the spread of the idea of the "totalitarian State" (just another word for our rendering unto Caesar everything, and to God only what is left over) to these United States of America. The protest therefore—ridiculous though it may seem—of that little boy and his parents in Lynn, Massachusetts, is to be sympathized with by all good Christian men and women who believe that our allegiance to God comes first in this life. And this protest ought to be sympathized with by all good Americans (whether Christians or not) who believe that our land is a country of freedom of conscience and liberal democracy for every citizen, and not a land of dictatorship and regimentation of anyone.

Shame on Massachusetts, the cradle of democracy, and the place where Pilgrims first came in 1620 for the sake of freedom of religion under oppression of the State—shame on Massachusetts for such an un-Christian and un-American incident!

Good People Tired

FOR many years the Roman Catholic Hierarchy has been stealthily moving to the point where it could seize the American government and rule it by a dictator under the secret control of the Jesuits. Italy, Austria and Germany are now ruled in this manner, and the Hierarchy has its ambassadors in almost all countries. The following news item from Rome published in the New York *Sun* and other papers will bear reproducing for the benefit of honest American people.

"Rome, March 8.—A definite agreement has been reached by President Roosevelt and the Vatican that diplomatic relations shall be established between the United States and the Holy See as soon as public opinion in America can be brought around to the idea, it was learned here today."

America has long stood for freedom, and its good and loyal people are tired of chicanery and

double-dealing on behalf of its public officials, all of which tends to destroy their liberties. They are likewise tired of the new deal, which many of them designate the "raw deal". The following poem reproduced from *The Northwestern Miller* well expresses the matter:

T I R E D

I'm tired, oh, so tired, of the whole New Deal,
Of the juggler's smile and the barker's spiel,
Of the mushy speech and the loud bassoon.
Tiredest of all of our leader's croon.

I'm tired of the tax on my ham and eggs;
I'm tired paying toll to political yeggs;
Tired of Jim Farley's stamps on my mail;
Tired of my shirt with the tax-shortened tail.

I'm tired of farmers goose-stepping to laws,
Of millions of itching job-holders' paws,
Of fireside talks on commandeered mikes,
Of passing more laws to stimulate strikes.

I'm tired of the daily increasing debt;
I'm tired of promises not to be met,
Of eating and sleeping by government plan;
I'm tired of forgetting the forgotten man.

I'm tired of every new brain trust thought,
Of the ship of state turned into a yacht;
I'm tired of beating the courts by stealth,
And terribly tired of sharing the wealth.

I'm tired of seeing Eleanor on page one,
Of each royal in-law and favorite son;
I'm tired of Sistie and Buzzie Dall;
Nobody knows how I'm tired of it all.

I'm tired and bored with the whole New Deal,
With its juggler's smile and its barker's spiel;
Oh, Lord, out of all the available men,
Please grant us a Cleveland or Coolidge again.

Time to Learn Something

"IT IS time for the Lynn school trustees to see a few things in proper perspective. It is not necessary for children of eight years to salute the flag. They should not be forced to do so, nor denied educational advantages for refusal—not in these United States. In Italy, Germany or Russia salutes may be important. Over here we are not regimented to that extent. Not yet. The obstinate children are placed in an impossible position by the school board demands. They are obliged to choose between the commands of their parents and the demands of the school. They are entitled to better treatment all around. They are entitled, among other things, for a chance to love the Stars and Stripes of their own free will and accord. They should not be encouraged to believe that the flag symbolizes force and fear. What if they finally yield and give the salute in order to escape punishment? Can such a gesture mean anything? Reverence for the flag is not taught by such methods."—Ann Arbor (Mich.) *Daily News*.

American Legion Tricked into Flag Insult?

THE youth drafted in 1917 or 1918 and sent to South Carolina or to France to peel potatoes was not necessarily a better American than a man too old to be drafted. If memory serves aright, only one Legionnaire in seven ever got as far as the trenches. To be thought of as specially patriotic suits many people because of what they gain in the way of a little "honor". The Roman Catholic Hierarchy caters to this vanity and had the use of the American Legion definitely in mind when it caused the selection of J. Ray Murphy, a Catholic, of Ida Grove, Iowa, as the Legion's national commander, and the "Reverend Father" Thomas D. Kennedy, also a Catholic, as national chaplain. In opposition to the American rule and the American custom that the government is the appointed servant and not the boss of the people, the Hierarchy is now engaged in a nationwide campaign to jam a form of Hitlerism down the necks of all Americans. In this campaign to subvert all that the American flag stands for the Hierarchy is trying to use, and is to some extent using, the American Legion. It so used the Legionnaires at Secaucus, N. J., in causing the expulsion from school of two little girls, Alma and Vivian Hering, ages eleven and six, because they preferred to let the flag occupy its proper place (which it occupied for more than 150 years without Roman Catholic assistance or intervention). How can the American Legion claim to be a patriotic organization and justify its participation in a shameless attempt to deprive two little girls of an education because they put God above the flag? Obviously these men have no proper appreciation of what the flag is supposed to represent. At the expulsion of the children from the Secaucus school, official representatives of the Legion threatened violence to those who honestly tried to intervene to safeguard American ideals of liberty and justice. It is perfectly transparent that the Roman Catholic Hierarchy intends to try to use the American Legion in the same way the Storm Troopers were used in Germany. And after the Hierarchy has accomplished its objective not a Legionnaire's head will be safe on his shoulders unless he is a Romanist. The record of the American Legion at its conventions is not such as to reassure Americans who did not peel potatoes in South Carolina or in France that their interests are secure in the Legion's hands. Why should

the Legion allow itself to be tricked into denial of American principles and line up with the gang that is working to destroy everything the American flag has represented to Americans for a century and a half? Is it eleven- and six-year-old God-fearing children that the American people need to fear, or the centuries-old sanctimonious frauds who have an unbroken record of torturing and murdering the brave and honest and Christlike in every land where they could gain power? With so much chicanery afoot, one wonders whether it is not a settled policy of the Ratti-Roosevelt administration to give the Legion its bonus a year from now, in good time to throw the whole weight of this extra-governmental organization to aid the purpose of the Roman Hierarchy to henceforth run America with a high hand, for the "pope", and to make Hitlerism or Fascism the order of the day. If this is not an insult to the American flag and all it stands for, what is?

A Non-Hitlerized Teacher

PHILIP A. JAKOB, superintendent of schools, Norwalk, Connecticut, confronted with the refusal of four school children to salute the flag, instead of expelling them from school, as was done by the muttonheads at Lynn, and instead of pounding them black and blue, as was done by the beast at Nemaquin, Pa., said sanely, "The Constitution of the United States is based upon freedom of religious worship. The youth, a fine student, is simply carrying out his religious convictions, to which we cannot object." This, the true American spirit, is the exact opposite of the spirit which animates those that, like Pashby of Lynn, were "educated" under Roman teachers.

Now in Massachusetts Supreme Court

THROUGH his father, Carleton B. Nichols, Sr., the Massachusetts Supreme Court has been petitioned for a writ of mandamus to compel Mayor J. Fred Manning, Lynn, and "each and every misguided member" of the Lynn school committee to reinstate the eight-year-old lad that these "wise" custodians of educational facilities undertook to deprive of an education. Before they get through with it the Jesuits are going to find that there are still some Americans in America and that not all of them have a ring in their nose or a bell under their coattail.

"A Tyrannical, Outrageous, Anti-American Law"

SAYS Gerald W. Johnson, in the Baltimore *Evening Sun*:

"In Massachusetts an eight-year-old boy has been expelled from school for refusing to obey a tyrannical, outrageous, anti-American law which compels school children to salute the flag at stated intervals. His father has brought suit to compel his reinstatement. Here is one whoop for the boy and his father. May they be successful in wiping this treasonable and disgraceful statute from the books. Treasonable? Of course it is. Not in the legal sense, to be sure, because 'treason against the United States shall consist only in levying war against them or in adhering to their enemies'. And 'enemies' in this case means armed enemies. But morally this statute gives aid and comfort to everyone who hates the United States and all it stands for. Morally it gives aid and comfort to all the enemies of the republic. For the basic idea on which the republic is founded is the idea that the people are the creators and the government is their creature. They have the right to alter or abolish it whenever in their judgment it seems to be interfering with their lives, their liberties or their pursuit of happiness. Under no circumstances are they obligated to bow down to it or to regard it as a superior being. Therefore, its flag, if it stands for anything, stands for the dignity of free men, stands for the right of the individual to live his own life in his own way. The flag has no other excuse for existence, and anything that negatives that excuse reduces the flag to nothing but a piece of cloth. In brief, anything that sets the flag above the citizen, so far from being an honor to it, implicitly accuses the flag of being a fraud and a cheat, and is therefore the deadliest insult that can be heaped upon it. . . ."

"Nuts"

ACCORDING to some authorities the flag pledge is objectionable because not properly worded; it should be said as follows:

"Hail, flag, full of grace; the Lord be with thee. Blessed art thou, and blessed is the republic for which thou standest. Glory be to America and to Roosevelt and to Farley, graft without end. So be it."

Further, this pledge should not be repeated just once a week. That is an insult to the flag. It should be repeated by school children and teachers (and politicians) before each lesson hour three times, and fifty times at the conclusion of the school work for the day.

In order to assist in these devotions, each devotee should be supplied with a beanery. A beanery is composed of fifty small beans, while between every five beans there is strung a nut,

(Some call it a nuttery, or "nutty" for short.) On each bean the flag oath should be repeated; and when a nut is reached the devotee should say fervently, "To hell with the pope." At one end of the beanery should be suspended a swastika, which should be kissed when the beanery has been properly "said" from beginning to end.

For those who like variety, the nuts may be accompanied with "Hail Coughlin".

Alden Davis, M.D.

ALDEN DAVIS, M.D., First National Bank Building, Charleroi, Pa., amuses one with his spelling of "ostracized", "assured," and "impudence", in the following letter to an intelligent young woman, 25 years of age, who did not see fit to salute the flag. Mr. Davis should read up on these words "assurance" and "impudence"; for a doctor may have both and not know how to spell either one. Anyway, here is what he said: "Dear Miss Estep: I have just read your lame excuse for action in school. If I were your father I would take you over my knee and give you a good spanking, until you were willing to apologize. You are a cheap advertizer, a fanatic more dangerous than a radical or a red. If I were on a commission to examine you I would send you to Dixmont, where you could tell your religion to people of your own mentality. You are not a good American citizen and should be ostracised by society for being a fanatic. Shame on you for creating such a disturbance in our public schools. Perhaps you should be pitied, but rest assured the school board will take care of your imputence, and then see what your God will do for you." The doctor's concluding statement puts the finger on the real point at issue, and shows exactly where he stands—with the Devil.

Very Enthusiastic About the Flag

VERY enthusiastic about the flag are the following concerns in New York city: American Flag Co., 73 Mercer street; American Flag Barber Shop, 1489 First avenue; and American Flag Hand Laundry, 3343 Broadway and 400 East 66th street; but a little reflection will show that they are not, for this, either better or worse Americans than their neighbors. Flag washing, flag waving, flag making and flag saluting mean nothing in themselves.

Destruction of American Government

THE destruction of the American Government by Roman Catholic Fascism or Jesuitism has proceeded far under Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Jesuit offices, where plans for taking over the government of the United States are worked out in detail, are located at Woolworth Building, 233 Broadway, New York. In the Roman line-up the departments are called orders, companies, societies, sons, servants, fathers, congregations, institutes. In the American government line-up the departments go by the names of boards, corporations, administrations,

commissions, councils, authorities, committees, banks, divisions, co-operatives, foundations, advisers, projects, agreements, corps, works, co-ordinators, offices and acts.

It is difficult to popularize a tyranny, and, as everybody knows, the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is the most perfect example of tyranny the world has known.

The job of the Jesuits is to make it seem desirable, even necessary, that the government of the United States, as of all other lands, should be turned over to the Roman Catholic Hierarchy.

ROMAN GOVERNMENT LINE-UP

AA	CSSCC	OMCAP	SCJ
AR	CSSP	OMI	SDS
CCJ	CSSR	OP	SF
CFC	CSV	OPRAEM	SJ
CICM	FDP	OSA	SM
CJM	IC	OSB	SM
CM	MIC	OSBM	SMA
CMF	MM	OSC	SMM
CONG-	MS	OSCAM	SOCIST
RORAT	MSC	OSCR	SOSB
CP	MSF	OSFC	SPM
CPPS	MSSST	OSFS	SS
CPS	OCARM	OSJ	SSC
CR	ODC	OSM	SSE
CR	OCOS	OSST	SSJ
CSB	ODC	PSM	SSP
CSC	ODM	PSSC	SSS
CSCB	ODP	RMM	SVD
CSF	OFM	SA	TOR
CSP	OMC	SC	WF

This issue of *The Golden Age* goes to many thousands of new and thoughtful readers. Older readers, in the interest of these newer ones, will indulge an omission of some regular features from this number, to permit reprinting, in small type, the article on "What Is Fascism?" which appeared in Numbers 417-419 inclusive.

The writer of the article, a university man of high standing, conceals his identity under a nom de plume, David Wilkie. The article takes down the screens and lets the honest reader see just how the Jesuits are planning world control by Fascism, and how they are succeeding.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT LINE-UP

AAA	FCA	ICC	RACC
ACA	FCC	IEC	RFC
ALB	FCT	JEB	SAB
AVA	FCUS	LAB	SAPFT
BAPC	FDIC	NCB	SBPW
BOB	FEHC	NEC	SEC
CAB	FERA	NIRA	SES
CCC	FESO	NIRB	SHD
CCC	FHA	NLRB	SLIC
CES	FHLBB	NMB	SLRB
CSB	FICB	NPB	TEC
CWA	FMC	NPPC	TFI
DAI	FPC	NRA	TLRB
ECW	FRB	NRB	TVA
EHC	FSHC	NRS	TVAC
EHFA	FSRC	PA	TWAB
EIB	FTC	PAB	USES
EXECC	FTZB	PLPC	USIS
FAC	GFA	PRA	WPA
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"What Is Fascism?" *By David Wilkie, Great Britain*

THE Church of Rome is definitely not a "religious" body such as, for example, the Baptists, the Congregational church, the Unitarian church, or the Salvation Army. It is a religio-political organization, as much political as religious. The pope regards religious belief merely as a means to the realization of world dominion, an "empire" ruled over by the Roman Society of Priests, of which he is the head. Of course, he is bound to pretend to his followers that he is acting only as their spiritual chief.

The Jesuits have captured the Church of Rome; the pope, indeed, is their nominee. The Jesuit Order is the "political priesthood" (*per se*) of the Church of Rome. Both the general of the Jesuits and the pope are capitalists, or rather financiers, of world-wide influence. It is the Jesuits who are the real managers, the organizers, and the financiers of Fascism throughout the world. They work behind the scenes, of course, using other people as their tools (and many as their dupes) as they have always done.

