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The American Jewish Congress publishes this Digest of the anti-Semitic and anti-Democratic Press as a public service to acquaint leaders of opinion in the United States with the agencies which are endeavoring to destroy the efforts of our country to win the war and to establish a new world order based on freedom for all mankind. It is hoped that the information imparted in this Digest will serve as a warning and a basis of action to circumvent the purposes of these enemies of Democracy.

PONTIFEX OF DISUNITY:

A scurrilous pamphlet, written by Joseph P. Kamp, Vice-Chairman of the so-called "Constitutional Educational League", entitled, "Native Nazi Purge Plot", accuses anyone desiring to see a Win-the-War Congress as nothing more or less than: "Nazis at heart..Nazis in fact--Native Nazis."

Of those who subscribe to the philosophy in the realm of politics of a better World Order based on freedom for all mankind, and who desire in the United States to see Congressional leaders 100% anti-isolationist, Kamp has this to say:

"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." (page 5)

It is Kamp's contention that persons subscribing to such views and expressing them dramatically by exposing tieups between Congressional forces and certain subversive elements are merely:

"....raising the religious issue.
"....stirring up anti-Semitism.
"....Nazis at heart.
"....Nazis in fact--Native Nazis." (page 6)

And what is the ultimate aim of these "Nazis"?:

"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-Nowers, 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." (p.6-7)

Before continuing with Kamp's war of words, it might be well to examine Kamp's record before Pearl Harbor. As far back as May 1st, 1935, "The Awakener," a semi-Fascist, violently anti-New Deal, periodical was well in its second year of publication, Joseph P. Kamp is listed as "Executive Editor," while listed as an "Associated Editor" is America's Number One Fascist, Lawrence Dennis. In the same issue on page 3, sharing that page with Lawrence Dennis, is John Eoghan Kelly, Christian Fronter and apologist for the Franco regime. On page 4, is an article by one Harry A. Jung, a distributor of material by Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling as well as the anti-Semitic "Protocols."

On Friday, December 16th, 1938, at the Hotel Biltmore, a testimonial rally in honor of the Native Fascist Man-on-the-White Horse, Major General George Van Horn Moseley, was held. In addition to Joseph P. Kamp, among those listed as a "Committee of Honor" were: Allen Zoll, notorious anti-Semite; John B. Snow, recently expelled for his anti-Semitic views by the USO; Mrs. Gloss Edwards, whose anti-democratic meetings at her Carnegie Hall studios bred anti-Semitic and anti-Roosevelt utterances; and John Cecil, who is also dipped in the native fascist dyestuff.

In 1938, Kamp, who is viciously anti-labor, led a campaign against the National Labor Relations Board.

On May 24th, 1939, Kamp was one of the sponsors of the "Pro-American Mass Meeting" held in the Great Northern Hotel, New York City, at which his old friends Zoll and Kelly spoke, and at which the vituperative anti-Semite, Joe McWilliams, was an added extra attraction.

A prospectus of Kamp's organization, "Constitutional Educational League," states that: "The Constitutional Educational League is just what its name implies--an educational organization with a patriotic objective....the League has been engaged in combatting Red elements through the medium of the printed and spoken word..."

Several years ago, appearing before the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee, Chester A. Hanson, secretary-treasurer of the League, testified, under direct questioning of Senator Elbert Thomas as follows:

SENATOR THOMAS: "I can judge quite correctly from what you say that the word 'constitutional' does not have any meaning in your Constitutional Educational League."

MR. HANSON: "As far as the teaching of the Constitution, not particularly."

SENATOR THOMAS: "And the word, 'educational,' has no meaning?"

MR. HANSON: "As far as education pertaining to the Constitution, no."

