

# NATIVE NAZI

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"In times such as these, when there should be unity of thought and concert of action by liberty-loving peoples to stop the common foe, we find envy, jealousy, hatred, malice and even revenge seeking justification in the false name of patriotism. . . . True patriotism unites a country's peoples in times of national peril."

—J. Edgar Hoover, at St. John's College.

"At times I stand amazed at the bitterness and hate voiced by some of those who are preaching unity. I do not mean hatred of Hitler and all his works—that I can comprehend—but hatred of Americans. They seem to think that because they were interventionists before the Japs unloaded their bombs on Pearl Harbor they are now delegated to regiment all American opinion and crack over the head all who do not agree with them. They ignore completely the new spirit that I have seen rising since Pearl Harbor—the unspoken determination of the average citizen to see things through to the end."

—Harry Hanson, in the World-Telegram.

"There is a studied effort to destroy the faith and confidence of the American people in their elected representatives."

—Speaker Sam Rayburn, at Muhlenberg College.

"For some months now, there's been a definite, unmistakable trend to smear and discredit and ridicule your machinery of self-government—the Congress of the United States. I can't say it's a campaign or a deliberate plot, because I can't prove that. But I do say that the smearing and discrediting and ridiculing is going on just the same, and the ultimate results are just the same. These attacks on Congress as Congress—on Congress as a whole—are certainly open to suspicion in that they have systematically been based on the grossest sort of misrepresentation . . . actual lies and distortions of fact, which have gained such headway that they find their way into leading editorials of reputable newspapers, columnists, radio commentators."

—Fulton Lewis, Jr., on the Mutual Network.

"Their real reason for the attempted purge is to eliminate those members of Congress who have been actively combatting the subversive influence of Communism in this country. Their ultimate objective is to gain control of organized labor, industry and finally the government itself."

—Representative Karl E. Mundt, on the floor of the House.

"Such a popular approach to the election is one which the Biddles, the Wallaces, the MacLeishes, the Aubrey Williamses and all the others must, however, do everything they can to forefend. What good would victory in the war be if we came out of it with a Congress dedicated to the preservation of democratic republicanism, to the fostering of the evolutionary competitive economic system and to the repudiation of all socialistic, totalitarian programs for the universal distribution of poverty? Why, dammit, capitalism might put us on our feet again."

—HEPTISAX, in the New York Herald-Tribune.

"If Herr Doktor Goebbels can plant in the thinking of enough Americans sufficiently divisive counsels, if he can sow enough doubts and antagonisms among us, and can array labor against capital, white against Colored, Irishmen against Jews, and Protestants against Catholics, he will have weakened our national fiber so fatally as to make successful allied prosecution of the war almost hopeless."

—Virginus Dabney, in the Saturday Review of Literature.

"The important thing is that we are in the midst of a bitter and bloody war and we must win or perish."

"We will not win if our country is split into two squabbling factions. We have mighty enemies to face and we had better take a leaf out of Hitler's book and face them with a united front. Germany and Japan—not fellow Americans—are the guys we have to beat."

—Hempstead (N. Y.) Newsday.

## I

### Native Nazi Nihilists

#### It will be so easy to vote "right" this fall.

No need to exercise even ordinary intelligence in considering a candidate's qualifications. It will be as easy as voting "Ja" in Nazi Germany . . . if everything goes according to plan.

The heavy thinking has been done already.

A handful of American Hitlers—who picture themselves as Red-White-and-Blue "non-partisans"—have decided what's best for the rest of us. Whether we like it or not, they intend to see to it that we have Legislators and other public officials who measure up to their own low standard of character and conduct—men who will blindly follow a Leftist "party line" with their heads in a fog and their feet planted firmly in the clouds.

The campaign to tell us what's what and what we had better do on election day—or else—is already under way.

It is carried on by self-styled "liberals," "progressives," "friends of labor" and "friends of democracy" whose principal stock-in-trade is name-calling. They are super-patriots, they insist. All others who don't see eye to eye through the same "pink" colored glasses—yet good Americans by every other test of loyalty—are "Nazis," "Fascists," "appeasers," "isolationists" or "obstructionists" and *ipso facto* "anti-Semitic," "anti-Negro" and "anti-labor."

And just who are these self-appointed, self-righteous would-be protectors of our political integrity who ceremoniously and brazenly parade their professions of purer-than-the-driven-snow patriotism, and who have the consummate gall to attempt to impose their will on Americans?

It has been charged in Congress, and by the Dies Committee, too, that the leaders in this vicious project are Communists.

Some are Communists. Some were Communists. Some are worse than Communists.

The truth is, they are alien-minded super-collectivists of varying scarlet hues. And, despite their loud sneers and jeers and hymns of



hate against Hitler, their own ideology makes them dutiful disciples of his cruel philosophy.

They laugh at Hitler's pretense of an Aryan super-race and then set themselves up as synthetic supermen in America—and follow in his footsteps.

Our Government's Office of Facts and Figures in a recent pamphlet declared:

*"To destroy our national unity, create unrest in all groups of the population and deflect us from our major purpose—the defeat of the Axis—Hitler is trying to set capital against labor, white against negro, Catholic against Protestant, Christian against Jew. He knows that prejudice, in any form, plays his game."*

In every particular of this indictment of Hitler's purpose these paralogic patrioteers have served his cause.

They are promoting the class war.

They are agitating the Negro question.

They are raising the religious issue.

They are stirring up anti-Semitism.

They are the disseminators of dissension and disunity.

They are furthering Hitler's "divide and conquer" strategy through which he has promised to defeat America.

They are Nazis at heart.

They are Nazis in fact—Native Nazis.

In the true Nazi tradition they have fathered a pernicious plot to purge Congress and at the same time are pushing plans to emasculate the two-party system of government which has been the foundation of our political success as a nation.

Emulating Hitler they have begun to suppress free speech in America.

Like their Nazi brethren they hate truth, especially in the printed word. Figuratively speaking, they became "Nazi book burners" when they organized campaigns advocating boycott and suppression against writers and publications of standing, with which they disagreed.

And, in common with Hitler's National Socialists, they have an all-embracing scapegoat—capitalism—at which a constant barrage of propaganda is directed.

But these are only first steps.

Behind these outward manifestations is a sinister conspiracy to destroy all of our traditional institutions and the American way of life.

The ultimate aim is to establish a "New Order"—a super-special brand of Socialist Hitlerism embodying the "best" features of Marx's Communism, Stalin's Sovietism, Laski's Leninism and Browder's

Bolshevism, all carefully camouflaged with a sugar coating of New Order demagogery and glamorized with Henry Wallace's wishful thinking—expressed in pretty phrases.

The mechanism through which the scheme is to be put over is a crazy-quilt of supercilious organizations composed of and run by Communists, Socialists and Left-wing New Dealers; Union Now-ers, Post War-riors and New Orderites; interventionists and peace advocates; a few alien-minded natives and newly arrived refugees; some plain and fancy fanatics and a fair representation of common, ordinary, run-of-the-mill radicals.

Helping to assure success is a corporal's guard of Red and Pink and even a few quite colorless newspapers and periodicals goose-stepping along together in the drive to abolish "free" elections in America—and eventually to abolish America, too.

The campaign of intrigue is being organized by an almost unbelievable conglomeration of the weirdest of strange bedfellows, including a smattering of good, loyal Americans who have been "taken in" and are being "used"—as dupes and pawns—in what amounts to a disloyal and un-American enterprise.

That some are being fooled is understandable. After all, these scheming scoundrels posed as patriots and pretended they would "clean out" Congress to promote unity and win the war.

Although the paradox should have been obvious, nevertheless many important "names" have been loaned for window-dressing. It is vital, therefore, while this propaganda drive is being organized on a national scale, that the American people be warned. They must not be permitted to become confused. They must learn the truth—before it is too late—before their confusion contributes to a totalitarian victory on the home front.

In order to get a clearer picture then, just take a look at some of the ringleaders of this fantastic fraternity—a few high-priests of the conspiracy:

The man who wrote the original program for the American Communist Party.

A Marxist minister of the gospel who acted as midwife at the birth of a Communist-Socialist society for students.

A self-confessed dupe of Axis agents who wears the uniform of a commissioned officer of high rank in the United States Navy.



A socialite editor who became the staunchest defender of the Communist "party line" and who won national attention for his courageous fight to dodge the draft.

A few leaders of a Red school convicted under the espionage act during the last war for "feloniously obstructing enlistment service of the U. S."

A goat-bearded writer of murder mysteries who received his early training editing a Communist magazine.

A mercenary preacher who when eased out of his pulpit tried unsuccessfully to organize a "socialist church" and who now prospers as the promoter of "smear" campaigns.

The granddaughter of a man who helped finance the Russian Revolution.

A fabulously wealthy playboy with an Oxford accent who manages by subterfuge to escape paying the usual taxes on his swollen income.

And behind the scenes, quite free with expensive advice to at least two of these curious characters, lurks a former Russian revolutionary—a one-time Commissar in the Kerensky régime.

As a final indication of the general make-up of the whole conspirative camarilla, most of the Red publications being used to further the scheme are listed by the U. S. Army as unsuitable for soldiers to read, while one, at least, was registered with the State Department as the organ of a foreign agent.

*(And these people are going to tell US how to vote.)*

Should the cabalistic clique behind this evil undertaking be successful in their plans, nothing but disunity could follow and the inevitable result would be a serious interference with the war effort. It might mean winning the war, but losing what we're fighting for. *It could even mean losing the war to win what THEY are fighting for.*

## II

### Smearing the Senate

Charlie (Mud-Slinger) Michelson, petulant press poohbah for the Democratic National Committee, quite unconsciously no doubt, set the tenor of the scurrilous smear campaign now being waged against Congress. Months ago (and with a straight face), he blamed the election of "an isolationist House of Representatives" in 1918 for all of our subsequent troubles—including the depression and this war.

But in spite of this and notwithstanding the fact that Democratic Chairman ("Paving-Block") Flynn said Republicans were traitors at heart, and pleaded, therefore, that none but Democrats should be elected to the next Congress, the "purge" movement, to date, has been amazingly free from partisan taint—in the ordinary sense.

The elections this year, if certain people of questionable political antecedents have anything to say about it, will not be the usual contests between Democrats and Republicans. Already party lines are being ignored while major political groups are prevailed upon or intimidated to withhold support or enter into "deals" with opposition party "blocs" on behalf of other candidates—so as to insure the defeat of incumbents marked for slaughter.

For propaganda purposes the intended victims are linked together and smeared with a broad brush as "isolationists," a characterization which is supposed to imply treason. The public, it is expected, will readily agree that all those so labeled are disloyal and must be "liquidated" for the good of the country and to insure our winning the war.

When the "purgers" get down to cases, however, it soon develops that all this is just something to talk about. Their real test of a Congressman's fitness to continue in office seems to be concerned in some way with rubber stamps, love for St. Joe Stalin and how many quarts of milk the underprivileged of all the world will get from us after the war.

This nationally organized unconventional "non-partisan" fight on hand-picked "purgees" has all the earmarks of a holy war. It is being staged as a pious crusade against evil, but on closer inspection it reveals



itself as a well-planned blitzkrieg of ultra-Leftists, flying the banner of the New Deal. They are determined to annihilate courageous Americans in Congress who insist on defending Constitutional government. Such Congressmen are condemned to political death—the subsequent death of the American system is certain if the people fail to realize the true significance of this vile and treacherous assault on our traditional institutions.

The tocsin to battle was sounded early in March by Attorney General Francis Biddle at a gathering of the New Deal's left-wing inner circle at Washington's exclusive Cosmos Club. Biddle is a Leftist of long standing who used to write poetry for a Communist magazine which was edited by Robert Minor, head of the Communist Party while Browder was in jail.

The "political fight" for liberalism, the Attorney General declared, must be carried on regardless of the war. AND *this* at a time when conscientious Americans of both political persuasions were agreed that politics-as-usual should be abandoned for the duration.

"Hold the political trench," cried Mr. Biddle, as he proceeded to picture the passing of our two-party system of government by declaring that the New Deal "was not just a group of theorists or liberals . . . it is a *political party* tied up with the labor movement under an able political leader."

The meeting, which was in commemoration of the tenth year of the New Deal, was sponsored by *The New Republic*, a weekly magazine described as an "advocate of revolutionary socialism" by a New York State Legislative Committee which investigated subversive movements. Michael Straight, Washington correspondent for the publication, was toastmaster and in his unguarded closing remarks he said:

***"The New Deal is more dynamic than Fascism  
and more revolutionary than Communism."***

(And no one, mind you, denied it.)

Just before the end of the same month another significant dinner meeting of radicals was held in the Capital at the Hotel Willard. Here again high government officials with Leftist leanings—Justice Felix Frankfurter and the high-priced propaganda boys of Red Poet Archibald MacLiesh's Government Office of Facts and Figures among them—were in attendance, together with their intimate alter egos from Union

Square, New York. During the course of the evening there were many angry references to members of Congress by the various speakers and spirited applause greeted such outbursts as:

***"The Senate must be taught the facts of life . . . the important thing is to put an end to criticism by whatever means may be necessary. Be as ruthless as the enemy . . . Get him on his income tax or the Mann Act . . . Hang him, shoot him, or lock him up in a concentration camp."***

***(Talk about Nazi technique! And we are fighting a war to rid the world of a system which employs hanging, shooting and concentration camps!)***

Although there had been considerable sniping against individual members of both the Senate and the House since early in the year, it was just four weeks later, on international May Day appropriately, that the first bombshell exploded in Washington. Sort of a stench-bomb, to be exact.

The *New York Post* in an exclusive story told a fantastic tale of enemy intrigue in Brooklyn and made grave charges against a certain "Senator X" under the banner headline:

### **LINK SENATOR TO SPY NEST**

This unnamed Senator was accused of being a frequent visitor to a "house of degradation" where soldiers and sailors were said to have been "plied with liquor" to obtain from them information of value to the enemy. He was further supposed to have been discovered talking to an alien suspected of being a "spy in behalf of the Nazis."

(The nameless Senator was an "isolationist" of course.)

For several days the *Post* regaled its readers with a daily rehash of the story. All the sordid details, including sly inferences and filthy innuendoes, were raked over and embellished while headlines and illustrations, including a faceless silhouette which might have looked like any one of half the Upper House, were designed to whip up public curiosity and interest in the identity of the mysterious and monstrous "Senator X."

In the meantime the whole of the Senate was under a cloud of suspicion.

Then Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell, in both his gossip column and his toilet lotion broadcast, pointed the finger of scorn and guilt directly at four members of the Senate by announcing that the suspected traitor's name began with "the twenty-third letter of the alphabet."



And a so-called newspaper named *PM* which, because it follows the Communist party line, is commonly referred to as the uptown edition of the *Daily Worker*, explained to its readers that Senator Walsh was "Senator X."

By this time the affair was becoming a national scandal and, in an endeavor to protect the good name of the Senate, Democratic Leader Barkley asked the Department of Justice to conduct a thorough investigation as to the truth or falsity of the charges.

In the face of this development and having done all the wholesale damage it could, the *New York Post* finally identified Democratic Senator David I. Walsh, Chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, as the person accused. Senator Walsh, a pre-Pearl Harbor "isolationist," immediately branded the whole story as "a diabolical lie" and at the suggestion of Senator Barkley withheld further action pending receipt of a report from the Department of Justice.

On May 20, Mr. Barkley told the Senate that the Department of Justice had completely exonerated Senator Walsh of "conspiring with enemy aliens," . . . that he had not been involved in any way . . . and further that there was no evidence of spy activities in the case . . . in short, that the whole story was untrue.

The investigation disclosed that the charges had been based on an "alleged affidavit" made by a criminal convicted of "an offense too loathesome to mention in the Senate," as Senator Barkley put it, and that under questioning by the F. B. I., the convict admitted having signed the document without first reading it and without any knowledge as to its contents. He signed the paper, he said, because his lawyer, H. L. Strelzin, asked him to.

