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The Holy(?) Roman Empire Revived

A GLANCE AT THE PRESENT HYPOCRITICAL ALLIANCE OF RATTI AND HITLER, ROMAN CATHOLICISM AND PAGANISM, BY WHICH ALL LIBERTY AND TRUTH HAVE BEEN DESTROYED IN GERMANY, AS DISCLOSED IN THE NEWS. "AND I SAW ONE OF HIS HEADS, AS IT WERE WOUNDED TO DEATH; AND HIS DEADLY WOUND WAS HEALED: AND ALL THE WORLD WONDERED AFTER THE BEAST."—REVELATION 13: 3; SEE "LIGHT", BOOK ONE, PAGES 269-275.

First Signs of Weakness

HITLER'S first signs of weakness are in the fact that in the building of the new Nazi headquarters in Munich the roof was made eight feet thick, so as to be as nearly bombproof as possible, while beneath are eighteen bombproof cellars each accommodating sixty persons. Also, these buildings are connected with others by subterranean passages thirty-two feet beneath the street. Extreme care for one's person, and efforts to forestall death by violence, are signs of mental weakness, if not insanity. After the death of Dowie his house at Zion City, Ill., was found to be an arsenal similar to the Hitler castle at Munich, only not so extensive.

Herald Probably Has It Right

THE London *Herald* claims that the Nazis were out of funds and in such desperate circumstances that Hitler was threatening suicide; then Hitler learned that the Junker aristocrats of Germany, of whom Hindenburg was one, had plundered the public funds in a most outrageous way; the Nazi organization forcibly suppressed those who were trying to get the facts before the public, and in this way gained control of Hindenburg and of Germany.

Hitler Paid the Bill

A DISPATCH from the London *News Chronicle* states that the Hitler government paid the traveling expenses both ways of 350 Saarlanders from the United States and South America who returned home to vote for the return of the Saar to Germany.

Nazi Headquarters at Munich

THE Nazi headquarters at Munich are not built on anything as substantial as sand. They are built on swamp land, which, until but very recently, it was thought could not hold the weight of a public building. The Nazis put down 1,780 concrete pillars, however, by keeping the pumps working night and day, and they expect their building to stand. It is seven stories in height; appropriately, four of these stories are below ground. There, of course, the Nazis will have their treasury and seek to hide from the face of Almighty God in Armageddon. But all in vain.

Demonstrations a la Coupon

GERMAN efficiency has provided the world with one form of demonstration that is new. When the government wishes a demonstration held in any or all of its 16,000 centers throughout Germany every brain and manual worker is provided with a form which has to be signed and handed to a Nazi official before leaving the alleged "spontaneous" demonstration, and woe betide any worker that fails to show up.

Hitler Still a Catholic at Heart

ADOLF HITLER, though nominally a renegade Catholic, is still a Catholic at heart. One of his most trusted aides, Helmuth Brueckner, Nazi regional leader for Silesia, and governor of that province, was summarily ousted from both positions and expelled from the Nazi party for referring to the priests as sensitive old men that belong in the church and not on the street.

In an Unnamed Prison

IN AN unnamed prison in Germany, according to the *Manchester Guardian*, a prisoner, a youthful workman, had been subjected to physical torments extended over several weeks. "Then he was informed that his aged mother had received permission to visit him, but when she arrived she was not allowed to see him, although she had obtained the permit with the greatest difficulty and lived many hours' journey from the prison. She was taken into a room where her son could not see her but could hear all that was said. She was cross-examined for several hours on end on her son's political activities, and told that she would be detained in the prison herself if her son did not reveal everything, and if she did not tell the police what they wanted to know she would not be allowed to see her son at all. Then she was told that so severe a punishment awaited her son that she would not live to see him a free man again. But both mother and son remained constant in their refusal to betray anyone or anything under these menaces." The *Guardian* stated that such methods are in common use in Germany. It is plain that the Nazis are demonized, and retain nothing of manhood to which an appeal can be made.

Reds and Catholics May Fight Nazis

AT THE seventh congress of the Third International, in Moscow, the proposition was made that the Reds and Catholics unite in a fight in Germany against the Nazis. That is probably what will happen, with the expected result that after the Reds and Nazis have destroyed each other the Catholics will have everything to themselves. In other words, the Roman Hierarchy is perfectly willing to back a fight between these two organizations, provided it can rule the roost thereafter.

Cruelty to the Aged

MR. SAM HALL, leader of the Power Workers' Group, in an address to the Transport and General Workers Union, held at the Isle of Man, reported that he had come in personal contact with the Nazi régime in Germany and that "men over 70 are expected to go through the same exercises as men of 20, and when they are no longer able to stand they are kicked up again and ordered to go on". The measure of a people's civilization is best determined by its treatment of the aged and helpless.

The German Bible—Mein Kampf

ADVERTISEMENTS carried in German papers show that Hitler's book *Mein Kampf* (My Fight) has reached a total printing of 1,820,000 copies. That is nothing at all. In the Brooklyn factory alone 5,620,000 copies have been printed of Judge Rutherford's book *The Harp of God*, 3,403,500 of *Deliverance*, 2,774,000 of *Creation*, 2,058,000 of *Reconciliation*, 2,495,000 of *Government*, and ten other clothbound books of over 1,000,000 each. The printing of booklets has literally run into the hundreds of millions. Of the last booklet, on "Government", 5,000,000 were printed in the first edition. Hitler thinks he is a great man; but when his bubble bursts and the people look for the place where it was, they will find nothing but a small hole in the ground.

Had to "Heil Hitler" or Get Fired

AT Berlin, on May Day, every worker in the city had to parade to the Tempelhof Field and rejoice before Hitler or else lose his job. The only exceptions allowed were expectant mothers and women over 40. Men had to wear long blue trousers, black shoes, white shirts, black ties and blue peaked caps. Women had to wear blue skirts, white blouses and black ties. The marchers were 11 abreast, each row in charge of a Nazi under orders to inflict severe punishment on anybody that fell out of the ranks. What do you think about that, you Americans? Is that what you want in America? Well, it is what you will get, if the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is allowed to have its way.

How Hitler Was Financed

SAYS Upton Sinclair, of California: "More recently, five great German arms manufacturers contributed heavily to Hitler's campaign funds. And the French-owned Skoda, Czechoslovakia's great armament firm, donated millions of marks to Hitler's campaign. These same Frenchmen also own newspapers that did more than any others to enrage France against Hitler, exhorting the people to build up the French defenses against the menace of rearming Germany, screaming, 'Awake, La Patrie!' But it was left to the Federal Laboratories of Pittsburgh to carry the art of double-dealing to high perfection; it sold gas bombs simultaneously to all antagonists in war-torn Cuba in 1933."

Treatment of Prisoners

THE Manchester *Guardian*, in its issue of May 10, tells of prisoners in Germany being struck so that the blood flows from ears and mouth; of a girl so severely beaten that she lost consciousness; of another girl of 18 who was kicked in the abdomen and also lost consciousness; of the special cell where the stench is unbearable, the window can be opened only an inch, there are only wooden planks upon which to sleep, there is a hot meal only once in three days; of a prisoner 20 years of age being in chains for two weeks, the bridge of his nose broken; of a prisoner being beaten in the face with a bunch of keys; of a prisoner having his eardrum broken; of women chained at night; of the arrest of old men and women and cripples; of two prisoners hitting back, and both being beaten to death. One good boxer, before he was beaten to death by weight of numbers, knocked three guards unconscious.

Unspeakable Dachau Prison Camp

THE Manchester *Guardian* gives details of the treatment of prisoners at the Dachau prison camp in Germany. Some of the cells are unheated throughout the winter, some are dark, and some have chains let into the walls. Prisoners are compelled to work at the double-quick. One so working was ordered to drop his load and run. He obeyed and did so and, when he ran, was shot twice on the pretext that he was trying to escape. This man, Hans Max Kohn, is a mass of scars. One of his fingers was completely severed by a blow. Some prisoners have been beaten until they have lost most of their teeth. Rather than lose its dividends and its grip on the throat of the people Big Business would gladly turn all mankind over to the Devil himself, as they have done in Germany.

What Nazism Has Done to the Common Man

ACCORDING to H. R. Knickerbocker, in Upton Sinclair's *National Epic News*, in Germany today a citizen may be arrested without warrant and held twenty months in prison without benefit of attorney; he may be tried by a Nazi court of laymen, from whose decisions there is no appeal; his dwelling may be searched at any time without a warrant; his property may be confiscated; his mail may be opened and his telegrams read; he may not hold an assembly, or form an organization, or practice freedom of speech.

Infamous Secret Courts

REFERRING to Germany's secret courts which in recent months have sentenced an unknown number of persons to death and penal servitude, the Manchester *Guardian* says: "The amended penal law makes an extraordinarily wide range of offenses treasonable. Among those punishable by death are anti-Government propaganda by means of printed matter, pictures, or gramophone records." No information is obtainable as to the names of persons beheaded, hanged, shot or otherwise disposed of. It is known that some were encouraged to poison themselves. Big Business started and financed the Hitler régime—a foretaste of their program for America.

The Uses of a Servile Police

SOME have wondered where the German police are when the Nazis conduct riots in various places. Information comes to hand to explain. There were Nazi assaults on innocent people in Munich; the police arrested the victims, to secure their safety. A photographer who attempted to take pictures of the rioters was arrested and taken to police headquarters. So much for the German police. Of what possible benefit to humankind are criminals in uniform? New Jersey's citizens are interested.

Victims Must Pay for Custody

PERSONS imprisoned in German protective camps, and subsequently given their liberty without any charges being preferred against them, are being rendered bills for their care while in so-called "protective custody". While they are in custody their heads are shaved.

Schoolboy of 19 Imprisoned

A SCHOOLBOY of Magdeburg, Germany, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment for communist activities. The court has ordered that after he has served his two years (and he is now but 19) he be kept under special police supervision.

3,942 Nazi Murders

AT AN anti-Nazi conference held in New York city on June 30 it was claimed by a German refugee that the Nazis killed 3,942 since they assumed power. Of these, 212 men and women were decapitated. More than 300,000 are held in concentration camps.

