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ERSATZ "SOCIAL JUSTICE":

For nine years, in the State of Illinois, in a little town called Germantown, a magazine entitled The Guildsman "Devoted to the Cause of a Corporative Order" has been appearing regularly. Edward A. Koch, both editor and publisher of the periodical, has not desisted from the Nazi propaganda line, despite the fact that many of the things he is propagating represents plain, unadulterated treason. The fact that Mr. Koch is advocating "A Corporative Order" is precisely what Mussolini advocated before his reign of terror in 1922, and this is precisely what Mussolini has called his form of government ever since his attainment of power. It (Fascism) did not, when first incepted, cater to racial theories or to the dictates of Herrenvolk. But failure to accept these theories in 1922 did not make Italian Fascism any more tasteful to democratic stomachs.

In the November, 1942 issue of "The Guildsman" (that is the title of the periodical) the main editorial entitled, "FREEDOM - HOW?" devotes itself to the following theme:

> "The war is entering upon a new phase. American forces have invaded and seized virtual control of French territory in Africa for the ostensible purpose of waging war on the Axis powers from that area as an operating base. The French have been told that 'we come as friends' to 'liberate France.' Probably the people of Germany and Italy will also be told that our armed forces mean to free them from their 'oppressors'."...

"Doubts naturally arise, whether this move was necessary or wise, whether, the object is correct as stated, and whether that is the sole object."

And then doubtful Koch snipes at promises of freedom assured the oppressed peoples:

"We may assume that there is no intention whatever of deceiving the French people or any other, including our own, in making such promises of freedom in the future."

Still sowing doubt and confusion (an old trick for the propagandists), Mr. Koch goes on to state that something much broader than mere "freedom" ought to be promised the peoples of the world. He dares, he reminds you, to keep aflame the "intellectual" approach to Nazism. He belittles those who attack Nazism and proclaims:

> "Others seem to have been confused thereby that Nazism is an issue distinct from the war and that therefore, as to Nazism's specific case, it is not only permissible now, during war-time, to consider it, impartially, and to uphold, and perhaps even to recommend the adoption of some of its features, but even-- in view of the unquestionable change ahead also in our country -that it is decidedly expedient to guard against a mistaken interpretation of such a development."

Mr. Koch then quotes liberally from an unnamed Catholic periodical in which the latter editorially states that despite the fact that most Catholics loathe Communism and Stalinism, it nevertheless recognizes that Russia will play a dominant role at the peace table. After finishing the quote Mr. Koch remarks:

> "No matter of what nature Russia's influence in framing the peace will be, eh? And the Germans, who have shown more bravery and made greater sacrifices than the Russians, are not to have such part therein, if we win, eh?

Note the last sentence. There are two things to charge Mr. Koch with: confusion and distrust. In one case he plays up "German bravery and sacrifices" and in the next instance he says, "if we win".

But this is not all that one must charge Mr. Koch with. There is much more on the record. For example from his latest issue November, 1942:

"All the talk about liberty and democracy and the like has not uprosted the conviction that the war is being fought, on our part, to restore the pre-war position of Great Britain, with probably a greater or less share in the proceeds for ourselves; or, from another viewpoint, that the war is being waged to secure another lease of life for the principles of Liberalism, whereon virtually the entirety of British policy rests and which, as to economic affairs, are the foundation of Capitalism."

Hitler, too, linked Capitalism and Liberalism andtried to make both words sound so evil, that he was able to offer his Nazi philosophy as the only panacea to cure the malady. Then we find, under the heading of, "PROVOCATIVES", little "wise" statements by Mr. Koch:

"To ignore and to suppress the corporative trend in the Fascist regimes will leave hardly any practical escape from Communism."

"Americans have been treated abundantly to horror-stories about the forced removal, by the Nazis, of peoples from their home-lands. So it is rather shocking that our Army should boast of removal, to concentration camps, of 100,599 'persons of Japanese ancestry' in our Western States as 'an achievement without parallel in the Nations's history.'"

On the back-cover of the periodical is the slogan: "SAVE AMERICA THROUGH A CORPORATIVE CR DER."