In the debate Senator Wheeler charged that Judge Samuel Leibowitz threatened to impose a twenty-year sentence on the then newly-convicted defendant "unless he told the story that Judge Leibowitz and the *New York Post* wanted told." It also developed that Morris Ernst, attorney for the *Post*, sat with Judge Leibowitz during part of the man's trial.

Senator Wheeler said he believed there was "a diabolical plot on the part of some persons in New York to smear every Senator who

disagreed with them on foreign policy prior to Pearl Harbor," and together with Senator Bennett Clark declared that at least four persons who participated in the smearing should be brought before the bar of the Senate for questioning. These included:

Mrs. Dorothy Backer, publisher of the *New York Post*,  
Judge Samuel Leibowitz,  
Morris Ernst,  
Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell, U.S.N.

At times the *New York Post* has been decidedly left-wing . . . it has shown definite Marxist tendencies, which is not surprising since its owner, Dorothy Schiff Backer, is a prominent member and leader of the Women's Trade Union League which, according to a document seized by government agents in 1922, was considered as part of the open and above-board machinery of the then underground and illegal Communist Party of America. Mrs. Backer is the granddaughter of Jacob Schiff, New York banker who helped finance the Russian Revolution of 1917, as well as the abortive insurrection of 1905.

Judge Leibowitz will be remembered as an attorney in the sensational Scottsboro case, a well-known Communist cause celebre. Interesting is the fact that one of the negro boys who had been sentenced to death on rape charges, then freed and brought to New York from Alabama by Judge Leibowitz, has just been arrested and convicted again, in Brooklyn, for molesting a young white woman in the subway.

For years Morris Ernst has been one of the leading legal lights of the American Civil Liberties Union, an organization described by a Committee of Congress which investigated subversive activities as "closely affiliated with the Communist movement in the United States." The recent Legislative inquiry in Massachusetts reported "the propaganda of this organization is dictated and dominated by Communists and Communist sympathizers."

Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell's specialty has been the dissemination of dirty gossip, but he has won notoriety, too, as a long-time pal of gangsters and as a recipient of their favors. Congress knows him as the sponsor of John Spivak, the most scurrilous Communist propagandist of our times who did such a nasty job trying to blacken the American Red Cross.



Lt. Commander Winchell is a self-confessed dupe of Axis agents, having given wide circulation to their planted propaganda as admitted in his column of February 2, 1942.

Lt. Commander Winchell is "that commentator who disgraced the uniform of the Navy of the United States," said Senator Clark during debate on the Walsh matter.

This loathsome and revolting plot was fittingly described by Congressman Edwin Hall as "a dirty smear campaign by a dirty set of dirty people."

In support of the demand for a Senate investigation of this whole affair, Senator Nye said:

*"I believe that a reasonable inquiry by the Senate would reveal the existence of a secret organization which has been operating for two years to gather such information as it can that will smear the individual members of the Senate."*

*(Senator Nye apparently knows something! To quote a well-known non-fighting Naval officer: "Why isn't something done about it?")*

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**"If the propagandists and the smear artists can persuade the people to discredit their own voice, their own will, their own agency of control—the Congress—then a government of, by, and for the people will have disappeared from the North American Continent."**

*—Representative Noah M. Mason, on the floor of the House.*

### III

## Conspiracy Against Congress

Washington *was* shocked by the Walsh affair.

But the wiseacres said: "It's all over now—forget it."

But it wasn't over—not even time to catch a good breath in between—before it happened again.

In mid-May, the *New Republic* arrived on the newsstands with a supplement—a 32-page diatribe and slightly disguised Red *blacklist* which named 91 legislators and singled out 3 Senators and 26 Representatives as "bad men in Congress—whose re-election would in our opinion constitute a danger to the country."

Titled "A Congress to Win the War," the brazen implication was that unless these Congressmen were turned out of office the war would be lost.

This amazing presentation calling for the defeat of Senators and Representatives, on the alleged ground that they were "isolationists" who had opposed the Administration's foreign policies "before Pearl Harbor," was sponsored jointly by the left-wing *New Republic* and a left-handed outfit called the Union for Democratic Action, which numbers Morris Ernst and Dorothy Schiff Backer among its members.

The Union boasted that this defamatory document was "the opening gun of a campaign" and that it already had "experienced organizers, a competent Washington office, and offices and groups working in key communities through the country."

Revealing that a million copies of the *New Republic* blacklist were being printed to start with, an appeal to political workers and leaders said:

*"Campaign committees are urged to employ this supplement against the candidates they want defeated."*

To help the drive along, the "Union" has been buying full page ads in local newspapers and has sponsored meetings and radio broadcasts in the various Congressional districts it has taken under its pro-



tecting wing. In New York it broadcasts regularly over the Socialist Radio Station WEVD . . . named after America's Reddest revolutionist, Eugene Victor Debs, who went to jail for opposing the last war.

*(Of course, all this costs money. But a great deal can be done when checks in four figures begin to roll in. For example, some of this was paid for with a little check for \$1800.00 contributed by Louie Rabinowitz, a manufacturer of hooks and eyes. Now, why would Russian born Louie be interested in spending that kind of money to "purge" some Congressman in Michigan or Wisconsin?)*

A close inspection of this vicious "purge list" discloses that far from being "isolationists" several of those named had supported the Administration's foreign policy 100% and all of them had voted for national defense measures.

Further examination develops that there was but one interest all of them had in common . . . they were anti-Communist pro-Americans . . . and they had upheld the Dies Committee.

Curiously enough the name of Congressman Vito Marcantonio, who had the worst "isolationist" record of all, was not on the list. He had consistently voted against every defense measure . . . until he practically stopped in the middle of a speech denouncing American preparedness for war to turn and support it when Soviet Russia ended its honeymoon with Hitler. He was entitled to re-election! He had vigorously opposed the Dies Committee and he heads one of the principal Communist "fronts."

Marcantonio fought the Roosevelt program harder than anybody else while he was the lone champion in Congress of the Stalin-Hitler Axis, but it is no longer patriotic or "democratic" to purge a Communist!

When this inconsistency in reasoning was alluded to by too many critics, the Union for Democratic Action sought to cover up its obvious Communist bias by including Marcantonio's name along with 16 others in a post card poll it is now conducting to determine the "ten worst Congressmen." But inasmuch as the ballots are only being sent to a carefully selected list of "liberals," there is not much chance that our one lone Communist Congressman will win a place among the first 10 to be honored.

The UDA divided its "isolationists" and "obstructionists" in Congress into two "main forces"; "the Republicans of the North and Middle West . . . small town lawyers, doctors and merchants . . . the tools for schemers," and "Southern reactionaries" who believe in "the

war against progress" and use the Dies Committee "to hound liberals" and "Congress as a sounding board for divisionist speeches."

But it lumps them all together when it utters the contemptible and unspeakable lie that:

*"This minority of obstructionists turned to the despicable Nazi trick of asserting that it was the Jews who were leading America into the war."*

There was no evidence presented to prove such a statement against any of those listed, much less against all of them. There could be no such evidence. This is a palpable attempt to stir up anti-Semitism so that Leftist subversives may continue to capitalize on this fraudulent issue which has been artificially maintained by the very forces (and some within their own household) who pretend and presume to be the protectors and defenders of the Jews.

They, themselves, are guilty of "the despicable Nazi trick."

Hamilton Fish, Jr., seems to be the UDA's pet hate, but even after using their best inferences, innuendoes and lying libels, they can't seem to make out much of a case. In fact, the Union started on "Ham" even before the publication of its magazine-sized booklet of blather and bombast. They wrote the Department of Justice (solely for newspaper publicity purposes) demanding a probe of Fish's "suspiciously close collaboration with Hitler's agents" because he had been "actively promoting the distribution of a Nazi propaganda book in this country."

It appears there was some slight basis on which to hang a letter—that is, if a little misrepresentation didn't matter, for way back in 1933 the Congressman did allow his name to be used endorsing an exposé of Communism in Germany which, incidentally, was being distributed by a Committee of Americans under the leadership of General John Ross Delafield, General Samuel MacRoberts and General Walter Cole.

"Do you want a Ham Fish Congress?" the Union for Democratic Action wants to know in its pamphlet, after it had tried with little success to picture Congressman Fish as a modern Benedict Arnold . . . telling its readers in so many words that *all* the others named were equally as "disloyal" and "unpatriotic." But black as they tried to paint "Ham" Fish, there was one Congressman who was even worse. "The most dangerous man of all," these slippery slanderers averred, "is Joseph Martin."



(Honest, able, sincere and courageous Joe Martin . . . a real American . . . remember when Democrats and Republicans alike voted him the most popular man in Congress?)

The Union chose their victims according to the way they voted on 20 arbitrarily selected issues. The surprising thing is that the UDA wants to purge only 91 Congressmen, because if this yardstick is applied to the voting record of the entire Congress (531 Senators and Representatives), there are but 30 odd men who deserve re-election.

If this was a Presidential election year and they applied their test of fitness to the President's record it would be just too bad for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

To be sure they have already been quite critical of the President's foreign policy, but only in respect to Vichy. They made so many unwarranted attacks on the State Department that Secretary Hull decided to find out what was behind it all and requested an official agency to investigate the UDA and furnish him with the information.

The report based on this inquiry reads:

*"The Union for Democratic Action, despite its name, is an aggregation of persons whose chief claim to public attention is their long record of affiliation with the front organizations of the Communist Party.*

*"Even more sinister than the past records of the union's members is the objective of the group. That objective may be summarized briefly as the utilization of America's war crisis for the purpose of effecting what the union believes to be a program of social gains. Translated into stark realism, the union's idea of social gains is in the entrenchment of the proponents of class struggle even more deeply into American life.*

*"The case against the Union for Democratic Action may be stated in brief by calling attention to the fact that its outstanding leaders have long records of affiliation with the numerous front organizations of the Communist Party.*

*"To cite only a few of these individuals, the following may be named: Reinhold Niebuhr, Freda Kirchwey, John L. Childs, Frank Kingdon, A. Philip Randolph, Herman F. Reissig, Margaret Forsyth, and Morris Schappner. These eight individuals, who are typical of the entire membership of the Union for Democratic Action, have had at least 192 affiliations with Communist front organizations. The affiliations with Communist fronts of all the members of the union would represent a grand total of several thousand.*

*"Glancing at the lists of Communist fronts in which the foregoing eight individuals have been active as leaders, we find the following: American League for Peace and Democracy, American*

*League against War and Fascism, American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, American Student Union, American Youth Congress, National Negro Congress, the New Masses, the Communist Party, and the League of American Writers."*

When, recently, after the *New Republic*-UDA anti-Congress supplement appeared, a storm of criticism broke against the Union for Democratic Action and some of this information was published in the press, Secretary Hull tried to find his secret report. Strangely enough it was not with the data in the UDA folder in the State Department files marked "Communist Activities" . . . it was nowhere to be found.

It makes little difference, however, whether Secretary of State Hull ever finds his secret memorandum again or not, because on June 24 the Dies Committee issued a special report on the movement "aimed at destroying our representative form of government" and exposed the Union for Democratic Action in a slightly more thorough fashion.

It pointed out, for example, that 27 leaders in the UDA were prominently identified with the American League Against War and Fascism, which, the Committee said, was "nothing more or less than a bold advocate of treason," and proved it by quoting from its program.

And this time, regardless of any slurs, the Dies Committee can't be wrong because this is the same organization which was branded as a Communist front, just a few weeks ago, by Attorney General Biddle in his deportation order against Harry Bridges.

The Dies report unmasked the Union's research director who goes by the name of "Lewis Corey" as Louis Fraina, one of the original organizers of the Communist Party in the United States and its first temporary chairman; the editor of the first Communist publication in this country; a member of the Executive Committee of the Comintern in Moscow; a Red agent stationed in Berlin; and once commissioned by Lenin to organize a Communist revolution in Mexico.

The Committee also disclosed that "Corey," or Fraina, wrote the original Communist program for the overthrow of the United States Government.

And fittingly enough Fraina did most of the writing and planning for the UDA in connection with its "vituperative and scurrilous" purge pamphlet being sent broadcast throughout the country. A private investigation disclosed that members of Fraina's UDA Research Coun-



cil, who helped him decide which of our American Congressmen were loyal enough to continue in office, are Solomon Fabricant, Eduard Heilmann, Simon Kuznets, Sterling Spero, Carl J. Friedrich, Selig Perlman, Abram Harris and Hans Simons.

"Fraina is not the only leader of the Union for Democratic Action who has tried to conceal his real identity under a new name," the Dies report declared. "Listed on the union's letterhead as a sponsor of the organization is one J. B. S. Hardman. Hardman's real name is Jacob Salutsky, born in Grodno, Russia. Like Fraina, Salutsky was once a nationally prominent leader of the Communist Party of the United States."

"In later years," the reference continued, "Salutsky, alias Hardman, was a leader of an organization known as the Conference for Progressive Labor Action. The program of this organization, in whose writing Salutsky had a major part, called for the destruction of the 'sham democracy' of the United States. The publicly avowed purpose . . . contained the following:

*"It aims to inspire the workers to take control of industry and government, abolish the capitalist system, and build a workers' republic."*

Along with its analysis of the backgrounds and associations of the union's principal leaders, the report contained an elaborate chart showing the connections of 50 officers, directors and sponsors of the union with 25 separate Communist agencies or fellow-traveler front movements. It was also stated flatly: "At least 11 of the 50 leaders of the Union for Democratic Action listed on the foregoing chart have public records of affiliation with the Communist Party."

"The only possible conclusion which can be drawn from the union's position," the report declared, "is that it belongs to that relatively small group of radicals who are trying to use the war emergency to advance their own revolutionary programs within the United States."

That this organization has a revolutionary program of its own becomes clearly evident when its cleverly camouflaged "Program for Americans" is carefully analyzed. According to this UDA manifesto, "democracy" is a "a liberating revolutionary force" while the Union's aim is the "extension of economic democracy." Truly, a unique way of describing revolutionary socialism.

"Liberals and democrats must recognize that *basic changes and new social arrangements* are necessary," the program declares. (The Com-

munists say the same thing with weightier wordage.) Then it begins to mouth familiar Red phrases about "the vices and injustices of capitalism," "the efforts of reactionary interests to lower living standards," and "the incompetence and greed of big business."

**"There are men in the legislative bodies," the document continues, who "do Hitler's work of 'softening' the country for fascism," the peril of which stems from "outworn capitalist economic relations."**

"Planning," the program says, is the solution to this latter problem, concerning which it explains:

*"Among the strategic controls for democratic planning are socialization of the great banks, a measure of government investment, and transformation of monopoly corporations into public service corporations with democratic administration by management AND labor unions."*

(Just as in Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia!)

In naming active collaborators in the plot, the Dies Committee listed five publications:

*"Henry Luce's Time magazine has been drawn sucker-fashion into this movement to alter our form of government by attacking its legislative branch," the report said.*

*"Our investigation has shown," the report continues, "that a steady barrage against Congress comes from Marshall Field's PM (sometimes described as the uptown edition of the Daily Worker); from the New Republic, one of whose editors, Malcolm Cowley, was recently forced out of an \$8,000 Government job by the exposure of his Communist activities; from the two Communist Party publications, the Daily Worker and the New Masses.*

*"Following the pattern of the New Republic and the Union for Democratic Action, the magazine New Masses, weekly organ of the Communist Party, features an article entitled: 'Wanted, a Victory Congress.' This article also ridicules the Congress of the United States and publishes the pictures of the Members of Congress in exactly the same fashion as that used by Henry Luce's Time magazine. The article in the New Masses was written by Bruce Minton, alias Richard Bransten, alias Richard Bandenstein."*

Reinhold Niebuhr, Chairman of the Union for Democratic Action, the Dies report said, "has been a prolific exponent of Marxist philosophy." And to prove it, copious quotes from his writings were set forth. It was noted, too, that he was Secretary of an organization which calls itself the United Christian Council for Democracy—(commonly



referred to by the initiated as the "Red Christian Front") whose platform states: "We reject the profit-seeking economy and the capitalistic way of life with its private ownership of the things upon which the lives of all depend."

