

# Bigotry Behind Gov. Landon

## JEW-BAITING, CATHOLIC-HATING GROUPS AID G.O.P.

**L**ADIES and Gentlemen, Fellow-Members of the American Federation of Labor:

In preparation for this symposium you have sent out a questionnaire which I will endeavor to answer on behalf of all of the candidates of the Communist Party.

We congratulate the Teachers Union for its splendid fight against the Ives loyalty oath law, and against loyalty oaths for students. We take an oath of loyalty to our America, our country and the glorious freedom that is its best tradition of this land—but we take it *voluntarily*, and we will have no Mr. Ives nor any Mussolinis or Hitlers to impose upon us compulsory oaths of loyalty. We resent, as the most contemptible fascist invasion of America, these efforts to make our whole teaching staffs into special categories of persons suspected of treason and all kindred efforts to systematize and legalize the Blue Shirt, and Black Shirt and Brown Shirt gangsterism among students, which is now being attempted in accord with the advice of Avery Brundage, that America must learn from Hitler. Likewise, we congratulate you upon your heroic stand for Americanism against Mr. Hitler's proposal through Mr. McNaboe, that our whole educational system be now submitted to investigations for the routing out and expulsion from staffs and student bodies of all persons whose views may greatly diverge from those of the German Nazi Party and of William Randolph Hearst. We will fight with you against loyalty oaths for students who must learn their sense of loyalty freely from American traditions and not from subsidized fascists; and we will fight with you for the enactment of the Teachers Bill of Rights to safe-

the bigotry of racial and religious hatred as a means of defeating all progress and all democracy.

It also takes the form of cultivated prejudice against the Negro, when the same principal openly says: "I am so glad to be in the Amos and Andy community." It is very interesting that the lady who made this remark wears a sunflower on her lapel. All of this insidious undermining of American principles is being helped and promoted by the suppression of the report on discrimination against Negro teachers and Negro children that is now in

development of reactionary organizations in our country to stimulate them. Let me show you some Republican propaganda. Here is a magazine. Look at it. It is called the "White Knight." On the cover page you will see in big flaming letters the words, "The Jew Deal Issue." This is a paper published for the promotion of the campaign to elect Alf M. Landon down in the mountain country of West Virginia. It is published by an incorporated association, the White Knights, Inc., an association which is chartered under the laws of the state of West Virginia. The Charleston, W. Va., Daily Mail of August 3, 1936, gives the incorporators as: George E. Deatherage, C. R. Barton, George Bolden—who I am given to understand are all officials of the Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corp. of So. Charleston, W. Va.—and two other persons. This company is a subsidiary of the Union Carbide and Carbon Corp., a company under the influence of the Morgan and Mellon interests.

**L**OOK at the editorial in this paper especially to promote the candidacy of Alf M. Landon for President.

"Jewish Communistic and Socialist control of our federal government. . . . The Knights of the White Camellia, of which this magazine is the official organ, formed of white native born Americans sworn to uphold the Christian religion, white supremacy, and the government of our forefathers—from the attacks of the Jewish Brain Trust and their despicable stooges, are determined that the public shall know the truth.

In the middle of the paper are pictures of what are called "The Jews' Behind the Jew Who Tells Mr. Roosevelt What to Tell You." Here are pictures of Bernard M. Baruch, the Jew, and Cordell Hull, the Jew because he has a Jewish wife they say, Felix Frankfurter, etc. Here is William C. Bullitt, the "Jew," together with Sidney Hillman. The paper winds up with the startling news that our Jewish President Roosevelt is going to nationalize all the American women and the whole thing leads to "a white woman for every Negro in the black republic!"

closer home. Here is "The Revealer," published by Gerald B. Winrod at Wichita, Kan., an ardent admirer of Governor Landon. The first headline is, "Russia's Jewish Masters—Palm Sunday in Moscow." This paper brings the startling news that the Jews "were responsible for the death of Christ," and the further discovery that our presumably Jewish President is turning over America to a Jewish conspiracy.

This paper respectfully requests you to elect Alf M. Landon, President. Will you do it?

This paper is circulated in South-eastern Texas and Louisiana, and centers its fire against the Jews.

**B**UT here is another paper, "The Defender," published on the same printing press in Wichita.



ROBERT MINOR

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gram of stopping of all social expenditures of funds for unemployment relief, etc.