Mistreatment of Fleshly Israel

The Jews of Hesse, Germany

(From the *Manchester Guardian*)

WE WERE prepared to find here and there a placard at the main gate of a farm property prohibiting Jews from entering on pain of bodily ill-treatment, but of these placards we saw not one or two, but hundreds. In the villages they are on almost every door; it is a matter of honor to flaunt them. Not to one of the peasants who go on Sunday in their splendid old peasant costumes to the church service does it occur that these placards are the coarsest revilings of the "Evangel" which they profess. Worse still is the warning that whole villages cry out in unison: "Jews are forbidden to enter the village." Really this might fairly be brought before a magistrate for the restraint of what amounts to a breach of the peace. But nobody dreams of doing so. This brutal outlawry of the Jews has become a commonplace in Oberhessen—the Jews themselves no longer take umbrage at it.

They have worse things to endure. For how many Jewish families it is now an anxious moment when the father of the family lights the Sabbath lights. The window shutters are closed for safety, and in hundreds of cases stones rain upon them. Woe to anyone who ventures, not to protest—nobody any longer has the strength and the hardihood for that—but even to ask for some consideration to be shown. I know of a case in which a white-haired Jew, a man whose simple piety and warm humanity had earned him in the past the respect of the peasants among whom he lived, who begged for the uproar to be ended because his wife lay near to death. The reply came from a stone that struck him on the forehead amid a chorus of derision and obscenity.

She died. When he had buried his life companion the old Jew left everything as it stood, house and garden and all that was in them; his possessions had become worthless to him. He collected those few things that his heart still clung to, a few trifles of no interest to anybody else, closed the shutters over his windows, and walked out of the village—jeered at by the young men, slandered by the twenty-year-old hero of this tragedy, greeted with silent sympathy by an old peasant woman. He has never returned.

There are hundreds of such exiles, wandering with the little remains of what they had, in

Frankfort; they have abandoned their homes because they cannot endure the malevolence and the humiliations to which they were exposed in their village.

The program of the young heroes is to allow them no peace until they disappear. I was told of one young fellow of this type, employed in some town, who went home to his parents on Saturdays. At home he amused himself with a shotgun, aiming through a hole in the roof of his father's house and breaking the windows of any Jews' houses that he could reach. The whole village knows all about it, but there is no police interference with the young wretch. Evidently none of the injured parties dares to make a complaint.

Propaganda Against Jews

THE *Judenkenner*, Berlin anti-Semitic journal, has published the following infamous bulletin in various factories and offices in the city: "German National Comrade, do you know that the Jew violates your child, sullies your wife, sullies your sister, sullies your fiancée, murders your parents, steals your property, mocks your honor, scorns your morals, destroys your church, rots your culture, infects your race; that the Jew lies to you, cheats you, robs you, calls you cattle; that Jewish doctors slowly murder you, Jewish lawyers never help you get justice, Jewish food stores sell you rotten goods and Jewish butcher shops are dirtier than pigsties?" It is good that people that can say such things can still use the words justice, honor, morals and culture, even though they have not the slightest conception of what any of them means.

20,000 Jews Flee to Berlin

IN THE smaller cities of Germany the bigotry and prejudice and terror are even more pronounced than in the larger centers. As a consequence 20,000 Jews fled from the smaller cities to Berlin. Now the Hitler government will, so it is stated, send these unfortunates to the workhouses before returning them to the places whence they were expelled.

Object to Clean Jews

THE Nazis have expelled the Jews from swimming baths at Heringsdorf and Herwick, for, allegedly, insulting the Nazi state. It is not clear, on the one hand, why the Nazis object to clean Jews, nor is it easy to understand, on the other, how anybody could insult the Nazi state.

The Devil's Real Target—Jehovah's witnesses

THE following is a summary of an article in the *Westdeutscher Beobachter* of Cologne:

"NO ROOM FOR PEACE DISTURBERS!"

At a convention of the German Labor Front, in Annaberg, Saxony, Pg. Stiehler, a leader, said in an address to the leaders: "The German Labor Front cannot permit any longer that people who do not belong to this national organization remain employed. They disturb the labor peace in the works [mills, factories, mines, etc.], and it is the duty of the German Labor Front to see to it that such elements are kicked out." He stated: "Such peace disturbers are especially from the camp of the International Bible Students, who are nothing else than a continuation of the Marxist parties, the traitors of country and people. People who refuse to join the Horst-Wessel-Song [a Nazi hero-worship song] and to join the salute to the leader [Hitler] or claim their faith does not permit them to join the German Labor Front, and by other acts of sabotage disturb the unity in the works, must be removed. The German Labor Front will not stand for any incitement against confessions or spreading of religious fanaticism." The labor trustee [Pg. Stiehler] called on the leaders of the German Labor Front to no more merely talk, but henceforth to act.

The Copenhagen *Aftenbladet* has the following from its Berlin correspondent. Its Roman Catholic origin is self-evident:

"The German authorities have now banned the books of Judge Rutherford, the investigator, in Germany. They have been put on the black list and must not be published any more in the German Reich.

"The reason therefor stated is that an examination has shown that a close connection existed between an association of Bible students and Judge Rutherford's movement 'Friends of Jehovah'. All members of this association were Communists, and Nazi can only see in it a masked Marxist organization.

"However, there seems to be more reason to suppose that Rutherford has been banned on account of a sensational speech he delivered recently, wherein he declared that he was going to fight the pope, Mussolini, and Hitler with all his might, as he regards them to be enemies of the people."

The *Westdeutscher Beobachter*, Cologne, which, because it is especially venomous against Jehovah's witnesses, is most certainly under Roman Catholic influence, says, gleefully:

PRISON FOR "INTERNATIONAL BIBLE STUDENTS"

The Lower Court in Seesen [Germany] sentenced five persons, who were actively engaged for the prohibited "Bible Students Association", to prison terms ranging from three to six months.

Reporting the imprisonment of eight of Jehovah's witnesses from Darmstadt another Cologne paper says truthfully, and should have

said with bowed head: "The defendants refused to admit that there was anything criminal in their creed, since they wanted only to preach God's Word and to serve mankind."

The *Limbacher Tageblatt und Anzeiger* reports two brethren sentenced to nine and seven months respectively in prison, because, so said the judge, they spread "heresy". The judge went on to say: "The Nazi movement has become great because of its faith in the Fuehrer [Hitler]; that he [Hitler] is very religious [he is a Roman Catholic] and does not place himself above God, as the defendants have claimed. The defendants should not claim that they have received greater enlightenment than other Christians. The Third Reich [Hitler's government] must live on and must not tolerate the destruction of its foundations. Never before have the German people been as happy as at present, knowing that again there is a future for them." Both defendants refused to give the German salute, both admitted they had put the message of the Kingdom in the hands of the people, and both said that the Judgment Day is at hand, when the world of the Devil will be destroyed and there will be only one State. They were taken into custody when a meeting of "Bible Students" was raided by the police.

A brother writes from a place in Germany, via a neighboring country: "Throughout Germany hundreds of brethren have been arrested for celebrating together the memorial of Jehovah and Christ Jesus. Even where only two or three assembled, and this in their own homes, they were espied upon by the secret police and betrayed by their neighbors." At the time of writing these were still kept in prison without having had a trial and without being convicted; all together, there were, to his knowledge, about 1,500 of Jehovah's witnesses behind prison bars. In one camp were eighty brethren. Each, as he entered, was given twenty-five hard blows with a stick; brutal punishments, such as the dark cell, follow for the least offense. Brethren were placed on a scaffold as a spectacle, and after the Nazis had made sport of them they threw them down from the scaffold. In one city ten are in prison, two of them sisters, one 72 and one 75 years of age. In one prison the brethren were sentenced to four, two and a half, and two years, respectively, for passing *The Watchtower* from one to another.

A German newspaper clipping shows that one

brave brother was given one year in prison and three days extra because he refused to stand up when the court pronounced sentence. The account shows the Devil's crowd are cut to the heart. It says:

The prosecution pointed out that the defendant sold Bibles from house to house in order to obtain an opportunity to spread his illegal propaganda for the International Bible Students Association, and this he did under the disguise of the name "Jehovah's witness" in order to prevent interference with his work by the authorities. By his activity the defendant has placed before the people deep-cutting questions of conscience, although this was entirely unnecessary, and has robbed them of their faith and love toward state and God.

A Word to the New York Times

IN ITS issue of July 23 the *New York Times*, editorially, wonders at "the sudden fury of Hitler against the German Catholics", and says: "Why he should have assumed his present violent attitude toward the Catholic church is not easily explicable. He had made his peace with the Vatican. He had agreed to a concordat by which the rights and privileges of Catholics in Germany were recognized and guaranteed." Let the *New York Times* take note that the Roman Catholic Hierarchy has no reason to fear what its clerk, Hitler, will do against it. All of the columns and columns of stuff about proposed attacks on the Catholics and Protestants was intended to cover up the fact that Germany at that very time had about 2,000 of Jehovah's witnesses in prison, and was putting more of them in prison every day. On the day the *New York Times'* editorial was published, Martin Harbeck, Jehovah's witness, and one of the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society's European representatives, was then in Germany and in prison, and it was thought best by the Hierarchy, and its employee, Hitler, to set up a smoke screen for the *Times* and others.

Germany's New Penal Code

IF THE recommendations of Judge Goertz, of Germany's penal tribunal, are accepted, the new German penal code will prevent persons who have ever been imprisoned from ever engaging in any commercial activity, exercising paternal or civil rights, making wills or assigning property. Judge Goertz malignantly puts these measures forward as being a penalty more severe than death. And may Almighty God reward him according to his works.

Jailed for Belief in Kingdom of God

A DISPATCH from Berlin, dated July 28, starts off with the following statement: "Two members of a Bible research sect have been jailed by Nazi authorities for their belief in the Kingdom of God. That was learned today along with the revelation of the first known imprisonment of a Catholic priest in Germany for statements from the pulpit." Ponder that well. Consider that at that time 2,000 of Jehovah's witnesses were in prison in Germany, the American newspapers have been filled for months with lurid stories of proposed attacks on Catholics and others, and now is the first instance of such attack. The news of the world is in the grip of the most unprincipled people in the world—the Roman Catholic Hierarchy. They are determined to prevent the people from knowing the facts.

Papal Control of News

THE *New York Times* of July 20 tells of twenty-two of Jehovah's witnesses sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from two months to three years, at Weimar, Germany, because they rejected military service and the Hitler salute. Their identity was concealed by the name "Bible Researchers"; the news about them was crammed into one inch in the center of a column-long article filled full of pure bunk as to what Hitler was about to do to Jews, Catholics and Protestants. It was sent out by the Associated Press and was clearly prepared under Roman Catholic Hierarchy control—all camouflage of the facts.