AN ALL-TIME POLITICAL MACHINE

Think over this carefully. According to official Roman Catholic figures there are, roughly, 400 Jesuit priests in Great Britain and about 2,880 in the United States. Has any political party in the country a larger staff of full-time organizers than this? These Jesuits know the innermost secrets of almost every Foreign Office in Europe. Has any party in the country a better intelligence service? In this country, too, they have their agents and spies, i.e., Roman Catholics, in the press, the police, the army, the civil service, in society, and in all political parties. They have tremendous funds at their command. What's to stop the Jesuits from capturing political power in any country? They have the machine; all they need is a political "story" and a "party". Fascism supplies both the story and the party. Its "creed" (promptly cast overboard by every Fascist lead-

er the moment he comes to power) is simply a sales tale to put Fascism across a gullible public in order to establish, in the end, a Jesuit dictatorship. Every Fascist is merely a tool and a dupe of the Jesuits. The rank and file do not know this, but their leaders (who are "in the know") do.

Socialists have made the mistake of reasoning that a movement, in this case Fascism, which stands for "private ownership" must, necessarily, be "capitalist". Socialists have missed this fact: that "private ownership" existed before "capitalism" was heard of.

The Church of Rome's ideas about property are not the same as "Capitalism's". Fascism wouldn't be Roman Catholic if it were capitalist.

FASCISM AN INSTRUMENT OF ROME

Fascism is NOT an instrument of capitalism; it is an instrument of Rome. Its aim is not to "reinstale" capitalism, but to take advantage of the political and economic situation in its entirety to re-establish the political supremacy of the Vatican. This, to use Cardinal Bellarmine's words—the "pontifical supremacy", temporal as well as spiritual, remember—is the "fundamental article" of the Roman Catholic religion. The aim of Fascism is to establish, by force, the Romish rule, and to continue it by force, with book-burnings, suppression of the press and of freedom of speech, and with the torture and terrorist methods of the Inquisition up to date.

In the course of its history the Jesuit Order has been expelled from the following countries and places (by Roman Catholics as well as Protestants), not for religious reasons, but on political grounds: [see page 106]

It is worth recording that when Pope Clement suppressed the Jesuits on August 21, 1773 (they were "re-established" by Pius VII, in 1814), part of his words were: "We have re-

marked to our deep regret that our admonitions to them (the Jesuits) to serve God and not to mix themselves up with other matters, especially secular and political, and many other practical measures, have been almost powerless and of no effect...."

LET THE SCOFFERS SCOFF

If I regard the Jesuit Order as a menace (as I most certainly do), I can support my attitude, as the table [below] shows, by saying that this has been the experience of generations of governments and statesmen in every country in Europe. Let the scoffers scoff that off.

Take away from the Communist party the Catholic-born element in Glasgow, Dundee, Newcastle, Liverpool, Bristol, and Cardiff, and it is a well-known fact that the Communist party in Britain would cease to exist. Take away the Scoto-Irish element in Scotland, and the Anglo-Irish element in England, in London and Liverpool particularly, and there would be no "Communist Party of Great Britain". Every member of the House of Commons knows that the Catholic population of Britain is the spawning-ground for the Communist party.

The truth about Communism and Fascism is that there is ample evidence to show that the Roman Catholic church has been, and is, the spawning-ground of both of them. (This is exactly what was "arranged" in Germany: the Roman Catholic Rhineland was the hotbed of "Communism", and Roman Catholic Bavaria the homing-ground of "Nazism".) The Communist party in Britain, and in most countries, is one half captured by the Jesuits, and the fake, promoted, systematic conflict of these two anti-democratic forces, "Communism" and "Fascism", is a conspiracy to lead the public to accept "Fascism" as the alternative to "Communism".

Country or Place	Date of Expulsion	Country or Place	Date of Expulsion
England	1579	St. Petersburg	1816
England	1581	Canton of Soleure	1816
England	1586	Belgium	1818
Japan	1587	Brest ¹	October 1819
Hungary	1588	Russia ²	March 20 1820
Transylvania	1588	Spain	1820-1825
Bordeaux	1589	Rouen Cathedral ³	March 1825
The whole of France	1594	Belgium ⁴	September 1826
Holland	1596	Eight colleges in	
Touron	1597	France ⁵	June 16 1828
Berne	1597	Great Britain and	
England	1602	Ireland	April 13 1829
Denmark	1606	France	1831
Thorn	1606	Saxony ⁶	September 1831
Venice	1607	Portugal	May 24 1834
Kingdom of Amurs		Spain	July 1835-44
(Japan)	1613	Rheims ⁷	December 1838
Bohemia	1618	Lucerne ⁸	1845
Moravia	1619	France	1845
Netherlands	1622	The whole of Switzer-	
China	1623	land	September 6 1847
India	1623	Bavaria	February 17 1848
Malta	1634	Sardinia ⁹	March 2 1848
Holland	1708	Naples	March 11 1848
Russia	1723	Papal States	March 29 1848
Savoy	1729	Linz	April 10 1848
Paraguay	1733	Vienna	April 16 1848
Portugal	1759	Styria	May 8 1848
Brazil	1759	Archduchy of	
France	1764	Austria	May 8 1848
Spain	1767	Austrian Empire	May 8 1848
Naples	1767	Galicia	July 1848
Duchy of Parma	1767	Sardinia	July 19 1848
Two Sicilies	1768	Sicily	July 21 1848
Mexico	1768	Spain	1854-1858
Malta	1768	Paraguay	June 28 1858
Suppressed by Pope		Several Italian States	1859
Clement XIV	1773	Sicily	June 1860
Russia	1776	Spain	1868
France	1804	Italy	1873
Naples	1810	Germany	1873
Moscow	1816	France	1880

¹By the inhabitants. ²For ever. ³By the people. ⁴From all private and public schools. ⁵In Belgium. ⁶Namely, Aix, Billon, Dole, Forculquier, Mont-Morillon, St. Acheul, and St. Ann. ⁷Prohibited from entering. ⁸By the inhabitants. ⁹For ever. ¹⁰Expelled from all their establishments.

TAMMANY IS A SAMPLE

Any man who ignores the existence of the Jesuit order is unfit to govern. They are the Grand Masters of Devilry behind Tammany Hall (the U.S.A. Roman Catholic graft institution called after "St. Tammany"); the Zinoviev Letter; the murders of President Duca of Rumania, Barthou, King Alexander of Yugoslavia, President Obregon of Mexico, Sir Henry Wilson; the "Holy Vehme"; Eugene Chen (really a Mr. Bernard Achem, a R.C. from Trinidad); the Moplah risings in India; Ivar Kreuger; the Zimmermann Note; Senor Gil Robles; Skoropadsky's Ukrainian "Nationalist" movement; the "Protocols of Zion"; the German-Irish Society; Adolf Hitler; etc., etc., etc. The climax of their machinations during the last 100 years is, they have virtually recreated the "Holy Roman (Catholic) Empire" in the heart of Europe—Fascist Austria, Germany, Italy, Poland, and Hungary. And these countries, as "swords of the Vatican", are about to plunge Europe into war, to spread the power of the Jesuits over the rest of Europe by military force.

FASCISM IN AUSTRIA

To get the exemplar of the Vienna massacre one has to turn to the history of the Albigensians in France, or the massacre of the Huguenots, begun on St. Bartholomew's Day:

"The growing influence of Admiral de Coligny filled Catherine de Medici with terror. An attempt to have him assassinated miscarried, so she ordered, purely as a 'measure of public safety', the murder of all Protestant leaders in Paris. The provinces adopted the measure, and between August 24 and October 3 fifty thousand Protestants were put to death. For that Catherine received the congratulations of all the Roman Catholic States, and the pope celebrated the occasion by having a special medal struck and bonfires lighted."

The late Dr. Dollfuss, dictator of Austria and a "zealous" Roman Catholic, was leader of the Austrian "Christian Socialists (i.e., Roman Catholic) Party". His successor, Dr. Schusnigg, is the leader of the Austrian "Clerical Volunteers"; he is another very "zealous" Roman Catholic.

The massacre in Vienna was St. Bartholomew's Day over again, with Austrian Social Democrats taking the place of French Huguenots.

On one side were ranged the Social Democrats; and on the other, as Fascists in the army and in the Dollfuss front, the "Holy Roman Catholics", the minions of the pope. The result was the holocaust of St. Bartholomew's Day over again: "Rationalism" instead of "Protestantism"; the slaughter of men, women, and children; cruel and ruthless—worthy of the superstition-sotted, confession-poisoned, priest-drenched dupes of the Haroun of Rome.

THE DOLLFUSS MASSACRE

"The papal nuncio in Vienna and the Catholic bishops Gfollner and Waitz were pushing the Government (i.e., the Dollfuss régime) forward along the path of Fascism. Here was the right opportunity, they thought . . . to transform Austria into a Catholic authoritarian State," says Otto Bauer, the Austrian workers' leader, in his pamphlet *Austrian Democracy Under Fire*, page 22. It was, in fact, the bishop of Linz and Mgr. Sibylla, the papal nuncio, who urged Dollfuss to begin the massacre, said Otto Bauer (see *Sunday Times* February 18, 1934). The Roman Catholic "statesmen" in the pre-Dollfuss Government, Vaugoin, Bishop Seipel and Prince Starhemberg, paved the way for Dollfuss' "iron rule", just as the succession of Roman Catholic chancellors in Germany, Wirth, Marx, Bruening, and Papen, prepared the way for Hitler.

The *Universe*, Roman Catholic paper, April 6, stated: "The new Constitution (of Austria) now to be promulgated is based upon the conception of a Catholic Corporative State." The first article of the old Constitution laid it down that "Her laws originate from Almighty God". In plain English, Austria's laws will henceforth originate in the will of the pope, who is "God Almighty's" interpreter.

Everything Austrian in the future is to be worked in the interests of one man, Ambrose Ratti, a foreigner and a tyrant. That's what the Fascist "patriots" have done for Austria!

As is to be expected, therefore, it was reported in the Austrian *Reichpost*, March 23, 1934, that Bishop Innitzer had been made "leader" of the Youth Movement in Austria. And the Vienna correspondent of the *New Statesman and Nation* stated, July 14: "Workers' rights survive on paper, or rather as Catholic workers' rights in the *Einheitsgewerkschaftsbund*," i.e., Unity Association League.

Then came the murder of Dollfuss. And after Dollfuss, Dr. Schusnigg was appointed chancellor. Schusnigg is the leader of the "Ostmarkische Sturmscharen", the Clerical Volunteers! And Schusnigg has as his deputy Prince Starhemberg, another papist, who marched alongside Hitler at the time of Hitler's 1923 Munich 'putsch'. Starhemberg is also the "friend" of Mussolini. Observe this chain of pals: Hitler, Starhemberg, Mussolini.

Who rules in Austria? The capitalists? Bunkum. The capitalists, like the workers, have the thumb on them. Austria's laws "originate" from "Almighty God". "Almighty God" rules in Austria: "His Excellency," "His Eminence," the pope. As a London *Daily Telegraph* correspondent reported, Austria is now an "Autocratic Roman Catholic State".

FASCISM IN SPAIN

There are two Fascist parties in Spain. One is led by Gil Robles, and the other by Primo de Rivera, eldest son of the late monarchist-dictator of Spain.

There was a pen portrait of Gil Robles in an article in the *Daily Herald* (Britain) May 17, 1934, by Don Fernando de los Rios, late Spanish minister of education and foreign affairs:

"In the first speech of his electoral campaign last year, he (Gil Robles) spoke of the necessity of purging Spain of Jewish sympathizers and freemasons. At a recent mass meeting of his supporters at the Escorial, where they took an oath of allegiance, they had to repeat, hands lifted in the air, that 'the leader can do no wrong.' Just a political version, you see, of the 'Papal Infallibility' doctrine—'The pope can make no mistake.'"

In Spain the attachment of the Roman Catholic church to Fascism is open and unconcealed. It was reported in the Spanish press, April 1, 1934, that three Roman Catholic priests had been arrested for taking part at a Fascist meeting at Oviedo.

The Spanish Fascist movement is frankly one of "Catholic reaction" (to use Mr. Vernon Bartlett's expression, *News Chronicle*, March 13, 1934) against the recent Spanish reforms, which drove out the Jesuits, prohibited priests from interfering in politics, and gave Spain a democratic constitution.

The other Fascist party in Spain, led by Primo de Rivera, calls itself "Falange Española". That there is no breach between "Nazism" and "Fascism" is illustrated by the following from the Madrid correspondent of *The Times*:

"J.O.N.S., an incipient Nazi organization, has recently concluded an alliance with the Fascist group, Falange Española, whose leading spirit is the young Marqués Primo de Rivera."

Incidentally, Primo de Rivera's younger brother visited Sir Oswald Mosley's Fascist headquarters at Chelsea, London, some time ago.

The following is a report from the *News Chronicle* of June 4, 1934. The headlines, crossheads, and bold type appeared in the report:

FRUSTRATED BY PHONE ERROR

SECRET PLAN REVEALED

Nuncio Who Got Wrong Number

From our own Correspondent

MADRID, Sunday. A telephone comedy of errors that has resulted in a diplomatic upheaval between Spain and the Vatican has just been revealed.

A few days ago, shortly before the Spanish foreign minister, Señor Pita Romero, was due to leave for Rome to negotiate the concordat with the pope, Monsignor Tedeschini, the papal nuncio in Madrid, rang up a secretary at the Vatican in order to instruct him secretly on how to deal with Spain's foreign minister when he arrived.

By a curious coincidence the name of the Spanish attaché at the Rome embassy is almost identical with that of the secretary at the Vatican whom the nuncio was ringing up, and by an error at the Rome telephone exchange the papal nuncio at Madrid was connected with the attaché at the Spanish embassy.

ASTONISHED DIPLOMAT

All unaware that he was talking to the wrong man, the papal nuncio gave the Spanish attaché confidential instruction to extend to the Spanish foreign minister every hope of the early signature of the concordat, but to delay the actual signature.

The reason, he confidently explained to the astonished attaché, was that he felt sure that Señor Gil Robles, the Spanish Fascist and Catholic leader, would soon be in office and then the concordat could be arranged on terms more favorable to the [Roman] church.

The attaché hung up the receiver without revealing his identity and immediately rang up the Madrid foreign office and gave word for word the secret instructions he had just involuntarily received.

NUNCIO CONFRONTED

The acting foreign minister, Señor Rocha, then called on the nuncio, who blandly expressed his confidence that the concordat would soon be signed. Señor Rocha cut him short by showing him the full text of the secret instructions that the nuncio had just phoned to Rome.

Despite his great diplomatic experience it was some time before Monsignor Tedeschini found his breath.

He finally explained that he had acted under Señor Gil Robles' formal promise that he would soon be in power.

This diplomatic comedy is much commented upon here and the Labor papers are demanding the withdrawal of the Spanish envoy in view of the Vatican's duplicity.

This exposes the trickery the "Holy" Roman church is capable of; and it shows, too, quite unmistakably, what Fascism is in Spain.

[Continue:]

As a special correspondent of the *Christian Science Monitor* reported, July 24, 1934: "That Spain's problem is now definitely Vatican versus Labor is a conviction that is rapidly growing."

The rising in Asturias in October of last year was a fight between reformers and Jesuits for Oviedo city, the center of the Spanish armament industry. The Reformers were beaten, owing to the introduction against them of levies of Moors, and the treachery of certain Catalonian leaders. Since the Asturian rising the Spanish Fascists and the Roman Catholic-owned press have been loudly demanding a wholesale slaughter of the leading spirits of the rising. The Government, however, more wary than the fanatical Fascist-Clericals, has turned a deaf ear to these demands. The vigor of the Asturian defense, many of them miners, by the way, and the knowledge that what the Asturians stood for has many friends in Spain, and in Europe, has prevented the Government from committing further excesses which might inflame the Reformers, and tempt them to another rising which, if it did not succeed—and it *might* (there are not enough Moorish janissaries to cover the *whole* of Spain, and even if there were their employment on a national scale would in all probability defeat its object)—would at least do incalculable damage.