Ladies and gentlemen the paper requests you to vote for Alf M. Landon for president. Will you do it?

**T**HIS is the hideous development of fascist organizations in the United States today—or maybe you had better call them embryo fascist organizations. They start as "nu" organizations, just bands of crackpot people such as you see now and then, who try to take you aside and tell you about the "protocol of Zion" or a "Romish conspiracy" that has to be met by the building of secret armed and masked night rider bands. At first they are crackpot organizations, but the along comes the agent for the transportation, that needs strikebreaker and spies in the industrial plant. Then these organizations are financed, obtain connivance of the police in carrying fire-arms—remember that many of the Black Legion members were policemen or prison guards—and then we have the full-blown fascist combat organization.

There is one other paper I will call to your attention: A paper called "Social Justice," run by Charles E. Coughlin, alias Father Coughlin. It is now engaged in thrashing out what is called the "Jewish question," in exactly the way that Hitler began in German

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views of all persons whose views may greatly diverge from those of the German Nazi Party and of William Randolph Hearst. We will fight with you against loyalty oaths for students who must learn their sense of loyalty freely from American traditions and not from subsidized fascists; and we will fight with you for the enactment of the Teachers Bill of Rights to safeguard for you the normal political right of American citizens. In short, we are no less ardent than you, for the extermination from our America of all such systems of finger-printing of children or adults, registration of aliens, etc., which are nothing but efforts to establish a legalized and nationwide system of blacklist for the benefit of big employers, and looking toward a future fascization of America.

### Would Burn Out Chauvinism

We would burn out this artificially stimulated and officially protected racial chauvinism with a white-hot iron. We would not tolerate the situation where there is but one Negro elementary school principal, and not a single Negro Associate Superintendent, and not a single Negro in the Directorate of Art and Music—not a single Negro member of the School Board.

Let me show you just how serious we regard this development of racial and religious bigotry, and the de-

says: "I am so glad to be in the Amos and Andy community." It is very interesting that the lady who made this remark wears a sunflower on her lapel. All of this insidious undermining of American principles is being helped and promoted by the suppression of the report on discrimination against Negro teachers and Negro children that is now in existence, but which the people are not permitted to see.

We, the Communist Party, feel obliged to add to your questions a pledge to fight against all of this hideous Hitlerism in our schools and to use every arm of official and voluntary action against it.

Baruch, the Jew, and Cordell Hull, the Jew because he has a Jewish wife they say, Felix Frankfurter, etc. Here is William C. Bullit, the "Jew," together with Sidney Hillman. The paper winds up with the startling news that our Jewish President Roosevelt is going to nationalize all the American women and the whole thing leads to "a white woman for every Negro in the black republic!" That's the bait being used by Jewish Communist agitators from New York to incite Negroes in this country to open revolt." The program of this paper and organization calls for the depriving of all Jews of citizenship. After the manner of the German Nazis.

### Will You Do It?

The White Knight is not edited by the mild-looking Governor Landon, who may not even know of its existence, but the White Knight is being circulated in the country and the hideous night riders' organization is being built upon this propaganda for the purpose of preventing the unionization of the Carbon Chemicals Co. This paper asks you to vote for Alf M. Landon. Will you do it?

Now let me show you some more of the papers of the friends of Governor Landon—this time from

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One of the most astounding discoveries of this fascist paper is that the Methodist Church has become Communist, and that "Roosevelt is doing everything in his power to advance the radical program of the Federal Council of Churches while his 'Jewish Secretary Henry Morgenthau' is undermining the government in the interest of Jewish financial bolsheviks." Of course, this is Mr. Winrod's own peculiar way of promoting Governor Landon's pro-

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Let's not exaggerate: The obscure little man from Kansas, in all likelihood has no direct connection with any of these fascist organizations, nor does he perhaps understand what they are, we cannot predicate anything on Governor Landon's understanding of anything. But the singular fact is, without one exception, all of these hideous developments take place in the shadow of industrial plants that needs strikebreakers—as at the great automobile plants at Detroit and Flint, Michigan, where the Black Legion became the terroristic organization against the trade unions—and as in the case of the White Knights at Charleston, W. Va.

It is not an accident that these papers brought their inspiration and many of their editorial expressions from the columns of the Hearst press, nor is it an accident that they one and all support Landon and the Liberty League program.

Remember that Hitler in Germany was a ludicrous clown, sur-

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