A Question for Ambassador Luther

AMBASSADOR HANS LUTHER, back from Germany, says it is "absurd to talk about religious intimidation in Germany" and that people "are allowed to worship in whatever church they choose". Then how about the fact that some 2,000 of Jehovah's witnesses are in prison in Germany, and they are not allowed any liberties in the land whatever? Ambassadors should tell the truth first, and make their explanations in accord therewith. The whole German campaign is a put-up job by a Roman Catholic dictator, the real object being to put the pope back in power in that land, and crush out Jehovah's witnesses, and all other truth-lovers.

Extract from German Golden Age

ON THE 16th of April, 1935, I was present at a trial in a small town in the Pfalz, Germany. A young lady, one of Jehovah's witnesses, stood before the court. The prosecutor read, in substance, the following statement: "About a year ago the daughter of Mrs. K—— in U—— was murdered by a fiend. The parents of the murdered girl were deeply grieved and even contemplated suicide. When the defendant heard of it she called on Mrs. K—— to comfort her. While thus doing she was nabbed and arrested. This is her statement: 'I am one of Jehovah's witnesses, and am in duty bound to comfort mourners, according to the Scriptures. When I heard of the tragedy that befell family K—— I decided to visit and comfort them. I was there about once a week. Once I went to the cemetery with Mrs. K——.' Mrs. K—— herself testified that the defendant spoke only kind and comforting words to her. Had she conversed about politics, as the prosecutor presumed, the visits would not have been welcome. The Bible only was discussed." In spite of this evidence the state prosecutor demanded a one-month jail sentence, for this reason: "The defendant wanted couple K—— to join the International Bible Students Association; she had success. If the couple had not been in poor circumstances contributions would have been invited. In this activity of the defendant I see a misdemeanor against the peace and safety of state and people, and seeing how the poison is penetrating the German people through such channels, I therefore demand a jail sentence of one month." Now the defendant's counsel had the word: "Among other things the prosecutor stated, 'The whole crime of the defendant consisted of saving two people from suicide.' This witness of Jehovah has done what no clergyman could do, and for that shall she be punished? Such people should be rewarded." His plea for freedom for the defendant was granted. On the same day and before the same court nine of Jehovah's witnesses were sentenced to fines of from 150 to 200 marks for the sole reason that they attended a meeting of Jehovah's witnesses. In other words, they chose obedience to the divine command in regard to "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" for studying the Bible. It was remarkable that in all cases the accusers, police officers, always admitted that Jehovah's wit-

nesses are quiet, diligent and industrious, against whom nothing can be objected except that they take the Bible seriously.'

In a Few Days, in a Single District

IN A few days, in a single district in Germany, the following occurred: The next day after the memorial of Jesus' death two of Jehovah's witnesses were taken into custody, on complaint of a clergyman, and that without any reason whatever; three were arrested while yet in their beds and were brought to concentration camp; three sisters were taken into custody for attending the memorial of the Savior's death; six brethren were given sentences of three to six months for attending study meetings; six were arrested at the Memorial itself; similarly six others, in another place, were arrested; three brothers and two sisters were sentenced to three months each for confessing themselves Jehovah's witnesses; a 70-year-old man was sentenced to two months in prison for reading a booklet with Biblical statements; in one town the housewives have received orders to notify the police at once when any of Jehovah's witnesses receive friends in their home; the best worker on a certain job must forfeit his position because he refused to say "Heil Hitler"; seven brothers have been in a concentration camp four to six months, without trial, and deprived of legal advice; in another place six were condemned to prison and when the prison terms expired they were put in concentration camps; a brother in a concentration camp was told he would not be set free until Jehovah would fetch him thence at Armageddon. Two hundred actions against Jehovah's witnesses are impending in the district, and similar conditions prevail throughout the whole of Germany. The country has gone entirely to the Devil.

What Kind of Country Is This?

AT Hanover, Germany, three men and four women were each sentenced to a fine of 200 marks or forty days in jail for gathering together and reading from the Bible. The court admitted a conviction that the defendants do not belong to inciters opposed to the state. At Hildesheim 13 persons were sentenced to from sixty days to four months in prison for meeting together April 17 to commemorate the Lord's death.

Further Distressing Reports

REPORTS from Germany are that the persecutions there now beggar description. Men born in Germany are saying, "Today I am ashamed to be a German." Hundreds of preachers who opposed the Neo-Paganism of the new German National Church were arrested, some of them as they stood in the pulpit. Jehovah's witnesses in Germany have been proscribed at the instigation of the clergy. A regional service director disappeared completely, either imprisoned or foully murdered. A brother was dismissed from prison for no known reason except that his son-in-law is a member of the nobility and an ardent supporter of the Nazis. Women have cheerfully accepted prison sentences rather than compromise the name of Jehovah God. The work goes on, under great difficulties. A writer in a Nazi paper, *Drehscheibe*, quotes a page from *The Crisis* and then says: "The time is short. Jehovah is gathering His troops. In America sits His war minister, Judge Rutherford, a man with a very long and sharp pen. The army of fighters against Jehovah must become more and more numerous. We must get the start of Him by a preventive war." At the conclusion of his article the writer last quoted said: "We shall meet again in the battlefield of Armageddon." A brother at Gelsenkirchen, for writings found in his possession, allegedly entitled "A Witness of Jehovah", and allegedly against State and "Christianity", received seven months in jail; yet writings completely repudiating the Bible altogether find hearty acceptance in Nazidom. In H—— a girl, a daughter of one of Jehovah's witnesses, wrote a letter to the state police declaring that her father had never had anything to do with politics and that the action of the police in sending him to prison was a persecution of Christians smacking of the Dark Ages. For this she was fined 25 marks or five days in jail. In the Mecklenburg district thirty of Jehovah's witnesses were sent to prison for terms varying from eighteen months for Brother T—— to six months for all the others. The Hamburg papers said of these brethren: "As a community in our nation they had no right to live. Their alpha and omega is the Bible, according to which there is no fatherland on earth, and the word 'Heil' (Hail or Salvation) properly belongs only to Jehovah but never and in no wise to Adolf Hitler. They refused the Hitler salute; besides, they are devoted to pacifism, and they confess that in the case of war they

would refuse war service. Who is not for us is against us." Something like that is stated in the Bible. The prelude of the trial was that the public in the background refused to give the Hitler salute when the court entered, thereby identifying themselves as Jehovah's witnesses, wherefore they were expelled offhand.

Jehovah's witnesses in the Fiery Furnace

AN Associated Press dispatch from Berlin, dated June 18, says: "Secret police raided bookshops and newspaper stands today, confiscating all pamphlets by J. F. Rutherford, head of the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Brooklyn, on the ground they contained treasonable charges. The Nazis are trying to wipe out the Society of Bible Researchers, explaining the religious society cannot be tolerated because it defies the Hitler dictatorship, acknowledging only the rule of God. In Darmstadt thirteen members of the Bible society, which is now forbidden, were sentenced to four months' imprisonment for the distribution of treasonable propaganda." In explanation of the foregoing it should be stated that all the names above used have reference to Jehovah's witnesses, of whom J. F. Rutherford is one. It should also be explained that these innocent Christian people now falsely accused by the Roman Catholic and other clergy as conspiring against the German state are the very same people that were accused falsely, in 1918, of being pro-German. Judge Rutherford was one of those thus falsely accused, and was sentenced to eighty years in Atlanta Penitentiary. Strange how the Devil can use the clergy! In one land they try to lock a man up for life for being pro-German, and in another they would gladly kill him, if they could get the chance, because he is everything but pro-German. Oh well, Judas finally got all that was coming to him.

A Silly "Order" in Wurttemberg

THE Wurttemberg minister of the interior has issued an "order" forbidding the holding of public meetings and lectures organized by churches or religious associations "except when they take place within churches or are traditional institutions, such as processions and pilgrimages". The object of that "order" is so plain that nobody but a fool would question it or have any respect for it. Go to it, Judas.

"Und Drei Kleine Kinder"

A LETTER just at hand tells of the murder of one of Jehovah's witnesses in a German prison. The letter cannot be printed, because it would aid the devils in swastika to commit yet other outrages, but it is enough to break the heart of any man who has a heart to read the simple words "Er hat eine Frau und drei kleine Kinder". May Jehovah, the true and loving and almighty God fulfill the imprecations of the Psalms upon the souls of these beasts that have insulted God by killing one of His witnesses and at the same time have deprived "three little children" of their father and caretaker. It is bad enough for the frau to be deprived of her life companion, but for the poor "drei kleine kinder", the three little kids, all one can do is to cry for Armageddon to come soon. But meantime God may see to it that the little ones are safely hidden in the midst of the storm.

The Crime of Being a Christian

AT Barmen seven of Jehovah's witnesses, five men and two women, were found guilty of assembling in the home of one of them, where the defendant Karl W—— read an excerpt of one of the prohibited magazines of the I.B.S.A. The prosecution admitted that the defendants had no aims hostile to the state. The reader was given six weeks, four were given four weeks each, and two were dismissed.

'All the World Wondering'

AS POINTED out in *Light*, Book One, all the world is now literally wondering at the recovery of the "beast", Germany, that received the deadly wound and has since been healed. (Revelation 13:3) Today Germany is first in the number of aircraft, in trained pilots and in factories for aircraft construction, and is now virtually able to challenge the whole world in the air. It is also first in devilishness.

Useless to Plead

THE newspapers of Britain contain numerous pleas for co-operation between America and Britain in the emergencies which the rearming of Germany have thrust upon the latter country. The papers are wasting their ink and paper and type. Britain will never realize how much she lost when she repudiated her debt and left American taxpayers to bear the brunt of the colossal burdens of the Madness of 1914-1918.

Veiling the Truth

A DISPATCH from Berlin, dated June 5, says: "Nine of a group of 28 members of a Biblical society in the Walderburg mountain district were sentenced to from one to six months' imprisonment today, convicted of disobedience to the government and insulting Chancellor Hitler. The others were fined. Charges were based on pamphlets distributed by the Society, urging members to continue their forbidden meetings." In this vague language is hidden away from the casual reader the great truth that Jehovah's true and faithful witnesses in Germany are being hounded and thrown into prison, and thus having a most honored part with Christ Jesus, their Lord and Head, in the vindication of Jehovah's name. When Hitler and his demonized minions have perished for ever, the names of these witnesses will shine with the glory of God.