The Committee declares that: "In the light of his voluminous writings and his political affiliations, it becomes farcical for Niebuhr to assert or imply that he merely desires 'a Congress to win the war.' What Niebuhr and his associates want is a Congress that will not interfere with their schemes for social revolution."

While the Dies report did not pursue the matter further, it seems pertinent to point out that Dr. Niebuhr, in 1935, stage-managed the amalgamation of the Communist National Student League and the Socialist Student League for Industrial Democracy into a new organization called the American Student Union. With Dr. Niebuhr's help this movement organized nation-wide student strikes against war . . . and against the R. O. T. C. Money to finance these strikes came from the Emergency Peace Campaign, in which Niebuhr was also a leader.

Likewise this rabid Win-the-War-rior was a leading member of the War Resisters League, American affiliate of the revolutionary Communist-Socialist War Resisters Internationale. Its pledge for enrollment, which Rev. Mr. Niebuhr obviously signed, says:

*"I declare it to be my intention never to take part in war, offensive or defensive, international or civil, whether it be by bearing arms, making or handling munitions, voluntary subscribing to war loans, or using my labor for the purpose of setting others free for war service."*

*(You know, Doctor, that sounds mighty like treason.)*

The President and active leader of the UDA is Dr. Frank Kingdon, who while a leading "interventionist" was at the same time a member of the Executive Board of the American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom, whose policy the report says "has fluctuated in complete conformity with the line of the Communist Party."

Strange as it may seem, this other organization of Dr. Kingdon's was opposed to all war efforts until Soviet Russia became a participant, and its head, Dr. Franz Boas, was a leader in the movement which picketed the White House to the very day that Hitler marched into Russia.

When anyone implies that Dr. Kingdon's activities and connections are a little bit off color . . . that they reek of alien philosophies and

interests . . . he flies into a boiling rage. On the least provocation he will declare in high indignation that he is a better American than any native because, being alien-born he didn't *have* to be an American, but became one by his own choice . . . just like Fritz Kuhn.

But, does Dr. Kingdon act like the American he says he is?

What is his reaction to the Dies Committee report? What does the active head of the UDA say to all the criticism that has been leveled against his organization and its un-American "purge" campaign?

Ten days after the Dies report was released, Senator Taft debated with Dr. Kingdon over a radio network about the propriety or impropriety of the "purge" and among other things asked him about the Communists and fellow-travelers who predominated in his organization.

Dr. Kingdon was amazed that such a question should be asked. It wasn't fair, he implied. It was all untrue, he was sure, but he couldn't answer specifically because the Dies Committee hadn't sent him a copy of the report, he said. So, not having read the report (or the newspapers?) he had no idea what charges had been made. He suggested that Senator Taft should have a Senate Committee investigate the "un-American" activities of the Dies Committee. He was positive in any event that there were no Communists on his Committee.

Maybe *not*, but since Dr. Kingdon doesn't think so and evidently isn't going to believe the Dies Committee anyway, it might interest him to have the following brief bits of information about a few of his close associates and sponsors in the UDA:

Gardner Jackson, who is a special assistant to the Under Secretary of Agriculture, has the principal say-so in spending more than a Million Dollars (through the Marshall Fund) to help bring Communism to America.

Walter Reuther, who led the bloody sit-down strikes in Michigan, received his education in the finer points of revolutionary strategy in Moscow and with his brother Victor coined the stirring phrase: "*Carry on the fight for a Soviet America.*"

John Brophy, who journeyed to Moscow in the twenties, was accused by John L. Lewis of bringing funds from Soviet Russia to stir up labor troubles in the coal fields and later ran against Lewis for the presidency of the United Mine Workers with Communist backing.



Ludwig Lore, who has been doing propaganda work for the Government, was for many years a leading Socialist, then helped to build the Communist Party and was found guilty, in Illinois, of conspiracy to overthrow the United States Government. In recent years he was a columnist for the *New York Post* and a lecturer on the Socialist radio station WEVD.

Frank P. Graham, who is now on the War Labor Board, was a member of the Advisory Council of the Moscow State University Summer School, was affiliated with ten Communist "fronts" and was the first president of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, identified by Earl Browder as a Communist "transmission belt."

So much for that!

Dr. Kingdon and other apologists for the UDA try to make the point that their activity is quite proper because it is directed against individual members of Congress, who are "lacking in vision," . . . etc.

Actually their purpose is to undermine public confidence in Congress as an institution of representative government. This is borne out by the broad attacks they have made *against Congress*, without qualification or justification.

They have accused Congress of being responsible for "Pearl Harbor on top of Pearl Harbor" while their Washington lobbyist, Thomas R. Amlie, once barred from a place on the ICC because the Senate, confronted with his Communist record, refused to confirm, now has his inning to declare:

***"This is the worst Congress in the memory of the present generation."***

The Dies Committee recognizes the issue for what it is. Its report declares that it is a question "whether the Congress of the United States shall be the reality or the relic of American democracy."

And regarding the "purge" it concludes:

***"If this movement ever reaches its fulfillment, we shall find ourselves bearing a striking resemblance to the hateful thing against which we are now mobilizing our total resources."***

## IV

### "Semi-Official" Purge Party

General headquarters of the smear campaign forces are not found in Washington—they are in New York. One division is at 50 East 13th St., New York City—location of the editorial rooms and presses of the Communist *Daily Worker* and National offices of the Communist Party.

Here in the sinister squalor of the Little Kremlin and with the likenesses of Marx, Lenin and Stalin looking down from the walls in approval and encouragement, its High Command formulates the major strategy and outlines the tactics to be used.

From this musty G.H.Q., "operations orders" are relayed to Field Adjutant Adam Lapin, Washington "correspondent," who, in turn, releases them to the "lieutenants of the line" through the official bulletin of his *Daily Worker* column.

On April 19, 1942, Lapin wrote:

***"A sharp attack on the appeasers is critically important in terms of the primary elections for Congress . . . What is being done about defeatist members of Congress like Reps. Stephen Day, Clare Hoffman and Ham Fish and Senators Burton K. Wheeler and Gerald P. Nye . . . The administration has not yet organized on a large enough scale a real propaganda drive against the appeasers and their doctrines."***

Immediately following this official dictum from smear campaign G.H.Q., the Writers' War Board, "party-line" affiliate of the Office of Civilian Defense, went into action.

Operating "unofficially" under the jurisdiction of the Arts Council of OCD, headed by Communist Fellow Traveler movie-actor Melvyn Douglas, the Writers' War Board importuned—with use of the government free mailing frank of the "Executive Office of the President"—all writers in the metropolitan New York area to attend a "war effort" mass-meeting at the Fulton Theatre May 18.

Ostensibly called to acquaint professional writers with the purpose and function of the Board and to solicit aid in the pen-is-mightier-



than-the-sword rally, the mass-meeting quickly got down to its real purpose—the smear campaign demanded by the *Daily Worker*.

“We are as much interested in winning the war at home as we are in winning the war abroad—we will be very busy between now and November—we cannot remain indifferent to the re-election of such men as Congressman Barry, Senator Brooks, Representative Ham Fish and other isolationists,” the audience of 300 was told by national WWB chairman Rex Stout, goat-bearded writer of lurid whodonits and former part-owner, executive, and contributing editor of the Communist weekly, the *New Masses*.

Stout's record as a Communist fellow-traveler is a prize exhibit of the Dies Committee.

He was a member of the notorious Communist “front,” the American League for Peace and Democracy and today is playing a leading role in such organizations as the Friends of Democracy, Council for Democracy, Freedom House, and almost every other movement in the Smear-and-Purge circuit.

Melvyn Douglas,\* too, has been affiliated with countless Communist and Red front organizations. His Red record is something to conjure with. He is on the Board of the Union for Democratic Action and, like other UDA leaders, changed his name.

The Writers' War Board, originally known as the Writers' War Committee, was formed last December assertedly to carry out a request by the treasury department for assistance in selling war bonds. It maintains New York headquarters in the high-rental skyscraper Chanin Building, with offices, a paid secretary, two stenographers and a file clerk furnished by OCD. It distributed its request for the Fulton Theatre mass-meeting under the postage-free frank of the executive office of the President, Office for Emergency Management. It also used the frank of the OFF and WPB.

Yet Stout repeatedly impressed upon the assembled writers that the Board was only “semi-official.”

Previously, postage-free letters had been sent out asking for contributions to finance future activity, while gifts of \$20 each were solicited to meet a current deficit.

After briefly and indifferently requesting that members of the audience furnish the Board with “morale building” material, Stout made a vehement plea for 15-minute political speeches to be used in the campaign against the 26 Representatives and three Senators marked

\* “I thought Melvyn Douglas had gone into the OCD for the duration. Now, by golly, he's coming back to co-star in ‘Miss Grant Takes Richmond’ with Rita Hayworth. Yet none of our stars in uniform has been allowed to come back and make feature pictures.” —Hedda Hopper, in the *New York Daily News*, July 6.

for “liquidation,” particularly stressing the names of Sen. Waylan Brooks (R. Ill.), Rep. Stephen Day (R. Ill.), Rep. William B. Barry (D., N.Y.), and, of course, Rep. Ham Fish.

“You write the speeches,” Stout urged the assembled writers, “send them to us and we'll place them where they will do the most good.”

In addition to the 15-minute “purge” speeches, Stout also suggested that a letter-to-the-editor pressure campaign be put into action against the *New York World-Telegram's* courageous foe of un-American elements, Westbrook Pegler, and against such traditionally 100 per cent American newspapers as the *New York Daily News*, the *Washington Times-Herald*, the *Chicago Tribune*, and the Hearst publications, “and other mouthpieces of Hitler.”

Pegler was “doing an outstanding job for the Nazis,” Mr. Stout agreed, but, he said, while he had a great deal of faith in the power of words he felt they would be useless in Pegler's case. The only way to “get” Pegler was with a “meat axe,” he declared. He suggested, nevertheless, that an avalanche of letters be sent directly to Mr. Roy Howard, Pegler's boss, “it might have an effect,” he said.

Preceding the exhortations for the 15-minute purge speeches and following the perfunctory opening of the mass-meeting, a report of the “accomplishments” of the Writers' War Board was read by Clifton Fadiman, marcelled mentor of the radio quizz program “Information Please,” leftist-boosting book reviewer for the *New Yorker*, and author-compiler of the *New Masses* symposium, “How I Came to Communism.”

At the conclusion of the meeting, in response to a suggestion from the secretary of the Communist League of American Writers whose members had been invited along with members of the Newspaper Guild, Mr. Stout declared that the Writers War Board would write a letter expressing “solidarity” with the writers of the Soviet Union and offering “co-operation.”

Recently this “semi-official” Government agency joined with the Red-tinged newspaper *PM* in conducting an essay contest among high school students.

The Communists' interest in sabotaging the contemporary political set-up and in suppressing outspoken writers and newspapers is indicated in a statement made by Earl Browder back in 1939 when he said: “The United States is most ripe, the most prepared for a quick transition to



socialism." In outlining the new order he had in mind, he declared, among other things:

1. Opposition political parties would be "put out of business" and meet "the same fate" as the thirteen non-Communist parties that survived the revolution in Russia.
2. The press is a "great industry" and, therefore, it is impossible to think of it continuing as it is.

In 1939 Mr. Browder refused to commit himself directly as to whether punitive measures such as starvation and the constant "liquidation" of officials and leaders would be necessary to the establishment of a Soviet America.

Today insofar as the "liquidation" of officials and leaders is concerned we know the answer.

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#### EXHIBIT "A"

On the afternoon of July 23, Louis Budenz, Editor of the Communist *Daily Worker*, former publicity director for the American Civil Liberties Union and now one of the top three of the Communist hierarchy in America, sent Adam Lapin, his Washington lieutenant, this telegram:

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BIGGEST STORY OF DAY IS INDICTMENT OF 28 SEDITIONISTS.  
SUGGEST YOU DROP EVERYTHING TO GET UP BIG STORY. CLEARLY  
SHOWING THE NATURE OF INDICTMENT AND HOW THEY ARE LINKED  
TOGETHER AND ALSO THE FACT THAT THE LEADING RED BAITERS IN  
THE COUNTRY ARE INVOLVED. BRING IN DIES' NAME WITH THESE  
PEOPLE. WE HAVE THE ENTIRE LIST OF NAMES SO YOU NEED NOT  
REPEAT THEM BUT GIVE US THE COLOR AND POLITICAL BACKGROUND.  
PLEASE CONFIRM BY WIRE IMMEDIATELY IF YOU WILL DO  
THIS STORY= LOUIS BUDENZ.

Lapin wrote three stories, brought in Dies' name as directed and did his best to involve other members of Congress on the Communists' smearlist.

#### V

#### "We Want Willkie!"

The Government has distributed millions of copies of a booklet of warning telling the public how to recognize enemy Fifth Column activity. It explains how Hitler threatens to conquer America and quotes him as saying:

*"Mental confusion, indecisiveness, panic—these are our weapons."*

Well, if that booklet and Hitler knew what they were talking about Mr. J. Edgar Hoover should send a regiment of G-men to New York right away because there's plenty of mental confusion, indecisiveness, and panic everywhere here . . . in the streets . . . in offices . . . in penthouses . . . and especially in the political clubs. The coming gubernatorial campaign has this state in an uproar.

While on the surface it may look like an ordinary political brawl which has gotten a little bit out of hand, careful inspection will disclose a sinister situation underneath. Even though it is much too early to talk about planks, pink and Red termites are already crawling in the woodwork.

Right after Governor Lehman announced he would not seek re-election anybody who would bet on a sure thing would have laid \$100 to a dime that Democratic Attorney General John Bennett and Republican Gang-buster Tom Dewey would fight it out in the November election.

Then rumblings were heard in suspicious quarters and without being asked the American Labor Party announced that both candidates were unsatisfactory. In normal times gone by, when Americans took their politics straight and seriously, nobody would have paid much attention to this band of Reds, but times have changed.

Now, there was consternation in both camps. The ALP demanded a "liberal" candidate on each ticket, and when planted echoes sounded a similar demand the fat was in the fire for fair.

The American Labor Party was organized by the Communists and the Communist controlled CIO in 1936 after Earl Browder declared that such an organization would "represent a specific American application of the strategy of the People's Front, formulated on a world-wide scale at the Seventh World Congress (of the Communist Internationale)."



Charles Krumbein, one of the first of the Communist leaders to be jailed for passport fraud, and later State Secretary of the Communist Party, explained "exactly what organizational form the People's Front formation will take cannot be predicated in advance; but one thing is certain: the American Labor Party is the chief agency for such a development, and the backbone of the People's Front."

Today the Party has a right wing which the Left Wing declares is composed of "Trotskyites," while the Right Wing says the Left Wing is a bunch of "Stalinists." But in this fight they are agreed—they are working together.

The Left Wing, admittedly the Communist faction, is headed by Congressman Vito Marcantonio, national head of the legal arm of the Communist organization. The Right Wing, made up of self-styled "liberals," has three principal leaders: David Dubinsky, Luigi Antonini and Alex Rose.

Dubinsky, in his youth, served 18 months in a Russian prison for revolutionary activity and now heads the International Ladies Garment Workers Union which a New York Legislative Committee said "is closely affiliated with the Socialist Party of America," and further that it "seeks to bring about the overthrow of the present system of society."

A slick worker, Dubinsky borrowed \$125,000 from the Red Garland Fund and \$50,000 from Governor Lehman for his union, and raised \$100,000 to help the Red Front in Spain.

Alex Rose, born Olesh Royz in Warsaw, was an instructor at the Communist Workers School. Later he became Vice-President of a CIO union and a member of the executive board of the Trade Union Institute of the Red Rand School.

Luigi Antonini, born in Italy, was the principal factor in financing the newspaper *Stampa Libera*, official organ of the Italian Bureau of the Communist Party, sponsored the Rand School Institute and supported the American Youth Congress, exposed so many times as a Communist front.

These were the so-called "anti-Communist" "liberal" leaders of the American Labor Party.

