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"GERMAN-DAY" POISON AT WORK IN YUGOSLAVIA

Nazism leaves nothing to chance. Before Hitler marched into Austria, prior to the grab of the Sudetenland and well in advance of the annexation of Czechoslovakia, ground for Nazi aggression had been prepared by ideological infiltration. All these swastika-doomed countries had been innoculated with the German-Day virus. NRS of July 3, 1940, described how it was done in Mexico; issue of October 5, 1939, showed how the same method was applied in South America. Regarding Rumania, the nefarious workings of Hitler nihilists were exposed in NEWS LETTER of September 28, 1939.

The selfsame formula of breaking up a country's unity preparatory to Nazi invasion also was applied in Yugoslavia (illustration on page 3). In view of the crucial role the Belgrade government assumes at this juncture, a survey of Nazi infiltration of that country seems of topical interest. That from the very emergence of Hitler in 1933, Yugoslavia was never meant to be treated differently from other, meanwhile subjugated, nations, becomes plainly evident from statements in the Goebbels press for several years past. To quote only a few significant instances:

"The German rising has brought teeming life to the Balkans -- it has indeed been like a summons to the national spirit to rise up in revolt and hammer out a new political philosophy.... The struggle has already begun, under the sign of that new conception of Government which has been proclaimed and accomplished by Germany."

--- From Janko Janeff's book, "Südosteuropa und der Deutsche Geist" (Southeast Europe and the German Spirit), published in "Wille und Macht" (Will and Might), official organ of the Hitler Youth, 1/15/40.

"While the German national group in Yugoslavia unanimously declares its allegiance to Nation and Government, hardly a day passes but the authorities and the Government subject the German minority to persecution, arrests and torture."

---From "Deutsch tum im Ausland" (Germandom Abroad), official monthly issued by the German Foreign Institute, Stuttgart; December, 1938.

"It is pride they feel in being Germans, and in their adopted home country they consider themselves nothing but German advance guards in an alien land. (Emphasis by NRS)

--- From "Hakenkreuzbanner" (Swastika Banner), 9/12/38, reporting on a visit of German farmers from Yugoslavia.

Where Did We Hear That Before?

These utterances in the Nazi press in reference to Yugoslavia are attuned to the same propaganda key as those made by Dr. Colin Ross in reference to the United States. To quote from NEWS LETTER of July 11, 1940, Ross declared:

"Just as a father proudly speaks of a son who attained gold and glory as 'My Son' without claiming a share of his wealth, so we, without fear of crit-

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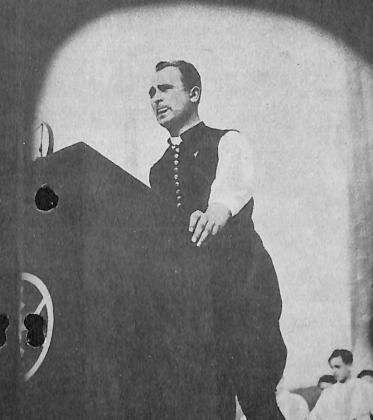
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German Day

Yugoslavia









Speakers are greeted in Nazi style

Stormtroopers Listen to Spreitzer

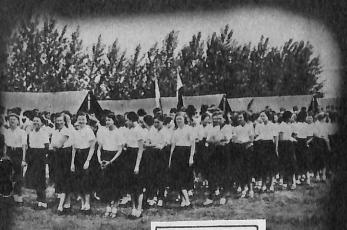


Consuls Gyssling and von Killinger



Silvershirters Henry Allen and Kenneth Alexander





District Leader Spreitzer Speaks

Girls Group



Stormtroopers March



Stormtroopers: AttenSHUN!

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icism, may justifiably say of the New World across the Atlantic created by us:

In the same spirit in which Ross expressed himself in regard to the United States, Hitler's propaganda machine, utilizing "Der Volksdeutsche", reported in June, 1939, of a German Day celebration in Yugoslavia:

"Demonstrations such as were witnessed in (the German-language enclave of) Apatin must be considered as the expression of will of a community ready for action. There were 20,000 Germans assembled to pledge fealty to their people and country. Whatever had been divided, even hostile before, now stood united in closed ranks, forming a front which will last even when the individual German has once again returned to his workaday world. An up-and-coming people has given testimony that will be followed by action. The words of the speakers were unequivocal and decisive: Every people wants to live according to its own racial laws. Our individuality happens to be part and parcel of a German ideology which was not exported from an alien country into our land, but was generated in our own blood and on our own soil."

This statement, made at the Apatin German Day, was later reaffirmed by Deputy Franz Hamm, member of the Yugoslavian parliament who, in the course of a speech, averred:

"We are under obligation...to those whose heirs we are, that at long last we resort to action. We own the soil upon which we stand but it belongs to us only when we show the will to maintain our race in the future. (The German Day of) Apatin was the point of departure for the fulfillment of our forebears' endeavors. Let it be the starting point for new efforts, culminating in deeds." (Emphasis by NRS)

German Days über alles

German days, wherever they were staged by Hitler's agents, have invariably proved jumping-off places for, first, ideological, and, eventually, military invasion, as Hitler's machinations from A (Austria) to Y (Yugoslavia) conclusively prove.

A German Day rally, similar to that at Apatin, was held in Larazevo in the Banat region. Exulting over this Hitler demonstration, "Der Volksdeutsche", paying extravagant compliments to "our loyal German racial comrades", summed up as follows:

"....It was the greatest manifestation of Germandom in South Slavia, with more than 20,000 racial comrades parading....The tremendous demonstration developed with faultless discipline, thus proving that Germandom in South Slavia must be valued as an element that makes for order and progress.

It is in exactly the same manner that Nazi publications in the United States enthuse over their own annual swastika rallies. One of the biggest of all of them is that which, year after year, including 1940, has assembled hordes of Nazis at Hindenburg Park, La Crescenta, Calif. (illustration on page 2).

With the Serbian commonwealth in the very focus of current international developments, dailies are apt to overlook that the present state of affairs in the Balkans would never have eventuated if it had not been for the termite work of Hitlerites, partly covertly, partly overtly, carried on over a period of years. A survey of Yugoslavia's innoculation with the Nazi virus seems all the more pertinent since, being so similar to the application of the German-Day virus in the United States, it furnishes one more warning example of the mechanics and efficacy of Nazi infiltration.