HONEST AND OVERZEALOUS REFORMERS

The Reformers made the mistake at the beginning of the revolution of being overzealous in the application of their democratic ideals. Without any apprenticeship in the new ideas, votes were granted to women, and the women, easily swayed in the confessional and still in fear of the priests, voted for the friends of the Clerics and against reform. Characteristically, no sooner did the reactionaries find themselves in legal control than they started to abuse their authority, to use all the forces of the state at their disposal to subdue and crush the opposition by force. It was this that caused the Asturian affair. Fortunately for the Reformers, stalemate has been reached, owing to the fact that they (i.e., the Reformers) have many sympathizers in the army and the police; otherwise there would have been no necessity to use Moors in Asturias. The reactionaries (Fascists) are straining every nerve to raise a dependable private army.

Spain, where the "Holy" Inquisition came into being (the appellation "Holy" reminds one of another "Holy", which has not yet received pontifical blessing, however, the anti-Jew, Nazi "Holy Vehme" in Germany), is, no doubt, a fertile soil for anti-Semitism. Gil Robles' cry of "Down with the Jews!" and the overt Jesuit alliance with Gil Robles definitely identifies the Jesuits in Spain with anti-Semitism. For centuries Roman Catholics have hounded Jews with the cry of "Christ Killers!" When, or where, did a Jew ever prosper in a Roman Catholic country? It was a pope who compelled Jews to wear the so-called "Medal of Infamy"; and the establishment of the Inquisition (established to hunt, burn, and torture Jews in Spain) was sanctioned and confirmed by papal decrees, and the Constitution of the Inquisition was drawn up by a Dominican priest, Dominicans were the "judges" of this awful secret tribunal, and Dominican novitiates in many cases acted as the torturers. (It is significant that, during the reign of the "Bloody Mary" in England, the Dominican house was at Smithfield, where the *autos-da-fé* were held.) Within living memory Jews were massacred in Limerick, (R.C.) Ireland, on the charge, the timeworn one, of holding a "Black Mass". One cannot conceive of such a thing's happening in Protestant England, or Scotland, or Wales. Indeed a "Black Mass" has no significance or meaning to anybody BUT a Roman Catholic. And in France, at the time of the Dreyfus affair, it was Papists and Jesuits, as is historically well known, who were ranged openly against Dreyfus. The defeat of the anti-Dreyfusites was followed immediately with legislation against Roman Catholicism—in which Jean Jaures, who was assassinated in 1914, took a leading part.

ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA

The Fascists in Spain will make the most of anti-Semitism. Whether it will help them any, or much, is a moot point. Anyway, it will take more than ingenuity to prove that there is anything like a "Jewish menace" in Spain, where, until the revolution, the Jesuits were the big landowners and business monopolists. The only "menace" there is in Spain (and it is obvious to anybody who looks for one) is the menace of a corrupt, absolutist "Church", supported by secret orders, who brought Spain to decay and its people to depths of illiteracy—as they reduced Poland, too, to impoverishment and, finally, servitude.*

One more quotation, from an article on Spain by a V. S. Prichett in *The Fortnightly Review*, July, 1935, a highly reputable British magazine: "The question is, What will Senor Gil Robles do? Before last October the answer was some kind of Fascism; now it is, Nothing this year. His strength is that he has the rich and powerful backing of the adaptable Jesuits . . . The Jesuits have already bought up many of the best provincial newspapers, and they are determined to redeem Spain from anti-Clericalism, Socialism, and indeed Liberal policy . . . for Spanish clericalism will put the clock back if it gets the chance."

FOR DIRTY WORK, CALL THE JESUITS

And again from a recent observer, a Leah Manning, an ex-M. P. for Islington, London, in her newly published book, *What I Saw in Spain*, calls Gil Robles' party "a Vatican party", and "a Jesuito-Fascist organization". Yes, in Spain the Jesuito-Fascist alliance is stark and obvious. It is indeed not an "alliance", for Gil Robles is a tool of the Jesuits, not an equal. And the same is true of every other Fascist boss in Europe (and candidate for the job), but in most cases the truth is hidden from public view by the Jesuits, the world's masters in the art of 'back stage' politics, as well as the world's champions in the art of 'gulling' the masses. To make the people of Italy believe, when it is expedient, that Mussolini is not a militarist, but a cooing dove, is surely child's play to a gang of experts who have been making almost whole nations believe, for generations, that a bit of paste is the body of the Son of God. If they (i.e., the Jesuits) have not a correct appraisal of the gullibility of mankind, after a 1,000 years' experience at the game, then who has? It is a historical truism. When you want dirty work done, call in the Jesuits. But (and since this is an article on Spain, the simile is becoming) the Jesuits, like the Moors who were invited to Spain, have the knack of pinching the prize which they have been called in only to safeguard. They got their postwar start in Italy, thanks to the—at least neutrality, of U.S.A., Britain, and France (and they got a start, too, in Poland), and now it won't be their fault if they don't soon own and control a half of the continent of Europe. But alas! and fortunately for others, it is ALSO a historical truism that the triumphs of the Jesuits are always short-lived.

There are only two persons in Germany "privileged" to call themselves "Leader". One is Hitler, and the other is Baldur von Shiraach, the leader of the Nazi Youth Movement. Both Hitler and Shiraach are Roman Catholics. Goebbels, Roman Catholic, the minister of propaganda, the prime molder of Germany's mind, was educated by the Jesuits. In 1923, when Hitler's revolt in Bavaria failed, Goering fled to Rome. Later, in 1931, Goering was sent to Rome as Hitler's envoy to the pope and Mussolini: "a mission," says the German author of *Why Nazi?* (a Nazi sympathizer), "which was highly important for the further progress of the National Socialist movement."

In *Mein Kampf* Hitler says: "After all, the only infallible touchstone for distinguishing right action from wrong is: visible success." This makes Al Capone a saint until he was pinched. This is the Jesuitical "code" of morality upon which Nazism, and Hitler's philosophy, is based. This somewhat prepares one for the following observation by one of Hitler's semi-admirers, *An Eyewitness in Germany*, page 78: "Adolf Hitler has with profound insight made use of the Roman propaganda's many centuries of experience, and National Socialism's whole organization betrays the Papal Hierarchy as its model."

* The first partitioning of Poland was made by Frederick of Prussia and Catherine of Russia, the two European monarchs who gave the Jesuits harborage in their domains on the request of Voltaire, after the papal suppression of the Order.

Hitler is a Roman Catholic, like every other European 'dictator'—the late Pilsudski, Mussolini, and Dollfuss. He acquired his anti-Semitism, so he says himself, from Lueger, a burgo-master of Vienna, a well-known anti-Semite preacher, and a "devout" Roman Catholic. In the story of the actual intrigues that made Hitler the chancellor of Germany there lies the truth about Nazism.

MADE CHANCELLOR BY PAPAL INTRIGUE

Hitler became chancellor of Germany, and later "constitutional" dictator, purely and wholly by papist intrigue. Hitler was not made chancellor by popular vote or voice. He was called to the chancellorship by Hindenburg after von Papen had persuaded Hindenburg to dismiss Schleicher. This is well known. What is to be noted is that von Papen, like Hitler, is a Roman Catholic.

It is amazing how this has been forgotten in the rush of events since. Nazism rules in Germany today, thanks to von Papen. Democracy has been trampled on, the Jews beaten, Karl Ernst, Strasser, and Schleicher murdered, thanks to von Papen, the Vatican's 'lay nuncio' at Berlin.

As a matter of fact, von Papen, so-called "Nationalist", and not Hitler, was Germany's first Nazi dictator! Von Papen was chancellor before Schleicher. He, too, was "invited" to the chancellorship by Paul Hindenburg, without either parliamentary or public support.

Yet this von Papen, whose party had won only 10 percent of the votes at the election, while he was chancellor in June, 1932, summarily "dismissed" and "forcibly removed" the Prussian cabinet led by the Labor ministers Braun and Severing, who had held office for ten years as heads of an efficient administration. Thus, a year before Hitler became chancellor, was the commencement of Nazism in Germany.

Bruening was connected with the Catholic trade union movement. To use Walton Newbold's words, he was "always cajoling the Social Democrats, more particularly their trade unions". Elsewhere Newbold refers to "the Catholics of the German Centrum and their allies, the Social Democrats". These quotations are from Newbold's book *Democracy, Debts, and Disarmament*. The papist chancellors Wirth, Marx, Bruening, and von Papen prepared Germany for Hitler; and the Social Democrats, stupidly enough, made themselves the "allies" of the Roman Catholic Centre Party whose vote later on made Hitler the "constitutional" dictator of Germany!

After being elevated to the chancellery, Hitler held a general election. He wanted to win two-thirds of the seats in the German Parliament in order to enable him to abolish it "constitutionally", to vote itself out of existence.

THE "ELECTION"

Hitler obtained permission from Hindenburg to dissolve Parliament and to hold the election, but on condition that whatever the result the composition of the government was not to be changed!

Can you beat that? Hitler was taking a chance to get supreme power, but he was not risking the loss of the power he already had!

No sooner had the "election" started than Goering got to work. He had newspapers suppressed for publishing a report that stock exchange prices had slumped. He prohibited the entire Social-Democrat (e.g., Labor) press from publishing a Social-Democrat manifesto!

At this stage Goebbels was appointed to the newly created post of minister of propaganda. This gave Hitler control of broadcasting and cinemas, and of the press, through a system of censorship which Goebbels introduced.

Then six days before the date fixed for the election the Reichstag went up in flames. Does any common-sense person doubt for a moment that it was set on fire by Goering? The effect of the fire was stupendous; and Goering, Goebbels, and Hitler made the most of it. The Communists were accused of setting the Reichstag on fire, and the Socialists with "complicity". Van der Lubbe was said to have confessed his crime and association with both Communists and Socialists.

On the strength of this imbecile's "confession" the official press agency announced throughout the length and breadth of Germany: "Through this confession the united Communist-Socialist front has become a palpable fact." In the course of investigation it was stated several weeks afterwards that the Socialists had been entirely cleared from the charge of conspiracy in the crime.

LABOR PRESS SQUELCHED

On the strength of the fire scare, the entire Labor press, consisting of more than two hundred daily newspapers, was suppressed until further notice. During the last few days of the election Nazi speakers stumped the country accusing the "Marxists" of being murderers and incendiaries. Murderers? It is only non-murderous Nazis who coin words, or names, like "The Night of the Long Knife". Hitler stood forth as the "bulwark" against those "Reds" who had dared to put a match to Germany's citadel of Democracy, the Reichstag.

Still Hitler doubted the result. He wanted, understand, not merely a majority, but a two-thirds majority, the majority necessary for the temporary elimination of Parliament. Again Goering came to the rescue. Under cover of suppressing the "Red" danger, Goering obtained from Hindenburg a presidential decree which enabled him to establish an iron rule, first over Prussia, and then gradually to the other German states. Germany was put under "martial" Nazi law. Large internment camps were formed, and Communists, Socialists, Liberals, true Nationalists, intellectuals, state officials, etc., anybody and everybody suspected of anti-Nazism who could influence public opinion by pen, speech, or position, were thrown into them. The Labor branches throughout the country were kept in a riot of disorder by a series of raids carried out by Nazis who were practically free from official interference.

In spite of all this force, suppression, quackery, jailing, and raiding, Hitler did not receive an absolute majority. Out of 647 seats, he obtained only 288. Compared with the previous elections of November 6, 1932, the Nazis had gained 38 seats, the Nationalists 1, the Roman Catholic Centre Party 4; the Socialists had lost 1 seat, and the Communists had lost 19. The Government Parties (e.g., Nationalists, 52, "Other Government Parties", 9, and Nazis, 288) held a total of 349 out of 647 seats. What Hitler had wanted was a two-thirds majority to enable him "constitutionally" to eliminate Parliament. He failed to get this two-thirds majority. What happened next?

The Reichstag met in the Kroll Opera House: Hitler introduced an "Empowering Bill" giving the Government complete and absolute power to rule without Parliamentary control. And the Roman Catholic Centre Party voted in favor of it! This gave Hitler his necessary "two-thirds" majority.

Hitler became chancellor, thanks to the papist von Papen; and he became the "constitutional" dictator of Germany, thanks to the papist Centre Party.

THE MURDERS OF JUNE 30

Hitler's next task was to remove from office in the party every sincere Nazi who could by his position or prestige influence policy, and who was not prepared to sell Germany, or betray it, to the general of the Jesuits. This was accomplished on June 30, when about 100 Brownshirt officers were massacred (by Blackshirts), and also a number of non-Nazi patriots were dealt with, such as General Duesterberg and General von Schleicher.

General Duesterberg, former deputy chief of the Steel Helmets, the German ex-Servicemen's Association, was arrested on the night of June 30. (It was the practice of the Inquisition to make its arrests at nighttime.) He was first taken to Dachau concentration camp, and then to Colombia-Haus, Berlin. He was released on August 2, and said after his release: "I have not been shot, but I am a living corpse" (see *Manchester Guardian*, August 30, 1934).

FACTS OF THE JUNE 30 AND THE AUSTRIAN DEBACLE

- Nazi "disorders" broke out in Austria just a few days before the murders took place.
- The murders happened a few days after Hitler's return from Venice, where he had been discussing Austria with Mussolini.
- Among those murdered was Herr Rudolf Mai, former leader of the Nazi Storm Troopers (Brownshirts) in Upper Austria; also it was reported in the press that "many leading members of the Austrian Nazi Legion in Germany are said to be missing since the Hitler 'purge' started on Saturday".

Put two and two together now, and you have the truth about the "Second Revolution". The crime of Roehm, Heines, Ernst, Mai, etc., was that they believed in the Anschluss. They had preached it for years with Hitler: to them the "Third Reich" was the Anschluss.

If Roehm, Heines, Heydebreck, Ernest, and Mai, etc., had been living when the swastika went up in Vienna, they would have led the Brownshirts and the Austrian Nazi Legion in Germany into Austria. Mussolini's meant nothing to them. They believed in 'Germany First' and the Anschluss. Of course, this would have upset the whole "Black" (Popish) plot and the alliance of Germany and Italy.

LEADERS BUMPED OFF

This was one of Hitler's main planks: the union of Austria with Germany. But this did not suit Mussolini, a power in the "Black International"; so, at Venice, Hitler agreed to give up the Anschluss idea, and instead to help Mussolini to "preserve" the "independence" of Austria. In other words, they would share Austria between them; but no Anschluss, because power might change hands in Germany. Knowing that this would create trouble in the Brownshirt ranks when it became known, Hitler "bumped" the Brownshirt leaders off before they had time to organize resistance.

It is surely perfectly obvious that these Brownshirt leaders were not expecting trouble. Roehm made the Brownshirt army. He was its organizer No. 1. Heines was a Rossbach man, a leading Nazi terrorist. Men of this sort don't wait to be slaughtered. They had met trouble before; but then they knew that it was coming to them. They weren't killed for anything they had done, but for what it was expected they might do when they learned of Hitler's "treason".