Their strategy was perfect, for they started a fire under both major parties at the same time. Dubinsky announced that he was in favor of drafting Wendell Willkie as the Republican candidate and promised his support. Antonini and Rose rushed off to the White House, where they spent more than an hour urging the President to insist on a "liberal" being nominated by the Democrats. The President's announce-

ment that he, too, favored a "liberal" candidate followed.

A few other maneuvers reveal the American Labor Party's purpose and method. While joining whole-heartedly in the drive to "purge" Congress, and denouncing the Republicans at every turn, the Labor Party has made Representative Joseph Clark Baldwin, Republican, its candidate in the primary. Mr. Baldwin was one of the few members of Congress who *voted against the Dies Committee*.

In the State Legislative contests it has likewise exposed its hand when instead of nominating its own candidates in two instances it decided to endorse both a Democrat and a Republican as a sure-fire means of defeating the incumbents whose re-election it opposed.

The unlucky legislators are Senator Frederic R. Coudert, Jr., and Senator John L. Buckley, both members of the Rapp-Coudert Committee which uncovered Communist intrigue in the public schools. While Senator Coudert's opponent, Jerry Finkelstein, was charged by a Civil Service Employees Union with being identified with a Red Luncheon Club, which met to aid Communists in getting city jobs, Finkelstein explained that, being in the newspaper business, he "meets all kinds of people."

In the meantime the *New York Post*, *PM* and the Communist *Daily Worker* tried to outdo each other in promoting the idea that both Dewey and Bennett were "unacceptable." Read *PM* a minute:

After admitting that "both are honest, decent men who have served the people of New York State well in the offices they have held" (which ordinarily would have amounted to an endorsement), this so-called newspaper asked editorially:

**"Who wants to choose between Tom Dewey and John Bennett?  
We don't. It would be like choosing between the Ike and Mike who  
look alike."**

How are they alike?

One is a Democrat, the other a Republican. One is Catholic, the other Protestant. Both were for all-out prosecution of the war . . . but this obviously wasn't the rub. What riled *PM* and all the rest was that both were Americans—both were outspoken against Communism.

The *Daily Worker* said as much openly when it accused Bennett of being a "friend of Fascist Franco" because he had presided at an anti-Communist mass meeting staged under the auspices of the International Catholic Truth Society during the Red civil war in Spain.

The Socialist paper, the *New Leader*, was a little more brazen. They almost made it a straight religious issue insofar as Bennett was concerned. The Catholic Church is anti-Communist . . . they must



have reasoned, therefore it is pro-fascist and its priests are pro-fascist. Bennett, an ardent Irish Catholic, is known to have many Catholic priests among his friends. So says the *New Leader*: "Whatever Bennett's personal record may be, he is the creature of a clerico-political octopus whose loyalties are not with America." This after they explained that "Nazi sympathizers" were "hiding behind the skirts of native reaction and Irish-Italian clerico-fascism."

In a previous issue it was declared that a section of the Catholic Church "wants to go all-out for Hitler and fascism."

Everything in the campaign to sabotage the two-party election machinery in New York went like clockwork. The CIO (which John L. Lewis says is run by Communists—and he ought to know) at its State convention went on record against both Dewey and Bennett, while a full page ad in the *New York Times* called on the Republicans to repudiate Dewey and nominate Wendell Willkie.

This was followed by the announcement that Vote for Freedom, Inc., was starting a boom for Willkie. Letters signed by Richard S. Scandrett, Jr., were sent to members of the organization sounding them out on the proposal. In the letter Scandrett expressed opposition not only to Dewey, but to Bennett, as well.

"Either choice means defeat for everything we are organized to achieve," the letter said. Vote for Freedom, Inc., is an offshoot of Freedom House, which in turn is an offshoot of Fight For Freedom, Inc., organized originally at Mrs. Roosevelt's suggestion. Vote for Freedom's principal job will be to defeat "isolationist Congressmen," and since its boom for Willkie fell flat, after a number of resignations from its membership rolls, it is now busily engaged in doing its part in the "purge" effort.

Richard Scandrett, Jr., is a Wall Street lawyer who did many legal chores for the Soviet Government before it became necessary, in such circumstances, to register with the Department of Justice as a foreign agent. He is a bosom pal of David Dubinsky and for years has been a leader in Survey Associates, a high-brow Pink movement of which Leon Henderson and Madame Perkins are members; serving on its Board of Directors with Scandrett is Justice Felix Frankfurter.

In a final effort to revive a Willkie boom which was fast developing rigor mortis, Herbert Agar, a Democrat from Kentucky and president of Freedom House ("contributions are deductible from Income Tax"), speaking at a radical labor camp in Pennsylvania urged hundreds of labor leaders, "liberals" and pre-Pearl Harbor interventionists to join with David Dubinsky in "drafting" Willkie.

Many leaders of the American Labor Party were in attendance at this "Camp Tamiment Conference" which was sponsored jointly by a group of revolutionaries, laborites and habitues of Freedom House, of which Mrs. Roosevelt is Honorary Chairman. It was at Camp Tamiment that the formation of the American Labor Party was announced in 1936.

Somehow Mr. Agar's effort didn't produce the desired result and so a few days later the organization of a "Citizens Draft-Willkie-For-Governor" Committee, composed exclusively of Democrats, was announced by Stanley Reinhart. The real "brain" behind this latest political sideshow was Rex Stout of the OCD's Writers' War Board, whose books, incidently, are published by Mr. Reinhart. Reinhart's firm has been of great help to the Communists in the past. Farrar & Reinhart contributed thousands of books to be sold at Communist money-raising affairs which helped finance the Communist "cause."

This Committee got off to a false start and while it has been holding numerous "conferences" nothing of any consequence has yet developed, and it is quite possible that nothing will, because either realizing that he was being used for a purpose destructive of orderly government, or that there was insufficient enthusiasm to insure victory over Dewey, Mr. Willkie announced, to the relief of many Republicans, that: "I doubt if I shall ever aspire to public office again."

Left-Wing insistence on the Willkie candidacy came about, no doubt, not so much because he sees eye to eye with the President on foreign policy and the war effort, but rather because Willkie had denounced the Dies Committee, is the principal attorney for David Dubinsky's International Ladies Garment Workers Union, and has contributed his services as counsel to appeal the case of Communist Leader William Schneiderman, whose citizenship was revoked on the ground that it had been obtained "illegally."

That was enough to have the comrades shout: "We want Willkie!"

While the Republicans were being kept in a constant stew, things were also happening on the Democratic front. Harry Hopkins, who used to be registered in New York as a Socialist, moved into the St. Regis Hotel and along with his chief henchman David K. Niles, began to plan a blitzkrieg against Jim Farley and John Bennett. There were conferences also in the nearby Stork Club where they had the benefit of Lieutenant Commander Walter Winchell's sage advice.

Niles, a protege of the late Edward A. Filene, Boston merchant, admirer of Soviet Russia and founder of the Twentieth Century Fund which financed preliminary work on the NRA, did confidential work



for Hopkins in the WPA and in the last election organized all the Reds and radicals hereabouts into an organization called the National Committee of Independent Voters for Roosevelt and Wallace, which was headed by Fiorello LaGuardia.

While currently promoting a campaign for what are called, for political purposes, "Win-the-War" candidates, Niles used to be the main squeeze on the New England Committee of the United States Congress Against War, which later became the American League Against War and Fascism and which finally, when exposed by the Dies Committee as a Communist front, was called the American League for Peace and Democracy. Niles is also a member of the National Committee of the International Juridical Association, a high powered worldwide legal defense organization of the Communist movement.

Soon Niles began to appear in upstate counties "with a message from the White House—from Harry Hopkins." Along with several other "confidential representatives" he began calling on County leaders, a few mayors, and lesser lights in the political firmament trying to wrest away their support of Bennett and to create an artificial demand for Senator Mead as the candidate. He also tried to get signatures to a letter, written by A. A. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State, calling on Mead to become a candidate.

Reluctantly Senator Mead threw his hat in the ring. Immediately he received the endorsement of the American Labor Party and its sworn enemy, Tammany Hall. Then the Communists followed through with their blessing, and Rex Stout, Rev. Birkhead, Algernon Lee, head of the Red Rand School and Bruce Bliven, a registered foreign agent and an editor of the *New Republic*, joined a "liberal and labor" committee to back Mead. His job about finished, Niles returned to Washington, not to his WPB job, but to become President Roosevelt's newest administrative assistant.

As things look now the Leftists are telling the Democratic Party what's what and the results may be disastrous.

The July 14 issue of the Red weekly, *New Masses*, quotes the Communist candidate for Governor, Israel Amter, as saying:

*"What is needed in our state is a coalition of the win-the-war forces—the powerful Labor groups, the New Deal Democrats, and Win-the-War Republicans, who place nation above party, yes, a grand coalition of the people, from the conservative to the Communist."*

The *New Masses* refers to its parent movement of Red revolution as "a patriotic organization, the Communist Party."

(So, folks, this "purge" campaign is a patriotic crusade.)

## VI

### Propaganda—Press Plague

**Was your boy killed at Pearl Harbor, Bataan or Corregidor?  
Well, your "isolationist" Congressman is to blame!**

**Do you have to pay higher prices for what you buy?  
Again your "isolationist" Congressman is the cause of it all.**

That, Mr. and Mrs. America, is the disgusting and insulting "party-line" argument being used by the Smear-and-Purge press in its indefensible campaign to spread suspicion and breed hate against Congressmen to be "purged."

In campaigning against an Ohio Representative, New York's so-called newspaper *PM* began its account in this fashion:

*"When you go shopping in New York, you find prices higher because long-winded Frederick C. Smith helped delay price-control legislation last Fall. And when your brothers and sons go into battle, they go handicapped by the delays in our Nation's rearmament that Frederick C. Smith helped to cause."*

Can a more vicious libel than this be conceived?

*PM*, with its running campaign against "Bad Congressmen," is one of the ringleaders in this struggle to destroy representative government. Its bitter, violent and carping criticism of what it chooses to call "pro-Fascist Congressmen" is the natural result of circumstances surrounding its inception.

There would be no *PM* today had it not been for the "professional" advice of a brilliant, fidgety, Svengali-like Russian, Gregory Zilboorg, former Commissar in the Revolutionary cabinets of Lvov and Kerensky, who later set himself up in America as an expert mechanic in mental repair . . . a psychoanalyst.

A few years ago two bewildered and mentally harassed young men found their way to his door. One was Multi-Millionaire Marshall Field, 3rd, who found life drab and uninteresting. The other was Ralph Ingersoll, an embryo editor with an exhibitionist complex. Dr. Zilboorg diagnosed both men as morbid and melancholy. He effected a dual "cure" through joining their "split personalities" into one har-



monious whole: Field's money and Ingersoll's hypothetical ability. A fantastic fee was collected from the winnings of the fleetest nag in a racing stable owned by Field.

Soon, with Marshall Field's prestige and money, Editor Ingersoll was able to announce an impending event of national moment—a new newspaper. Then the mountain labored and brought forth a mouse . . . *PM*.

With 90 per cent of its staff recruited from Communist publications from coast to coast, this uptown edition of the *Daily Worker* became a journalist's nightmare. Its losses have run into millions. But its proletarian Park Avenue owner has the satisfaction of knowing that it's the best Communist paper this side of Moscow. *PM*—Pro Marx, for short.

This under-sized smear sheet has taken on quite a job for itself. Its major "causes" include:

- ☐ *Keeping Editor Ingersoll out of the draft.*
- ☐ *Cleaning out Congress.*
- ☐ *Killing off the Dies Committee.*
- ☐ *Forcing the FBI to "lay-off" Communists.*
- ☐ *Making the Attorney General rescind the Bridges deportation order.*
- ☐ *Seeing to it that the Red Cross stops discriminating and puts White, Jap and Negro blood into the same blood bank without labeling.*
- ☐ *Calling publishers like Arthur Hays Sulzberger, a distinguished Jew, anti-Semitic because he prints what *PM* says are "hate" advertisements.*
- ☐ *Keeping Editor Ingersoll out of the draft.\**

The Communist *Daily Worker* significantly agrees that Editor Ingersoll should be saved from the draft. Editorially it says, in part:

*"The draft board did not use its best judgment . . . Ingersoll can best serve his country as editor of *PM* . . . the Selective Service administration ought to reconsider the case."*

Marshall Field and *PM* have been decried frequently in Congress. Representative Rankin is introducing a bill that would make it possible to tax Field's \$200,000,000 fortune . . . a tax now being avoided by legal subterfuge . . . a tax sufficient to pay the salary of a member of Congress for 4,000 years. So far the only Congressman who has come to Field's defense is Adolph Sabath, a consistent defender of the Communists and of Soviet Russia.

\* Ingersoll's petition for reclassification by his Draft Board on the claim of "indispensability" was recently denied. Following the denial he enlisted in the army.

Another sniper at Congress is *THE HOUR*. A Communist "party-line" weekly, it is dangerous . . . not so much for the volume of its propaganda . . . as because its material, touted as "confidential," receives a widespread circulation. It claims a newspaper and radio audience of 30,000,000. It boasts Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell, U.S.N., among those who disseminate its data.

*THE HOUR* was set up originally by an organization called the American Council Against Nazi Propaganda, Inc. On its boards and committees were such well-known Communists and fellow-travelers as Franz Boas, Lewis Mumford, Frank P. Graham, Gardner Jackson, Archibald MacLeish, and Dr. Frank Kingdon. Frederick L. Schuman, one-time instructor at the Communist Workers School, is on its present editorial board.

*THE HOUR* is edited by Albert E. Kahn, a former writer for the Communist magazine *Friday*.

Editor Kahn says:

*"With the Government cracking down on seditious sheets, it looks as if Axis propagandists are going to be left with no publication for their use—except the Congressional Record."*

When being questioned about a phony story he published, Kahn told police that his organization was part of a private spy network and propaganda system operating throughout the country.

Mr. Kahn is now writing a book which charges that certain Congressmen are part of a Nazi plot to sabotage American morale. The book, entitled "SABOTAGE," will be published by Harper. It will be released, of course, just before the November elections.

And speaking of "sabotage," on July 12th Lieutenant Commander Walter Winchell, U.S.N., after saluting the FBI for capturing the eight saboteurs landed from U-boats, asked his radio audience:

*"How about the voters going after those other saboteurs who landed in Congress?"*

A few days later he concluded his gossip column with this cowardly slur implying treason:

*"Another reason some congressmen are demanding the eight saboteurs be shot is that they might talk too much."*

Since the United States entered the war, Lt. Comdr. Winchell has written and broadcast a continuing barrage of jibes and blasts at Congress, and has referred to the elected representatives of the people as "dopes," "hams," "soreheads," and "saps."

Is this the kind of treatment the Legislative branch of the Government should expect from a commissioned officer?

In the August 15 issue of *Liberty* he writes a scurrilous piece about "Americans We Can Do Without in Congress—yes, within the so-called sacred portals of the Congress of the United States."



"An officer," according to the Articles of War, is prohibited from employing "contemptuous or disrespectful words against . . . Congress of the United States," and if found guilty of such conduct "shall be punished as a court-martial shall direct."

As Lt. Comdr. Winchell would say . . . "Why isn't something done about it?"

The NEW LEADER, organ of the Social Democratic Federation, is one of the really important leftist newspapers giving support to the Congressional "purge" campaign. The Federation is an offshoot of the Socialist Party, having split from it in 1937. Its members call themselves "democratic socialists."

The *New Leader* has been working hand-in-hand with the Union for Democratic Action, but actually it began its own campaign against Congress fully six weeks before the *New Republic*-UDA drive got underway.

Its issue of May 9th says: "Certain highly placed Washington legislators are less interested in winning the war than they are in assuring themselves of a place in a defeated U. S. Government should that tragedy occur. Whether this Lavalism springs from sexual perversion, from sheer hillbilly ignorance, from direction and subsidization of important Catholic clerics . . . remains a mystery in most cases."

"One of these," the smear continues, "is the slickly dressed hillbilly, Senator Robert Reynolds . . . Senator David I. Walsh, friend of the Christian Front in Boston . . . identified as a frequent associate of key German espionage agents . . . Senator Nye . . . Congressman Stephen A. Day and Senator Brooks . . . Day has been a typical pro-fascist . . . If they are re-elected they will be gadflies on the Administration's war record . . . all have access to important military and naval information . . . the White House has taken the offensive against them."