In June, 1940, Kamp wrote a booklet for his League entitled, "The Fifth Column in Washington." Among those listed in Kamp's "List No. 1" as "America's Fifth Column" are: Robert H. Jackson, now a Supreme Court Justice, but at the time Attorney General; O. John Rogge, an Assistant Attorney General; Thomas R. Amile, former Congressman from Wisconsin and then a Special Assistant Attorney General; Harry Hopkins, close advisor to the President, and then Secretary of Commerce; Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior; Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor; Sidney Hillman, labor chief and close advisor to the President; David Sapos, Chief Economist, National Labor Relations Board; and Leland Olds, Chairman, Federal Power Commission.

Kamp claims that not only those mentioned, but many more, can be easily identified as Fifth Columnists because:

"Invariably they sail under false colors and masquerade as 'humanitarians,' 'liberals,' 'new deal' Democrats and 'progressive' Republicans."

And shouts Mr. Kamp about the Red Revolution he envisions:

"But let them beware. And let Madam Perkins, Secretary Ickes and President Roosevelt know what is in store."

On or about October 8th, 1940, in a printed appeal, but signed by the now indicted Gerald B. Winrod, the latter wrote:

"Dear Christian Friend:

"During the last few days, hundreds of Defender Readers have ordered Joseph P. Kamp's new book, "The Fifth Column in Washington."

"This book is a piercing, penetrating exposure of subversive agencies, operating in the United States, particularly at the Nation's Capital. Instead of engaging in witch-hunting and flit-gunning, which has become a popular pastime with certain subverters who have 'personal axes to grind,' Mr. Kamp strikes at the root of the problem.

"With brutal frankness, 'The Fifth Column in Washington' names and gives an index, listing high ranking officials, who are at this moment on the payroll of the government. Concrete evidence is submitted to prove that a large number of 'alleged Benedict Arnolds' occupy key posts in national affairs. Thus, the American people have been carried to the brink of disaster.

"Mr. Kamp published the names of 563 Federal employees and positions held - employees exposed by the Dies Committee as members of a certain Communistic organization. Some of these officials receive salaries as high as \$10,000 a year. According to Mr. Kamp, scores are in the brackets of \$3,000 to \$6,000 a year.

"Important as this section of the book appears to be, it is only one phase of a dynamic treatise, which heroically defends true Americanism against the infiltration of Communist, Fascist and Nazi propaganda.

"I call upon you as a Christian and patriot, as a reader of the Defender Magazine, to get this information circulated in your community, your neighborhood, your Church, your business circles-- with all possible haste. Tens of thousands of copies have been distributed the last few weeks. There is no time to be lost in this hour of national crisis, if our beloved Country is to be spared the suffering being visited upon less fortunate nations. Think, pray, act!

"Yours in the bonds of Christian Americanism,

Gerald B. Winrod"

On the reverse side of this endorsement of Kamp's work was a commercial blurb for an anti-Semitic work by the indicted Colonel E. N. Sanctuary.

For his newest literary incendiaryism, Kamp received the blessing of Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling who has been indicted by the Federal Government. Without a date, but postmarked August 22nd, 1942, from Chicago, Illinois, Mrs. Dilling urges: (on a postcard)

"Dear Friend: The people know the truth! The Republic can be saved! 'Native Nazi Purge Plot' by Joseph P. Kamp is fantastic factual dynamite! The coming elections are crucial. Get it! Read it! Push it! Loan copies to friends and neighbors before election time. The whole plot to purge Congress and all anti-Communists and patriots is there--hot off the griddle and up to the indictment of the '28' named with forces responsible exposed. Price 50 cents a copy. Order from the Patriotic Research Bureau, 8 So. Dearborn Street, Chicago. Aid my defense fund. (Signed) Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling."