In October, 1942, "THE GUILDSMAN" devotes an entire issue to the discussion of: "THE CASE OF NAZISM -- From a Patriotic Standpoint -- From a Christian Standpoint -- From a Social-Reform Standpoint." In speaking of the difficulty of putting across the Case of Nazism Mr. Koch says:

> "This grave matter, this important question, which every loyal American should study thoroughly, without bias, and decide conscientiously, has unfortunately been so much misrepresented and solargely ignored, by the several agencies molding popular opinion and sentiment, that it is rather difficult to present it in a way giving reasonable assurance of at least a favorable consideration. So-called patriotic agitation has created a psychological state of affairs which may even have every effort to present this serious matter before Americans -- namely, the case of Nazism -- appear as virtually treasonable; and the very suggestion that the case of Nazism is before the American people for decision may, for the same reason, be met with sneers."

And then, this little bit of Nazi sentiment finds itself nestled in the Koch commentary:

"Because we are at war with Germany does not in itself imply that we must oppose political and social theories prevailing there.

Mr. Koch also contends:

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"Whatever our country's proper and legitimate objectives in the war may be, we believe that the destruction of Nazism -and 'Fascism' generally -- as to its social-reform aspects should not be among them."

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And then shouting, sounding a great deal like a speech by Goebbels or Hitler himself, Mr. Koch pleads:

"Even serious damage to or grave military defeat of Germany would in all likelihood mean the rise and spread of Communism over all Europe, and that also would endanger our own country's future."

CATHOLIC INTERNATIONAL

The "Advent, 1942" issue of David Gordon's "Catholic International" whose first appearance in early Spring was exposed in the May 29th issue of this DIGEST is out. We reported that a substitute for "Social Justice" had been found. The last issue was filled with appeasement and applauded the arrival of Laval on the Vichy scene. The more recent issue, the second in the periodical's history, is less sniping in character, but nevertheless is still in there punching away subtly at anyone who happens to be in the path of the periodical's editors.

The "Catholic International" has reopened old wounds by publishing a list, by no means complete, of prominent Catholics who were "neutral" during the Axis inspired Spanish Revolution of 1937 and 1938. States an initialed article by David Gordon: (reviewing the fact that the Pope Pius XI sided with the Rebels)

"Nevertheless, the sympathies of certain Catholics in America were with the 'Loyalists' and against General Franco, Defender of our priests, our nuns and our churches."

Gordon states that these Catholics put their social philosophy ahead of their spiritual beliefs. Gordon then states that "subjoined" are the names of some of those persons who have never renounced "or recanted" their position during the Spanish Civil War. And why does Mr. Gordon bring up the subject? His answer is adequate:

> "We bring forth this record not to revenge old grievances but to prevent new betrayals.

"Because 'it can happen again' -- here in America."

Mr. Gord,on seems to feel that it will be as Father Coughlin predicted and threatened: "The Franco way!" Mr Gordon has picked out for future reference the editors of the following Catholic periodicals: Commonweal, Catholic Worker, New World, Extension and such outstanding Catholic personalities as M. Jacques Maritain; Dr. George N. Shuster, president of Hunter College; Prof. Emmanuel Chapman; Prof. E. Francis McMahon of Notre Dame; Rev. Father George B. Ford; The Rev. Father John P. Monaghan, editor of the "Labor Leader" and His Excellency, Most Reverend Robert E. Lucey, then Bishop of Amarillo, Texas.

Mr. Gordon finds a statement issued by Cardinal Archbishop of Armagh of Ireland so important and necessary for American morale, that he features it on page 2. The Primate of Ireland in an address, September, 1942 said: (as he is quoted by Mr. Gordon)

> "When I read day after day that this war is being fought for the rights and liberties of small nations and think of my own corner of my country overrun by British and American soldiers against the will of the nation, I confess I sometimes find it exceedingly hard to be patient."

Below this statement in bold type is a headline that reads:

"CATHOLIC ULSTER WILL NOT BE FORCED."