Aside from its anti-Congress crusade the *New Leader* is constantly harping on its three other principal phobias: Big Business, the Catholic Church and the McCormick-Patterson (newspaper) Axis.

THE JEWISH SURVEY, a well-printed slick paper magazine, is another recruit in the all-out fight on Congress. In a department titled "Throttle American Quislings" it follows the *New Republic*-UDA pattern by carrying thumbnail indictments of the Congressmen and Senators it hates most, each with a little slug, "We accuse." In the July issue it pays its respects to Hamilton Fish (of course), Senator Reynolds, Congressman Clare Hoffmann and Congressman Martin Dies, who is "guilty of subversive activities" "following the Hitler tactic" and "doing his bit to pave the way for fascism here."

Its major editorial, "Elect Win-War Candidates," slurs Congress with the following observation:

**"In the United States Congress, a bloc of approximately twenty-five pro-Axis Congressmen have been carrying out their treacherous activities . . . It is by this bloc of gentlemen that the anti-Semitic investigation of the movies was inspired . . . Many things have to be done yet to demobilize the anti-Semites, fascists and fifth columnists. One of the central things that can be done, in the fight against anti-Semitism, is to organize now to drive all defeatists out of the United States Congress."**

(What involved reasoning. What vicious maligning!)

Judge Samuel Leibowitz, of Senate Smear fame, writes a feature article in this same issue, and Congressmen Samuel Dickstein and Emanuel Celler "GREET U. S.-ANGLO-RUSSIAN UNITY."

The principal article is the printed address, "Unite on Every Point," delivered by Hon. Morris Mintz before a conference of the Jewish Peoples Committee, an organization of 400,000 originally headed by Ben Gold, a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. Mr. Gold was subsequently succeeded by alien Welwel Warszower who, under the alias "Robert William Weiner," was treasurer of the Communist Party. He resigned both jobs a short time ago when convicted of passport fraud. Rabbi Moses Miller is current president of the organization. Top editor of *The Jewish Survey* is Rockwell Kent, notorious Communist, who recently petitioned President Roosevelt to cancel the deportation order against West-Coast C.I.O. leader Harry Bridges.

THE JEWISH SURVEY, semi-official organ of the Communist front Jewish Peoples Committee, mentioned other Congressmen in the June editorial "Elections for Victory," and declared vehemently it must be presumed that those who were against war before Pearl Harbor will act against the war effort now and should be considered as traitors "regardless of the speeches they make in favor of it."

The Communist DAILY WORKER carries daily stories and a weekly page devoted exclusively to the "purge" campaign. Congressmen are never just Congressmen—they are "Congressional wreckers" or "Congressional profiteers" or "poll tax reactionaries" or one of a hundred other vicious and insulting characterizations. A recent feature article began in this vein:

**"The saboteurs who landed on our shores from a Nazi U-boat to blow up our factories have their counterpart in the greedy, vicious, die-hard Congressional gang. . . ."**



The weekly page feature is intended mainly for the use of all the various groups associated in the smear and purge drive. An editorial printed on July 12 the day the series started, concluded:

*"We hope that it (the weekly round-up) will serve the purpose of organizing and uniting all win-the-war groups, regardless of previous party affiliations, for unity to defeat the appeasers in November.*

*"Give Roosevelt a win-the-war Congress.*

*"Elect a Second Front Congress!"*

That last line just had to include some "party-line" propaganda.

Even the Young Communists have enlisted for the campaign. In their WEEKLY REVIEW they carry a page devoted to the "purge" under the title: "In the Elections—CLEAN OUT THE DEFEATISTS."

THE NATION began its series of character studies of Congressmen marked to get the axe just two days before the *New Republic-UDA* supplement appeared. The running title is "Keep Them Out!" The putrid pieces are being written by Victor Riesel, once columnist for the *New Leader* and now labor editor for the *New York Post*. Riesel's articles were given free advertising over the Blue network by broadcaster Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell, U.S.N.

The weekly JEWISH REVIEW stoops to a new low by carrying its tirades against Congressmen under the general heading:

### UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

In the June 25th issue Rev. Leon Birkhead concluded his feature "This is War" with the following:

*"Our chief danger, therefore, is that the next Congress may get into the hands of those who will impede our war effort, sabotage the peace and try to create a fascist state.*

*"Washington cannot protect us from this danger. The responsibility rests with the people of the United States."*

IN FACT, a little Communist party-line weekly, in its August 1 issue laments the fact that its enemy Congressmen were not indicted by the Federal Grand Jury which recently named 28 alleged seditionists. Editor George Seldes was particularly incensed that Martin Dies had not been included. Previously it printed the slander that Dies "might just as well be on the Hitler payroll," and after listing the

Congressmen it hates most it blanketed the rest as "native Fascists, Hitlerites, anti-Semites, labor-baiters and enemies of America."

On June 13, it named the "Leaders of Native American Fascism" as issued by the Soviet press bureau in Moscow. They are: " 'War Industry Magnate' DuPont . . . Wm. S. Knudsen . . . Col. Lindbergh . . . Former President Herbert Hoover . . . Jos. P. Kennedy . . . Henry Ford . . . Bruce Barton . . . Senator Arthur H. Vandenburg."

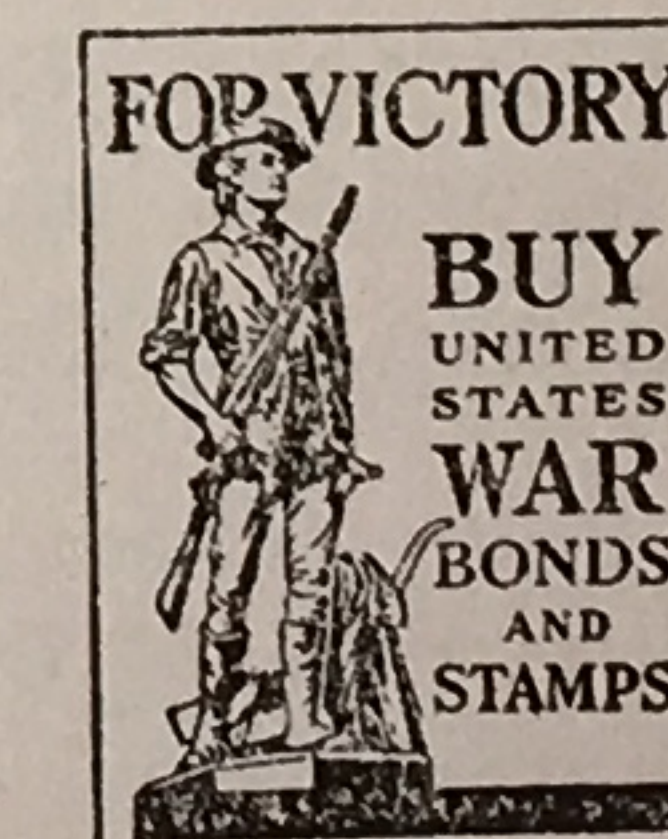
This list of Smear and Purge publications could go on and on, but limitations of space forbid. However, no partial compilation would be representative without a weekly called THE UNITED NATIONS, official organ of the Mazzini Society, which is headed by Prof. Max Ascoli of the New School and a member of the Board of the Council for Democracy. Part of this publication is printed in Italian.

The UNITED NATIONS says in plain English that some Congressmen are "incompetents," others are "political hacks," some are just "mediocrities, while Fish, Barry and Somers are 'sleepwalking Congressmen' . . . their votes pleased Hitler and betrayed the safety and welfare of America."

Congressman Sam Dickstein on June 17, 1941, told the House that the organizers of the Mazzini Society "are Fascists who have fallen apart recently from the councils of the party, and who wish to propagate their own brand of fascism . . ."

Is this surprising? It merely emphasizes that Communism, Fascism and Nazism are kin under the skin.

**What American will let the Fascist Mazzini Society, or any of its Socialist and Communist co-campaigners against Congress, tell him how to vote?**





## VII

### Parade of the Poison Peddlers

**"With confidence in our armed forces—with the unbounded determination of our people—we will gain the inevitable triumph, so help us God."**

In this solemn conclusion to his war message to Congress, President Roosevelt asked the aid of the Almighty in our war effort.

But the leaders in the war against Congress would rather follow the anti-God philosophy of Hitler than the President's leadership—they can get along without God's help.

In fact they have carried their "purge" campaign even against God. One of the newest units in the Smear-and-Purge network is publicly on record as wanting no mention of God in its deliberations.

On the Sabbath, July 12, Thomas Amlie, Washington Director of the Union for Democratic Action called a meeting in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, of some 250 Communists, Socialists, and "Liberals" to organize a "purge" of all Wisconsin Congressmen, except one.

Shortly after the session was convened the following resolution was offered to the assembly: "We acknowledge man's dependency upon the Supreme Being and petition His guidance in our efforts."

Many of the "comrades" considered this an open insult to Marx and Lenin (and maybe Hitler) and it was promptly squelched when Dan Hoan recently a top executive of the Office of Civilian Defense and for 24 years Socialist Mayor of Milwaukee, led the successful fight against its adoption. Then the conference got down to business and formed the "Wisconsin Committee for United Liberal Action."

In the meantime while thousands of similar committees are being set up all over the country, a dozen headquarters in New York are going full steam ahead.

CITIZENS FOR VICTORY is perhaps the most ambitious of the various groups involved in the conspiracy against Congress. Its leaders have boasted that it will have at its disposal "more money than it will know what to do with." It will take plenty of money to carry out its program which includes organizing "in every congressional district" in the country. It already has more than 250 chapters.

Organized by the Council for Democracy and the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, CITIZENS FOR VICTORY is being managed by Clark M. Eichelberger, National Director of the League of Nations Association.

Dr. Frank Kingdon and Dr. Frank P. Graham are Vice-Chairmen, while Rev. Leon Birkhead is a member of the Executive Committee.

CITIZENS FOR VICTORY full page advertisements are currently appearing in all parts of the country (one was approvingly reproduced in the Communist *Daily Worker*), while sectional charts showing Congressional votes on what the "citizens" have decided were vital issues, are being given wide circulation. In addition to its own literature, the organization is distributing pamphlets of such other movements as the United Nations Committee, Committee to Defend America, League of Nations Association, Carnegie Endowment for Peace and Commission to Study the Organization of Peace.

Very much involved in the purge is James H. Causey, a retired department store owner, who heads both the recently organized NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENT VOTERS and the Independent Committee of the 26th District. In the latter organization Millionaire Causey is associated with Lewis Mumford, an ardent Communist fellow-traveler who signed the call for the first Congress of American Revolutionary Writers.

For years Mr. Causey has been dabbling in Left Wing causes and has contributed liberally to the pro-Communist New School for Social Research. Just a few weeks ago he spoke at the commencement exercises of the Graduate Faculty of the New School. Dr. Hans Simons, of the Union for Democratic Action, is dean of the Graduate Faculty, which is composed of refugees from Europe, and is sometimes called the University in Exile.

In the last presidential campaign Mr. Causey was National Treasurer of the Roosevelt-Wallace Campaign Committee.

VOTE FOR FREEDOM, another participant in the purge plot, was organized "to fight outstanding isolationists in the Congressional elections," according to a statement issued by Hon. Charles H. Tuttle, when he resigned over dissatisfaction with the way in which the organization was being "used" in the New York State campaign.

In addition to Chairman Scandrett and Herbert Agar of Freedom House, previously discussed, the committee includes: Dr. Frank Kingdon and Leon Birkhead and American Labor Partyites: George Backer, Alex



Rose and Max Zaritsky. Zaritsky some time back was a member of the United Action Campaign Committee which launched a program:

- "1. To unite the forces opposed to capitalism.
- "2. To win political power for the masses.
- "3. To build a new social order in America."

Christopher Emmet, Director of VOTE FOR FREEDOM, is a commentator on the Socialist radio station WEVD and writes for the Socialist newspaper *New Leader*. Emmet is also on the Board of Directors of both the Council for Democracy and the Union for Democratic Action. Before Pearl Harbor he was assistant to Clark M. Eichelberger on the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

VOTE FOR FREEDOM'S statement of aims says pointedly:

*"France had its traitors in positions of public trust. In the next elections, we, the American electorate, must make sure that there shall be no Quislings to weaken our war effort."*

(Any Congressman who believes in Constitutional government and opposes collectivism is a "Quisling.")

This organization has its headquarters in Freedom House, the successor to Fight for Freedom, Inc., which was financed largely by Marshall Field and which numbers Melvyn Douglas, Rex Stout, Dr. Frank Graham and Luigi Antonini among its members.

Another organization having a part in the purge and smear campaign is the COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRACY which received substantial financial support from both the Luce publications and the Filene foundations.

On paper, the COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRACY appears impressive. Its committees are loaded with important names of the financial and industrial world. As usual in an organization of this kind, the radicals are running the show while the big shot business men are used as window dressing and as contacts for fund raising.

In sending out appeals for help the Council conveniently forgets to list, as an example, three members of its board of directors from Mrs. Roosevelt's favorite pro-Communist New School for Social Research: Max Ascoli, Hans Simons and Alvin Johnson, the School's Director. Also on the Board are Freda Kirchway, editor of *The Nation*, David Dubinsky, Frank Kingdon, and Clinton Golden, a CIO leader who was a Director of the Red Garland Fund and a member of the Board of Communist Commonwealth College.

The active executive of the Council is Evans Clark, husband of

Freda Kirchway, and director of the Twentieth Century Fund. Maxwell Stewart, former associate editor of the *Moscow Daily News* and teacher at the Moscow Institute, and Rev. Leon Birkhead, dissident minister and one time speaker for the Friends of the Soviet Union, are members of a working "Committee of Correspondents."

Clark is a member of Survey Associates, publishers of intellectual Socialistic publications, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Socialist-Communist League for Industrial Democracy whose slogan is "Production for use and not for profit."

The Council also has two subsidiary organizations through which it carries on its more blatant propaganda. One is the so-called League for Fair Play, headed by Dr. Alvin Johnson of the New School, and which Dr. Kingdon says: "sends out speakers to combat 'incipient appeasement'." The other is misnamed the National Committee on Morale, which is under the chairmanship of Arthur Upham Pope. Pope was a guest of the Soviet Government in 1935 and has been a rabid apologist for Dictator Stalin ever since.

"Representatives of the COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION conferred with Government officials in Washington recently," said its "confidential" report shortly after the first of the year. "The spokesman informed the Committee," the document declared, "that President Roosevelt considers the continuation of citizens *action groups* essential."

Accordingly this self-styled "vanguard of the citizen-soldiers of democratic America" (no connection with the UDA) proceeded to announce its future program and listed (in January, 1942) the enemies it felt called upon to battle. They included:

"1. *The Western popular isolationists*, who regarded war as some thing cooked up by the evil merchants of death—Hiram Johnson, Burton Wheeler, Gerald Nye, Bennett Clark, D. Worth Clark;

"2. *The industrialist appeasers*, who played the role here of the Comite des Forges in France—Henry Ford, E. T. Weir, Max Babb, Edward Ryerson, General Wood, Hanford MacNider, Thomas McCarter;

"3. *The State department-diplomat clique*, who for years had been friendly with fascist dictators and fascist ideas—John Cudahy, Joe Kennedy, Breckenridge Long, Avra Warren, James Dunn, Robert Murphy, Ogden Hammonds;

"4. *The officers of the Catholic Church*, who lent their names and prestige to the cause—Archbishop Beckman, Bishop Shaughnessy, Fathers Gillis, Curran, Coughlin, etc.;



**"5. The international traders,** who sought cash profit in prolonging division over foreign policy, oil and scrap iron men—William Rhodes Davis, Torkild Rieber, etc.;

**"6. The rally-round-the-flag boys—**Sen. Reynolds, Sen. Walsh, Sen. Brooks, Ham Fish, Dewey Short, Roy Howard, Hugh Johnson and Hearst."