To General Daluege was given the task of "cleaning up" the entire Nazi Brown Army after the June executions. He stated afterwards that "several thousand" leaders and men had been removed or subjected to disciplinary action. Then in the next breath we were told by Hitler that Captain Roehm had "no following". Then why were those "several thousand" cashiered or removed? The "purge" reached out over the whole of the Brownshirt organization. It altered its character completely. It left Popery in possession of "Nazism" and "on top" in Germany. Blackshirtism, Popish Fascism, rules Germany; Brownshirtism, or "true" Nazism, is finished.

The murder of General von Schleicher had nothing to do with the other murders. He was murdered, and his wife also, because dead men (and women) tell no tales. He knew the whole intrigue that made Hitler chancellor; he was regarded as the chief menace to the popish plot to rule Germany under the name of "Nazism". As stated by "Artego" in *The Referee* (Britain), July 8:

"In his conversations with Schleicher (when Roehm and Schleicher were conspiring to remove Bruening from the chancellorship) Roehm revealed to him certain secrets about the internal affairs of the National Socialist Party and about its leader. Altho' Schleicher did not speak about those things confided to him, he allowed others to see that he was in possession of knowledge about the Nazi party and about Hitler, the publication of which would have put Hitler in an unbearable position and ended his political career."

THE POPE BEHIND THE SCENES

Broadcasting to Britishers on July 3, a Mr. Crossman, an eyewitness of the scenes during the Hitler murders, said that whenever he had spoken to the German people, from Munich to Berlin, all, without exception, told him the same thing, i.e., that "the pope was behind the whole of the trouble".

To bear witness that the Nazi party was on the wane when the conspiracy which made Hitler chancellor took place, listen to the following accounts of eyewitnesses, a Russian social democrat, a biographer of Nazism, and a French Marxian Communist.

Kerensky, the famous Russian politician, and anti-Communist, says, page 321 of his book about Russia, *The Crucifixion of Liberty*:

I was in Germany myself in December 1932, during the chancellorship of General von Schleicher. The Nazi influence was then plainly on the decline. In order to beat them finally it was only necessary to push the new chancellor's experiment to its conclusion; in his internal policy he had the support of the central elements of every class in Germany . . . Instead of doing everything to support Schleicher, however, Hugenberg and von Papen turned to Hitler and almost pushed him into power.

The (anonymous) German author of *Why Nazi?* says, pages 23, 89:

The intrigue which overthrew General von Schleicher and installed Hitler in his stead had been contrived, not by him, but by other forces . . . His (Hitler's) movement had undoubtedly begun to decline and was showing signs of internal disunion. Baron von Papen, whose mediation had brought about the change of Govern-

ment, was (made) vice-chancellor . . . He publicly described the Hitler experiment as a *détour* leading eventually to the 'authoritative State' which was his ideal.

LOST TWO MILLION VOTES

Henri Ernst, the author of *Hitler over Europe*, says, pages 12, 13:

At the end of 1932 the (Nazi party) lost 2 million votes and the Strasser group announced its secession. In January 1933 Schleicher was on the point of hitting the Hitler movement on the head and putting it under his own command. . . . In the middle of January a secret meeting was held between Hitler and von Papen at Cologne . . . the news of the meeting got into the papers a few days later . . . At this meeting Hitler came to an agreement with von Papen. In this way the sudden fall of Schleicher and the sensational nomination of Hitler came about.

This, from three sources, is the story briefly of how Nazism got into power. Hitler was not made chancellor as the result of a popular demand. Germany was not in wreck and ruin. He was not carried to the highest administrative post in the Reich on a swell of popularity for Nazism.

In his Merttens lecture, 1934, "The Roots of Violence," Mr. S. K. Batcliffe said, with perfect truthfulness:

"The German people are profoundly anti-revolutionary. During the eight years marked at the end by her admission to the League of Nations, Germany had rebuilt her industries and her civic life, had overcome to a great extent the destructive influences in the national character, and by persistence in the policy of treaty fulfillment (afterwards so bitterly repudiated) had regained in great degree her international standing."

There wasn't an earthly chance of a Communist revolt. Nazism was a declining force. The German public had rejected the idea of violence. After thirteen years of turmoil, tolerance had triumphed, Germany was becoming Nationalist, progressive, and more thoroughly, and sensibly, democratic. Schleicher "was on the point of hitting the Nazi movement on the head".

GERMANY "SAVED" FOR THE JESUITS

The Jesuits saw Germany, and their vision of the "Holy Roman (Catholic) Empire", slipping from their claws. "Down with Democracy! Down with Tolerance! Up Murder! Up Dictatorship!" Papen and Hitler "saved" Germany for the Jesuits, just as Mussolini "saved" Italy for the "Holy Church".

"Fascism" (meaning "Nazism" too), wrote Ludendorff in his book *The Coming War*, "is a fighting instrument of the pope." "Fascism is the offspring of the Jesuits." "The ways of the Church of Rome and Fascism are identical." "The Papacy and Fascism are inseparably united: together they constitute what is called 'Rome'." "What astonishes me is that the fact should have been overlooked that national socialism of the Fascist type merely means collectivism of the Romish brand."

Thanks to the Jesuits, the old "Holy Roman (Catholic) Empire" has virtually been revived in Central Europe. Thanks to the Dominicans (the "Inquisitor-General" is always a Dominican), the "Universal Inquisition", known by the name of "Gestapo" in Germany and "Ovra" in Italy (i.e., the secret police), once more rules over Poland, Germany, Austria, Hungary, and the Italian Peninsula. But it won't be for long.

It may surprise some people to be told that what is now made out to be the "creed" of Fascism is the COMPLETE REVERSE of the creed which animated the Fascists who marched on Rome. Everybody who knows anything about Italian Fascism knows this. Signor Grandi, the Italian ambassador in London, knows it. It is a positive fact that the original Fascists, the pre-March on Rome Fascists, Mussolini's followers, were ultra-libertarians!

Mussolini was almost an anarchist (he did, in fact, at one time organize the so-called "Red Week" in collaboration with the anarchist Malatesta) while he was leader of the Italian Fascists before he became premier! In the *Popolo d'Italia* (i.e., the official Fascist organ), April 7, 1920, after the Fascist party had been in existence for a year, Mussolini wrote:

"I start from the individual and aim at the State. If the rebellion against the legal hour was the supreme attempt of revolt against the coercion of the State, a sunbeam of hope would filter into the spirits of us who are desperate individualists. Down with the State in all its forms and incarnations! The bourgeois State as well as the socialist State—the State of yesterday, of to-day, and of to-morrow. For us, only one thing is left, the consoling religion of anarchy."

This is what Mussolini, then Fascist leader, was preaching about the State, and State "coercion", only two years before he became premier! Where does the "Corporate" State come in this? The truth about the Corporate State doctrine is, it was invented for Mussolini (probably by Jesuits) years after he became dictator, and it was created to justify his dictatorship, and to make the Italians fall in love with tyranny.

The demands of the Fascists were more extravagant than the demands of the Socialists in Italy. When bands of workmen started to seize the factories, Mussolini, the Fascist leader, applauded their actions. When a number of ex-soldiers, not Communists, started to seize the estates, Mussolini applauded their actions too.

The first occupation of the factories took place at Dalmine (Bergamo), on March 17, 1919. It started all the others. Two days later Mussolini wrote in *Popolo d'Italia*: "To the workmen of Dalmine we send our salute and the expression of our fervent and disinterested sympathy for the noble battle fought." On March 29 he motored to Dalmine with Cesare Rossi to congratulate the workmen.

Writing about the first occupation of lands, in the same paper, the official Fascist organ, remember, Mussolini wrote, March 25: "The peasants that rebel today in order to solve the land question must not meet with our hostility." On June 10, he wrote:

"Either the blissful landowners will be expropriated or we will muster the masses of combatants against these obstacles and will overthrow them. We will carry on a devilish propaganda."

MUSSOLINI'S "ABOUT FACE"

Black, and dirty, and foul as Mussolini's volte-face was, and so far has been proved to be, one has to read his program in order to realize the ENORMITY of his betrayal of his Fascists, and to appreciate how easy it is for a person once established as a dictator (with the Jesuit machine behind him) to do anything even when it is the complete opposite of what he has preached, or reverse of the faith, or objects, or desires of his followers. The following was Mussolini's program before he became dictator, i.e., the program of the Italian Fascist party, published in 1919:

- (1) National Assembly, intended as the Italian Section of the International Assembly of all Peoples, in order to proceed with the radical transformation of the political and economic basis of Society.
- (2) Proclamation of the Republic. Decentralization of administrative control. Administrative autonomy of regions and communes through their own legislative bodies. Popular sovereignty exercised by means of universal, equal, and direct popular vote of all citizens of both sexes, with right to the people of initiative, of referendum, and veto. Reorganization, ex novo, of the administrative bodies of the State. The function of the State to be limited to the civic and political direction of national life.
- (3) Abolition of the Senate and of every artificial and arbitrary limitation of popular sovereignty. Abolition of political police. Establishment of a municipal and national civic guard. Elective magistrates independent of executive power.
- (4) Abolition of all caste-titles, of princes, dukes, marquises, "commendatori," "cavalieri," etc. Only titles of honor, those of talent and honesty in work.
- (5) Abolition of compulsory conscription. General disarmament and veto of all nations forbidding the manufacture of armaments.
- (6) Freedom of thought and of conscience, of religion, of association, of press, of propaganda, of individual and collective agitation.
- (7) System of education with both cultural and vocational schools open to all.
- (8) Maximum care and perfection of the social hygiene system.
- (9) Abolition of stock companies. Suppression of every kind of speculation of banks and of the Stock Exchange. Creation of a national financial institution with regional schemes for the distribution of credit.
- (10) Census and reduction of personal wealth. Confiscation of unproductive revenues. Payment of the debt of the old State by the wealthy classes. Suppression of church revenues.
- (11) Eight hours' work on a legal basis.
- (12) Reorganization of production based on insurance principles and on direct participation of profits by the workers. All landed estates to be given over to the peasants. The management of transportation industries and of public services to be entrusted to syndicates comprised of technical experts and workers.
- (13) Abolition of secret diplomacy.
- (14) Open international policy dedicated to the solidarity and independence of peoples in the Confederation of States.

"FASCISTS" CHEATED IN A BIG WAY

It would be out of place here to discuss whether this program is good, bad, or indifferent. The point is, it was with this program that Mussolini got into power. The Fascists stood for (and the rank and file believed in it, you may be sure): no political police, no secret diplomacy, no compulsory conscription, freedom of speech, decentralization of executive magistracies, etc.1

You ought to appreciate now that Mussolini has cheated his "Fascists" in a big way. A man capable of doing what he has done is fit for any treachery, and any amount of it. It sticks out a mile that his régime is THE GREATEST SWINDLE IN HISTORY. I have given this matter some thought and some study and I am firmly convinced that from the START of Fascism (and maybe long before then) Mussolini was secretly in league with "Rome".

"Mussolini," says Ludendorff, "is nothing more than an ambitious tool in the hands of Romish ecclesiastics"; and I concur with Ludendorff. Ludendorff is Germany's Smuts. He is not an amateur in politics. He knows what he is talking about. The difference between Ludendorff (who has no axe to grind) and most other authorities on politics (who also lack his courage) is, he says what he thinks. The rest of them think it but don't say it, and so leave the masses in ignorance and confusion.

Mussolini gave the name of "Fascism" to the creed he promised. What I want to know is, and what you, dear reader, should want to know is: What name must we give to the creed he has fulfilled? It is not Conservatism, it is not Liberalism, it is not Socialism, it is not "Fascism". No! It is JESUITISM.

THE ORIGINAL FASCIST PROGRAM

Read the Fascist program again: (1) It is not anti-Masonic; you may look but in vain for any reference to Masonry in it. Many active Masons were in the ranks as Fascists during the March on Rome. The Freemasons in Italy were a patriotic although anti-Papal body. (2) It is not pro-Church of Rome: one of its clauses is, "Suppression of Church revenues." (3) It is not anti-liberal; if anything, it is ultra-liberal. It proclaims "popular sovereignty", "freedom of thought, of press, of propaganda," and so on. (4) It is not, strictly speaking, anti-Socialist. It demands nationalization of credit, the abolition of stock exchanges, expropriation of estates, etc. Lastly, (5) the spirit of the Fascists was "Italy First", i.e., with emphasis on the "Nation", not the "State", and with no reference at all to the "Church". So much for the theory. Now for the practice.

THE "REVISED" PROGRAM

(1) Before Mussolini was in power three years he launched an attack upon the Masons, including those in his party, sent many of them to jail, and suppressed Freemasonry by law. But he didn't suppress, and he hasn't suppressed, the Roman Catholic secret societies by law, the Italian equivalents of the Knights of Malta, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Knights of Columbus, etc. (2) In 1929, from the Italian treasury Mussolini gave a gift of nineteen million pounds to the Vatican. This was a part of the "Lateran Treaty". (3) He murdered Amendola, the Liberal leader; treated liberalism as "subversion" (this is the very word used by a Fascist historian); and in *Gerrachia* magazine, 1925, Mussolini boasted that he had reduced democracy and liberalism to the state of "rotten corpses". (4) He smashed every outward vestige of propaganda in favor of the "Socialist" items in his program, irrespective of whether the agitation came from the Reds or from the Fascists. And he murdered Matteotti, the Socialist leader. Matteotti was an upright and a very popular figure. (5) Mussolini abolished the "Victor Emmanuel's Day" celebrations. On the 20th of September, 1870, the Italian troops took possession of Rome. The Italian nation celebrated the day as a festival of national reunion, and, of course, as the anniversary of victory over the Papacy and Austria. It was Italy's "First of July" and "Battle of the Boyne" combined. This is where Fascism shows itself in its true colors. The idea of Italian patriotism's "insulting" Roman popery was naturally disliked by Mussolini's masters; so the festival was cut out of the Fascist calendar. The Vatican, not Italy, came "First".

It is a mistake to imagine that only plumbers and dockers and "Reds" of various hues are lying in Mussolini's internment camps. During the War and later in 1925, General Benicvenga was secretary for Cadorna, commander-in-chief of the Italian army in the War. Mussolini interned Benicvenga in the island of Ustica, where the worst and most incorrigible criminals were lodged. It would have been more humane to have him shot, but to keep him living was perhaps the "better" method of sealing the lips and falsifying the hands of his friends.

THE EXPLANATION

Now let me ask of you, What explanation can you offer for this total perversion of the Fascist policy and this attack upon Liberals, Patriots, Socialists, and Freemasons? Surely this is a question of some importance. Well, then, ANSWER IT, you Tories, Liberals, and Socialists! This is the answer: There is only ONE political body in Europe, only ONE, not two, or three, or four, which is anti-Liberal, anti-Masonic, anti-Patriot, anti-Socialist, anti-Communist, and anti-Jew, and that body is the JESUIT Society. "Fascism" (i.e., original Fascism) doesn't rule in Italy today, any more than "Nazism" (or Brown-shirtism) rules Germany. The Jesuits rule Italy, and their "creed" is now the orthodox Fascist creed in every European country.

If Mussolini's post-War record is hardly flattering to Il Duce, his pre-War one is worse. The following are characteristic points of Mussolini pre-War biography:

(1) His five months' imprisonment, November 23, 1911, to March 12, 1912, for having incited the soldiers of the African war to desert.

(2) His expelling of Bissolati and Bonomi from the Socialist party he directed, because they had dared to congratulate the king for having escaped murder at the hands of an anarchist.