Brutal Assaults on Children

A CORRESPONDENT in Germany says: "Children who refuse to say 'Heil Hitler' are being thrashed; my two children are among them. The boy had to remain home for three days because he was unable to sit, and the girl had to undergo medical treatment since last Saturday for effusion of blood of her right hand. Such things are committed in spite of the testimonies the teacher and the principal have received. There are some teachers who have remorse or pangs of conscience. Yet the great majority are shouting with the others, 'Heil Hitler'—the most of them moved by fear of men. They do not know our God Jehovah, nor want to know Him, yet there are still a great multitude of people of good will. One teacher was recently given an immediate dismissal because she refused to chastise a child for refusal of the German salutation."

Nazis Investigate Every Individual

VIKTOR LUTZE, commander of the Nazi storm troops, in an address at Muenster, Germany, July 6, said:

"We feel ourselves not alone responsible for the fate of the people as a whole, but investigate the life of every individual. Whoever feels that he cannot conform and must live his life independently will find he is biting on granite. That is good for both institutions and individuals. Whoever opposes us we will destroy, and whoever provokes us we will attack."

Nazi "Education"

Slop for Schoolteachers

IN AN address to a schoolteachers' assembly at Heringsdorf, Germany, a Nazi spokesman named Godenschweger made the following declaration: "The basis of all German education must be the recognition that it was not Christianity that brought us morality, but it was the infiltration of German character that gave Christianity its permanent worth. The values represented in the German character, therefore, are the eternal values with which everything else must be compared and upon which all else must be constructed. Whoever is not ready to accept this truth refuses to take part in the re-birth of Germany and has spoken a death sentence upon his own soul." Can you imagine the mental and moral condition of teachers of the young who would sit quietly and listen while an infinitely hopeless ass would bray like that? And can you wonder, as a natural result, that, at Potsdam, a pupil brought a Bible to school and used it as a football during recess time, kicking it about the playground? The teacher in charge of the playground investigated, but did not interfere. And what will be the recompense to the German nation for meekly submitting to all these blasphemies and atrocities when Jehovah God rises up to the prey?

The Sausage Press

ALL the newspapers of Germany are now as much alike as the links in a string of sausages, and have about as much information in them. One of the latest fool Nazi laws is that publishers must prove pure "Aryan" descent back to the year 1800 or go out of business; also, their publications may not be owned or managed by individuals or companies representing denominational interests, and, unless they are Nazi papers, they may not be published in more than one place.

History Distorted

VIVIAN OGILVIE, in the *New York Post*, declares, as a result of interviews with German school girls, that they are deliberately mistaught history; as, that it was the Germans that taught the Romans civilization, instead of vice versa; that the Germans are the greatest and most gifted of peoples; that all other nations are barbarians trying to do them harm; that to be a German and to have devotion to Hitler is the end of all instruction.

What the Professors Say

GERMAN professors, like German judges, do as they are told. Hence it is of interest to note what some of the professors are saying. Professor J. Wilhelm Haer, leader of the Germanic faith movement, has publicly repudiated the truth of Jesus' statement, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Professor Hans Schemm, Bavarian minister of education, has described Adolf Hitler as "the greatest teacher of all times". This professor of poppycock went on to say: "The foehter opened wide the cage of the past era of time, enabling the German eagle to stretch its wings again to the bright heights of eternity and freedom." The capacity of Germany for making a fool of itself is infinite.

Students Suspended for Two Years

SEVERAL students have been suspended for two years from Heidelberg University, Germany, because they failed to listen to one of Hitler's speeches while it was being broadcast, and because they dared discuss in a restaurant the method by which Hitler eats asparagus. This means that they cannot go on with their lessons anywhere for two years. Hitler youth and Nazi students have been ordered to resign from all fraternities, and it is believed that this ends the German fraternity system.

All Professors Must Be Nazis

IN GERMANY today all officials of every sort must be Nazis, the preachers and priests must in effect be Nazis, and now the proclamation has been made that all professors, lecturers and tutors must be Nazis. It seems incredible that the German people could go along with such a hopelessly idiotic program. They have meekly bowed to the voice of kings and emperors so long that they seem to have lost all independence and manhood.

The Toys of Nazidom

THE toys of the Nazi Germany are marvelously lifelike lead soldiers three inches high, perfect in their military details. Along with these the little boys and girls of the new Germany play with trenches, tanks, shell holes, liquid-fire guns. The season's best seller in Munich was a new military *Mother Goose*.

Nazi Social Life

A Holiday in Berlin

VARIAN FRY, editor of *The Living Age*, wrote a report of a German holiday which he witnessed. On both sides of the street a crowd was lined up, forcing each car that came by to run the gauntlet. Every man or woman that looked like a Jew was taken out and beaten; he saw one man brutally kicked and spat upon as he lay helpless on the sidewalk. The police did nothing to interfere. Everybody seemed to be having a good time. It was Germany's present civilization, a civilization without God and with the morals of the Devil. If the Olympic games are held in Germany next year no self-respecting American or Briton will attend. Who wants to visit a country managed by persons under demoniacal control?

Pharaoh Still Meaner

HITLER may think he is the meanest man that ever lived, but Pharaoh was still meaner. The Hitler régime, through its representatives, has attacked and imprisoned innocent people, has abused school children at school, and even refused to permit a German to marry a Jewess to whom he had been engaged for years, but, so far as known, it has not yet duplicated Pharaoh's arrangement for putting Jewish babies to death as soon as they are born. But probably that will come along soon in the laws put forth by this tool of the papacy.

Employment for Young

IT IS against the law in Germany for any man under 25 years of age to accept employment if his place can be filled by an older unemployed man. This has had the effect of driving 250,000 young men into what is called the labor service. Theoretically this labor service busies itself with drainage, flood prevention projects, road construction, reclamation of waste land, and settlement construction aid. It also finds time to drill, and is today the best-drilled body of troops in Europe.

Conscription of Women

COMPULSORY labor service for all women has been decreed in Germany; women must serve at least six months; men a year and a half. Even foreigners are subject to so-called air-protection drills; no pictures of such drills may be taken; the penalty for disobedience is a term in prison.

One Year of the Nazi Terror

CONDITIONS in Germany under the Nazi régime may be judged from the fact that in the one year ending June 30, 1934, official figures show, 212 people were beheaded, 184 were "shot while attempting to escape", 280,308 were jailed, and 49,000 were sent to concentration camps; over 13,000 were deprived of their citizenship, and 12,863 were sterilized. The same methods of terror are still in use. The new legal code makes treason to the State (which includes spreading of unfavorable news about it) punishable by death. An entirely new offense is created, called "treason to the people", which consists of unfavorable comments on the German people. Blasphemy is defined, in one definition, as "grossly violating the German people's religious feeling".

Savagery Toward Communists

MOST certainly the Communists have a right to their views, but at Brunswick, Germany, Rudolf Claus was given the death sentence by a Nazi judge because he was cashier of a Communist organization, gave relief to suffering Communists, and helped some of them to escape from Germany. The court shamelessly admitted that the man was being punished more for his will than for any evil deeds he had done. A woman Communist, at the same time, was sentenced to nine years' penal servitude, while three young men were given sentences of nine, seven and four years each. What beastly terrorism!

Refugees in Holland and Denmark

GERMAN refugees, largely but not wholly Jews, are being trained for future usefulness in both Holland and Denmark. At Weiringen, in what was recently the Zuider Zee, 250 are being transformed into farmers, horticulturists, carpenters, metalworkers or housewives. In Denmark, where conditions are still better, they are scattered among the farmers, with the understanding that after a year of training they will leave the country. Most of them expect to go to Palestine, but some hope to go to South Africa and others to South America.

Jews Forbidden Health Resorts

ALL over Germany health resorts are forbidding Jews to enter the premises. Notices are posted at every entrance.

The Devil's Pagan Wing

Analysis of Hitler Philosophy

WHEN the Devil further took over the German people, by putting them into the hands of Hitler, he provided new "spiritual food" for them. Hitler's director of philosophy is Dr. Rosenberg. In his book, *The Myth of the Twentieth Century*, now in its twenty-fourth edition, and accepted as a textbook by the Nazi youth, he says that Jesus Christ was a great personality, but smothered in "all the waste and rubbish of Asia Minor, Palestine and Africa", meaning by that last expression, the Bible. After denouncing in savage language the historical and prophetic books that preceded Christ's first advent, he says that these "stories of pimps and cattle dealers will be replaced by Nordic sagas and legends". On page 636 he says: "The principal requirement of all German education is to recognize the fact that we have not derived our ethical standards from Christianity, but that Christianity owes its permanent qualities to the German character. It is therefore the virtues of the German character that are eternal. Everything else must adapt itself to these virtues." This kind of "spiritual food" has the definite approval of Big Business, and would be entirely acceptable to them in America, if the American people would fall for it. And people that will swallow what the American people swallowed just after Mr. Wilson "kept us out of the war" will swallow anything at all.

Sundry Church Items

AMERICAN churches in Germany have been closed, there being now so few Americans in the country that it does not pay to keep them open. In Hamburg there are now said to be 394 religious groups, 214 of which registered within the past ten years. Twelve hundred German pastors were arrested for denouncing as superstition the Nazi belief in an eternal Germany which puts itself in the place of Christ Jesus, the Lord. After a week they were allowed to read the manifesto to their congregations, but were compelled to make certain additions. In Bavaria thirteen of the seventeen Roman Catholic academies for women teachers have been closed. The Catholics staged a big counterdemonstration in Berlin, where it is claimed that 20,000 turned out to celebrate the papal anniversary. The Devil's religious campaign in Germany is exceedingly complicated and confused by lies.

Proclaiming Hitler as Christ

HUGH REDWOOD, writing in the *London News Chronicle*, declares that in Thuringia, Germany, Hitler has been proclaimed Christ, and that on Hitler's birthday many pastors placed his portrait on their altars and read to their congregations, not from the Bible, but from Hitler's book *Mein Kampf*. It is claimed that the young people of Germany are being carried away with the new concept that the thing to be worshiped is the German blood. In an address to a great concourse of these young people General Herman Goering, German air minister and Prussian premier, said: "By believing in my people and their future I believe in the Almighty. We do not permit ourselves to be fascinated by disbelief or revealed miracles, for there never has happened a greater miracle than in our time. This miracle of the Almighty has been performed through Adolf Hitler—a miracle of resurrection of the German people." In the Hitler Youth Hour, broadcast June 30 over Germany, the demand was made that the youth of the land decide "Are you with our Leader or do you want to have besides another leader?" These and hundreds of other items show that Hitler, in Germany, has, for millions of Germans, become Antichrist.

