

U. S. Boys Die for Democracy --- Coughlin Mocks Their Deeds

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Thousands of American men in the armed services have died in this past week to preserve American democracy and independence.

But Social Justice appeared on newsstands this week right on time—and its very appearance is a foul mockery of the men—heroes all—who gave everything they had in the war against an enemy whose cause is championed by Coughlin's sheet.

With each succeeding week the magazine of the Royal Oak fascist grows more frenetic in its wild appeals to the basest passions of a misguided and bewildered following. This week the strain of hysteria pulses through the paper more pronounced than ever before.

CALLS FOR POGROMS

Coughlin is calling for blood. He is openly urging pogroms against Jews. He is seeking desperately to create a lynch atmosphere against the Roosevelt administration. He is demanding a break with our ally Britain and war with our ally the Soviet Union. And he is building himself into a "martyr"—with copious and blasphemous comparisons of himself with Jesus Christ—in order the better to seal the devotion of his followers.

"This war has been brought about by a carefully laid plot by international gangsters."

"We patriots must take broom and mop and clean out the internationalist parasites that have infested our government."

This foulness is still allowed to circulate through the mails four months after Pearl Harbor. This vicious Hitlerism is still allowed to be sent to uniformed men in the armed services in the same week that Bataan fell to the enemy.

ATTACK ON WALLACE

Men die on far-flung battlefields to defeat the Axis while at home the filthiest Axis propaganda circulates unhindered. It does not make sense.

Administration spokesmen are described in this sheet as "the enemies of our Christian country." And they are threatened: "They are exposed; and, thereby, very close to destroying themselves."

These two quotations from Social Justice are directed against Vice-President Henry A. Wallace because he said that Martin Dies is doing more harm in this country than if he were openly on Hitler's payroll.

An entire editorial is devoted to the highest praise of Martin Dies

and the lowest denunciation of Vice-President Wallace.

Of the poll-tax Congressman who not once in his career has exposed or disturbed a fascist agent in this country—and who has consistently refused to touch Charles Coughlin—Social Justice says: "Martin Dies is a public official representing the entirety of the House of Representatives and, therefore, the entirety of the American public."

THANKS TO DIES

Social Justice readers are advised:

"In your appreciation of the work accomplished by Mr. Dies, employ some of your leisure moments to write him a letter of encouragement. In fact, a million letters brought to his desk would be an answer to those who are bent on destroying him and the legislative body which he represents."

Charles Coughlin, for all his emotional instability, is a stute enough to know a friend when he sees one.

In Chicago this week every purchaser of Social Justice will find inserted in it a handbill advertising a course in "public speaking" given by the notorious gutter-brawler Joe McWilliams who left New York after several trips to jail here for his anti-Semitic harangues.

In Chicago McWilliams is "teaching" for the so-called Midwest Monetary Federation—which describes him as "this experienced fighter"—whose president, Willis A. Overholser, sought nomination for the United States Senate in 1936 with the enthusiastic backing of Charles Coughlin.

If Coughlin sees a friend in Dies, McWilliams sees a friend in Coughlin, and uses his magazine to promote his own violent activities. As pointed out before, the bars of the Swastika all point the same way. Dies, Coughlin, McWilliams and William Dudley Pelley—all flock together.

There are many other quotations from this week's Social Justice that by themselves are sufficient grounds for a charge of sedition against the magazine. We will give just one more.

Again defying the United States government to suppress it, the sheet writes:

"If the Postoffice officials wish to do Jews a disfavor, let them grant Mr. Goldstein's petition to ban the Christian magazine Social Justice from the United States mails."

No threat against constitutional government was ever more openly uttered. Coughlin is now black-

mailing the American people with planned pogroms.

This is war. American men are being sent to crush the enemy abroad. The least that can be done is to silence the enemy at home.