(3) His denouncement before the High Court of Milan, April 1, 1914, for "instigation of crime, and insult to the army".

(4) The organization of the so-called "Red Week" in collaboration with the anarchist Malatesta, etc.

The last myth about Mussolini that's worth exploding is the one about the March on Rome. Contrary to the belief of almost every Fascist, Mussolini did not lead the March. He was in Milan all the time, and when it was safe to go to Rome he went in a Pullman sleeping car!

THE MARCH ON ROME

The March on Rome was the work of the "Quadrumvirate", De Bono, De Vecchi, Bianchi, and Balbo. De Bono was in command of operations; Bianchi did liaison staff work; Balbo commanded the marchers; and De Vecchi, along with Grandi, did the negotiating with Salandra (the prime minister) and the king.

Mussolini watched events from Milan, a few hundred miles away from Rome.

It was De Vecchi and Grandi in Rome who telephoned Mussolini at Milan telling him of Salandra's first offer of "participation" in the government. It was they who won from Salandra and the king the invitation to Mussolini to form a government. "On receipt of the official invitation," says Ion S. Munro, "he (Mussolini) left at once for the capital."

How has this quadrumvirate fared? De Vecchi is still a minister. Bianchi is dead. De Bono was "removed" from his post as chief of police. Grandi was "sent abroad" to London. Balbo has been "exiled" to Tripoli.

"LA BOTTEGA DEL PAPA"

It is NOT true that Mussolini against his will was forced to "bargain" with the pope. This is often said to justify Mussolini's dealings with the Vatican. It is sheer, demonstrable nonsense. On the contrary, if Mussolini had put the pope in a boat and sent him to Tripoli, nobody in Italy would have bothered much. Before Mussolini's advent to power the Church of Rome's name in Italy was mud. Its prestige was low before the War; it was much worse after it. It was commonly called "*La bottega del papa*", i.e., the pope's shop, a reference to the "holy" relic racket.

What Mussolini did was, he pretended to quarrel with the pope, just as Hitler is pretending. Most people, including the then "Fascists", thought that this was fine. But the net result of every "quarrel" was a further concession to the Vatican. In fact, Mussolini re-instated Popery. He raised the "Church" from one of odium, which it richly deserved, to an institution of authority. And when he had completed the job, the pope called him a "man sent by divine providence to save Italy". As no pope yet has ever worried much about "patriotism", substitute the word "Church" for "Italy" and you will have the pope's real meaning. "Sent by divine providence to save the 'Church'." I am telling Jews and democrats who their enemy is. In the words of Gambetta I say, pointing to "Rome": "THERE IS YOUR ENEMY." If I were saying this to the Labor people in Spain, they would believe me. They know what "Rome" is, as the forefolds of Britain, Holland, Sweden,

Switzerland, etc., knew, i.e., from personal experience, but the average person now doesn't know a thing about it. And the moment one tries to speak to him about it, he thinks (or at least some of them do) that one is trying to turn him into what he calls a "hymn-singer".

MUSSOLINI AND FREEMASONRY

Anti-Freemasonry was not a plank of the early Fascist program. Many Masons took part in the March on Rome.

Freemasonry in Italy had old ties with Italian Nationalism dating back to Risorgimento days. They helped to make Italy a nation. And for this too, no doubt, they incurred the displeasure of the pope, because the papacy lost its dominions, the City of Rome, when Italy became a nation.

The Masons were neither for nor against Fascism. They were neutral. There were two Masonic bodies in Italy, known by the name of the buildings they occupied, the "Giustiniani Palace Masons" and the "Piazza del Gesu Masons", and actually the latter was, if anything, friendly towards Mussolini.

Why does the Church of Rome dislike the Freemasons? Not because they belong to a secret society. No. There are a number of Roman Catholic secret societies, The Knights of Malta, The Ancient Order of Hibernians, The Knights of Columbus, etc. The Roman Catholic church objects to Freemasonry because Masonic societies do not come under their priestly control, and because Masons deny the papal claims.

In August 1924, two years after Mussolini came to power, the attack on Freemasonry opened. During 1925 Mussolini was busy "purging" his party of Masons. They had been good enough to help Mussolini to power, but they were not the sort he wanted to help him to administer his "Fascist" state.

At the close of 1925 Freemasonry was suppressed by law. "It was a move," says Ion S. Munro, "which won him favor in the eyes of the Vatican."

The year 1929, i.e., seven years after Mussolini's elevation to the premiership, was perhaps the year when the Fascist terror reached its highest pitch. The "O.V.R.A.", or secret police, was called into existence in 1929. To quote a 100-percent sympathetic historian of Fascism, in 1929: "Over 1,000 prisoners were sentenced, many of them receiving punishments of over ten years' imprisonment." In September 1929, Cesare Rossi was decoyed on to Italian soil at Lake Garda, after he had managed to leave Italy. He was arrested and sentenced to thirty years. Who is this Cesare Rossi? At one time he was secretary of the Italian Fascist party, and Mussolini's closest companion! If Rossi was not prepared to "play ball" with the pope, and I suspect he wasn't, the least Mussolini could do (at his masters' bidding) was to shoot him or jail him. He jailed him plenty.

THE VATICAN'S "PROFITS"

What is there of significance about this year 1929? After seven years of Mussolini's rule one would have expected that the internal condition of the country would be quiet, stable, and nonrefractory. The Lateran Treaty was signed in June, 1929. This "Treaty" was the Vatican's "profits" from Fascism. It was JESUITISM putting the seal on its victory. The resistance to it was the last 'big fling' of the anti-Fascist forces in Italy. They lost, of course. But the next time they cross swords with Mussolini (and the general of the Jesuits) they shall win.

When Mussolini signed the Lateran Treaty, the words "toleration of other religions" were cut out of the Italian Constitution. In theory Fascist Italy (unlike pre-Fascist Italy) does not admit religious tolerance. In practice it has to, so as not to arouse the antipathy of especially Britain and U.S.A. He gave the gift of £19,000,000 to the Vatican, already referred to. (I suspect this was the return of the monies Mussolini had received from "Rome".) Above all, he re-established the pope's "temporal" sovereignty. Do you know that the Vatican was very much upset because it was not given a seat in the League of Nations? If you didn't know this before, then you know it now. By re-establishing the pope's "temporal" sovereignty Mussolini raised the Church of Rome to the diplomatic status of a "State".

Mussolini closed down the Y.M.C.A. He put the pope's picture back into every State school classroom. He cut out the words "toleration of other religions" from the Italian Constitution. He suppressed the Freemasons. Finally, Fascism re-established the pope's "temporal sovereignty".

There is no liberty of speech anywhere in Italy outside of the confessional box; and this just about sums up the truth, and tells all there is to know about Fascism in Italy.

THE BENEFICIARIES

Some time ago knighthoods ("commenda") were given to five leading foreign journalists in Rome, two of whom belong to British papers; an almost unheard-of thing in any other country. This gives one a good idea of what sort of "news" some readers must be getting from Italy. It is news of "ruptures" between Italy and Germany, "quarrels" of Mussolini and the pope, Roman Catholics "ill-treated" in Germany, Italy, and Austria, all to misinform and confuse the public.

FASCISM BREEDS POVERTY

Fascism has not been a godsend either to the workers or to the employers of Italy. In 1926 Italy had 78,000 unemployed; in 1933 the figure was 1,000,000. In the years 1930-32 Italy's foreign trade shrank by 48 percent. One of Italy's recent budgets showed a deficit of £66,000,000. The adverse trade balance was £50,000,000. There were more than 21,000 bankruptcies in Italy in 1932. In Great Britain, a more commercialized country, there were 4,645 bankruptcies in 1932, i.e., one-fifth of Italy's figure.

The official comparison of real wages, that is, money wages in terms of food-purchasing power, are thus given in *Whittaker's Almanack*, on the authority of the *Ministry of Labour Gazette*: Great Britain 100; Italy 45.

Mr. Hessel Titman, British journalist, who undertook a survey of conditions in Europe a year or two ago, says, and quite truly:

"Whether or not families forced to live on such a budget are 'starving', as one Italian working man assured me, there can be no question that the standard of living in Italy is one of the lowest, measured in material comfort, in all Europe." ("Slump: A Study of Stricken Europe.")

Who, then, has benefited from Fascism? The pope, [Achille] Ambrose Ratti. And—Mussolini, starting earlier than Rosenberg, has bled his country white financing parties abroad to serve his war plans. Listen to this, from a pamphlet written in the summer of 1930 by Lauro De Bosis, an Italian, and secretly distributed in Italy:

"For all the dissatisfied, Italy has a little money and a great deal of promises. In Albania, among Hitler's men, among the people of the Austrian Heimwehr, among the Macedonian Comitagi, and especially in Hungary, wherever there is an opportunity to agitate, to trouble peace, to put powder mines, there the dangerous shade of Mussolini can be discerned."

THE MUSSOLINI MYTH

It is not true that Mussolini "saved" Italy from Bolshevism. This is a myth (like the myth that Hitler "saved" Germany from Communism, or that Mosley is "saving" Britain from Moscow); and the people who spread it are prevaricators.

The danger of a Bolshevik revolution passed away with the failure of the occupation of the factories, and the victory of the Moderates (*Riformisti*) over the Extremists of the Socialist party on September 2, 1920. Mussolini himself said in his paper, November 30: "The Italian home situation improves every day." In the first days of 1921, a year before he became premier, and almost three years before he declared his dictatorship, Mussolini wrote: "In Italy one cannot speak any more of any Bolshevik danger whatsoever."

That's clear enough, isn't it? also the alleged economic paralysis caused by "Bolshevism" in the years 1919 and 1920, as the test of official figures reveals itself nonexistent:

	1918	1919	1920
Number of stock companies in Italy	3,463	4,520	5,541
Capital invested in the same (in millions)	7,257	13,014	17,784
Deposits in savings institutes and popular banks (in billions)	12	17	20
Revenue from income tax (in billions)	9.6	15.2	18.8
Number of persons transported by the railways (in millions)	65	102	110

One would probably get jailed in Italy today for printing a handbill showing a comparison of the so-called "Bolshevik Period" with that of the so-called "Napoleonic Year", viz., the year VIII of the Fascist Era; and conditions have worsened since this "peak" year.

Warning

A five-minute talk

(Part 2)

by Judge Rutherford

WHAT, then, is this abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet and also by Jesus? It is the League of Nations, which was brought into existence shortly following the World War and which is hailed by religionists as a substitute for God's kingdom on earth which shall rule the nations of the world. The League of Nations is backed by the international bankers, professional politicians, and religionists. Says the New York *American* of March 8, 1934: "The League of Nations, backed by millions, is reaching out in an effort to control public opinion, and doing this through the schools, churches and other professional organizations." From a published report by the Federation of Churches the following is quoted, to wit: "The supreme hope for the future is the League of Nations. The peace of the world and hope of humanity rests upon the proper functioning of the League of Nations." Catholics, Protestants and Jewish religionists all support the League. In February, 1934, the League of Nations Association published a statement in which these words are used, that "the League of Nations is the only light in the world". The Scriptures declare that the kingdom of God under Christ is the light of the world and the only hope of the world. The proof is conclusive, therefore, that the League of Nations is set up as a substitute for God's kingdom and hence stands now in the place or stead of the kingdom, where it ought not to stand. It is the product of Satan the Devil and is an abomination in the sight of God and works desolation to the people because its purpose is to turn humankind away from God.

Do you now see and recognize that the League of Nations is put forward as a substitute for God's kingdom under Christ? Do you desire to be on the side of God and His righteous government? If so, then, says Jesus: "Flee now to the mountains," that is, to the kingdom of God, by taking your stand wholly on the side of God and His kingdom. Jesus' warning is given only to those who are in favor of God's kingdom and who desire righteousness. Why should such persons now flee by taking their stand on the side of God and His kingdom? That question is an-

swered in these words by Jesus (Matthew 24:21): "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." That tribulation is the battle of Armageddon, which battle will completely wreck Satan's world, and will be the end of all trouble on earth.

To those who desire to be on the side of Jehovah now He says (Zephaniah 2:2, 3): 'Before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you, seek meekness and righteousness: it may be that you shall be hid in that day.' Meekness means to learn the truth and thereby ascertain the will of God. Righteousness means to do what is right in the sight of God; and only those who learn the truth can know the way of righteousness. To aid you to gain this much needed knowledge Jehovah's witnesses are now coming to you with books explaining the Bible and which enable you to find in the Bible all these truths. It is of greatest importance to you that you now take your stand on the side of Jehovah and then study to show yourself approved unto God. This message of warning Jehovah's witnesses are commanded to deliver to the people; and, to be sure, Satan and his agents try to prevent the people from hearing this warning. Therefore the opposition to it.

In the Scriptures a "house" symbolically represents the church organizations, and the housetop pictures those in the high places in the organizations. Clothing represents that which identifies a person in the organization. There may be some honest preachers in the church organizations, and others holding high positions therein. To such Jesus gives the warning in these words (Matthew 24:17, 18): "Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house; neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes."

The "winter" time means the time of trouble at Armageddon, and Jesus warns those who want to be on God's side that they must not wait until Armageddon begins; hence He says (verse 20): "But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day."

The hour of decision has arrived, and every person who hears this warning from the Lord's

Word, and who then remains in Satan's organization, will be destroyed at Armageddon. Those who flee to God's kingdom, which is the only place of safety, and who then prove their faithfulness and integrity to God, may be carried through the time of trouble and be the first ones

to receive the blessings of life and happiness on the earth. It is your privilege, therefore, to now take your stand on God's side because that is the right side. He has prepared His place of refuge, which is His kingdom, and He affords you an opportunity to flee thereto.

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Jehovah's witnesses

"Kingdom Blessings for the People"

THE Nagpur (India) *Daily News*, said editorially:

"This evening a lecture entitled 'Kingdom Blessings for the People' was given in the compound of the Nixon Tea Rooms, Residency Road. This lecture was originally broadcast by arrangement with the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society, in America chiefly, the speaker being the Society's president, Judge J. F. Rutherford. The manner of rendering the lecture is of interest. Electrical recording of the speech has been made and, by means of transcription machines for amplifying, it can be reproduced and heard in any part of the earth. Thus it is possible to hear Judge Rutherford speak, without his personally being present. This lecture is one of many others now available for such renderings. The work of the above-mentioned Society at this time especially is to submit evidence as a testimony to the name of Jehovah God and that the Kingdom or Government which Christians have been taught to pray for will shortly be set up on earth, when obedience to the laws of Jehovah God will bring lasting peace, prosperity, life, health and happiness, to the people. As Jehovah's witnesses those engaged upon this work call upon people of good will to heed these truths contained in the Bible and to take their stand for Jehovah God. Jehovah's witnesses are not interested in proselytizing and getting membership for any religious society or church. The wickedness now prevalent, including corruption in commerce and politics, the hypocrisy in organized religion, especially in so-called 'Christendom', and other ills whereby Satan has caused God's name to be blasphemed and the people to suffer through exploitation and oppression will soon be stopped by and through the righteous kingdom that Jehovah God will set up. These Biblical lectures and treatises are also in print. Books and booklets circulated to the extent of more than 160,000,000, in sixty languages, treat fully with the matter under consideration. Jehovah's witnesses are not engaged in book-selling or commer-

cial work, but offer the literature asking for a small contribution in return toward the cost of printing and delivering more books that others might learn of Jehovah's gracious provision for mankind. The Society's representatives while here in Nagpur will be willing to give these lectures to any society or organization in Nagpur free of charge provided the use of a favorable site is offered for the purpose."