Bitter Cries of Protestants

GERMAN Protestants have denounced the Nazi church government as despotic, lying, robbing and under the control of Satan, all of which is true. That church government has, in effect, announced that God must be a German. In an official manifesto signed by the state bishop of the Bavarian church the claim was rightly made that "the doors have been opened for every heresy that unites with these powers". Little by little the lesson is soaking in in Germany that "the friendship of the world is enmity with God" and that "ye cannot serve God and mammon".

What Protestants Are Up Against

WHAT German Protestants are up against may be judged from the following pronunciamento by the so-called "Reichsbishop" Ludwig Mueller. In a speech at the Berlin Sportpalast that gentleman said: "The time will come when only Nazis will conduct services and only Nazis will occupy the pews. We want one people, one state, one church." It might well be added, "And so does the Devil."

Statements of the Nazi Press

THE Nazi press of Germany is more completely and more definitely controlled by Satan than is the press of any other country. These deplorable conditions are to be charged to the preachers, who in turn have been influenced by the devilish trend of German culture and philosophic thought. The following are translations of some of the statements made therein:

'The excellent gods of the old Germanic religion are more closely related to us and holier than the Jew God Jehovah and the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The German children must learn to know their own ancestors and learn to respect them, and that is a higher way towards faith in Germany than the characters of the Jewish Bible.'

'The old blood of Germanic spirit is awakening again in us, and no power in the world can put it down again. One thing Christianity has not been able to do is to put the old joyful heathen laughing out of the world. All laughing comes from heathendom, and joy is heathenish. Christianity knows not to laugh, and no evangelist reports that Jesus of Nazareth ever laughed.'

'Nations of the world, be loyal to yourselves, or be loyal to your own gods. Be loyal to your race and country and whatever is grown thereon. Challenge Jehovah to battle, who threatens your life. [Was there reference here to the numerous telegrams sent to the head of the German government by Jehovah's witnesses from all over the earth? These telegrams read, in part, "Cease persecuting Jehovah's witnesses, or Jehovah will destroy you and your national party."']'

'Jehovah must die in us and amongst us. If we continue this fight against Jehovah we will do the greatest service and accomplish the world mission of the German people. We do not need the Bible any longer. The Bible does not mean anything to us. We Germans are not mere men. We are gods!'

'Service of Jehovah means indifference to everyone for himself. Jehovah must die in us and to us in order that we as a people may live. When this dawn of demonism is accomplished within us, then we render to the world the highest and the greatest service, and that is the real mission of the German people.' (Paper for the German faith, *Lightning* No. 18.)

'The church has not prevented the German workingman from losing his faith in God, and in his home, and that he has sold out to atheism and Marxism. The church, by its covenant with the bourgeois, and by the marriage of throne and altar, has driven the German workingmen into international Marxism and bolshevism. The German workingmen will not voluntarily return to the church and to Christianity.' (The ABC of the German heathen.)

'The German youth do not any longer find moral foundation in the Bible, but in their faith in Germany.'

Growth of Paganism

PAGANISM is growing in Germany by leaps and bounds. In the largest auditorium in Berlin a mob of 15,000 shouted itself hoarse over such propositions as a flat repudiation of Christianity, and a declaration that God had revealed Himself to the German people through Adolf Hitler. The minister of the interior, Wilhelm Frick, has forbidden such meetings to either Catholics or Protestants. Hitler's personal bodyguard was on hand; the hall was decorated as if for a Nazi convention; swastika flags draped from the balconies and covered the walls. A thousand pastors of the Lutheran church have been arrested; three of them were arrested for specifically mentioning by name four others that had been arrested. The names were mentioned in prayers; so it seems even prayers are censored in Germany now.

The Nordic Faith Movement

PROFESSOR BERGMANN, of Leipsic University, spokesman for the German Nordic Faith Movement, says, in part: "In almost all respects Christianity is contrary to the German conception of decency and morals. Those who forgive sins sanction sins. The forgiving of sins undermines religious ethics and destroys the morals of the people. The believer in German religion is not a servant of God, but master over the Divinity within himself. No longer do we want merely to believe in Christ, but we want to be Christ ourselves and act like Christ, for ourselves, for our people, and for humanity." To this may be added the fact that the cruelties practiced in German concentration camps are so terrible as to defy description and sufficient to break the will of the most determined.

The New Bishops Must Be "Good"

IN A declaration at Freiburg im Breisgau, Germany, Reich Bishop Ludwig Mueller stated that all present Protestant diocesan and regional churches would be swept away, together with their bishops and councils, and would be replaced by church provinces created by the State. He also said that this time the Nazis would see to it that all the new bishops are good Nazis. Apparently he has the idea that Paul did not know just what a good bishop should be, for certainly Paul knew nothing and said nothing about being a good Nazi.

Miscellaneous Nazi Items

"Invisible Wall" Against France

WYTHE WILLIAMS, famous war correspondent, writing of Germany's "Z" ray, or *Fernschweissapparatur*, tells that experiments have been progressing for ten years, and then says, in *Liberty* magazine:

"If they are finally successful Germany will possess a weapon that will pulverize steel girders. Apply it, and bridges will fall, gun muzzles will melt, aviation motors will disintegrate in mid-air, radio stations and railway tracks will pulverize, the sheet armor of attacking tanks will go to pieces. Most important of all, enemy shells waiting to be fired at the cannon's breech or stored in mobile ammunition parks, so perfected by the French army transport, can be exploded simultaneously."

Lost \$500 by Kicking for More

KNOCKED down by an auto, a German farmer received \$500 from an insurance company. Dissatisfied, he took the matter to court. There, at a signal the lights were put out, and the farmer, to his surprise, saw a motion picture of himself, hale and hearty, and of surprising agility, at work in his field. He came into court on crutches, with \$500 in his pocket, and went out without the crutches and without the \$500. An enterprising motion-picture operator had taken pictures of him from a hedge the day before.

Mercy Cast to the Winds

IN AN address in Munich, in the presence of Adolf Hitler, and before the Academy of German Law, entrusted with the task of preparing the new German code of laws, Hans Frank, Reich minister without portfolio, made the statement that "National Socialism has thoroughly done away with the principle of false humanitarianism". He also said, "Whatever is useful to the nation is right, and whatever harms it is wrong," thus making love of Hitler a legal concept.

Millions Becoming Atheists

TAXATION arrangements in Germany make it necessary for people to say whether they are Protestants, Catholics or atheists. In 1925 there were in Germany 1,100,000 willing to come out in the open and say they were atheists. The number is now 2,400,000. There is a small increase in the number of Catholics. Despite the unfavorable conditions, there were 956,987 Bibles sold or distributed in Germany last year.

Twenty-five Priests Confess

OUT of sixty priests arrested in Germany for taking marks out of the country, twenty-five admitted conscious violations of the foreign exchange regulations before their trials took place. Hitler's government claims also that in the remainder of the cases there was destruction of evidence, false bookkeeping, and fake correspondence sufficient to prove guilt.

Must Be a Nice Friend

FOR telling a personal friend that Hitler is a murderer, and that Germany is governed by gangsters, and the press of the country is unreliable, a clergyman of Bernheim has been sent to jail for one year. Probably he will never live to see the outside of the prison. His friend must be a nice kind of friend; and the world has many such.

Baron Sosnowski Lives

BARON SOSNOWSKI, of Poland, whose espionage activity brought two German noblewomen to the headsman's block, has been granted his liberty by the Hitler government. Various excuses are made for beheading the two women and releasing the man that employed them. The whole incident is a good picture of the present devilish German government.

Ludendorff Ludicrousness

ERICH VON LUDENDORFF, German general, self-confessed and boastful heathen, has issued a manifesto to the German people that "the time has come to make an end to the Jehovah cult and to Christianity; the Christian teachings are pacifistic and do not harmonize with the character of the German people".

"Christianity as a Danger"

IN AN address in Berlin Professor William I Hauer, spokesman for the Pagan German Faith movement, said:

"Christianity has virtue as its ideal; but our ideal is the heroic man. Christianity is not the religion of the German people. On the contrary, we regard Christianity as a danger to the unity of the people."

Japanese-German Alliance in Sight

A JAPANESE-GERMAN alliance is in the making. Seventy Japanese high military officers are about to visit Germany to study her military methods and institutions.

God's Organization

A five-minute talk

by Judge Rutherford

JEHOVAH is the God of order, and His organization is His systematic arrangement employed to carry out His purpose. His universal organization is called Zion, and is symbolically pictured by a woman. The Scriptures speak of that organization as "mount Zion" or God's "holy mountain". Lucifer was once a part of that holy mountain. When Lucifer rebelled against Jehovah he was cast out of God's holy organization. Jehovah expressed His purpose to build a special organization by and through which He would carry forward His purpose concerning the human race. That special organization is called the seed or offspring of the universal organization of Jehovah.

To Abraham God made a promise in these words (Genesis 22:18): "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." Later God, by the Scriptures, declared that the promised seed is The Christ, meaning His anointed royal Son whom He has made the world's Ruler. (Galatians 3:16-29) In the prophecies are found many pictures foretelling the building up of God's seed or capital organization. Christ Jesus, the Head of that organization, is pictured by a precious stone. In the prophecy of Isaiah (28:16) He says: "Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone." By the apostle Peter God explains that this Stone means Christ Jesus and that faithful men who become a part of His organization are called living stones. (1 Peter 2:1-9) In the prophecy of Daniel (second chapter) Jehovah's royal organization is pictured as 'The Stone cut out of the mountain without hands', which stone becomes a great mountain, meaning a mighty organization, and which organization destroys Satan's power, and then administers blessings to the nations of the earth. Thus it is seen that Jehovah's universal organization is pictured as a mountain and that His special organization is likewise pictured as a mountain. It is to these two mountains Jesus in His great prophecy warned the people that they must flee during the time of distress at the end of the world. This mighty organization of God, symbolized by the mountains, is the kingdom of God under Christ, and it is the sole and complete hope of the peoples of the earth.