After one reads that appeal and puts it side-by-side with the following quotation from Kamp's newest book, a clearer picture is drawn of Kamp's activities:

"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 had made them conscious as anti-Communists and anti-New Dealers. Unfortunately, some of them are also anti-Semitic....Anti-Semitism is un-American, but is not unlawful." (page 58)

The latter sentence was published, in italics. Kamp echoes an old anti-Semitic lie when he writes of Mrs. Dorothy Schiff Backer, Publisher of the liberal, "New York Post":

"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." (page 13)

The latter statement has been circulated widely by Col. E. N. Sanctuary who, not long before his indictment by the Federal Government, told a CONGRESS investigator that he, Sanctuary, had seen the check made out to Lenin and Trotsky jointly, to finance the revolution. Colonel Sanctuary and others of his ilk have consistently accused the Jews of financing and giving leadership to Bolshevik causes. It is a Nazi trademark.

Kamp's principal artillery is aimed at a supplement issued by the New Republic and Union for Democratic Action which called for a "Win-the-War Congress". The isolationist and obstructionist records of various Congressmen and Senators was cited by the New Republic-UDA report. In one section, the report spoke of several incumbent Congressmen who had claimed that the Jews were leading America into the war. Of this Kamp stamps his foot and cries:

"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." (P. 17)

Kamp calls such outward pro-appeasement newspapers as, New York Daily News, the Washington Times-Herald, the Chicago Tribune as "100 per cent American newspapers." (P. 17)

Kamp refers to Justice Felix Frankfurter, Madame Perkins and Leon Henderson as being members of "high-brow Pink" movements. (P. 32)

Kamp spans the Newspaper, PM, for its campaign against discrimination. Once again in italics Kamp seems to disagree with a PM 'cause' by referring to PM's campaign against separate labeling of White and Negro blood:

"Its major 'causes' include: Seeing to it that the Red Cross stops discriminating and puts White, Jap and Negro blood into the same blood bank without labeling." (P. 36)

Medical authorities have deflated the ideology of a super-race by stating

that there is no difference between White, Negro, Japanese or any other types of blood. But Joe Kamp attacks PM for bringing these facts to the attention of the public.

Kamp comes to the defense of Congressmen Clare B. Hoffman, John E. Rankin, Stephen A. Day, Hamilton Fish, et. al.

Kamp comes to the defense of the odious America First Committee. He attacks the Washington Grand Jury for indicting 28 persons, failing to mention that his organization while not indicted, was mentioned in the indictment. He accuses Lieutenant Commander Walter Winchell (according to alleged testimony before a New York Grand Jury secret session) of "being the instigator of a frustrated plot to murder." Walter Winchell told the editor of this DIGEST that he considers this to be libel. Kamp attacks the Washington Grand Jury's indictment and demands to know why such a "patriotic" organization as "American Coalition of Patriotic Societies" is listed in the indictment. Kamp lists a number of patriotic organizations affiliated with the "Coalition". He fails to mention that his old journalistic colleague Harry A. Jung also belongs to the "Coalition". He failed to mention several others such as "American Women Against Communism" exposed in this DIGEST several issues ago, the "Christian-American Crusade" of California, "Associated Farmers of California" with which George Deatherage is reputed to have had connections, "The American Indian Federation", and the ilk.

Kamp listed the "Veterans of Foreign Wars" as being a member of this patriotic "Coalition". That organization denies any present ties with this group.

Mr. Kamp has still to answer the charge of Leonard Lyons, columnist for the "New York Post" recently, that he, Kamp, is the fund raiser for the 28 indicted persons. As a matter of fact, Mr. Kamp has much to answer.

FACTS ON PARADE:

The old Joe McWilliams "Christian Mobilizer" group who used to sing their hymns of hate on New York City street corners before Pearl Harbor, are scheduled to emerge from their inactive seclusion on September 25th, 1942, with a Card and Bunco Party, at the Vasa Temple, 149th Street and Walton Avenue, the Bronx, N.Y. The new name for the group is: "The Roamers Social Club." Louis Helmond, former chief henchman for Joseph E. McWilliams, is listed on the invitation as a member of the Entertainment Committee. Helmond's print shop at 1066 Brook Avenue in the Bronx, was exposed recently by this DIGEST as the secret headquarters of Edward James Smythe, anti-Semitic publicist. On the day that Smythe was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury, CONGRESS was sent, from the Brook Avenue address, Smythe's anti-Semitic material. Smythe is still a fugitive from a Washington Grand Jury indictment, having failed to be served with a summons. Chairman of the new group is John Runde of 754 East 165th Street, the Bronx, who is a builder and contractor. The object of the party is to raise funds. Once before, when McWilliams was in the hands of the law for making anti-Semitic speeches on street corners and causing riots, a dance and entertainment was held to raise funds for his defense. Desiring to evade police investigation the dance was cloaked as a social club dance. It was called the dance of the "Little Brown Jug Social Club." It is apparent that McWilliams is not faring well in his Chicago hideout, and that this dance, card party and entertainment, might be scheduled as a medium for raising funds to aid the legally-harrassed peanut Hitler of Yorkville.

George E. Hornby whose conclave of Fascists scheduled for July 4th, 1942, was exposed in the DIGEST, now admits: "The conclave was a July frost--sabotaged in advance." Hornby is trying to formulate new activity and writes further: "I can't have my only son help because he is in the Parachute troopers, and on his account I have to watch my step pretty carefully." Hornby is still circulating anti-Semitic tracts and suggests that the forged, infamous, "Protocols" be circulated and read widely."

Gerald L. K. Smith, fiery rabble-rouser, associate of the late Huey P. Long, and defender of Father Charles E. Coughlin, goes before the electorate of Michigan on September 15th, as a candidate for nomination of the Republican ticket for United States Senator. Smith is writing "friends":

"Many keen observers agree that I shall win the nomination and if I win the nomination, I am sure to win the election, they insist. What a victory that would be! Oh, how much I would be able to do for you and millions of other plain, old-fashioned

Americans who long to hear a voice on the floor of the United States Senate which will fearlessly proclaim dynamic truth."

"Consolation", a bi-monthly publication of the Jehovah's Witnesses, a pseudo-religious sect, bitterly assails the \$125,000 gift given to the Pope for Catholic refugees from Nazi-occupied countries by the United Jewish Appeal. According to unnamed author of the article the Jews are paying a price via Inter-Faith activities to get "next to" the Catholic Church so that the latter's "oppression" and "intolerance" will not be borne by the Jew. The author feels that such a course is foolhardy, and that the Jews are making a mistake by trying to "buy their way in" into church circles through Inter-Faith activities.

DESTINY MAGAZINE in its current September, 1942, issue, revives the old persecution-worn "The Jews Killed Christ" theme. In an article entitled "The Last Act", written by Howard B. Rand, the editor of the official organ of the Anglo-Saxon Federation, it is stated: (referring to a text in the New Testament)

"No man can read the account of the mistrial and the perjured testimony of the witnesses at that trial without realizing that the high priests, scribes and elders of Jewry with the consent of the people were responsible for the crucifixion. If no other evidence was at hand, all that would be necessary to establish this fact is the fulfillment during the last nineteen centuries of the curse which the people pronounced upon themselves and their children when they said, 'His blood be on us, and on our children.' Certainly history has revealed the terribleness of this curse in the suffering of the Jewish people."

In another section of the magazine, the editors state that liquor, according to the councils of Ministers of the Vichy Government, was the chief cause of the collapse of the French nation! Liquor or Lavalism?

Charles B. Hudson, another of those indicted, is sending through the mails, despite his indictment, advertisements of George E. Sullivan's anti-Democratic, anti-Semitic book, "The Road to Victory", urging orders for the book direct from Hudson.