How He Saved His Job

ONE of Jehovah's witnesses in Australia, a government employee, compelled to sign an oath of allegiance, composed, signed and executed the following substitute, which was accepted by the government in lieu of its own form:

"I do solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm that I will at all times and in all matters be guided solely by the principles defined by the texts of Holy Scripture, which is the will of God, as stated at 2 Timothy 3: 16, 17. And I further declare and affirm that I will not knowingly or willingly participate in any revolutionary, riotous or seditious movement, secret or otherwise, against any person, or government, present or future. In harmony with the Lord's commandment at Matthew 5: 33-37, I cannot conscientiously subscribe to a declaration of allegiance to any earthly creature or constitution."

How He Lost His Job

AT Valdosta, Georgia, John Priester, faithful Negro employee of the city, and one of Jehovah's witnesses, was deprived of employment, and therefore of means of livelihood, because he did not see his way clear to sign the oath of allegiance to the constitution of the state of Georgia. It reminds one of the statement made about Daniel: "We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his God."

Social and Health Paragraphs

Something for Mr. Howe to Think About

F J. CIRVES, Wisconsin, chides H. E. Howe, editor of *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*, American Chemical Society, Mills Building, Washington, D.C., for defending aluminum as a metal fit to be used for the preparation of victuals, and then tells Mr. Howe something about his own magazine that ought to make him think. He says: "I read a treatise some time ago in the *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry* News Edition concerning tests made on metals for a large butter churn. For aluminum in the tabulated results the butter tasted metallic. The butter produced in such an aluminum churn is not fit for humans or animals. In fact, such will even kill vegetation, according to work done at the University of Wisconsin on aluminum acid soils. When case after case of wholesale aluminum poisonings occurs at banquets, church suppers, hospitals and picnic gatherings, and every one traceable to aluminumware, it surpasses all understanding why a good human cannot be reasonably convinced." (Mr. Cirves himself is a chemist and engineer of repute.)

Aluminum Company Does One Good Thing

THE Aluminum Company of America is alleged to have done one good thing. Ingot aluminum was selling at 23c per pound, but the aluminum trust, in order to meet copper competition, was making and selling transmission cable at 5½c per pound less than the ingot price. Then when the little fellows wanted to buy cables at the lower price, and melt the cables down so that they could work them up into household poisoning utensils, they found they could not buy at all unless they would guarantee that the cables would be used for cables and nothing else. It is believed by students that this saved many lives. Disheartened and disgusted, some of the cooking-utensil makers may have gone in for nonpoisonous materials and thus the number of wholesale poisonings and domestic tragedies often reported in these columns was reduced. Score one for the trust.

Opium Danger to White Children

THE *Times of India* calls attention to the fact that in India opium is so easily obtainable that parents employing native servants (and almost every white family in India has such servants) need to be constantly on the lookout that children are not injured for life by being given opium to keep them quiet.

Gambling Frenzy Seizes the Country

THE send-a-dime letter scheme (varied in places to send-a-dollar) had the entire country in its grip early in May. In Denver postal receipts jumped \$20,000 in twelve days as 40,000 people grabbed at the chance to invest 25c in postage and get back \$1,562.50. At Topeka 107,000 pieces of first-class mail were run through the canceling machine, which is a record for that city. At Nashville the stamp sales ran up from a normal \$200 for Saturday afternoon to over \$600 at the main office, and the substations sold out entirely.

American Freedom of Thought Is in Peril

DR. JOSEPH S. AMES, retiring president of Johns Hopkins University, in his last address to the students, delivered June 11, 1935, said:

"Drastic limitations have been placed upon this freedom [of thought] over whole countries of Europe, and in this country insidious attacks are being made upon it through the agency of State legislatures. The menace is real and pressing. Every man and woman in this hall is concerned vitally. Life will be worth living only if you are free; . . . each of you, no matter what your life will be, will have from now on a constant battle to save your own soul."

An Inquiry on Cost of Living

CORRESPONDENCE from Los Angeles indicates considerable interest there on a method of "How to Live Well on One Dollar a Week", from a book of that name, published in the vicinity. The book alleges that ¼ pound of whole wheat, ¼ pound of rye, ¼ pound of whole lentils, 3 bunches of carrots, 1 head of cabbage, 3 loaves of bread, 1 pound of margarine or peanut butter or ½ can of salad oil and 10c worth of soy beans or whole oats will do the trick. If anybody has tried this, be so good as to send reports.

Victim of Vaccination Assault

HARRY S. EMCH, victim of an atrocious vaccination assault by boneheads in uniform at Alexandria, Va., suffered for weeks with big sores on legs and feet, and was crippled in his work as a pioneer witness for Jehovah throughout the month of June. When last heard from he was still suffering from this unconstitutional attack upon his person, arranged for him by the AMA.

More Trade! More Trade!

AN English advertising circular, advertising the advent of a new biscuit named for the king, says: "Does it seem out of place to couple the name of his majesty with matters of business and of biscuits? We think not. Do we not recall with pride that the king and the royal family are in closest touch with the trade and commerce of the realm, and that their wisely chosen words, on many occasions, have been a solace and an inspiration! More trade! More trade! To the nation, and the individual, trade is the very lifeblood."

Says Judge Rutherford: "As the waters of the river [Nile] were turned into blood, bringing death, so in the past few years the people have been learning that commerce, instead of bringing them life and happiness, is a great system of oppression resulting in much suffering and death."—*Jehovah*, page 60.

The Deadly British "Z" Ray

AN EMINENT English scientist has placed in possession of the British government the Z ray, based upon the theory that light is a substance containing all the essential minerals. With this ray he stopped a motor car at one-fourth mile and forced airplanes to descend with helpless engines. He claims that with the ray hydrocyanic acid or prussic acid gas can be created in the atmosphere above a city, or that stratospheric conditions could be created in the city so that life would be impossible. He further claims that the same ray can be used to broadcast malignant bacteria of deadly diseases over wide areas and to wreak wholesale destruction upon the crops and food supplies of any nation. Further, he claims that he knows the secret of defense against the ray. This is taken from the London newspaper *People*.

Too Many Stores in England

IN THE ten years from 1924 to 1933 inclusive the stores in England increased 64 percent, until now there is one store for every 40 inhabitants. The reason for this is that the people want to live, and be independent. But there comes a time when there are more stores than can be supported, and as a consequence many struggle along a few years and are forced to give up the fight. Eighty-four percent of all the bankruptcies in England and Wales are in the retail store business.

The Contemptible Work of a Demon

IN THE London *Dental Gazette* is an account of a dental operation performed by F. St. J. Steadman, D.P.H., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., L.D.S., on a lady who visited a clairvoyant before the operation and was told the only hour the operation could be performed was 9:30 a.m. on a Monday, that the dentist would insist on having his way about the removal of the impacted tooth, and that she would die in the operation. All worked out exactly as forecast, except that the operation was a complete success and the woman recovered. It is apparent that in this case the demon was familiar with Dr. Steadman's memorandum book and knew the hour he would and did select. All else was meanness of the basest sort.

Fire-Walking in Britain

UNWILLING to learn anything from the Bible a flock of British scientists built a pit filled with seven tons of oak logs, one ton of firewood, one load of charcoal and ten gallons of kerosene, and after it had been burning for eight hours, and the surface heat was found to be 800 degrees Fahrenheit, they saw Kuda Bux, a young Hindu, walk the length of the pit, pausing five seconds at each step, and emerge unscathed. This happened at Carshalton, Kent, and was a case of demonism, pure and simple. Two British medical students who attempted to emulate the feat were severely burned after a few steps and had to jump to safety.

Six-Year Sentence for a Nine-Year Old

AT Oxford, England, a nine-year-old child helped himself to a baby carriage. He thought it would be a help to his mother, as she had none and could only carry her little one in her arms. He had never stolen anything before, but the law took the little chap away from his mother and sentenced him to six years, to the great sorrow of his father, mother and four little sisters. Does Britain have to ape Germany?

Huge Rains in Australia

HUGE rains, interspersed with hot sunshine, have caused grass in northern Australia to grow ten feet high. A dispatch in the *New York Times* says: "Householders are hiring aborigines at a dollar a day to pull up grass from their yards, where it is growing almost as high as the houses with jungle rankness."

Mexican Republic

Williams and Quintanilla

FREDERICK VINCENT WILLIAMS, president Serra General Assembly of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, had a series of articles in the *Washington Post* claiming to give the Catholic viewpoint of the conflict between church and state in Mexico. The same writer has an article in *Liberty* magazine, issue of August 24, 1935, and if you want to see a Mexican's appraisal of the veracity of this man who was director of publicity for Franklin D. Roosevelt in California in 1932, just write to Dr. Luis Quintanilla, Mexican Embassy, Washington, D.C., and ask him how you can get a copy of his booklet entitled "The Other Side of the Mexican Church Question". In that booklet you will learn that Mr. Williams and the Roman Hierarchy have no objection to lying and faking photographs to arouse prejudice in the United States, not the least in the world; you will learn that espionage does not exist in the republic to the south, Mr. Williams to the contrary notwithstanding; that Mexican immigration laws expressly bar the admission of Communists into the country, despite Mr. Williams; that the Mexican flag is not red, as stated by that purveyor of fairy tales, but green, white and red; that the same Hierarchy that is now hypocritically pleading for freedom and liberty has officially condemned independence and excommunicated its leaders; that the Mexican government's policy is not that of a tyrannical minority against a defenseless majority, but is the fight of the great majority of the Mexican people, Catholics and non-Catholics, against an outfit that has entirely lost the confidence of the people. While the church was in control there was no education for the Mexican people as a whole; now there are 20,380 schools, 45,878 teachers and 1,987,844 pupils. You will find that the Roman Hierarchy has squandered many, many millions of dollars in the erection of the great cathedrals. The railings and balustrades of one cost \$1,500,000, and its construction was a mere item of \$2,000,000. In one place the robe of the virgin contains 397,920 pearls; another robe of the virgin is valued at \$300,000. The Roman Hierarchy has instigated Indians to kill Government officials and others. In one instance three priests, Vega, Pedraza and Angulo, led a mob against the innocent people on a railway train and killed all on board, 54 in all. They burned alive the wounded passengers, pouring kerosene on the cars and set-

ting fire to them in the name of Christ the King. Can you blame the Mexican people for wanting nothing to do with such vermin?

Rotogravures of Mexico

ROTOGRAVURES of Mexico show 72 of the cutest, brightest, best-dressed youngsters one could imagine. All are dressed in white, and make a pretty picture just outside a model school and nursery where they are cared for while their parents are at work. There is also a picture of a workingman's village, erected on what was a garbage dump; the new village would be a credit to any city. All the pictures show that the Mexicans love the sun, and get plenty of it. Dispatches indicate that Cardenas is more pliable than Calles and is helping the Roman Hierarchy to regain some of their lost ground. He says the women may vote. It was woman's vote that put Spain back into the clutches of the Roman Hierarchy and the aristocracy.

Kernel of the Mexican Situation

IN A statement explaining what has been going on in Mexico for the past four hundred years, ex-President Abelardo Rodriguez went to the kernel of the situation by explaining that up until the revolution of 1910 "those in authority, who were all ecclesiastics, were strenuously opposed to giving any education whatsoever to any of the sixteen million Mexican inhabitants, because they were afraid that the people would realize how they were being exploited by a small group of the privileged class".

Allied with the Forces of Ignorance

ANSWERING the charges of the radio priest of Detroit, Ignacio L. Batzia, consul for Mexico, in that city said in the *News*: "The organized Catholic Church in Mexico has for a long time allied itself with those economic and political forces that kept the peasants and the workers in ignorance and in general backwardness."

Might Antagonize All Spanish America

IN THE opinion of Reverend John F. O'Hara, president of the University of Notre Dame, and accounted an authority on Latin-American affairs, interference in Mexico's affairs by the United States Government might antagonize all Spanish America. He thinks the best thing America can do is to keep hands off.

Convincing Argument Against War

A 24-PAGE booklet entitled *War Resistance*, put out by the War Resisters' League, says: "It is safe to say that the United States would not have entered the war if every Congressman had known that he was to be among the 126,000 Americans to lose their lives because of his vote for war. If it is true—and what honest person can doubt it?—that the officials responsible for starting the World War would not have been willing to be shot the next day in order to have their countries enter the contest, that war was unnecessary, and if fifty diplomats could have prevented the World War rather than perish themselves, war is not inevitable. Few millionaires would sacrifice all their possessions in order to have their country enter a war." "Today the least prepared countries are the freest from the danger of war. Norway, Denmark and Sweden are less likely to become involved than France, Italy and Great Britain."

Caste System in the Army

REFERRING to the caste system in the United States Army, Walter Wilson, in *The New Republic*, says:

"In France privates could not escort AEF women on the streets without being molested by the military police. In some cases privates were forbidden to escort any woman on the street. The YMCA encouraged this caste system by maintaining separate and often luxurious clubrooms for officers in England and France. Sometimes separate canteens were provided—an officer must not debase himself by standing in line with a lot of privates to buy a package of cigarettes. French women were not permitted to attend enlisted men's dances given by the YMCA even though there was always a shortage of dancing partners. But they were invited and welcomed at officers' affairs. Enlisted men could not attend officers' dances, but officers were allowed to attend enlisted men's affairs, and often at such dances all the women present would be on the floor safe in the arms of men in Sam Browne belts."

Increase in Public Debt

AT THE end of the fiscal year 1916 the public debt of the United States was almost a billion dollars. Just think of it. Then Uncle Sam started in to play paymaster and Santa Claus to the whole world, and the public debt is now just a little less than 28 times as much. The argument as to whether he received in return one cent of benefit for each billion dollars expended is still in progress.

The Assassinated Senator

THE late Senator Huey Long, in a radio address, called President Roosevelt a liar and faker, which seems a bit informal, even in America, and then he went a step further and said that the president is now copying Long's own "share the wealth" speeches that he wrote when he was fourteen years old. There is still political freedom of speech here, anyway.

Long also declared that Louisiana would contest in the Supreme court the right of President Roosevelt to drain the state of \$24,000,000 in income taxes yearly and then allow one man, Ickes, to dictate what the state must do in order to get any benefits from the taxes thus collected. If the threat is carried out, the whole program of the spending of \$4,800,000,000 for public relief and public works may be upset. The assassin of Senator Long was a *Catholic, of course*.

Congressman Haines' Surprise

WHEN the public utility gangsters were flooding Congress with telegrams (and thousand-dollar bills, probably, too), in the effort to prevent passage of the holding company bill (a measure proposed by the president and which was really in the interests of the people), Congressman Haines of York county, Pa., was amused to receive in his batch a telegram from his friend Charles E. Small, who had been dead about two years. Haines was surprised and grieved that his friend had come to such a bad end as to finally land with the utility gang. Moreover, the name does not sound like a Roman Catholic name, and therefore there is some question as to how the message got through. Was it written on asbestos? It is up to Congressman Haines to set forth the details.