When Jesus was anointed, following His baptism in the Jordan, there began the building up of God's special organization or seed of promise. When God raised up Jesus out of death and exalted Him to heaven He was then the Rightful Ruler of the world, but it pleased God to wait a long period of time before the rule of Christ should begin. (Psalm 110:1) During that waiting period God has been selecting from amongst men a few whom He makes a part of His organization. These are the ones that are 'taken out as a people for His name' and whom God makes His witnesses in the earth. (Acts 15:14; Isaiah 43:10) The apostles of Jesus were witnesses, and likewise faithful followers of Christ Jesus now on earth are Jehovah's witnesses. The end of the world has now come, and within a short time Jesus Christ as the mighty Officer of Jehovah will destroy Satan's power; but before doing so the Lord sends forth men and women as His witnesses to tell the people of His purpose and of His provision for their blessings. For that reason Jehovah's witnesses now come to you with books explaining these truths and which show you where to find them in your Bible that you may learn them for yourselves. The booklet *The Final War* gives an explanation of some of these truths, and the books *Vindication* give a more detailed explanation thereof. It is of the greatest importance to you that you learn these truths, that you may put yourself in line to receive the blessings which God through His organization will extend to all the obedient ones of mankind.

Jesus Christ is the Head of Jehovah's capital organization, and only those who put themselves under the power and control of that organization can get life everlasting. It is written (Acts 4:12): "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." The time of great climax has now arrived and God is affording men the opportunity to place themselves under His organization. How may one avail himself of that privilege? The man must first realize that he is a born sinner, that Jehovah God is the great Life-giver through Christ Jesus, that God has redeemed man through Christ Jesus and made Him Ruler of the world, and believing these things he must

take his stand on the side of God and His kingdom by consecrating himself to do the will of God. Having taken these steps, then he must study God's Word and from it ascertain God's

will. Thus he will be seeking meekness and righteousness, and it is to such that God gives promise of His blessing by and through His organization.

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"What Is Fascism?" By David Wilkie (Great Britain)

(In Three Parts—Part 3)

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 tomorrow. 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.

JESUIT CONTROL OF THE WORLD —BY FASCISM

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 mankind should be turned over to the Roman Hierarchy.

The curiously interesting methods by which men are persuaded to put their worst enemies in control of their destinies are set forth in this article.

The writer of the article, a university man of high standing, conceals his identity under a nom de plume. He is one of the few men who, having inside knowledge, dares tell the truth.

Every reader of *The Golden Age* will be fascinated, but more than fascinated; for he will be instructed as to just how the Devil is working his game.

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.

If liberty is lost, all is lost; and liberty is lost wherever the Jesuits succeed in forcing a dictator upon the people. This the people sagely suspect.

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, marquis, "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 magistrates, etc.!

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 Bencivenga was secretary for Cadorna, commander-in-chief of the Italian army in the War. Mussolini interned Bencivenga 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 palsifying 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 Brownshirtism) 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 forefolks 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 non-refractory. 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 Titlman, 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.

Most Autocratic Institution

(From the *Fellowship Forum*)

THE Papacy itself is the most autocratic institution in the records of the world. From its government every vestige of human rights is excluded. No Roman Catholic has any voice in the selection of the "sovereign pontiff" or of any bishop or priest whom the canon law requires him to obey.

In the papal system the theory of "divine right to rule" rises to perfection. Pretensions of all other civil despots pale into democracy when compared with those of the popes. Not only does the Roman pontiff claim 'divine right to rule', but he claims to rule as sole agent and *alter ego* of God Himself. In that role he arrogates to himself the unique attribute of infallibility. All governmental authority descends from him to the Hierarchy and clergy and monastic orders and the laity. All are his subjects.

There is no cardinal, patriarch, archbishop, bishop, abbot, monk, nun or Roman Catholic layman but by his appointment. There is no faith, theology nor canon law but by his decree. There is no province, diocese or parish, nor any

school, college, seminary or university unless licensed directly or indirectly by him.

All power descends from his throne. The food and clothing and shelter, the community life, the property and income, the thought, the speech, the habits, and the business and civil and religious life of 300,000,000 Roman Catholics in every part of the world are under his strict regulation and authority. Such is the essence of the papal system. It is stamped indelibly on the government and people of lands dominated by the Roman Hierarchy.

One Fifth on the Dole

ONE fifth of the population of the United States are on the dole. A great proportion of these are Roman Catholics, so correspondents report, and out of the funds which the boys send home a considerable proportion inevitably goes into the church exchequers. If the priest got the boy his job, and the boy sends the money to his mother, does anybody suppose the priest intends to be left high and dry? Not a bit of it.

Making America Fascist

The Proposed R. C. Fascist Dictatorship

REFERRING to the proposed Roman Catholic Fascist dictatorship over the people of the United States, P. G. White, of Illinois, in a booklet entitled *The United States Need Not Surrender*, says:

"When it was all over, he (the dictator) had saved the people from Communism on the left, but he had taken them straight over to Fascism on the right. And the middle classes, to whom he had come with false promises, found themselves thrust aside, forgotten and ignored. Thus was a Fascist, Roman Catholic dictatorship established in Italy, in Germany, and in Austria. In Italy and Austria the country was already majority Roman Catholic; in Germany the dictatorship was established over a predominantly Protestant nation. Roman Catholicism co-operates with Fascist dictatorships throughout the world. The two philosophies are identical in application: both rule by means of dictatorship imposed from above. The great danger in America today is that, in avoiding Communism on the left, we shall be led, willingly or unwillingly, to a Fascist dictatorship on the right. In this connection, the campaign of Father Coughlin, the radical radio priest of the Roman Catholic church, born in another country, foreigner by training, propagating a foreign philosophy taken from the encyclicals of the popes and expressed in the platform of the National Union for Social Justice, will be watched by informed Americans with great interest."

The Four Most Important Towns

THE four most important towns in Lackawanna county, Pennsylvania, are Scranton, which is the county seat (and the anthracite metropolis of the world); Carbondale, the largest town on the northern boundary; Moscow, the largest town on the eastern boundary; and Clark's Summit, the largest town on the western boundary. Under the present administration, of Achille Ambrogio Damiano Ratti, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Patrick J. Boland (congressman for Lackawanna county) and James Aloysius Farley, Scranton, which had a Protestant for postmaster, now has a Catholic; Carbondale, which had a Protestant for postmaster, now has a Catholic; Moscow, which had a Protestant for postmaster, now has a Catholic; and Clark's Summit, which had a Protestant for postmaster, now has a Catholic. And so the work of turning the United States over to the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, bag and baggage, goes merrily on. The Jesuits are onto their job. But the Masons; it is to laugh. Look at Italy and Germany; the Masons are all through.

Executive Director of the \$4,800,000,000

WHAT capable "Protestant" would you judge was selected by President Roosevelt to act as executive director of the National Emergency Council, the man who decides where and how the \$4,800,000,000 will be expended? All you can do is laugh when you learn that Frank Comerford Walker received his education by spending four years at the Roman Catholic University of Gonzaga, at Spokane, and spent four more years studying law at Notre Dame University, in Indiana. A Protestant would never do. Why? Simply because he lacks the training to qualify him to allot that huge sum of money so that most of it, by divers routes, ultimately reaches the coffers of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy at Vatican City. Is it any wonder that Cardinal Mundelein (Chicago) said that Franklin D. Roosevelt is "one who has shown more friendly sympathy to the 'Church' and its institutions than any occupant of the White House in half a century"?

"Absolute Dictatorship Planned in Congress"

JAMES T. WILLIAMS, Jr., in the *New York Evening Journal*, June 15, 1935, calls attention to a proposed amendment to the Constitution, introduced in the House by Congressman Wood, of Missouri, which would enable Congress to dictate hours, wages, terms and conditions of labor of every person in the country, and production and prices of food; enforce, cancel or adjust debts; also to abdicate completely to the president every legislative power. All that would be needed then to make America a madhouse like Germany would be to put some fool in the White House who would try to get away with such a program. Nevertheless, some such plan is contemplated seriously by the gang that was chased out of Mexico.

O'Connell Wants Radio Censorship

CARDINAL O'CONNELL, back from the Bahamas, wants censorship of the air. Of course he does. Who is to direct the censorship? Why, naturally, it would be himself, or somebody of his selection. Then what shall be done with the declaration of James Aloysius Farley that in the United States we shall have no press or radio censorship? Oh, that is easy, and the answer is so obvious that it won't even be necessary to state it. It speaks for itself.

The Jesuit Delaware Corporations

REFERRING to the Jesuit Delaware corporations, i.e., Commodity Credit Corporation, Public Works Emergency Housing Corporation, Federal Surplus Relief Corporation, Federal Subsistence Homesteads Corporation, Electric Home and Farm Authority, and Public Works Emergency Leasing Corporation, Senator Thos. D. Schall, of Minnesota, who probably did not know of the Jesuit origin of these corporations, said on the floor of the Senate*:

"The purpose of these corporations is wholly unholy in intent wherever the Federal Government is to seize power without warrant in laws constitutionally enacted. I now add, without any fear of successful contradiction, that the majority of bills, other than personal, introduced into the Seventy-third Congress and passed by it were not originated in the convictions of Congressmen nor reported out as creations of various investigating committees nor as a result of public clamor or need, but were prepared in secret as parts of a whole plan determined on long before March 4, 1933, and long before November, 1932, and fed in so speciously as to arouse no suspicions on the part of Congress, of the press, or the public as to their being the completion of a plan to undermine the hitherto prevalent plan of government in the United States. . . . I believe beyond all doubt that a group of men and women have used Congress and the president as cat's-paws in the past few years, but more particularly since November, 1932, and that a senatorial inquiry would prove that they were prepared to swing the United States either into a Fascistic form on one side or a Communistic form on the other: one or other to prevail as opportunity may offer, but both planned to lodge immense power and wealth in the hands of a few at the center of a group of corporations."

"Foreign Power" After the Press

COL. R. R. McCORMICK, publisher of the Chicago *Tribune*, in an address to members of the Advertising Federation of America, said: "I ask you to join the newspapers in their fight to preserve the freedom of the press. In this great contest which has been going on in this country for three years, and which is not yet ended, to decide whether the principles of arbitrary government shall be allowed to cross the ocean and crush all that the Revolution gained, the Constitution organized and the Bill of Rights guaranteed, practically every fight for freedom was swept away in the first rush of absolutism."

*See *Congressional Record*, February 6, 1935, pages 4 and 5.