ANTI*SEMITIC TIRADES:

Vicious anti-Semitic and anti-Democratic tirades written on the lavatory walls of a New York City Department of Welfare office, prompted official action late last month. Scribblings, many of them resembling that of an illiterate person, attacked America's entry into the war, favored the Axis, and mentioned staff members by name. One particular scrawl demanded: "Why is Molly having a baby? To save her husband from the draft", was the answer immediately below. Another example was: "Why don't the Jews enlist?" Before and after Pearl Harbor such scrawls were to be found on the walls, removed, and only to be replaced by more vicious tirades. Late last month the War Activities Committee brought the incidents to the attention of the Administrative Director of the office involved. A meeting of the staff was held and the matter aired publicly. Several persons on the staff, who were not Jewish, deplored the incident, and explained that no one following the teachings of Jesus Christ could resort to such foul methods. In the meantime a course of vigilance is being pursued.

IRISH REBELLION:

On September 2nd, in Belfast, Ireland, Thomas J. Williams, 18, a member of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, who killed a policeman last Easter Sunday, was hanged after being found guilty by a jury of his peers. Five others scheduled to die with him had their sentences commuted by the British Government. Belfast is in British-dominated, Northern Ireland. While Williams was being led to the gallows, news reports state that a huge crowd stormed the prison gates in protest, sang songs of mourning and when they were being dispersed by the police, the majority gave Nazi salutes. During the trial it was established by the prosecution that the IRA and the German government were in cahoots to sabotage the landing of American troops in Ireland, and in every way possible to hamper the general war effort of Northern Ireland, so that the British and Americans would suffer.

Here, in the United States, CONGRESS has had periodic reports on the activities of IRA sympathizers and their association with Bund elements. We know for

example that at a recently held Ancient Order of Hibernians St. Patrick's Day dinner, every speaker slammed "Bloody Joe Stalin" and called for an end to all American aid to Russia. We know that speakers at various meetings of Irish societies have denounced the sending of American troops to Northern Ireland especially, and for some strange reason, to Iceland, as well. We have a report that a noted city official addressed induction ceremonies of an Irish society in a midtown hotel and said, to the glee of his audience: "I was tempted to hold Lord and Lady Halifax as ransom when they came to New York until the Six Counties were given back to Eire." He said this on March 15th, 1942. Another speaker at the same meeting did refer to the "invasion" of American troops of Irish territory.

We know that the Bronx Gaelic League shared headquarters with a Bronx unit of the German-American Bund. There was inter-changeable membership in both organizations. The names of "Bronx German-American Athletic Association" and the "Bronx Gaelic-American Athletic Association," both used the same headquarters at 868 Washington Avenue in the Bronx. We know that many Germans took Gaelic at the League's headquarters, and that one Irish member boasted that her German beau was now employed in Belfast doing "important work". The League now has its headquarters in Coreless Hall in the Bronx and the inter-changeable members have an opportunity to meet with with each other.

During the week of April 5th, 1942, a meeting was held at the Harlem Pythian Hall and a resolution was read in which the "Irish Republic" is mentioned as something to be attained immediately and at the same time existing! In the resolution it was also resolved too:

"That we offer to the Irish Republican Army our unstinted admiration and courage and devotion, and we pledge our full moral and financial support and every assistance of which eager friendly people are capable to the end that there shall be complete destruction of every link and tie, whether military, economic or political, by which it is sought to bind Ireland to the decadent British Empire."

SOCIAL JUSTICE also deplored the "invasion" of American troops in Ireland.

On Easter Sunday, 1942, the date when the policeman in Belfast was murdered by the IRA hoodlums, a Mass was held at a New York church at which a Carmelite priest praised the IRA "martyrs" who were dealing the blows against the "crumbling British Empire."

The Central Opera House in New York is the rally headquarters for the "American Irish Neutrality Association" which was supposed to be "dissolved" after the war. On April 12th and May 24th it was still holding affairs. On March 9th, a special meeting was called to condemn the "invasion" of Ireland.

IRA units were reported to have participated in the recent New York St. Patrick Day's Parade.

Clan-na-Gael, another secret oath bound organization, has its meetings at Tara Hall, and Germans are as numerous here as Irish.