The headline refers to a statement issued to the press by the same Archbishop of Armagh in which the latter condemns the conscription for armed duty -- especially under the British. The Primate finds that the oppression of the Germans of minorities notwithstanding, it is less to get excited over than the partition of Ireland.

What Mr. Gordon is trying to accomplish by printing the statements of the Archbishop is quite evident. He is using the statements via his periodical to continue on his sniping of England. An indication of this, is the editorial on the speech which Winston Churchill made defending British Empire rights. Mr. Gordon applauds Mr. Churchill for not beating around the bush and says:

"As head of the British Empire at war, he has never let "... fall from his lips the horrid notion that our boys are shedding their blood for the sake of the New Deal or anti-fascism or The Right of Love or any such calamitous nonsense.

"Winston Churchill has said that he is fighting for his country and for his people's Empire -- homely and human things, worth dying for. And he has said his say in a stately diction reminiscent of Edmund Burke, rather than in the soapy Rooseveltian rhetoric."

Interesting in this new issue of the "Catholic International" is a very refined advertisement. It advertises "The Lecture League" of 17 East 42nd Street, New York. It also lists Muriel Nolan Delaney as Director. Muriel Nolan Delaney is also listed as Associate Editor of the "Catholic International". Among those listed as available for lectures are: Rev. Peter Baptiste Duffe, O.F.M., who has aided many pro-Christian Front affairs, and who recently was awarded a letter of recommendation from the Navy Department for his work in saving lives during the Normandie disaster. Judge Herbert O'Brien whose work in behalf of the Paul Revere Sentinels, Christian Front and other anti-Semitic and pro-appeasement groups is well-known to the readers of this DIGEST, and David Gordon the editor of the "Catholic International."

MRS. DILLING RAISES FUNDS:

Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, Chicago, Titian-haired Jew-baiter and recently indicted along with 27 others for sedition, is making a tour of the nation to collect funds for her defense. Such a fundraising function was held on Sunday, November 15, at the Gustave Adolph Hall in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Hall is owned and operated by Revorond Carol O. Stadsklev. Mrs. Dilling spoke at two fundraising affairs arranged by Rev. Stadsklev in Minneapolis and one on Saturday night in St. Paul. During the afternoon session Mrs. Dilling whose "The Octopus" was a source book for fascists and anti-Semites, denied the charges made in her indictment. Mrs. Dilling heaped derision on Walter Winchell and on Prosecutor William Powers Maloney. Mrs. Dilling referred to the latter as "Mr. Baloney". Mrs. Dilling told her audience that she had no prejudice (sic!) against the Jews as individuals. Her criticism of the Jews lies in the fact that they stress world-wide Jewish untiy over national unity. That, of course, is pure soup served from the anti-Semitic kettle. Mrs. Dilling told her audience that behind her indictment lies the desire of the Jews in high places in Washington to crack down on all who expose and oppose their efforts to promote world wide Jewish unity.

The evening session had little or nothing to add, although Mrs. Dilling claimed that the Jews have raised \$40,000,000 for the underground movement in Europe. A statement without foundation. She failed to state that \$18,000,000 was given to Lt. Gen Clark by Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau for the French African underground movement.alone! Mrs. Dilling paid high compliments on both occasions to her host, Rev. Stadsklev. She said that "he was one of those rare and courageous people."

The evening session boasted a Mrs. Lulu Avery and her husband in the audience. Mrs. Avery is the leader of the pro-appeasement, anti-Roosevelt, anti-Semitic, "Mothers of Minnesota" group. She has supported Mrs. Dilling before the latter's indictment.

P.S. Mrs. Dilling did not announce the sum raised. It was paltry:

FACTS ON PARADE:

Mrs. Lois de Lafayette Washburn's correspondence with a CONGRESS investigator was turned over to the Federal authorities by CONGRESS last week. Mrs. Washburn was one of those circulating the scurrilous "WHO STARTED WORLD WAR II?", etc., pamphlet, exposed in the DIGEST of November 13, 1942. The women who originally sent it to Mrs. Washburn is prominent in the Philadelphia Coughlinite movement. Indications are that Mrs. Washburn is leaving Seattle, Washington, where she resided for many