Ten days before the *New Republic* smear supplement appeared on the newsstands the Coordinating Committee issued a somewhat similar document of its own. It was more general in its charges . . . but it followed the "party line."

"The 1942 elections can determine the outcome of the War," it started off, and then followed this stupid lie with a bold accusation of treason. Some Congressmen, it said, "felt a kinship for the attackers and obstructed all measures."

A few of the charges made against certain Senators are enlightening: "Nye spoke for the Steuben Society (a patriotic organization of Americans named for a hero of the Revolution of 1776) . . . Wheeler was floor leader for the bloc . . . Holman was a regular reader of *Social Justice* and *Scribner's Commentator* . . . Sen. Reynolds' franked envelope was picked up in a subway last week with 'Buy Christian' stamped across it."

Voting records were tabulated in a "box score" and percentages were figured to ascertain "batting averages." The committee also found that "The Republican Party held firm, voting consistently against the Administration program."

In a subsequent edition it is stated: "Americans may wake up to discover that the America First Committee has enjoyed a complete renaissance, with its leadership, ideas and objectives under the stolen mantle of the Republican Party."

*(And the people who believe and write this sort of rot are telling Americans how they must vote.)*

The Coordinating Committee's material on Congress was immediately reprinted in the Socialist paper *New Leader*, while the document itself is being distributed by a score or more of organizations. Represented on the Coordinating Committee are the Red Methodist Federation for Social Service (which has no connection with the Methodist Church), headed by Rev. Harry F. Ward, who was chairman of the Communist front American League for Peace and Democracy; the Red D.A.R. (Descendants of the American Revolution); the Society of American Friends (to which Mrs. Roosevelt contributes); the Council for Democracy, and the League for Fair Play.

The Chairman of the Board is Rev. Robert W. Searle, who was

a leader in the Emergency Peace Campaign and a member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, American section of the War Resisters Internationale which "believes a new social order can and will be established . . . it believes these changes can be accomplished by revolutionary uprisings." This organization is managed by Maurice Rosenblatt, who confers regularly, at the Roosevelt Hotel, with David K. Niles.

Samuel Untermyer was justified in organizing the NON-SECTARIAN ANTI-NAZI LEAGUE TO CHAMPION HUMAN RIGHTS, INC., but the subsequent use to which the organization was put cannot be justified or excused. Exposing Nazi persecution and arousing public sentiment against it was one thing; resorting to a boycott against Americans, persecuting Americans, threatening Americans, employing methods that look suspiciously like blackmail, and now blackballing American members of Congress is something else altogether.

Despite its name this organization was not anti-Nazi enough to pass up a good business proposition, for the major advertiser in its Bulletin was the Schering Corp., a Nazi-owned firm. On January 20, the Treasury Department removed all corporation officials in a move to smash Nazi control of the drug trade. Peculiarly this firm began to advertise after the so-called Anti-Nazi League had boycotted its products.

The Anti-Nazi League, as it is popularly known, claims more than 2,000,000 members, most of them without question sincere and honest, and some 2,000 affiliated organizations, many of which are undoubtedly reputable. It boasts that its National Department of Investigation maintains a spy network that is second to none. The League is headed today by Dr. James Sheldon, former professor at Boston University, who in the distant past was associated with Madame Perkins in Social Service work in downtown New York. It is run by a Government employee in his "spare time." He is Irving Rothberg, alias Alexander Redlick, alias S. K. Roller, alias Richard Collins. At the offices of the Anti-Nazi League he is known as "Col. Richard Rollins." He has also used the titles "Captain" and "Major." At the Government office (OPA) his "receptionist" calls him "Mr. Rollins."

Fiorello LaGuardia, who has raised many thousands of dollars for the support of the Red Rand School\* which trains agitators to undermine our system of government and who has just endorsed Vito Marcantonio, the Communist spokesman in Congress, for re-election, is a Vice-President of the Anti-Nazi League.

"We do not believe," its Bulletin says, "that General MacArthur's

\* In the last war the Rand School was prosecuted by the Government and found guilty under the Espionage Act for "feloniously obstructing enlistment service of the U. S."



brave forces ought to be left to Japanese mercies in order that some manufacturer may hold on to his un-American racial or religious prejudices. Neither do we believe that American soldiers in Iceland should bleed to death while the Red Cross tries to decide if it is good etiquette to keep separate blood banks for transfusion purposes to persons of different racial groups." These false charges and vicious implications are typical of the organization's "party line."

Regarding its spy system it says: "Just as during World War I, it was necessary to develop a nationwide civilian intelligence organization which the Attorney General considered an unofficial arm of the government, so now is an enlarged and strengthened Anti-Nazi League necessary."

(What's the matter with the F. B. I.?)

In the campaign against Congress the Anti-Nazi League is one of the principal distributors of the Co-ordinating Committee for Democratic Action's "Box Score," while Dr. Shelton calls on his members, and voters generally, to "prevent 'Nazi stooges' from winning the forthcoming congressional elections."

"The Anti-Nazi League recently surveyed the records of all the members of Congress," Dr. Shelton declared on the league's weekly broadcast a few weeks ago, "and found that there were a certain few whose loyalty to the principles of democracy . . . distinguished them amongst their colleagues."

The boast is being heard in labor circles that the unions have a slush fund of \$20,000,000 to spend between now and election, and the story goes, if that isn't enough organized labor is ready to throw in another Thirty Million to defeat "isolationist," "divisionist" and "anti-labor" Congressmen.

Left labor leaders have even succeeded in prevailing upon some conservative unionists to go along in the fight against "appeasers." The "pattern" is being followed closely even down to the fact that Representative Joe Martin is labor's "target No. 1."

The Executive Board of the Teamsters Union, the largest union in the country, decided to "Take such action and expend such funds as necessary to acquaint labor and the public with the records of these Congressmen." The board also adopted a campaign slogan: "Check the Quislings," and voted to send a voting record check list to every one of its 625,000 members.

Headquarters for the labor drive have been set up in New York's Piccadilly Hotel, where a "Trade Union Committee to elect Win-the-War Candidates" is already functioning under the leadership of Michael

Quill, President of the Transport Workers Union, with John Santos doing most of the master-minding.

Quill has been identified as a Communist by former members of his Communist Party unit, while Santos, alias Desideriu Hammer, alias Jack Weiss, alias John Szanto, is National Director of Organization of the transport union. For years, before coming to New York, he was the editor of the official Hungarian Communist newspaper, with headquarters in Cleveland. Nine months ago he was Secretary-Treasurer of the union, but resigned when arrested for deportation and on a charge of falsifying information to his draft board. Although arrested by both the FBI and Immigration authorities and kept for a time on Ellis Island, he has been mysteriously freed and no one can discover why he hasn't been prosecuted.

From Washington Nathan Cowan, Legislative Representative of the CIO, has been writing to all affiliated unions urging them to purchase copies of the *New Republic-UDA* blacklist for free distribution in their communities. He notes there are two types of Congressmen some "should be defeated" while others "thoroughly deserve to be beaten." He also advises that: "Several CIO internationals have purchased as many as 7,500 or 10,000 copies of this supplement for distribution to their locals."

All CIO organs are plugging for a "Win-the-War" Congress. The July issue of the Furniture Workers Press takes Congress as a whole to task in this fashion:

*"This Congress has defied the President. This Congress has defied the people. This Congress is endangering the very existence of the United States . . . Such a Congress must go. It must be cleansed of the Goebbel's newsboys, of the proven spies, of the disrupters and appeasers. And organized labor can do that job this fall."*

It then urges workers to vote "in the primaries and elections to **defeat the enemies of America. If you don't know who these are consult your local CIO. The CIO will give you the record of every candidate.**"

The latest movement to join the conspiracy against Congress is the "AMERICAN APPEAL FORUM 'FOR AMERICANISM,'" (chartered by virtue and under Act of Congress, Chapter XVIII, Subchapter III, organized 1939) which has been blanketing the country with letters calling for the defeat of the same Congressmen listed by each of the other subversive movements and publications in the plot.

At the same time (June, 1942) this organization is distributing through the mails on a large scale an expensive, over-size, profusely illustrated 32-page magazine devoted entirely to an outrageous attack



on Henry Ford. While the title is "HENRY FORD MUST CHOOSE," the burden of the smear, which is decorated with a huge swastika, is that Henry Ford is a Nazi.

A foreword is written by Robert E. Sherwood, reputed to be President Roosevelt's "ghost," while an introduction is provided by Rev. L. M. Birkhead, National Director, Friends of Democracy, Inc., which printed the booklet and made it available to the "American Appeal Forum."

Accompanying the booklet is a "Red, White and Blue" letterhead listing, among outstanding Americans, the names of Harold Ickes, Henry Wallace and Lt. Commander Walter Winchell, U.S.N.

The letter reads in part:

*"All the fascists are not abroad . . . some people here are insidiously striving to wreck the very institutions of democracy for which our boys are fighting—and dying . . . This booklet contains the documented story . . . of one of them . . . By exposing these traitorous Americans and their goose-step philosophies, the American Appeal Forum arouses mass resentment which results in their suppression."*

These people are talking about Henry Ford . . . the same Henry Ford who issued a public letter just a few months ago appealing for tolerance and understanding between Americans of all races and creeds . . . the same Henry Ford who was the first manufacturer to offer his services and facilities to turn out "a thousand planes a day" to beat Hitler . . . the same Henry Ford who built, equipped and staffed a Naval Training Academy and then presented it as a gift to the Government . . .

The same Henry Ford who was first to give the Red-tinged CIO (which he must have despised) full recognition and the check-off, in the interest of national defense . . . the same Henry Ford who in less than a year, at his own expense, built a huge new plant and began to turn out a big bomber a day . . . the same Henry Ford who is producing, at top speed, hundreds of different machines and materiel of war so sorely needed by our armed forces, and who has, without question, contributed more than any other single individual to a speedy victory for our men-in-arms.

Why this vicious attack? Because twenty-two years ago somebody who worked for Henry Ford was anti-Semitic! It doesn't make sense. It is remembered that Mr. Ford made a public apology at the time and has repeated it at intervals since—the last time shortly after the first of this year. Yet, for some reason, Mr. Ford remains a target for abuse

and insult and is made the victim of a continuing barrage of vituperation and vilification.

Could the fact that he is a successful businessman—a capitalist—have anything to do with it?

During this same period highly colored anti-Ford news items, articles and editorials appeared in the *Daily Worker*, the *New Republic* and *PM*.

*(Just think: The same slanderers who call Henry Ford a traitor and a Nazi are telling us what's wrong with our Congressmen . . . telling us the kind of people they insist we ought to elect in the coming elections.)*

The American Appeal Forum which sponsored the anti-Ford booklet is in a sense an illegitimate offspring of the Friends of Democracy, which probably accounts for the apparent close working arrangement between them.

Shortly after the Rev. Mr. Birkhead arrived in New York from Kansas City, back in 1938, he met Charles H. Ingersoll, single-taxer, Socialist and organizer of Russian Reconstruction Farms. Ingersoll had an office at 1165 Broadway. His lectures over Socialist radio station WEVD didn't take up too much of his time, so the Friends of Democracy moved in and Ingersoll became president. Birkhead remained as chief cook and bottle washer and maid-of-all-work.

On June 15, 1938, the first issue of an official organ called "The Searchlight" was published with Philip Stanley as editor. Its principal feature was a boycott list provided by the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League which also provided the money to pay the printer's bill.

The hate business wasn't very profitable in those days, for Birkhead hadn't yet become the master smearer he is today. He was literally living from hand to mouth. As for Stanley, the crumbs which the Friends of Democracy were able to provide at the time were far from satisfying. Ingersoll could pay his own way, but he was always on the anxious seat looking for new worlds to conquer.

So, being restless, Ingersoll and Stanley got together with two friends, Alfred Moss, an Englishman who claims to have been a Labor Party member of Parliament, and Dmitri Dobkin, a concert artist and professional foe of intolerance whose Brooklyn Free Musicale Society was headed by Franklin D. Roosevelt as honorary chairman. Having plenty of time on their hands, they did a lot of talking and schemed a lot of schemes and, strange as it may seem, came to the conclusion that what was needed was another organization.

Stanley had just the man who could put it over with a bang. What they needed, he told his colleagues, was a "big brain." The fellow



he knew, was just that, and a "big time" promoter besides. That's how "Big Sam" Silverman got into the picture.

"Big Sam," a Harding Republican who became a henchman of Hague and then a self-styled bosom pal of Franklin D. Roosevelt, organized the original "Roosevelt-for-President Clubs" in the last three campaigns. It made "Big Sam" a big shot. He got his name in all the papers because somebody suspected that Sam's campaign to raise dollar bills to elect F.D.R. was a kind of racket and the papers exposed his shady past. But that didn't stop him.

"Big Sam" is smart and knows his way around. He knew the ropes and the right people and when he got going he was able to wield mysterious influence in Washington with the result that Congress put aside its weightier problems for a moment to charter this new "patriotic society," which now, Mussolini-like, stabs Congress in the back.

After being chartered, the promoters went into a huddle and decided that "Lawrance Maynard" would be President; Alfred Moss, Secretary-Treasurer; Charles H. Ingersoll, Editor; Dmitri Dobkin, Director of Public Relations. Stanley would remain with Birkhead, but keep his finger in the pie. What happened to "Big Sam"? Silverman simply assumed the name of "Maynard" . . .

When editor Ingersoll's first issue of the new "AMERICAN APPEAL 'for Americanism'" appeared it was the object of much talk, most of it unfavorable, for on its front page was a decidedly unpatriotic photograph of what was clearly a staged setting in which were pictured a huge swastika, photos of Hitler, Goebbels and Fritz Kuhn, AND spread on the floor was an American flag with a spittoon, a table and a chair set on top of it.

The paper was unique in that it had its two editorials end on a single note: "Rush your contributions fast," and "Rush your donations immediately."

Remarkable as it may seem, this fresh, new organization, which mushroomed almost overnight, was able to boast to its readers:

*"We have a nation-wide undercover movement able to obtain all information and plans of the enemy even before they execute them."*

The paper didn't meet with the success anticipated. The only place it made the grade was in Winchell's column, which carried this blurb:

*"Talk about fighting newspapers 'American Appeal for Americanism' minces no wordage and is out-selling the 'Ism' gazettes at the latter's own meetings!"*

Today Sam Silverman, alias "Lawrance Maynard," is busy selling the government some property for an Army camp; Mr. Ingersoll is

busy promoting a movement called "Americans for Peace" which wants peace at any price . . . even without victory; Mr. Moss is busy holding street corner meetings peddling Birkhead's buncomb. So Mr. Stanley (an assumed name) runs the campaign against Congress. And as National Secretary he signed the anti-Ford letter, too.

But here's something odd. This high-sounding organization, chartered by Congress, with a most imposing list of names on its letterhead, doesn't have an office . . . unless it's in somebody's hat. Yes, there is an address on the stationery: "Pulitzer Building, 63 Park Row." But all the American Appeal Forum has at this address is a mailing privilege . . . for which Mr. Stanley pays \$5 per month.

Where, then, are these huge mailings coming from?

When Mr. "Stanley", Mr. Ingersoll and Rev. Birkhead who also used the alias B. A. Lloyd, were struggling along together the Friends of Democracy was in pretty bad shape financially. To give you an idea, Rev. Birkhead wrote a prospective contributor as follows:

*"at present, we are carrying on without enough funds to print letterheads and other necessary printing matter which will explain why this letter is written on blank stationery."*

Today the Friends of Democracy are riding the crest of the wave ensconced in palatial headquarters in a preferred building on Park Avenue in the expensive Grand Central zone. Suites of private offices, secretaries galore and clerks falling over each other are an indication that business of some kind is brisk.

Here Rev. Birkhead sits in his glory with all the arrogance of a Junker general directing his own private war against good Americans he chooses to brand as Nazis, Fascists, or anti-Semites—which includes almost everybody who is actually anti-Communist and pro-American and makes no bones about saying so out loud.

His meetings are no longer held in dingy crowded offices or on street corners. NOW they are convened in New York's swankiest and most expensive hotel—the Pierre.