"Blessed Are the Peacemakers"

THIS nation is officially a Christian nation, and is therefore very strong for the Sermon on the Mount and the Golden Rule, yet when Miss Margot Lamb, a schoolgirl of 20 years of age, distributed peace literature on the Los Angeles Junior college campus, Municipal Judge Arthur Crum sent this young idealist to jail for 25 days. Miss Lamb acted as her own attorney, contending that as she was on school property she should have been disciplined by the school authorities and not been turned over to the strong-arm squad. Wonder why it is that California puts such men on the bench, and what is their objective.

"A Congressman Must Have Income"

THAT was quite an interesting letter that Congressman Edmonds wrote to the Bath Iron Works in which he said: "As you perhaps know, a Congressman must derive some of his income from other sources than being a member of the House of Representatives, and in this connection I would like to bring to your attention the fact that my secretary and myself have a company in Philadelphia", etc., etc. The Bath Iron Works builds battleships, and Mr. Edmonds wanted to let them know that he was in a position to supply materials.

Publishers Throw Bricks at NRA

THE National Publishers Association, Inc., quotes statistics furnished by the National Association of Manufacturers that in the eighteen months before the NIRA came into existence there were 1,258 disputes, 8,545,360 working days lost, and a total cost to employees, employers and the public of \$189,630,277, but that in the eighteen months after the NIRA came into existence there were 3,214 disputes, 32,220,144 working days lost, at a total cost of \$765,000,875.

The Holler About Utility Holding Companies

THE uproar in Washington about the utility holding companies was due to the fact that the annuity and endowment funds of the Catholic Church Extension Society have been invested during the past twenty years largely in public utility securities. In other words, it is directly to the financial interest of the Catholic "church" that the people should pay three times as much for its electric current as the current is worth.

Buffoonery in Connecticut

AT ITS closing session the Connecticut House of Representatives, instead of taking some action on the humane and important \$8,000,000 relief bill, disgraced itself by playing with tin horns, pig whistles, mice, a goose, a young bull, and finally by releasing two tear bombs, after which they sent for the governor and asked him to dismiss them.

In Appreciation of Finland

IN APPRECIATION of Finland, the only honest government in Europe, the United States will build a \$300,000 diplomatic establishment there.

Fascism in Estonia and Latvia

HOW rapidly Gog, Satan's prime minister, is swinging first one country and then another under the yoke of Fascism. Estonia, one of the little republics from which so much was expected, and for which so much was hoped, is back where it was, swallowed up in Fascism, which is every whit as bad as czarism. Freedom of press has been abolished. Latvia is also Fascist. In the latter country trials of political prisoners were behind closed doors.

Swiping Tombstones in Pittsburgh

THAT was bad, in Chicago, where it was discovered that undertakers were stealing coffins and selling them over again, meantime dumping their contents promiscuously into the ground in no fit shape to appear in heaven or anywhere else. Now a Pittsburgh monument maker complains that somebody has stolen five tombstones, a block and tackle, and other paraphernalia intended to help mankind out of this life; all of which seems to be a shame.

John Randolph, of Mississippi

JOHN RANDOLPH, of Mississippi, is a Negro. He has been in prison for fifteen years, an innocent man. A white man was guilty of the crime for which Randolph was sent up. Justice of the Peace R. B. Smith, of Mississippi, admits that he has known this for fourteen years but on account of Randolph's being a Negro he was indifferent. Randolph will now be released by the governor.

Will Steal No More Milk

IN Chicago a baby had been crying for two days because it had no milk, and the family could not get any from the relief organization. His 17-year-old uncle knew about it and stole a bottle of milk for the hungry youngster, but he was shot and killed in the act. Now if he had stolen a million dollars—but why talk about that?

The Edict of Prices: A.D. 301

IN THE year 301 (A.D.) Diocletian, by his Edict of Prices, fixed a uniform price for each commodity and for every form of labor or professional service throughout the empire, with the death penalty for violation. It is claimed that the business depression which followed this particular "brain trust" lasted 1,200 years.

Public Utilities

Westchester Lighting Company

HOW hopelessly impossible it is for the people to gain justice in their fights with the public utility companies is well brought out in the examinations being made into the affairs of the Westchester Lighting Company. A realty agent turned over a property for \$50,000; then he saw it sold for \$75,000, and a little later valued it at \$193,000 in his capacity as an appraiser for the company. On that basis, the company hopes, 8 percent or more will be paid forever and forever. A trusted official of the company went to buy a property for the company; he got it, in his own name, for \$70,000. On the way back to the office he raised the price to \$95,000 and shoved the \$25,000 down in his jeans, there to stay. An average of \$2,300 an acre was paid for land that was high at \$300 an acre. A state senator owned it; that explains it all. No wonder the country is swallowed up in crime.

Aspirant\$ for Succe\$\$

SOME years ago *The Golden Age* related how the Long Island Lighting Company charged young couples stupendous sums (\$25) as alleged insurance against their stealing meters while they were tenants (as if anybody would be fool enough). This \$25 stolen from tens of thousands of young couples was made of good use, so it appears; for here is a squib in the *New York World-Telegram* saying, "President and associates of Long Island Lighting Company made a profit of \$34,702,680.48 in less than a year through purchase and sale of upstate holding company for which the public supplied all the capital." It is understood that the president and officers of the company are very patriotic.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.

THE Power Trust admittedly used over \$1,000,000 to influence legislation in their behalf at Washington, and won out, too. In June came an avalanche of 127,000 telegrams, the signers frequently selected from directories and sometimes dead. When the investigation got hot Ursal E. Beach, the security department's head of the Associated Gas & Electric Company, ordered the subsidiaries in 26 states to get rid of all written evidence pertaining to their Holding Company Bill resistance. It is a disgrace to civilization that perverters of legislation in public interest should be permitted to live.

Why Jacksonville Is Happy

EXPLAINING why Jacksonville, Fla., is not unhappy over its municipal electric light and power plants, the commissioner of public utilities of that city says: "I find rates charged by private companies in Florida average 96.8 percent higher than ours. Through these lower rates our citizens have saved \$30,015,457.57." Out of the gross receipts of the plant \$6,871,410 was turned over to the general fund for reduction of taxes and \$7,898,403.41 was used to pay for the plant, which is now all paid for except \$1,602,500 still owing on bonds. Too bad, though, don't you think, that the utility gangs should be done out of all this easy money? Things aren't quite as "prosperous" for these and other oppressors of the people as they have been, and they are in for a complete defeat at Armageddon in the not far distant future.

Mayor Bangs of Huntington

MAYOR BANGS, of Huntington, Ind., was elected on the promise that every citizen in the community might be connected with the public electric light plant. He started making the connections, was sued by the Northern Indiana Power Company for damages, refused to pay the judgment of \$1,951 awarded against him, and went to jail, May 8, and was still there July 12. The citizens were holding huge torchlight processions nightly in protest, and the result will be that the mayor, who was at one time a college president, will run for governor of the state. The officers and stockholders of the Northern Indiana Power Company are doubtless "public-spirited" citizens of the first water, especially as long as they can get something out of the public.

Debt-Free, Tax-Free

ALMA, Nebr., population 1,058, has its own municipal light, power, water and ice plant, worth \$250,000, and all paid for out of the earnings of the plant. The plant has also paved the city, at a cost of \$228,655. It makes no charge for street lighting, for hydrant rental, for fire protection, for servicing the city auditorium, the city library or the city athletic field. For several years it has helped provide payment of the expenses of the city library, has donated bills in periods of depression, and has kept up the city park. Alma has had no tax levy for the past three years.

Aviation

Sikorsky Planes to Europe

IGOR SIKORSKY, in an address in New York, stated that twenty-four-hour airplane service between the United States and Europe is a thing of the very near future. The planes will have baths, dining salons, small dancing rooms, and facilities for showing motion pictures. They will carry 75 to 100 passengers and have twice the capacity of the same make of planes now opening a through route across the Pacific. Captain Mollison, who has flown the Atlantic three times, believes that in a few years regular crossings of the Atlantic will be made by plane in about ten hours.

Aviation in United States and in Europe

THE League of Nations has just published a report on aviation showing that in the United States in 1932 there was one member of staff for every 8,380 miles flown, while in Europe there was one for every 2,795 miles. Each American pilot averaged 850 hours in the air; Europeans, only 402. Each American machine flew 95,000 miles a year; European, 39,990 miles. The total distance flown in the United States was 50,301,000 miles; in Europe, 18,009,000. Planes in the United States, 580; Europe, 622.

Growth of Newark Airport

NEWARK is the busiest airport in the world, and ever getting busier: 20,557 passengers cleared from that field in 1930; 90,177 in 1931, and 123,329 in 1934. The three greatest airports in Europe are Croydon, Le Bourget and Tempelhof; the Newark airport does more business than all those three put together. The record eastbound flight for a commercial plane from Chicago to New York is 2 hours 57 minutes; westbound, 3 hours 52 minutes.

Air Mails to New Zealand in 1937

THOUGH all arrangements seem not perfected, yet it is expected that by 1937 there will be air mails every two weeks between Great Britain and New Zealand, via Bagdad, Singapore and Sydney. Zeppelins will be used between Singapore and Australia, and seaplanes between Australia and New Zealand.

2,297 Airports in the U.S.

THERE are now 2,297 airports in the United States, 664 of which are lighted for night use.

Glider Sails 300 Miles

A GLIDER is an airplane without any engine; sometimes called a sailplane. It was one of these that Wilbur and Orville Wright first sailed, to the amazement of all the world. Gliders have now been so perfected, and their operation is so well understood, that a German, Ludwig Hoffman, recently sailed one for about 300 miles. Winds came just right, and he handled the plane just right, to keep aloft all that distance. The previous record was 262 miles. Russian fliers recently made the following duration records: Single-seat glider, 38 hours 40 minutes; two-seat glider, 38 hours 10 minutes; three-seater, 11 hours 30 minutes; single-seater piloted by a woman, 15 hours 39 minutes; two-seater piloted by a woman, 12 hours 9 minutes; while a glider train made a nonstop distance record of over 940 miles.

Human Wings Used in Flying

WILLIAM PICUNE, 19-year-old New Jersey boy, has invented something new. Twice now he has leaped from airplanes, at the height of a mile above the earth, and landed safely. Heavy canvas is stretched between his arms and legs. On the way down he does the barrel roll and the loop the loop. For the last 2,000 feet he opens his parachute, brought along as a safeguard. He must be without any nerves.

Fast Time in New England

AIRPLANES fly from Newark to Boston in 1 hour 40 minutes. The new streamlined train, built by the Goodyear Company for the New Haven road, will do something to offset this. On its trial trip it made, in one place, 110.5 miles an hour. It will handle business between Boston and Providence.

Air Service Between Paris and Madrid

BY RAIL it takes 24 hours to go from Paris to Madrid, and there is a change of cars at the border, on account of Spanish railways' being of wider gauge. Now the entire trip is made by air liners in 4½ hours, including a halt of a half hour in Bordeaux.

Air Service to Philippines

AIR service to the Philippines was all set to begin in October. The fare from California is expected to be under \$1,000. The cruising speed will be 150 miles an hour. The route will be free from sleet and snow.

Labor Lucubrations

Inhuman Speeding Up of Workers

THE New York *Times*, reporting on the speeding up of workers in the automobile industry, mentions the deteriorating effect of this speeding up on older men; they get to a condition where they are less able to cope with it than the younger men. One witness who was away from the Chrysler plant for six years averred that on his return he found the operations so speeded up that it was next to impossible for men to get away from their tasks for a few minutes for hygienic purposes. There was only one utility man for 187 men, to relieve those who wished to step out of the line for a few minutes. The slavery of the Israelites in the days of Pharaoh was not worse than this; maybe not as bad. The "great men" of industry who have been feeding the people on stories of their greatness and their marvelous attainments are great only in oppressions. After years of depression they still have but one thought: to get more for themselves.

Insanity to Join a Labor Union (?)

AT Aliquippa, Pa., George Issoski, a steel worker, handed out union cards; the company found out about it, sent for the sheriff, and ordered him to lock the man up in an insane asylum, which, obediently, he did. Mrs. Issoski went to Harrisburg and saw then Governor Pinchot, and told him she had been threatened with cutting off her relief unless she signed a paper declaring her husband was insane. This she refused, because it was a lie. When Governor Pinchot had the case investigated he found the man had been committed without the taking of testimony and that the doctor had pronounced him sane. Not sure which scheme of the alphabet this new system comes under.

PWA Swindles in Philadelphia

IN Philadelphia a federal grand jury indicted twelve contractors for conspiring to chisel part of the wages out of their workmen employed on government jobs. In some instances, by so-called kick-back and other schemes, the contractors defrauded the workers of two-thirds of their proper wages. One device used on the Delaware River project was for the foreman, when he saw the government inspector coming, to instruct skilled workmen to hide their tools and get brooms and sweep, so that they would appear as handymen, which was their classification on the pay roll, instead of skilled laborers.

McCloud Lumber Company

ARTHUR BRISBANE writes what a wonderful company the McCloud Lumber Company is to work for, and how the workers get from 50c to \$1 an hour, and then explains that the men soon burn themselves out, being unable to stand the terrifically hard work more than five or six years. Brisbane urges the tens of millions who are unemployed, or just getting enough to live on, to spend several weeks every year among the redwoods of California. Thanks, awfully. One of the best ways for the unemployed to go is by airplane, as Brisbane did. Millionaires generally find it hard to put themselves in the place of the poor man, and Brisbane, possessor of many millions, appears to be no exception to this rule. However, he shows his good sense in his stand against the government's issuing bonds and paying interest on them when it could print the money.

One Way to Get a Good Job

CHICAGO has provided the world with something new. It has shown that one way for a Big Business man to get a good job for his brother is to hire somebody to bump off the man who stands in the way. Irving Weitzman, owner of a chain of bakeries, was charged with paying \$25,200 to have a man killed. The man who got the \$25,200 paid another man \$3,000 to do the job. Seems as if \$22,200 is a large commission for a job like that; still, at last accounts, the man who got the money was confessing everything, in an effort to escape the electric chair.

Restaurant Workers' Small Wages

NEW YORK restaurant workers are feeling the pinch of hard times. When deductions are made for meals some employees get almost nothing. One woman during an entire year got only \$34 in cash; many waitresses get but \$3 to \$5 a week in cash, and even highly skilled cooks work for as little as \$7 or \$8, the New York Department of Labor asserts.

Using the Church as a Strike-breaking Agency

THE Brooklyn Church and Mission Federation accuses the National Biscuit Company of locking out 6,000 employees after a four-day strike, and then seeking to replace their old workers, some of whom had been with them forty years, by appealing to Brooklyn pastors to send them new workers.

Natural Phenomena

Earthquakes Quite Predictable

MANY years ago *The Golden Age* published, from the pen of T. A. H. Clark, the basis for prediction of earthquakes which Clark and others used in Chile for many years. Briefly, when the moon and some other celestial body come into alignment with the earth, the combined gravitational pull is too much for any area of weak crust which happens to be in line. This theory is now being widely publicized, the credit for predicting the recent outbreak at Krakatoa being given to Reuben Greenspan, a teacher in Seaman's Institute, New York city. Greenspan has predicted numerous earthquakes recently, and their localities, and with marked success, but his method is not new.