Wholesale Murder of Protestants Soon

THE New York *World*, December 14, 1930, reports the Most Reverend F. X. Talbot, S.J. (Jesuit), as having said:

"The old Protestant culture is about at the end of its rope. The first settlers of our country established this distinctly Protestant culture, being chiefly from Protestant countries, so that our history from the beginning of the republic has been predominantly non-Catholic. It has given the complexion to the country, entered our legislation, sociology and economics, is the basis of our commerce and industry and, in fact, has formed a great part of the American people. For 150 years the Protestant element was strongest, and we admit it. This Christian culture is a wave receding, and we Catholics are living in a most important day, with one culture vanishing, another gaining strength. Why can't we raise a tidal wave that will bring Catholic culture into the United States? Why can't we make the United States Catholic in legislation, Catholic in justice, aims and ideals? We are the greatest numerically in the country, strong and growing in the arts and education. We are now ready to expand. Now is the time to organize and strike hard to put the Catholic idea before all."

The method by which 15 percent of the American people would thus enslave the 85 percent was indicated in the New York *Herald*, Tuesday, May 7, 1901. Therein it was admitted by the "Reverend Father" Harney, spokesman for the Roman Catholic Hierarchy before the Federal Communications Commission, that the Roman Catholic church regards Protestants as heretics and believes and teaches that heretics should be put to death.

Protestantism stands on the edge of another and infinitely greater St. Bartholomew's massacre than that which caused Paris streets to run deep with blood. Press dispatches admit that 1,500 machine guns have been distributed from American armories and are now in the hands of gangsters, nearly all of whom, when they seek 'benefit of clergy' seek it in the "church" of their training and choice, the "church" that admittedly believes in graft and murder, and has placed the whole subject of remission for sins on a cash basis.

"Peace upon Earth"

THE other night, over the radio, some wag quoted the following alleged poetry: " 'Peace upon earth' was said; we sing it, and pay a million priests to bring it. After two thousand years of mass we've got as far as poison gas."

Priests as Labor Arbitrators

BECAUSE they know nothing about honest labor, and because they love to be in the public eye (like a cinder in that respect), and because there are no real Americans 'suitable' for the job, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed as labor arbitrators the following members of the Roman Catholic priesthood: Very Reverend Monsignor P. M. H. Wynhoven, of New Orleans, who forced a radio station in Louisiana to crowd Judge Rutherford off the air; Reverend Francis J. Haas, of Washington, D.C.; Reverend James F. Cunningham, C.S.P., of Los Angeles; Reverend Dr. John P. Boland of Buffalo, N. Y.; Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, of San Francisco; Reverend Frederic Seidenburg, S.J., of Detroit; Reverend John O'Grady, of Washington, D.C.; Very Reverend John W. R. Maguire, C.S.V., of Chicago; and Right Reverend Monsignor John A. Ryan, of Washington, D.C. Six of the nine were made chairmen of the labor boards on which they serve. In every way in his power Roosevelt is trying to turn America over, lock, stock and barrel, to the Vatican.

Unwitting Servants of the Papacy

ALL know that the press of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy claims for the pope the pater- nity of the New Deal. Mr. Coughlin declares that he read to Mr. Roosevelt the pope's plans for just such a New Deal. The only thing that stopped the New Deal was the United States Constitution. The pope hopes to put that out of the way, and a great campaign to destroy the Constitution and do away with States' rights is now under way, so that Papal Fascism in the United States may become a stark reality. Meantime there has been received in this office a copy of *The Gentile Front*, showing the strange co- operation with this scheme of very many able American Jews, among whom are listed Bernard M. Baruch, Donald R. Richberg, Professor Felix Frankfurter, Judge Samuel I. Rosenman, Henry Morgenthau, Sr., Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Professor Rex Tugwell, Mordecai Ezekiel, Edward A. Filene, Frances Perkins, Harold S. Ickes, Samuel Untermyer, Joseph B. Eastman, Samuel Dickstein, and many others. On the other side of the story is the fact that two of the United States Supreme Court justices, Louis D. Brandeis and Benjamin N. Cardozo, are said to be Jews, and their opinions helped to kill the New Deal. The probable fact is that the reason

why there are so many Jews in prominent places in the national government and in the New York state government is that there are so many able Jews in New York city, which city is, in fact, the largest Jewish city in the world. The governor of New York state, Herbert H. Lehman, is a Jew, and nine of the ten New York state supreme court justices for Manhattan and The Bronx are Jews. *The Gentile Front* asserts that in the New Deal at Washington 85 percent of the advisory and official positions are held by Jews, and that of the Russian Communistic set-up, composed of 554 members, all are Jews but less than 20. *The Gentile Front* seems to be Nazi propaganda. It maintains the so-called "Protocols of Zion" are of Jewish origin, despite the fact that this has been proved false wherever the courts have looked into it. Nothing could be more devilishly narrow-minded, more fiendish, more contemptible, than the so-called "New Germany" to which *The Gentile Front* looks up and upon which *The Golden Age* looks down with loathing inexpressible. The Jews are money-lovers, granted; but they are not pig-headed wild beasts.

Jesuits Crowed Too Soon

THE Jesuits crowed too soon when, in their magazine ridiculously called *America*, they said, two years ago: "The States no longer function as States. It does not seem probable that at any time in the future they will so function. The old Constitution, now no longer the supreme law, is largely an historical document." The reason why the Jesuits said so was that they hoped it was so; but when the real Americans saw the Jesuit statement they hoped it was not so, and when the Supreme Court pitched the NRA into the ash can they knew it was not so, and for once the Jesuits had overshot their mark. In this life it is best not to get too fresh too soon.

Farley for President in 1940

WILLIAM H. ANDERSON, former Anti-Saloon League campaigner, in an address in Baltimore, said: "Postmaster General Farley said a few months ago that the only thing which stood in the way of his selection as president in 1940 was the fact that he is a Roman Catholic, and he added that, 'If we continue to gain as we have done in the past year or so, even that will not stand in the way.'"

Obedience Lightens a Tax-Gatherer's Burdens

FEW innocent people are as unpopular as the tax-gatherer. A tax is a compulsory contribution to support a government, and nobody likes to be compelled to do anything. However people may wave flags and cheer soldiers on their way to the front, they never like to pay the tax bills. The fight over the soldiers' bonus is a sample. The banks have a longing to absorb all that is coming to the soldiers in interest charges on loans which they are now making to them. They do not have a longing for increased taxes.

If anybody were to stand up on a rostrum and invite the people to come forward and contribute cash to buy bayonets wherewith to scatter the entrails of their fellow men over the landscape, nobody would come.

If a radio plea were to go out for cash to buy shrapnel to blow human creatures to fragments, there would not enough money come in to load one gun a single time.

Nobody would think of reaching down in his pocket and stripping something off from his roll (if he has one, in these days) to enable his government to invest in poison gas wherewith to burn out the lungs of a fellow creature.

It is even doubtful if anybody would come along and offer to help erect a battleship, or a submarine, or a cannon; though there might be a few who would invest in these things if they thought they would reap some personal benefit therefrom.

International Murderers, Limited, Unlimited, Preferred and Common, Low-down and Contemptible, would have a hard time selling their wares if they waited for voluntary contributions.

One-fourth of the wealth of the United States was squandered in the World War, with resultant benefits to the people of this fair land considerably less than could be nicely balanced upon the point of a cambric needle.

As a result, when the increasing tax bills come in (about the time of year when the Roman Catholic Hierarchy has a consuming interest in the poor souls in purgatory, because they think that is the best time to gather in all the change possible) the people thank God for their harvests, because the president tells them to do so, but they do not thank Him for the tax-collectors. If the truth be known, they feel like setting the dogs on them.

America points with pride to her leading citizens like Andrew Mellon, Dutch Schultz, Charles Schwab, John Dillinger and Al Capone, and does all possible to encourage the youth of the land to walk in their footsteps, and yet is obliged to note, with regret, that they have not shown that zeal in the payment of their income taxes which would set the best example to the rising generation.

And So One Comes to Matthew

Some will feel grieved at this introduction of Matthew, or Levi, as he is sometimes called. It is just too bad, for Matthew. It is no fault of anybody now living that Matthew got into the tax-collection business. He just picked the wrong job; that is all. Nobody should go into the tax-collection business who has either a conscience or a tender heart, and it seems that Matthew had both.

And, by the way, so had Zacchaeus. The account of the latter tax-collector says: "And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus, who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down, for today I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down; and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be a guest with a man that is a sinner. And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor: and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forso-much as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."—Luke 19: 1-10.

Persons in the United States who know of tax-collectors who give half their income to the poor, or who restore fourfold (except to persons who have put up cash for the national committees of the political parties) are invited to send in the list. Lists may be written in letters an inch high on the back of a postage stamp of the kind on which Farley made a fortune.

Matthew Was Like Zacchaeus

Matthew was like Zacchaeus. No matter what he did (and very likely, like Zacchaeus, he had done some things he ought not to have done), he was in a business where there then was, and still is, opportunity to graft, and he was unpopular. The only popular tax-collector of personal knowledge turned out to be a complete crook. He had a pleasant manner, a winning smile, and a duplicate set of tax books which cost his fellow citizens many thousands of dollars.

The Jews as a people cannot be justly accused of eagerness to part with their money. When they paid their taxes for the support of the Roman government they certainly did not smile, and when they paid more than their just share they probably scowled and said things that made the tax-collector feel as mean as a priest feels when he accepts purgatory graft; maybe worse.

It is of record that about the time of Jesus' birth six thousand Pharisees in Herod's realm refused to take the oath of allegiance to the Roman emperor, and it is conjectured that the principal reason for this was the "decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed", mentioned in the first verse of the second chapter of Luke's gospel.

And so that brings one to the story of Matthew, which story Matthew himself was so good as to record at length, though with consummate modesty he omits to mention what others of the gospel writers disclosed, that the feast was held in his own home. The story runs:

"And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him, and it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."—Matthew 9:9-13.

One can hardly fail to note the similarity between the two men, Zacchaeus and Matthew, their standing in the neighborhood and with the Pharisees, and Jesus' words on the occasions of the feasts. In the one instance He was "come to

seek and to save that which was lost", and in the other He was "not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance".

Matthew Was a Suitable Instrument

Matthew was a suitable instrument for Jehovah's purposes. Jesus knew it, and all the efforts of the Pharisees to get Matthew in wrong with Jesus, or to get Jesus in wrong with the people, were just so much wasted breath. Neither one of these men was looking for popularity. What is popularity? It is a breath. Here today, it is gone for ever tomorrow.

