

try of the Communist Party; Mrs. Helen L. Duckett of Philadelphia and Professor Harry Pratt Fairchild of New York University.

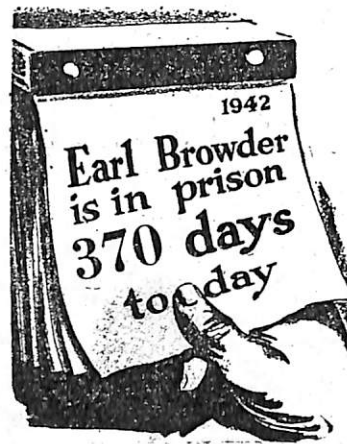
Professor Fairchild was enthusiastically cheered when he pointed out that the Congress "represented 11 groups in America, but one, the appeasers, defeatists, the fascists."

He stressed the all-American nature of the Free-Browder movement and said that "when Earl Browder is finally released it will be the people who will have won his freedom."

Pointing out the great need to show with overwhelming emphasis that the people as a whole want Browder's freedom and need it, Dr. Fairchild reminded the audience again that the actual freeing of Browder will come by the mass voice of the people.

In a brief, stirring speech, preceding the resolution, Curran gave

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scope of the operation was evident from the nature of the objective and from detailed reports issued by the German radio and heard here.

St. Nazaire is the most important target yet attacked by a combined British force. Lying at the mouth of the Loire, well below Cape Finistere, the British raiding party had

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radios, guns, ammunition and a German army uniform coat.

The Croton Dam is one of New York City's principal water supply sources.

The Hoboken raid was led by E. E. Conroy, head of the Newark office of the FBI. He announced that 20 of the 62 men seized there are being sent to Ellis Island, and said: "We regard this roundup as one

of the FBI New York office. Contraband seized there included 12 shot-guns, seven rifles and a pistol, 275 rounds of ammunition, 12 cameras and six radios.

A German alien was also seized yesterday at Weehawken.

Several photographs of Hitler were found in the Hoboken Seamen's Home.

# Congressmen's Link to Gerald K. Smith Bares Plot to Block Military Offensive

*(This is the third in a series of articles on exposing the new fascist publication "Cross and Flag" and its connections with the Cliveden Set spreading defeatism in Washington—Editor.)*

By Milton Howard

Is there a clique of American Congressmen working for the military defeat of the United States?

Does the Congress of the United States contain an active group which is committed to a military policy aimed at preventing an American attack upon Hitler?

Is there a plan afoot to revive the America First Committee, or a similar fifth column organization, to be sponsored by Washington Cliveden Set Congressmen and other officials?

These are no idle questions.

They are asked with the greatest sobriety and responsibility. It is time for America to look into the matter.

## A THREAT IN CONGRESS

This paper's Washington correspondent, Adam Lapin, has revealed that Michigan Congressman Roy O. Woodruff this week gave his public approval to Gerald L. K. Smith's fascist "Cross and Flag" by reading its leading editorial "We Take Our Stand" into the Congressional Record (March 26).

This is no ordinary incident.

It is a political demonstration of defiance of the Government's war victory program.

As we shall see in a moment, the "Cross and Flag" of the would-be Hitler Smith contains a fully-out-

lined military plan aimed at the wrecking of the American strategy of victory over the Axis.

It is not only Congressman Roy O. Woodruff upon whom the suspicions of the American people must fall.

Storm Trooper Smith has publicly listed a group of Congressional figures whom he lists as the "statesmen" and whom he expects to fulfill his program.

There include Senators Nye, Walsh, Clark, Brooks, Wheeler, Taft and the LaFollettes, as well as Congressmen Woodruff, Taber, Rankin, Hoffman, Shafer, Short, Jones and others.

It is an astounding fact that the Chairman of the U. S. Senate Military Affairs Committee, Senator Reynolds, has written approvingly

to the "Cross and Flag" endorsing by implication its entire platform.

Senator Nye has also written to the "Cross and Flag" permitting it to use his speeches.

## THE REAL PROGRAM

What, then, is the program of military wrecking which the fascist "Cross and Flag" espouses with Congressional approval?