Our country is at war with the Japs, the Fascists and the Nazis, but Dr. Birkhead is still fighting the America First Committee. While the rest of us are busy fighting Hitler, Rev. Birkhead is in the middle of a battle to defeat his conception of Hitler's right hand men in America—"Fascist" Father Coughlin, and Lindbergh, "the Nazi." Of next importance are his constant skirmishes against the "MacArthur cult" . . . Republicans to you.

Birkhead is certain that any Republican who so much as thinks that General MacArthur might make a good President one of these days is nothing less than a traitor. If that sounds too absurd to believe,



read what this fighting friend of democracy has to say to those Republicans . . . and Democrats too . . . who have been under the mistaken impression all their lives that the United States is a republic:

*"Our government has been referred to since its beginning as a democracy . . . this controversy as to whether or not we are a democracy or a republic has been a part of the confusion created by totalitarian propagandists. It can be traced for the most part back to Berlin."*

Our Generals should be alarmed when they learn this. For the Army Field Artillery manual is spreading "Axis propaganda," according to Rev. Birkhead, when it states:

*"The Government of the United States is not a democracy but a republic."*

Perhaps Birkhead would suggest a book-burning ceremony in our Army camps to get rid of the U. S. Army Training Manuals, which describe democracy as "Government of the masses . . . Results in Mobocracy. Attitude toward property is Communistic . . . Results in demagogery, license, agitation, discontent, anarchy . . ."

The R.O.T.C. Engineers' Manual says: "Our form of Government is known as a Republic . . . the Republican form of Government is superior to every other form . . . including autocracy, feudalism, democracy and communism."

The Constitution of the United States guarantees a Republican form of government—while the oath of allegiance to the Flag, as recited by the millions of American school children, reads:

*"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States, and to the REPUBLIC for which it stands, one nation, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."*

Is it possible that Rev. Birkhead has never read the Constitution—nor voiced allegiance to the flag?

(Will **you** let *him* tell **YOU** how to vote?)

Since Birkhead will do or say anything for publicity, he frequently gets his name in the newspapers. The *New York World Telegram* recently made him and his life's work the subject of an editorial which reads in part:

*"We do not know where Mr. Birkhead acquired his information, if any, but when he accuses Alice Roosevelt Longworth, General Hugh (Iron pants) Johnson and Irvin S. Cobb of being "naive" he is unintentionally funnier than Mr. Cobb ever was by design. When he refers to Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, America's World War aviation ace (25 German planes), and Major Al Williams (who has seen more of the German aviation setup than any other American except Colonel Lindbergh) as 'simple-minded people who have no idea what an enemy they had in the Nazis' he fills our sleeves with laughter and our neck with pain."*

Rev. Birkhead has frequently written letters to Mayor LaGuardia and President Roosevelt . . . with copies to the newspapers. One letter to the Mayor concerned a noted anti-Communist speaker who was to appear at a Communion breakfast for the Catholic employees of a city department. The Mayor forgot to reply, but Birkhead got an unexpected answer from the speaker in question which said:

*"Your attempt to stop a group of Catholic employees of New York City from having a Catholic priest deliver a Catholic talk at their Catholic communion breakfast is an example of undemocratic bigotry."*

*"I understand that Nazi Germany, the enemy of our country, has been guilty of similar totalitarian conduct."*

Birkhead has an interesting background. Originally he was a Methodist minister. In 1915 he started a forum for anarchists, socialists and I.W.W.'s in his church in St. Louis and began preaching pseudo-Socialism instead of Christianity. Later, he "resigned" his pulpit. After a time he called his Red friends together and proposed that they organize a "Socialist Church." The idea struck a responsive chord. After hours of discussion, Birkhead brought up the matter of paying the preacher. The "comrades" chided him for being "materialistic" and promptly lost all interest in what promised to be a novel experiment.

The upshot of it was that the Rev. Birkhead left the Methodist Church to become a Unitarian, a Vice-President of the atheistic Humanist Movement and a member of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Since 1917 he has been pastor of "All Souls Unitarian Church," Kansas City, which is generally known as the "Liberal Center." In 1925 he said the Bible was unfit for youth and that "we need the shock of the sex novels." In 1934 he proposed a test to see if prayer could produce rain. In 1935 he campaigned to legalize gambling. Instead of hymns, Rev. Birkhead had a preference for the Internationale and Solidarity. Instead of prayers, his spiritual flock got a "program" including games, dancing and cards. To replenish his waning congregation he placed "Get Acquainted" want ads in the newspapers.

The American League for Peace and Democracy held meetings in his church. Among the Reds and radicals who "lectured" at the Liberal Center was Thomas Amlie, now Washington Director of the smear-purge plot against Congress.

Birkhead maintains a weekly radio program over the Socialist Station WEVD. Mrs. Roosevelt recently spoke at a meeting under his auspices.

One of his pamphlets asks: "Are Adolf Hitler and Benito Musso-



lini putting words in the mouths of our Congressmen or are our Congressmen furnishing the Axis with propaganda?"

Perhaps Congressman Hoffman answered when he charged: "By their own utterances, Birkhead and Friends of Democracy, Inc., stand convicted of disloyalty, of being enemies of our country, and that in time of war."

Although contributions to Friends of Democracy are tax free because Mr. Birkhead has sworn to the Department of Internal Revenue that the "friends" do not engage in political activity, the organization boasts of having been a major factor in two campaigns, one in Kansas, the other in New York.

A few months ago the Friends of Democracy presented "copy" for a full page ad to a number of important newspapers. The *New York Times* and *Herald Tribune* refused to print it because of its scurrilous and libelous nature. *PM* published it free. It was directed against the publishers of the *New York Daily News*, the *Chicago Tribune* and the Hearst Newspapers, who, in effect, were accused of "aiding the enemy."

The ad was a nasty job. It was intimated that Archibald MacLeish and his Office of Facts and Figures had been responsible for providing the basic material; Rex Stout of the Writers' War Board is generally supposed to have done the writing. Birkhead says that MacLeish's Office of Facts and Figures urged him to have it published.

Where do the Friends of Democracy get the substantial funds obviously needed to carry on such extensive activities and to buy page ads in daily newspapers? Does somebody contribute \$7,000 per month? Where do they get *that* kind of money?

Some of it comes from a so-called ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, which on occasions uses the Friends of Democracy to do its dirty work.

While officially a subsidiary of the B'nai B'rith, a reputable Jewish fraternal organization which numbers many highly respected and outstanding Americans in its membership, the ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE is a low racket which promotes hate, breeds intolerance, fosters suppression and boycott and engages in defamation of the vilest sort. It is a fountainhead of malicious misinformation.

It is reputed to have unlimited funds at its disposal and maintains its own Gestapo—a network of spies—composed largely of highly unreliable and inexperienced amateurs, such as Sam Silverman, of the American Appeal and Roosevelt-for-President Clubs, who was an ADL snoop at one time using the name "Richard Daniels" and falsely representing himself as a reporter for the *New York Times*.

Headquarters of the ADL are in Chicago. The New York office, employing between 40 and 50 people, is located in the Chanin Building.\*

A former Congressional investigator declares in a report:

*"In all large cities the ADL has offices with full time agents in charge. These offices are not publicly known as ADL offices, but take on high sounding names. In Pittsburgh, Pa., the ADL office is known as the Joint Committee on Public Relations, with offices in the Grogan Building. The office is in charge of a refugee, Dr. Horace M. Marston.*

*"When John L. Spivak, the notorious Communist agitator and propagandist was arrested in Pittsburgh, it was through Dr. Marston and his associates, that Spivak was bailed out and defended in court.*

*"The ADL is today the greatest private secret service organization in the United States, with connections and agents in every branch of the government.*

During the last presidential campaign these ADL facilities were used to collect an elaborate compilation of names and pictures of so-called "fascists" and "anti-Semites." The list contained the names of many men wrongly accused. This dossier was presented to the principal Republican leaders who were told the individuals named were to be barred from any part in the Willkie campaign under penalty of losing the "Jewish vote." It is certain that no reputable representative of American Jewry was involved . . . but somebody did it.

The behind-the-scenes under-cover contact man and fixer for the Anti-Defamation League is Arthur J. Goldsmith, a wealthy manufacturer of spark plugs for the United States Army and Navy. Mr. Goldsmith is a member of the board of advisors of the Co-ordinating Committee for Democratic Action; Treasurer of the Committee to Defend America; on the Executive Committee of Citizens for Victory; on the Board of Directors of the Council for Democracy; Treasurer of the League for Fair Play; a Director of Freedom House; on the National Committee Friends of Democracy; and Treasurer of Vote for Freedom.

On how many other boards and committees concealed from the public Mr. Goldsmith's influence and financial support are represented . . . *God only knows* . . . AND SOME CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATOR OUGHT TO FIND OUT.

\* The private agencies set up in New York and Chicago by probably well-intentioned but in effectiveness vicious people are doing damage because they are devisive, they stimulate antagonism, they stir animosities and will ultimately lead to great trouble. It is difficult to see why they exist, except that they keep on pay rolls a lot of secretaries and such people who are making a good thing out of it. Such persons object to what they call discrimination but they practice it in the most nasty manner imaginable if any one so much as questions their absolute omniscience. I am avoiding names in this story because I am describing not the evils of this or that person or group, but an oppressive trend in this country, a Nazification of those who look under their beds at night to discover a Himmler agency. I can understand the sensitiveness, the nervousness, the irritability and fear of these people. I am conscious, just as they are of the dangers. But I disagree with them that the solution to the problem is hit-and-miss smearing, lying about people, oppressing opponents, private espionage, filthy press campaigns in amenable newspapers and similar evidences of hysteria. Such tactics only increase the danger and divert attention from the national enemy to the hysterical group.—George E. Sokolsky, in the *New York Sun*, July 2.



## VIII

### Maloney's "Moscow Trial"

Remembering that Attorney General Biddle was in attendance at that New Republic dinner where it all started, it is understandable that his Department of "Justice" should be "used" and legal processes under his control misused, to further the nefarious conspiracy to smear and purge honest and patriotic members of Congress.

For that is the principal and sinister purpose behind the prolonged "investigation" and current indictment of 28 alleged "seditionists" accused of having organized a plot "to interfere with, impair and influence the loyalty, morale and discipline" of the armed forces, and to "cause insubordination, mutiny and refusal of duty" among soldiers and sailors.

The idea that most of the individuals named in the indictment would or could impair the loyalty of our armed forces or cause mutiny is ludicrous—it would be laughable, if the motive behind the indictment and the possible consequences to innocent bystanders were not so serious.

That a handful of those indicted might conceivably have had such a fantastic idea is not beyond the realm of possibility because a few admitted Bundists, pro-Nazis, Axis agents and convicted seditionists are among those named. However, insofar as the rest are concerned, they could not have entered into such a conspiracy. They are, for the most part, fanatic Americans whose enthusiastic loyalty to this country and its institutions has made them conspicuous as anti-Communists, and anti-New Dealers. Unfortunately some of them are also anti-Semitic.

- ¶ *Anti-Semitism is un-American, but it is not unlawful.*
- ¶ *To be anti-New Deal is a risky business these days, but it is not a crime.*
- ¶ *To preach anti-Communism may be the height of disloyalty in the Marxian minds which abound in official Washington, but it is not treason—NOT YET.*

The Grand Jury is not to be blamed for the injustices which have been and will be perpetrated in its name. In its deliberations it has

followed the suggestions and accepted the guidance of a Special Assistant Attorney General, one William Power Maloney, a juvenile Vyshinsky-Himmler who is prostituting both his profession and his official position to be a satisfactory hireling.

Maloney is responsible for employing that old trick which the Communists and their Leftist legions have used with so much success. Along with convicted foreign agents, Nazi Bundists, seditionists and an assortment of crackpots, Mr. Maloney includes the names of patriotic critics of Administration policies and political pets. By this device he hopes to make it impossible to defend the patriots without at the same time endorsing the crackpots and condoning sedition.

The whole proposition is so transparent that a blind man—with a well-developed sense of smell—will have no difficulty in seeing through it. It is typical Communist smear technique.

No good American will defend a traitor, or excuse a Nazi sympathizer. Nor will good citizens approve of crackpot vaporings about a "Jewish plot," which seems to be one of the principal accusations in the indictment. But it is hard to conceive of an American jury convicting Americans who, regardless of their lack of good taste in selecting arguments or associates, are guilty of nothing more than:

1. Emulating the President of the United States and the Republican candidate for President in trying to keep our country out of war.
2. Circulating patriotic speeches delivered in Congress and published by the Government itself.
3. Distributing anti-Communist literature among which was a list of fellow-travelers on the Government payroll compiled by the Dies Committee and a bulletin entitled: "The United States is not a Democracy, but a Republic."

#### A BIDDLE BILLET-DOUX

Early in July Vito Marcantonio, Stalin's stooge in Congress and head of the Communist Party's legal aid division, wrote Attorney General Biddle urging action against "domestic fascists," named specifically the type that "should be brought to justice," and pledged full support to "whatever steps are necessary to insure unrelenting vigor in prosecution of the internal enemies of Victory."

Three days before the 28 "domestic fascists" were indicted Biddle wrote Marcantonio: "I want to assure you of my deep appreciation of the support and approval indicated by the letter in regard to so much of our effort to stamp out organized subversive activity. I also appreciate your constructive criticisms and I can assure you that the Department will take into careful account each suggestion contained in the letter." Marcantonio is a member of 113 Communist "fronts."



The probability is that the prosecutor doesn't expect to convict all of the defendants—that some have been brought into the case for an ulterior motive. Could that motive be the smearing of Congressmen selected to be "purged"?

Long before the indictments were returned Congressman Hoffman on the floor of the House of Representatives charged that Mr. Maloney had said he would "get" every Republican member of the House who had been an isolationist before December 7.

Naturally Maloney denied making the statement and demanded a retraction. It is significant, however, that Congressman Hoffman repeated his charges against Maloney on the floor of the House and refused to retract or apologize. Mr. Hoffman added that Maloney is "with perhaps one exception, and that Charlie Michelson, the No. 1 expert smear artist."

On the day the charges were originally made Congressman Jones said to Congressman Hoffman:

*"I wish the gentleman would ask Mr. Maloney what has become of the investigation and the report that is due Congress on subversive employees on the Federal payroll that has grown from 500 when the Dies Committee first called it to the attention of the House, to 1,100 when the Attorney General asked the Dies Committee for a report just last year, and now the list has grown to over 3,000; and the Attorney General has not seen fit to give the report to Congress even though there is a positive mandate that he should give it? I would like to find out why the grand jury's attention has not been called to these subversive people on the Federal payroll."*

If Congressman Jones ever gets an answer to his question from Mr. Maloney or anyone else in the Department of "Justice" he can bet his bottom dollar it will be a white-wash, because in official circles the Communists are our best patriots this season. And anyway, Mr. Maloney has something else on his mind and a job on his hands. He has a definite part to play in the smear and purge campaign, and the Red and pink conspirators expect him to do his duty.

Despite the fact that Grand Jury proceedings are supposed to be secret Mr. Maloney's friends manage to keep close tabs on what is going on behind closed doors . . . they have an excellent idea as to what's going to happen next . . . particularly to those 50 odd members of Congress they claim are involved.

## CONGRESSMAN LINKED TO PLOT

—reads a headline in the NEW YORK POST on July 25. "The Federal indictment," said the Washington dispatch under it, "did not tell even half of the story as it is known in official circles here."

"The Grand Jury," it went on to say, "which conducted the investigation has before it a mass of additional evidence concerning ramifications of the conspiracy, some of whose tentacles reach into the halls of Congress. . . . The present indictment only hinted at the extent to which members of Congress have been involved in the carrying out of the Axis conspiracy."

(Is that criminal libel, calling members of Congress traitors?)

Among those named in the article were: Representatives Hamilton Fish, Harold Knutson, Martin L. Sweeney, J. William Ditter, Leland M. Ford, Dewey Short, John M. Robinson, Stephen A. Day, Clare Hoffman, and John E. Rankin.