Jesus was all intent upon the vindication of His Father's name, and entirely indifferent to popularity, as any son of Jehovah God might well be. To those who sought popularity Jesus said some of the sharpest things in all history. Listen to this:

"I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only?"—John 5:41-44.

It may as well be noted at this point that there is a difference between not seeking the honor of men and yet not being desirous of being unjustly dishonored by them. Jesus pointed this out when some asked Him the question: "Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth."—John 8:49, 50.

Both Jesus and Matthew were dishonored by the Pharisees the day that Jesus participated in the feast at Matthew's home. But who are the honored ones now? and who are the dishonored ones? The tables are completely turned.

Which Would You Rather Be?

Which would you rather be today: Matthew, who entertained Jesus at his home, and gave up his business, and became one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb, and one of the foundations of the New Jerusalem, or one of those Pharisees to whom (or at least to whose comrades) Jesus put the question, "How can ye escape the condemnation of Gehenna?"

The Pharisees, at best, have a very poor

chance of ever obtaining life anywhere. Matthew, all know, from Jesus' own words, made his calling and election sure, and there is every reason to believe that he is now upon his throne, with the Lord, for ever secure, for ever happy, busily engaged in his part of the vindication of Jehovah's name, the friend of Jehovah the great Creator, the friend of Jesus, and the well-known friend of every other of the 144,000, as well as, without a doubt, of every one that shall ever get life at all. Who is there that will not know of Matthew and his work?

Matthew alone (chapter one) gives what is recorded of the birth of Jesus; he alone tells of the visit of the magi, and of the flight into Egypt and the return to Nazareth; he alone gives the whole of the Sermon on the Mount; he alone gives the explanation of the parable of the wheat and tares; he alone tells of the half shekel in the mouth of the fish; he alone tells of the unmerciful servant; he alone gives the parable of the eleventh hour in the vineyard; he alone gives the parable of the wedding garment; he alone gives Jesus' denunciation of the scribes and Pharisees, the account of the wise and faithful servant and of the wise and foolish virgins, the parable of the talents, and the parable of the sheep and goats. In many other places in his story Matthew gives a more extended account than the other evangelists. No one in the church would part with what he has done, under any consideration.

When Jesus summoned him Matthew was quick to give up his business and come. He was obedient, immediately, and unquestioningly so. Do you suppose he is glad now that he left that job of tax-collector? He had everything to gain by obedience. So have you.

Could Get Along Without You

If you are a tax-collector, or have some job of spending money for some government instead of helping them get it together, has it ever occurred to you that the government you are serving could get along without you? And Jehovah's government can get along without you, too.

And don't imagine that those for whom the United States Government has done the most are the ones in greatest eagerness to help keep it up. The other day the news was published that nine days after President Roosevelt's message asking for larger levies on gift taxes and inheritance taxes John D. Rockefeller, Jr., gave away \$76,338,000 to various educational and

scientific corporations. Apparently he would rather do anything else with his money than to give it to the people as a whole, that is, to the Government.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., late associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, set a splendid example to the wealthy men of America when at his death he left small sums to needy relatives, but the bulk of his fortune, something like \$3,000,000, to the United States Government, that is, the people, to whom, so he said, he justly owed it after he had had the use of it for a lifetime.

This is the right attitude of all Jehovah's witnesses toward the Government of Jehovah. It is worthy of their all of time, talent, money or whatever they may have; and they don't have to die to give it; it can be given while they are yet alive, and even left in their own care, to be used as the great Governor shall direct. Many have put their all into a house-car, gone into the pioneer work of proclaiming the gospel from door to door, though sickly and nervous, and after a few years in the field look as though the only way they could be killed is with an axe. Matthew found the Lord a good friend, and learned a lot. And these pioneers have learned a lot, too.

Bids for Publicity

EVERYTHING the Roman Hierarchy can do to keep Coughlin in the public eye is being done. The newspapers have columns and columns and columns, all bunk. Half the Roman church is alleged to be against Coughlin, and half for him; that is nothing but propaganda, the purest of the pure. The pope is for Coughlin, and Coughlin is for the pope. The others are merely whoopers-up, and at the right time will gracefully step over the line and admit that they are converted to Coughlin, converted to the pope, converted to Roman Catholicism, and urge everybody else to do the same, with the intent to throw the Catholic vote, at the last minute, just where it will be most effective. Everybody has noticed that Coughlin's so-called sixteen points are entirely silent on the subject of free speech, freedom of the press and upholding the Constitution of the United States. This is exactly the papal position; it seeks destruction of all these. It is a pro-Fascist organization, therefore against liberty and against the people. The troops for the Fascist rush are manifestly the CCC boys.

Home and Health

Home Treatment of Hiccoughs and Burns

GUY R. SHEARER, of California, tells of a treatment for hiccoughs that can be used by anyone, anywhere, at any time. "Breathe for several minutes in a paper sack fastened or held over the nose. This results in an excess of carbon dioxide accumulating in the air breathed. The carbon dioxide backs up into the lungs, reducing the vitality of the nerve centers that control the hiccoughs, so that they resume their normal function." The foregoing remedy was discovered at the City Hospital, Los Angeles. Concerning the tannic acid treatment for burns, Mr. Shearer says: "Large city fire departments are now equipped with apparatus for spraying burned persons with tannic solution as soon as they are taken from burning buildings. The results are no less than astounding. Just a word about home applications of tannic acid. Tannic acid, as it is bought in the market, is a white powder, but is mixed with water when applied to burns. It must be freshly mixed, as it does not keep long when mixed with water. To apply, place gauze bandage over the burn, and soak bandage with the solution; it will turn a brown color after applied. If you have no tannic acid at hand, use some tea grounds out of the teapot. It makes a fair substitute. The Chinese have, for centuries, used tea grounds for burns."

How the Ulcers Were Disposed Of

SAYS Elmer W. Dean, of New York: "I was under a doctor's care off and on for over three years for stomach trouble, which the first doctor diagnosed as ulcers of the stomach. He tried every trick he knew and finally reduced me to a diet of peptonized milk, but to no avail. Then he began to hint of an operation, and I changed doctors. The second M.D. told me to have my teeth removed; so I had them all out, but still no improvement. Then I read several strong articles in *The Golden Age* about aluminum poisoning. I didn't take much stock in it at first, but after a while I decided to see if there was any truth in it. We had a pretty nearly complete outfit of aluminumware (the peptonized milk was prepared in it) but we junked it and substituted stainless steel and enamelware. I began to improve, and today I can eat anything within reason with no discomfort whatever. I never have any trouble except when I eat away from home and inadvertently partake of something cooked in aluminum."

The Regular Daily Dose of Poison

SAYS S. A. McKenzie, pioneer, of Idaho: "This past winter, in witnessing in the rural territory here I made a practice of going to the back door, and from what I have seen 90 percent of the cooking utensils are aluminum. It is claimed that four-fifths of the people here have pyorrhea, and some in their twenties have false teeth: Aluminum poison is the answer to this. I have seen some pitiful sights. All the relief work was stopped in Idaho at the first of the year. In shacks that would not keep a horse warm I have seen a mother with two to eight children watching a lone aluminum pot boil with some beans or potatoes in it. Under the conditions it seemed to me that a dose of strychnine would have been more humane than that regular daily dose of poison. How I have hoped and prayed for Armageddon!"

A Couple of Recipes from Florida

W. F. McLENDON, of Florida, gives a couple of recipes which he has found effective: "Three-in-One Soap, good for chapped hands, eczema or insect bites, is made as follows: 8 quarts of water; boil and add 3 pounds sal soda, 1 pound 20-Mule-Team borax, 1 large box Chipso; boil 25 minutes, then add one 10c bottle ammonia and 1 tablespoon iodized salt; boil 5 minutes, let cool until only warm, stir, and can while warm. Mosquito Dope, good, so one can sleep sweetly where mosquitoes are thick, is made of 3 quarts of coal oil (kerosene), 1 quart of white gasoline, one 25c box of Bee Brand powder, one 25c bottle of citronella, one 10c bottle of household ammonia. Stir thoroughly, let stand 2 hours, then strain and bottle, and use as a spray for insects."

An Effective Laxative

SOPHIA E. SCHWAB, O.D., optometrist, Colorado, recommends the following laxative from natural foods as wonderfully satisfactory: "¼ pound each of cashew nuts, raisins, cocoanut and senna leaves, and ½ cup honey. Grind dry ingredients through food chopper and mix with the honey. Left in a large ball it keeps fresh a long time. Take a piece the size of a small walnut at night, and reduce as needed. Keep in icebox. Jehovah, the eternal King, supplies us with all good things. The Devil and his hordes begrudge mankind a healthy moment. The day of slaughter is near."

On the War Path in New Hampshire

THE *Truth-Teller* has an interesting and instructive letter from Mrs. Florence M. Dederick, of New Hampshire, known to our readers, in which she tells the story of her battle to prevent the vaccination of her daughter. She fails to see how an unvaccinated child can possibly "expose" an already vaccinated one if vaccination prevents smallpox. Mrs. Dederick acted as her own lawyer. When first in court she waived a hearing and appealed to the Superior Court; that resulted in a delay of five months. When her case was called suddenly, without giving her time to get her witnesses, she asked for a postponement; that gave her three more months. Being then ready for trial, and the State not being ready, she asked for a court order putting her child in school. The court lost his head and indicated prejudgment and bias, so Mrs. Dederick went home, refusing to be tried before him. They sent a deputy sheriff after her and she told him to go away; two more postponements followed, making a year and four months all together, when she received notice that the case had been dropped. Mrs. Dederick's

advice to those who wish to make a vaccination fight is: "First: Tell the local board or their agent, or write them, you are making legal tender of your child, unvaccinated, to the school board. Second: Don't send an unvaccinated child to school. Make them accept the child unvaccinated first, and have it in writing. Have copies of any letters you write and send them registered with request for a return receipt. If it is not done in writing, have witnesses." Mrs. Dederick has probably studied law, and is versatile and courageous. It is a very hard battle for most parents with small means to undertake.

One of the Oldest Readers Dies

THE death is reported of one of the oldest *Golden Age* readers, Captain William J. C. Crandall, Civil War veteran, who died at Fort Sanders Hospital, Tennessee, August 7, at the age of 96. During the early days of the Civil War Captain Crandall walked from central Tennessee into Kentucky to enlist in the Union army. His last renewal for *The Golden Age* was in June, 1935.

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