Earth the Most Brilliant of the Planets

AT THE Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Ariz., the astronomers who studied the 1935 eclipse of the moon formed the definite opinion that the earth, seen from a distance, is "the most gorgeous spectacle in creation". They were able to say definitely that from the moon the earth is seen to be a dark ball, surrounded by a narrow ring of brilliant red light, and outside of that a blue one, with probably the other colors of the rainbow in between. The information was gleaned from studies of the surface of the moon as the rays of light from the sun were bent around the earth's surface to light up the moon during the eclipse.

"As of Some One Gently Tapping"

OUT in the ocean somewhere north of San Diego Uncle Sam's boys have been hearing things. As Edgar Allen Poe would put it, they have heard "a rapping, as of some one gently tapping, tapping at the chamber door; only this and nothing more". The sounds are strongest between midnight and three a.m. The banshee, so far, has not been willing to come out and fight like a man, and the United States coast and geodetic survey is still hoping to catch him.

Snow in the Sahara

BY A sudden freak of nature after there had been weeks of summer weather a snow-storm of great intensity suddenly visited the northwestern part of the Sahara desert on May 22. Thousands of sheep, newly shorn, froze to death, and all crops were flattened by the icy winds.

Lunar Rainbow in Oklahoma

"ON THE night of the 18th of May, 1935, at which time the moon was full, my youngest son and two daughters and myself stood in our yard and beheld a phenomenon which none of us had ever seen before: a rainbow reflected in the northwest by the full bright moon in the southeast. The phenomenon remained visible about thirty minutes and was most beautiful."
—M. R. H., Oklahoma.

Niagara Falls Slowly Wearing Away

NIAGARA FALLS is slowly wearing away, moving back towards Lake Erie at the rate of 3.7 feet a year. It is figured that at that rate by A.D. 23,053 Lake Erie will be reached and the Falls will be no more. Niagara river will then be a series of cascades, and all the Lake cities from Duluth and Chicago to Cleveland and Buffalo will be left high and dry miles from the water's edge.

Multiple Lightning Strokes

IT HAS been discovered that one-fifth of all lightning strokes are multiple strokes; i.e., they are of such a nature that they strike from five to ten times in the same place within the fraction of a second. It is the multiple-stroke lightning that does the greatest damage.

Visible for Hundreds of Miles

AN American tobacco salesman in Australia has erected an eighty-foot cross on the summit of a mountain near Melbourne. The cross, which is of marble, and is illuminated at night, is said to be visible for hundreds of miles. Its cost, with approaches, was \$50,000.

Winds of 125 Miles an Hour

IN A great storm in Leyte province, Philippine Islands, winds of 125 miles an hour were reported and 300 lives were lost. In Manila itself, 100 miles away from the storm center, a wind velocity of 57 miles an hour was experienced.

Baseball at Midnight

AT Fairbanks, Alaska, June 22, a baseball game was started at midnight. The sun was below the horizon for half an hour. Some went up in airplanes to witness the sun go down below the horizon and immediately reappear.

"I Kissed God"

A LITTLE Italian girl looked at me with a smile. "Those books you have are about God?" she queried. "Yes," I replied, "they tell you about God." "I kissed God, last Sunday," she confided. "He was on the floor." "On the floor?" I asked, puzzled. "Do you mean an image of the baby Jesus?" "No," she insisted, "it was God. He was on the floor in the church. We kissed him. I like God!"

Thus does Catholicism inculcate idolatry, whatever explanation it may seek to offer to others regarding the veneration of images. Evidently no effort had been made to tell this child, and others with her, the truth. On the contrary, she had been told that this image was God. To the average Catholic mind the images are "gods", "deities," "saints," and there is no difference between their bowing down to these idols and the worship which the heathen render to their "deities".—Contributed.

Archimandrite Reproves Ambrose

STIRRED by the fact that most wars have millions of Roman Catholics on both sides, slaughtering each other, and that, obviously, the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is not now and never was for peace, the Greek Archimandrite, Reverend Dionisios Papadatos, of Charleston, S. C., wasted 5c on a letter to the pope saying, "I am at a loss to understand how thine holiness, who represents the Savior of peace and love, has not felt the imposing obligation to declare, in thine Christian followers the peace and love, and to prevent, with every sacrifice, the future butchering of Christians." The pope has no idea at all of doing anything of the kind or of even wanting to be a real Christian. If he had wanted peace in the earth he could have had it centuries ago and ever since.

Church and State in Illinois

THE Illinois State WPA has submitted to Washington a proposal to spend \$3,497,375 of Federal money on "community recreational, athletic, dramatic and educational programs. Church and synagogue premises are to be used for the proposed activities". Of this amount 50.6 percent would go to the Catholics, 37.19 percent to the Protestants, and 12.21 percent to the Jews. And if that is not a pretty clever denominational scheme for robbing the taxpayers, you name one.

Big Times in South America

THE United Press has a report of big excitement in South America. A big tri-motored Scadta airliner flew from Bogota to Medellin, Colombia, with a little piece of bread. The bread got through all right, but the excitement was so great over having it come by airplane that it took twenty-two archbishops to receive it. An archbishop is a person without any regular useful occupation.

Ratti, Farley, and Roosevelt

JOHN Y. GOOCH, of Texas, demands to know, of *The Golden Age*: "Sir: What I want to know is this: Since Texas, in 1928, went Republican against Alfred E. Smith, how is it that not only postmasters but nearly every other Roosevelt appointment of any consequence in Texas is a papist?" The answer is that Ratti, Farley and Roosevelt, and not Texans, are running Texas.

Why All the Secrecy?

WHEN Huey Long died, the first man to tell it to President Roosevelt was "Father" Coughlin. The president's secretary was in ignorance of the visit, and apparently knew nothing about it until the morning of the next day. Neither the president nor Mr. Coughlin would have anything to say about what was discussed, but that is not in the least necessary. It is all plain.

Coughlin Spills the Beans

MISTAKING an inquirer in Minnesota for a fellow Roman Catholic priest, "Father" Coughlin wrote to him: "If you will help secure members for the National Union for Social Justice [Roman Catholic Fascism] I will consider it not so much a personal favor to me but one of the finest things you can do for the propagation of the faith in America."

Probably Pushed by a Demon

AT Kirchberg, Austria, a Roman Catholic priest was praying in front of a statue of the virgin Mary when the statue fell on him, knocked him unconscious and crushed his right hand. The probable explanation is that a demon (or the evil spirits found in the overindulgence in "communion" wine) pushed the statue from its foundation.

—and Other Italian Items

Particular Where They Die

THE young men of South Tyrol, formerly part of Austria, but now a part of Italy, are particular where they die. Since Mussolini went on the rampage more than a thousand of these young men deserted and fled to Austria. Mussolini retaliated by arresting the entire families of the deserters. Such is Fascism. Meantime Austria, prohibited by treaty from having any air force, has a newly created flying corps. With the exception of Finland, not a promise of any European power is worth the paper it is written on.

"The Isle of Capri"

THE Isle of Capri is now a bird sanctuary, which is all the more remarkable in view of the fact that the slaughter of birds there was once so common that sometimes as many as 4,000 were sacrificed at a single mass. Turned loose in the "church" the little fellows beat their brains out against the closed windows. What there is about an exhibition like this that helps anybody is hard to see.

Ban on Motor Horns

IN Italy the ban on motor horns has proved to be a great success. One of the noisiest lands in the world has now become one of the quietest, and a most interesting fact is that accidents are less by almost 40 percent. Automobilists who still depend on the horn at cross-roads, instead of slowing down as required, are liable to fines running as high as \$8.00.

Italians Buying on a Large Scale

INQUIRIES by the New York *Times* disclose that Italy has been buying gasoline, oil, steel billets for making shells, copper, iron and steel scrap, cotton, trucks, machine tools and food-stuffs on a large scale in the United States, and paying cash. In many instances the goods have been routed to Italy through other countries, to conceal destination.

Mussolini and Tacchi-Venturi

ONE of the closest advisers of Benito Mussolini is the "Reverend Father" Tacchi-Venturi, Jesuit priest. This latter gentleman was he who brought about the concordat between Mussolini and the pope. The pope himself confesses to a Jesuit. They seem at present to have everything their own way in Italy.

Addis Ababa, Capital of Ethiopia

ADDIS ABABA, capital of Ethiopia, terminus of the Franco-Ethiopian railway, three days' journey by rail from the Red sea, has a well-appointed railway station, taxicabs in waiting, uniformed policemen at all the most important street crossings, telephones, telegraph, electric lights, several good hotels, three motion picture shows, and many good stores at which one can buy almost anything from a needle to an automobile. There are several good hospitals, roads are being built, education is progressing rapidly.

The Amazons of Ethiopia

THE Amazons of Ethiopia, far more to be dreaded than the men, have offered their services to Emperor Haile Selassie. They presented themselves armed with spears, daggers and rifles, all of which they well know how to use. Completely under the control of the clergy, they are fanatical and bloodthirsty beyond belief. Remembering what these female warriors did to the Italian wounded at the battle of Aduwa in 1896, they may well be dreaded by the ones who must foot the bill for Mussolini.

Mussolini Consults Demons

ACCORDING to the London *Daily Express* columnist William Hickey, it is a fact well known in government and diplomatic circles in Rome that Mussolini now makes no big speech, takes no important step, without consulting a spirit medium. Politicians all over the world are consulting soothsayers—demons.

Size of Ethiopia

ETHIOPIA is the size of Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama combined. Slavery has been abolished from all the interior provinces and is in progress of abolition in all parts of the realm. There are 300,000 Jews in Ethiopia.

Making It Hot for Ethiopians

WITH the expectation of making it hot for Ethiopians the Italian Army has prepared a chemical which, sprinkled on the ground, will burn through shoe leather. As multitudes of the Ethiopians go barefooted, this method of making converts is expected to be a great success. The chemical will be sprinkled by tanks.

The Rush to Fascism

Good Advice to Lynn School Board

"I HAVE a good deal of sympathy for that eight-year-old boy who wouldn't salute the flag. I was at a woman's club the other day where we were all expected to extend our arms stiffly and mutter over the set words of the flag salute. I doubt if patriotism can be induced in a person by a forced flag salute any more than penitence by a forced apology. The Lynn school board would do well to retreat as gracefully as they can and save their worries until the time when little Carleton does something more dangerous than refusing to salute the flag, such as making munitions, lending money which has to be protected with young lives, and a number of other things which have been done by pious, flag-saluting Americans."—Topeka (Kans.) *Daily Capital*.

At the Other Extreme

NOTING that in Salem, five miles from Lynn, there is a statue of bronze to one of the so-called "witches" there burned to death, a writer in the Boston *Traveler* says, bitingly: "Perhaps in another hundred years or so there will be down in Lynn a bronze statue of an eight-year-old schoolboy who was expelled from school because he dared to stand for the Christian religion as taught by his parents. 'Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet; lest we forget, lest we forget.'" It is not necessary to exalt the little fellow who took the stand that his training at home taught him to take. Anyone with proper mental balance should recognize that to "pledge allegiance" at stated intervals is absurd. A true pledge of allegiance stands for all time, and can be given but once, and should be given to God only.

Italian People Sore at Roman Church

THE Italian people seem to identify the pope as being in some measure responsible for backing Mussolini in the present war in Ethiopia. Not long ago a woman shot at the bishop of Cremona, and more recently somebody mixed hydrocyanic acid with the communion wine and the dean of the cathedral died with the chalice still in his hand, as soon as he had sipped the contents. He thus proved to his audience the absolute folly of the claim that there is anything miraculous about the contents of the cup he had "blessed".

Tenets of Roman Catholic Fascism

THE tenets of Roman Catholic Fascism are always different before they get in power from what they are afterwards. From the *Times of Brazil* there are here listed thirteen of the Roman Catholic Fascist planks. The initials which follow, H, C and M, refer to Hitler, Coughlin and Mussolini.

1. Offenders against the interests of the community, usurers, profiteers, etc., should be punished. H
2. Usury must be abandoned. C
3. Human rights must be preferred to financial rights. C
4. The struggle against international finance . . . has become the most important incident in the war for freedom and independence. H
5. I hope that you share my confidence in the overthrow of the power of international bankers. C
6. Stock exchanges and banks should be nationalized. H
7. Is it possible that when every fiber in my memory binds me to the working class I should want to betray those I am descended from? . . . I am fighting against the people who want to ensnare you by their false and faulty ideas. M
8. We support Capital, but not in order to strengthen international capitalism; only to enable Capital to ensure a fair life to Labor. M
9. Banks and financial institutions are the fortresses of robber barons. H
10. The treasury would have the right to issue non-interest-bearing bills to finance national works such as highways and public buildings. The collateral of the new money would be not gold but these same highways and buildings. H
11. We do not make violence a school. . . . We are violent whenever it is necessary. M
12. We demand the abolition of mortgage interest. H
13. The entire wealth of banking and stock exchange princes should be appropriated for the benefit of the community without compensation. H

Demonization of Hitler Is Complete

THE demonization of Hitler is complete, and he is morally sure to be a raving maniac in the near future. The Minneapolis *Star*, in the column of Cedric Adams, said in its issue of October 24:

"A visitor just back from Germany, where he spent some time with Hitler, tells me that most of the time the Herr looks like he's in a trance. He has a far-off stare, his eyes are glassy, and he drools heavily from each corner of his mouth. Periodically he goes into the doldrums, and the only thing that will bring him back is the staging of a mass meeting with thousands shouting 'Heil Hitler'."

The Italian-Ethiopian Travesty

HUBERT DETJEN, of Wisconsin, writes interestingly of the principal actors in the Italian-Ethiopian travesty:

"Mussolini, of Italy, is from the home seat of the Roman Hierarchy, the pope even claiming to be viceroy of Christ, and a fit subject to prove to all the world that so-called 'Christianity' is a fake. On the other side, the black-skinned man claims to be a direct lineage from King Solomon, son of David; yet Jehovah stated the kingdom would be taken from Solomon's lineage for disobedience, and the title assumed by Haile Selassie, 'King of Kings' and 'Lion of the tribe of Judah,' applies to no man on earth. So both actors in this fight are not true and faithful witnesses to the only and omnipotent Creator of heaven and earth, Jehovah God, but both parties in the controversy may be under direct guidance of Gog, the spirit creature set by Satan to destroy every vestige and remembrance of Jesus, the Christ, from among the children of men on earth today."

Roman Cult in Complete Accord with Mussolini

THERE is complete accord between the pope and Mussolini in the campaign of murder which is annihilating Ethiopia. Cardinal Schuster, of Milan, speaking to the Fascists in that city, declared that Italy's armies are opening

"the doors of Ethiopia to the Catholic faith and the civilization of Rome". He praised Fascism "as promising the national morality wished by the Catholic church" and rejoiced to see "on the fields of Ethiopia the standards of Italy carry to triumph the cross of Christ". Also, he did not overlook the opportunity to bestow "peace for the fallen who died in the accomplishment of their duty", which is the old gag, all over again, that those who die butchering their fellow men are sure of a place in heaven.

Roman Heresy in Complete Accord with Hitler

THERE is complete accord between the pope and Hitler (and has been all the time). The latest word from Berlin is that "Hitler will lead the party along the path of positive Christianity and not along the false path of anti-Christian doctrine". This is an official statement from Hanns Kerrl, head of the Reich church ministry, and followed a lengthy interview between Hitler and Count von Preysing, the Roman Catholic bishop of Berlin. What it means is that Hitler, having subjugated Germany, is now turning it over, lock, stock and barrel, to the Roman Catholic sect, the worst and meanest of all the sects.

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