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UN-AMERICAN AMERICANS

FRIDAY, November 25th, Hitler conferred his so-called order of merit of the German eagle on Eight Americans.

Decorations of what Hitler calls the first class were conferred on professors of Stanford and Oberlin Universities. In all, four American professors were considered by Hitler as engaged in activities warranting his recognition.

There can scarcely be a dissenting voice, we hope, when we say that certainly the activities of these professors warrants the closest attention of the American people.

At what moment does Hitler elect to decorate these men?

They are decorated at a time when his murderous program against the Jewish people and the Catholics has reached its highest point. These men, whom Hitler infers have cooperated with the fascist pogromists, the burners of Germany's cultural heritage, the violators of treaty agreements and the destroyers of the national independence of small nations are decorated as Hitler sharpens his attack upon the American people.

It is said that Prof. Ralph Haswell Lutz, of Stanford, openly pronounced that some day, "America would have to deal with its Jewish question."

Just what activities are these Americans engaged in? The world struggle of democracy to save itself from the beasts of fascism flames higher. On what side are these university professors?

Hitler leaves no doubts as to the answer. This is a matter that Stanford and Oberlin Universities and Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, cannot ignore. And if they do ignore it, this is a matter which concerns the American people as a whole.