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to the convention, "We indlude in our activities owing to the express permission of the German authorities. Therefore I call upon you loudly to cry 'HEIL HITLER.'" According to another passage in the document, the chairman of the convention had this to say about Danylo Skoropadsky: "Danylo is adored and respected by the whole people and his trip to America was a triumphal procession. That is why his present appointment as Hetman's lieutenant will cause great joy in America."

The Hour urges that the British Military Intelligence conduct an immediate investigation to establish Danylo Skoropadsky's present whereabouts and the nature of his activities in England. According to reports we have received, one address at which Danylo Skoropadsky has been seen is 9 Grosvenor Square, London.

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SENATOR REYNOLDS PROTESTS

The last issue of The Hour, commenting on the arrest by the FBI of the notorious Fascist Italian propagandist Domenico Trombetta, revealed that on April 20, 1939, Senator Robert Rice Reynolds had incorporated in the Congressional Record a violently anti-Semitic article supplied him by Trombetta. Last week, confronted by newspaper reporter with this story from The Hour, the Senator admitted the truth of our charge but defended himself with this statesmanlike comment about The Hour: "That's a yellow-dog backhouse sheet!" He went on to say that he would not hesitate to re-insert in the Congressional Record the anti-Semitic material supplied him by Trombetta -- "every damn word of it!" said the Senator. Here are some typical excerpts from Trombetta's material: "The people are being made refugee-minded through the usual high-pressure propaganda sponsored by the interested party -- the Jew. . . They are systematically building a Jewish empire in this country instead of in Palestine. . . Other nations in Europe, after the 'triste' experience of years of Jewish yoke, finally got wise to themselves and so, only good U.S.A. is left."

This anti-Semitic propaganda, again endorsed by Senator Reynolds, came from the Fascist Italian Propaganda Ministry in Rome.

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DR. KERTESS INDICTED

On July 25 this newsletter front-paged a story (subsequently incorporated in its entirety in the Congressional Record by Congressman John M. Coffee) entitled, "The Case of Dr. Ferdinand A. Kertess." We exposed in detail, at the time, the activities Dr. Kertess and his Chemical Marketing Co. had been carrying on in the service of the Third Reich. Our charges against Dr. Kertess were repeated in Sabotage! -- The Secret War Against America, the book by Michael Sayers and Albert E. Kahn, editors of The Hour. On August 8 we were able to report in The Hour that the Treasury Dept. had seized the property of the Chemical Marketing Co. We again called for action against Dr. Kertess himself. As this issue of The Hour goes to press, U.S. Attorney Mathias F. Correa has announced the indictment of Dr. Ferdinand A. Kertess on charges of transporting to Germany rare strategic metals sorely needed by the Nazis for making erzatz products.

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UN-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA AGAINST IRISH-AMERICANS

A Nazi propaganda offensive is now under way in Ireland and among Irish-Americans in the United States. While the majority of the Irish people and Irish-Americans, in particular, repudiate this propaganda, a small minority of IRA terrorists in Ireland and professional Irish "nationalists" in America have succumbed to it. Boston, Philadelphia and New York are centers of this Nazi-Irish agitation which is being carried on in collaboration with the Christian Front. Masking sedition under false religious and Irish national slogans, the Christian Front propagandists are seeking to sabotage the morale of the large and influential Irish-American community in the United States.

Successor to Social Justice

Aiding and abetting this propaganda campaign is The Gaelic American, a weekly newspaper edited by James MacDermott and published at 165 William Street in New York City. Purportedly devoted "to the cause of Irish freedom," this newspaper is being regularly distributed by members of the Christian Front, and is generally regarded in these subversive circles as the successor to Father Coughlin's seditious publication, Social Justice, now barred from the U.S. mails. Father Coughlin's ally and close friend, Father Edward Lodge Curran, "the Eastern representative of the Christian Front," has been for some time The Gaelic American's leading editorial columnist.

The editorial pages and news-items in The Gaelic American violently assail America's allies in language strongly reminiscent of the official Nazi propaganda which has been spread among Irish-Americans. The newspaper also persistently attacks such outstanding wartime leaders and anti-Axis spokesmen as Vice-President Wallace and Wendell Willkie, and continuously snipes at President Roosevelt. On the other hand, such pro-Axis propagandists as Father Coughlin are highly praised and openly defended. The recent Department of Justice indictment of twenty-eight persons on charges of seeking to sabotage the morale of the United States armed forces was attacked in the pages of The Gaelic American as an Administration smear campaign against "Christian" American patriots.

Racist Agitation

Echoing the propaganda sent out by Theodore Kessemeir, director of the official Nazi agency Deutsche Fichte-Bund, who is in charge of Nazi propaganda among Irish-Americans, The Gaelic American invariably refers to the Irish people as the Irish "race"; and declares that the Catholic Irish "race" is opposed to the Jewish "race," which is identified with "Communism."

A typical, scurrilous Gaelic American headline, from the October 17 issue, reads: "Reds Hate Coughlin...Priest Victim of Smear as Fake Irish and Yiddish Leaders Wildly Denounce Him." The October 3 issue prominently featured a vicious piece of anti-Semitic agitation under the heading "Freedom of Religion", written by Daniel Downing. Alleging that the exposés of Coughlin and his as-

sociate Curran which have appeared in the New York Post, PM and other newspapers are part of a Jewish-Communist plot, the Gaelic American writer states:

"It must be borne in mind that the main objective of this movement by Communist publications and influential Rabbis is not to effect the destruction of the two priests mentioned [Coughlin and Curran], but rather to effect the destruction of the Christian religion itself."

Funds from Nowhere

About two years ago, The Gaelic American, then edited by Michael O'Reilly, and concerned chiefly with problems of Irish nationalism, announced its decision to cease publication. Lack of funds was given as the reason. The Hour is reliably informed that at the time editor O'Reilly unsuccessfully approached many Irish-American organizations for money to keep the newspaper going. Mr. O'Reilly was removed as editor and replaced by the former business manager, James MacDermott.

In spite of O'Reilly's failure to raise money, the newspaper did not cease publication. Significantly, Father Edward Lodge Curran joined the editorial staff as a columnist and the newspaper underwent a sharp change of editorial policy. The Gaelic American began to devote its pages to promoting Father Coughlin's Christian Front and the America First Committee. The newspaper demanded the "impeachment" of President Roosevelt; it violently assailed aid to Britain, China and the Soviet Union; it featured Nazi-like anti-Semitic propaganda; and it provided space for material put out by subversive organizations such as Women United, which was organized with the help of the paid Nazi agent Laura Ingalls.

FBI Investigation Urged

The Hour recommends that the Federal Bureau of Investigation initiate an immediate investigation of The Gaelic American and particularly of the source of the funds which enabled this newspaper to continue in publication after its former editor announced its imminent demise and which enabled it to become a medium for the spreading of anti-democratic propaganda in the United States.

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