Who dares question their loyalty? And why?

Lt. Comdr. Walter Winchell, U.S.N.,\* who has been broadcasting exclusive "scoops" almost every week about what the secret Grand Jury has been doing, has already made his contribution to this particular phase of the smear campaign. Sunday, July 26, he told his nationwide toilet lotion audience:

*"Nearly everyone who printed seditious articles has been indicted except those who put the same things in the Congressional Record . . . But, honeychile—all of them will be confronted by the same charges after November 5th."*

Whether this is true or not every Congressman named on the various "blacklists" will be under a cloud of suspicion. From now on throughout their campaigns for re-election they stand falsely accused of being involved in an "Axis plot."

Whoever has revealed secret Grand Jury developments to Lt. Comdr. Winchell has violated the law and should be punished. In any event, Congress should investigate the source of Winchell's information, and steps should be taken to prevent further abuse of the Grand Jury system for propaganda purposes.

There is something completely phony about this so-called "investigation." In the first place, if a really dangerous plot, involving Congressmen, prominent Americans and foreign agents was discovered why wasn't a competent investigator put on the job immediately? Doesn't it seem peculiar that J. Edgar Hoover, a real expert on subversive scheming by Axis agents, hasn't been called upon to contribute his talents?

\* A New York Grand Jury heard some secret testimony a few years ago accusing Walter Winchell of being the instigator of a frustrated plot to murder. It was charged he tried to get gangster friends to put his editor "on the spot."



Could it be that this case was too much for his sense of honesty and justice?

Why was William Power Maloney, a rank amateur who gets his leads from Communist *Daily Worker*, put in charge?

How can it be explained that after two years of "investigation" not a single Communist subversive has been discovered? After all, the probe started back in 1940 when the Communists were undermining morale and were openly trying to prevent enlistments in the armed forces; when they were working hand in glove with Hitler's agents and were sabotaging our war preparations by calling unwarranted strikes in war industries from coast to coast. Even the previous Attorney General declared that Communists were responsible for major strikes in West Coast plane plants.

But Mr. Maloney couldn't find Communist subversion.

Instead every enemy of the Communists, for whose blood the Reds have been crying for years is either on the list or is definitely suspect. The Communists actually boast in their newspaper: "*Daily Worker* pioneered in exposing 28 Fascists" (see opposite page).

Editorially the *Daily Worker* gave Mr. Maloney its blessing: "Good Work!" it said. "But, there's a lot left that comes under the heading of unfinished business. Let's finish it!"

"We would have liked it better," the editorial declared, "if the names of the financial backers had headed the list of those indicted. They have accomplices and political allies in high places, but these were not named. And what about Martin Dies?"

A feature article in the same issue was headed:

## MEN IN CONGRESS HAD TIES TO 28 FASCISTS

It said in part: "Arrest of the fascist conspirators must be followed by the ousting of Hitler's friends in the House and the Senate. . . . These fascists were active supporters of Senator Robert R. Reynolds, publisher of the Jew-baiting *Vindicator* and Chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee . . . These fascists campaigned for America First Senators like Burton K. Wheeler of Montana and Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota, etc."

The *Daily Worker* also said the fifth column "conspiracy" "points straight to professional Red-baiters such as Rep. Martin Dies."

The tip-off to what is coming is contained in the announcement that the trial will begin early in October . . . which will give Mr. Maloney just a month in which to do a good smearing job. The Con-

## FASCISM OR DEMOCRACY?

If you believe in the Constitution, in the balance of power among the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government; if you believe that Congress shall perform its functions in accordance with constitutional provision—then you are a Fascist.

But if you believe in administrative law, in the assumption of judicial and legislative, as well as executive authority by administrative offices, boards, bureaus, etc.—then you are a follower of democracy.

If you believe ardently in your own country, its soil, its flag, its traditions, its history; if you love it ardently to the exclusion of every other country on earth—then you are a Fascist.

But if you are an internationalist, a lover of Soviet Russia, China, Great Britain, any place anywhere or all of them put together in some sort of conglomeration; if you dilute your love of country by regarding it merely as a secondary support to a vast congeries of states—then you are a firm believer in democracy.

If you believe in private enterprise, in individual initiative, in the right of any person to make his own way in the world, to improve his own lot and that of his family, to save money and to invest it productively—then you are a Fascist.

But if you believe in socialism, Communism, collectivism, state control of the means of production and distribution, state aid to all categories of citizens until every one is a dependent of an oligarchy of public jobholders—then you are a true believer in democracy.

If you believe that a democracy can best function under a two-party system, the opposition existing to scrutinize, examine and criticize the party in power; if you believe that elections should be absolutely free without the party in power exercising control over the decision of the voters—then you are a Fascist.

But if you believe that the party in power should be permanently in power; if you believe that its adherents and votaries should devote themselves to stealing the apparatus of the party in opposition; if you believe that officials on the public pay roll should devote themselves to political campaigning—then you are a sanctified believer in democracy.

If you believe that all public questions should be publicly discussed pro an con on an intellectual plane with a full display of the facts as they are available and an open critique of men and events—then you are a Fascist.

But if you devote yourself to smearing those who differ from you, defaming them, denouncing them, lying about them, drawing false conclusions from trivial incidents and trifling phrases, misquoting them, abusing their intellects and denying their integrity—then, forsooth, you are a paragon of democracy.

If you go through life playing fair, meeting your neighbors on a decent basis, asking no impertinent questions and generally minding your own business about matters that do not concern you, following the golden rule of live and let live without too much of a to-do about it—then you are a Fascist.

But if you shriek that the world is full of class and race and religious distinctions and discriminations; if you devote yourself to stimulating hate and interest in hatred; if you frighten certain groups of citizens by calling them minorities and making them so self-conscious that they begin to suffer an inferiority that they never felt before—then you are a follower, pursuer and prophet of democracy.

### THE MEN OF 1776.

All this and more occurred to me on the Fourth of July and I could not help thinking of very simple men who met on that day in a world as sad as ours but full of hope and ambition, who wrote that paragraph of the Declaration of Independence which begins with the words, "We hold these truths to be self-evident . . ." Read that paragraph or read the entire Declaration—and ask yourself whether those who shout men down with the constant cry of "Fascist!" are not in reality seeking to destroy what those men created.

—George E. Sokolsky, in the *New York Sun*, July 10, 1942.



gressmen involved will be busy campaigning during this period, and will be unable to defend their reputations in court because, not having been indicted, they will not be represented by counsel; they will not be able to combat the implication of wrongdoing on their part which will most certainly be inferred, as it already has been, by innuendo.

That Mr. Maloney will resort to the most obnoxious of tactics can be seen from the despicable way in which he has conducted the so-called investigation and also in the nature of the indictment itself.

It should be noted that the defendants are not charged with the commission of certain crimes . . . they are merely alleged to have conspired to commit certain crimes . . . it will be much easier to build up a case, if any, on that basis.

Mentioned in the indictment are a list of publications and organizations which are supposed to have been used in some manner in connection with the conspiracy. Some of the publications are seditious, some are just screwball, but some are as loyally American as the Declaration of Independence—they were included solely for smearing purposes. Mr. Maloney did mention the Congressional Record among them, obviously with malicious intent, but he did not have courage enough to list the two documents the defendants used most: The Constitution of the United States and the Bible.

Among the organizations listed some were treasonable, some were disreputable and some were just plain crazy. Mr. Maloney then added some that were patriotic, absolutely praiseworthy and guiltless but which just had to be smeared. Among these were the America First Committee and the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies.

Naturally it would have been the height of asininity to have indicted either of these or some of the others mentioned. It would have been fantastic to accuse such American First Leaders as General Wood, General Hammond and General MacNider, who is now an aide to General MacArthur, as seditionists. So America First is just smeared by association, and barred from offering any defense.

To mention the American Coalition in the indictment was likewise absurd. Its member societies include: Daughters of the Revolution, Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, Society of Daughters of the U. S. Army, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U. S., General Society of Mayflower Descendants, National Constitution Day Committee, National Security League, Inc., National Society Sons of the American Revolution, R. O. T. C. Association of the United States, U. S. Naval Reserve Officers Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars of

the United States, the Order of De Molay, the Junior Order United American Mechanics, and the Disabled American Veterans of the World War. The complete list of member societies numbers more than 100 patriotic organizations.

The Coalition is headed by Capt. John B. Trevor, once in charge of Military Intelligence Headquarters in New York City. Its Vice-Presidents include Mrs. Grace Brosseau, former head of the D. A. R., Hon. Bainbridge Colby, former Secretary of State, and Madame Cantacuzene, granddaughter of President Grant.

The name of the Coalition was "mentioned" in the indictment intentionally. For many years its principal job has been to fight Communism.

The "comrades" and their dupes and stooges in high places are now in a position to settle some old scores.

If Mr. Maloney has the brazen effrontery deliberately to cast aspersions on the loyalty and patriotism of such organizations and individuals as the foregoing, it is not hard to imagine what he is going to do to those members of Congress whose anti-Communism or efforts to keep us out of war has made them marked men. Their loyalty to America, its institutions and traditions may cost them their political futures . . . if the American people let the Smear and Purge Gang get away with it.

The whole idea is preposterous. Despite the contrary belief of Harry Hopkins, the American people are not going to be dumb enough to believe that good citizens who for years, some since the last war, have been fighting to defend America from totalitarian termites—Communist, Socialist, Fascist and Nazi—have suddenly become black traitors. And they will not believe it of their Congressmen. Neither are they going to believe that all those who during the same period were organizing or aiding and abetting conspiracies to bring about the overthrow of the United States Government have suddenly become our best patriots. That's what the whole argument amounts to anyway. That and nothing more.

Boiled down the situation is just this: The Communists from Union Square, the Socialists from the Rand School, the Socio-Communists from the New School, the "internationalists" from 40th St. and 5th Ave., and the "interventionists" from Freedom House, all within a radius of a mile in the heart of New York City, have joined forces and are determined to dictate politically to the people of the rest of the United States.

And with the help of well placed satellites within the Government



they propose to eliminate all opposition by fair means or foul while at the same time punishing every patriotic opponent they have.

Their immediate objectives are:

1. Purge unsympathetic Congressmen
2. Kill off the Dies Committee
3. Put all anti-Communists out of business
4. Muzzle independent newspapers.

Unmindful of the fact that they are aping Hitler, these social workers, social planners, and Soldiers of Socialism are determined to eliminate or annihilate all those who might stand in the way of the attempt to Sovietize America.

It is vicious nonsense to suggest that just because certain people fought Communism or tried to keep us out of war or because certain Congressmen failed to vote as a "Liberal" clique demanded—they are Quislings, Fifth, Sixth or Seventh Columnists, Nazis, Fascists, or enemy agents with direct pipelines to Rome, Tokio and Berlin.

The Union Square-Union Now-New World Order Axis does not hold a patent on patriotism. And neither does the Bureaucracy Bund!

The proposals and plans of this Union for Democratic Disunity, which embraces the whole Leftist kit and kaboodle, are destructive of true patriotism because they attempt to identify national unity with political unity—and political unity in this sense can only mean a one-party system identical with the political systems of Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini.

Prosecutor Mahoney, Dr. Kingdon, Earl Browder, Birkhead, Goldsmith, and all the rest must not be permitted to Nazify or Communize America.

President Roosevelt envisioned the kind of a system they would impose when at 1941's Jackson Day dinner he said:

*"In dictatorships there can be no party divisions. For all men must think as they are told, speak as they are told, write as they are told, live—and die—as they are told. In those countries the nation is not above the party as with us. The party is above the nation, the party is the nation. Every common man and woman is forced to walk the straight and narrow path of the party line, as drawn by the dictator himself."*

All Americans are agreed, we want none of that . . . whether it be imposed by a foreign despot or by a lot of little home-grown Hitlers of our own.

But that is exactly what we will get right here in America if our NATIVE NAZIS succeed in their "purge" and their plans.

THE AUTHOR, Joseph P. Kamp, a magazine and newspaper editor and writer, has been investigating and exposing subversive elements since the last war. He was in Michigan when the illegal Communist convention was raided by Federal agents in 1922; he was in Passaic when the Communists staged their first American "lesson in revolution" in 1926; he was in Washington when the Communist-led bonus and hunger marches converged on the Capital in the early thirties. He began exposing Communists and fellow-travelers on the Government payroll in 1933.

The truth of the facts he set forth five years ago in his widely read book "Join the CIO . . . and help build a SOVIET AMERICA" have since been attested by President Roosevelt, former Attorney General Jackson, Congressman Dies, William Green, President of the A. F. of L., and John L. Lewis.

The demand in Congress for the creation of the Dies Committee was originally initiated by Joseph P. Kamp and in the subsequent struggle to keep it alive and functioning he has been in the forefront of the battle.

When Homer Chaillaux, National Americanism Director of the American Legion, in the book "Whither America?", wrote "the inside story of the Fifth Column, from American Legion secret files" he included the statement: "We acknowledge indebtedness to the researches of our good friend, Joseph P. Kamp, who for more than twenty years has been a student of subversive movements." Charles E. Clarke, author and former Assistant Corporation Counsel of New York, in a recent biography declared: "Joseph P. Kamp is recognized as the outstanding authority on subversive activities in the United States."

Mr. Kamp joined the Constitutional Educational League in 1920 and became a Vice-Chairman in 1937.

THE LEAGUE, "organized to preserve the American System—to defend the Constitution and insure the right to Liberty and Property," was established in 1919 by a group of veterans of the last war who returned from France to find Red agitators denouncing the Government for which they had been ready to give their lives. The League was set up to present an intellectual defense.

Outstanding national leaders who have participated in the League's work include: President William Howard Taft, General Leonard Wood, Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, Hon. James M. Beck, Brig. Gen. Luke Callan, Maj. Gen. Robert E. Noble, and Commander Edward E. Spafford, to mention a few.

Its speakers have addressed thousands of meetings in every part of the country. For the training of speakers and patriotic leaders the League organized the "Soap Box University" in 1920 and "Constitution College" in 1937. It has distributed millions of booklets and pamphlets on the Constitution. Literature and information on subversive elements have been supplied on request to countless patriotic, fraternal and civic organizations, Chiefs of Police, labor unions, newspapers, clergymen, libraries, Chambers of Commerce, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Members of Congress, United States Civil Service Commission, Army and Navy Intelligence, the War Department and the F. B. I.

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# CONGRESS SHOULD INVESTIGATE

A joint Committee of the Senate and the House should be appointed to investigate the sinister forces behind every phase of the conspiracy indicated herein. This is not a job for a secret Grand Jury where facts and evidence can be manipulated by a biased or easily influenced prosecutor, nor can the inquiry be conducted successfully by the Dies Committee.

The prestige and influence of both Houses of Congress will be needed to match its authority with the powerful forces involved. It will take plenty of courage, and pressure from many quarters will have to be ignored, if the truth is to be brought into the open.

The secret, under-cover combinations and their activities and influences are only lightly touched on in the pages of this booklet. But, there is an abundance of evidence of insidious machinations and countless "leads" fraught with sinister implications are available to honest and conscientious Congressional investigators.

Let such a Committee discover: Who is promoting the class war? WHY? Who is agitating the Negro question? WHY? Who is raising the religious issue? WHY? Who is stirring up anti-Semitism? WHY? Who is undermining the faith of the American people in their institutions of government? WHY?

Let such a Committee call members of the Senate and the House who have already indicated they know something about the forces operating behind the scenes; let it call investigators and members of the Dies Committee and find out what they have discovered in their years of investigation and about which nothing has been made public; let it call all those mentioned by name in the foregoing pages; let it air this whole foul business and as Mrs. Roosevelt says find out "once and for all" what is going on, and WHY?

It is imperative that Congress investigate—

## BUT IT WILL NOT INVESTIGATE

—unless you, and *You*, and YOU write to your Senators and Representatives requesting that something be done about this situation, without delay. Tell them you are interested in winning the war in a hurry . . . that until steps are taken to counteract the forces which breed disunity, the winning of the war hangs in the balance. Urge them to ACT. Tell them you believe real action is needed NOW!



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