With an impudence which signifies that he is counting on powerful Cliveden Set support in Washington, Gerald Smith outlines it as follows:

1. To prevent an effective United Nations attack upon Hitler, the lease-lend program must be wrecked. Therefore, Smith demands in his "Cross and Flag" that all lease-lend aid to Britain, the Red Army

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men who are dying every day in the army, navy and the merchant marine," he said, pointing out that more than 100 ships crews have urged the President to free Browder.

Thomas Rabbit of the Washington Commonwealth Federation reported that all of the organizations affiliated with the Federation had one on record urging the President to free Browder.

A Clayton Powell, pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem and Labor Party councilman, said that Browder's freedom was needed to speed victory against Hitler and said that democracy was not free in America while he was in prison.

"We can defeat Hitlerism abroad more effectively," he said, "to the degree that we uproot Hitlerism here in America."

Browder saw the fascist danger, he said. He is needed outside now more than ever before.

The Labor Party councilman spoke strongly against the fifth columnists who oppose Browder's release and encourage lynching, while they welcome such acts of sabotage as the Normandie burning.

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and China shall be considered as "treason."

"Cross and Flag" demands: "They (that is the President and Congress) shall be instructed by law that to loan, give away or sell critical materials would be unlawful if not an act of treason. . . ."

This is the typical course of Vichyism which is essential to Hitler's military victories; it views with hatred any actions of violence against Hitler, and contents itself with softening the victim for easy conquest by the treasonable counsels of doing nothing but "repel attack." It is a military plan for permitting Hitler armies to gain the advantage over British and Soviet troops by depriving Britain and the Soviet Union of vital war weapons at the moment when Hitler is planning a gigantic Spring offensive in Europe to be followed by an enormous Pacific-Atlantic pincer movement against the United States.

Do the Congressmen listed in Smith's "Cross and Flag" intend to carry out this plan of military disaster as outlined by their ardent supporter?

Do Senator Reynolds and Senator Nye take their stand along with

Congressman Roy O. Woodruff on this platform of wrecking our war strategy?

2. "Cross and Flag" demands the immediate calling off of all American military units operating anywhere close to the armed forces of the Axis.

In accents that must make the German-Tokio military staffs smile with approval, the "Cross and Flag" which has been read approvingly into the Congressional Record outlines its military plan:

"Today our fleet is scattered all over the world, our soldiers are scattered all over the world . . . We must conclude that where our territorial responsibility ends the territorial responsibility of other nations begins . . ."

Translated, this means that after helping Hitler in his Spring offensive by depriving our allies of war supplies, we should order our fleets to stop attacking Hitler in the Atlantic near Europe and Japan in the Far East. We should also recall our soldiers from all European and Pacific posts including Australia, since these places do not fall within the "hoop of steel" Maginot Line which "Cross and Flag" proposes as our "defense."

The fascist Smith threatens the Government with military insubordination and violence as follows:

"We have military strategists and politicians in our Government that seem perfectly willing to neglect American shores in order to fight the war all over the world. . . . Cross and Flag holds the conviction that if the President and that Administration in Washington don't put a stop to such tricks our beautiful America will be made the victim of a paralyzing disunity . . ."

[Our emphasis—M. H.]  
(Included in the "tricks" against which the Storm Trooper Smith warns the Government is the liberation of Earl Browder, an action which these Fascists view with the greatest alarm since they realize it would signify the Government's defiance of their blackmail.)

3. As its final political act, "Cross and Flag" proposes the resurrection of the America First Committee to be headed by Lindbergh, or some organization similar in aims to the exposed and superficially defunct America First.

"Cross and Flag" writes: "I was sorry that the great mobilization

of Americans (America First Committee) was disbanded. I said at the time that I wished that those who were in charge and important among its leaders such as Col. Lindbergh would have carried on . . ."

Is this also the platform of Senator Reynolds, chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, charged with the duty of winning America's war against the Axis?

Is this the platform of the Congressional "statesmen" whom "Cross and Flag" lists for its readers as the men in Washington to whom they should look for guidance in their struggle against the Government and its victory policy?

America is in a life and death struggle.

Hitler has boasted that "America would be easy."

Goering has boasted that in America our defeat would be "an inside job."

What is the relationship of the "Cross and Flag" Congressional heroes to the military defeatism of the fascist and Ku Kluxer, Gerald L. K. Smith.

This is what America must find out without any delay.

From the "statesmen" mentioned by Smith, America awaits an explanation and an answer.