

Hitler Fan Aids Congressmen

Liberty Lobby Founder Carto Donated \$90,000 to Conservative Candidates

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THIS IS Adolf Hitler's birthday. Had he not committed suicide in an underground Berlin bunker, he would have been 80 years old today.

And, believe it or not, there will be secret celebrations of Hitler's birthday in the United States, by a movement that includes men of some standing in certain communities. They have organized under the banner of Francis Parker Yockey, a dead man, just as the John Birch Society organized under the name of John Birch, who was shot and killed in China.

Following Hitler's example, Yockey committed suicide on June 17, 1960, in a San Francisco jail. He had updated the Nazi philosophy in a pseudo-intellectual book called "Imperium," which has become the "Mein Kampf" of the new movement.

In Washington, secret rites honoring Hitler are planned for today by Willis Carto, who founded the movement after visiting Yockey on the eve of his suicide.

CARTO IS a skillful backstage political operator. He established the Liberty Lobby, which conducts an \$850,000-a-year effort on Capitol Hill and has been a strong booster of Otto Otepka, the \$14,000 State Department of-

ficial who was dropped for leaking classified documents and has now been promoted to a \$36,000 job by President Nixon. Otepka's right-wing attorney, Roger Robb, also backed by the Liberty Lobby, has been appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Last year, Carto also founded the United Congressional Appeal, which passed out \$90,000 to a long list of conservative congressional candidates. The largest donations—\$4500 apiece—went to Archie Gubbrud, the Republican who ran against Sen. George McGovern in South Dakota, and George Hanson, the Republican who tried to unseat Sen. Frank Church in Idaho.

Smaller, \$2500 contributions were distributed to Max Rafferty, who ran against Sen. Alan Cranston in California; Jim Johnson, who opposed Sen. J. William Fulbright in Arkansas, and Sen. Ed Gurney, who defeated former Gov. LeRoy Collins in Florida. Another \$1000 went to Sen. Henry Bellmon, who unseated Sen. Mike Monroney in Oklahoma.

Carto's United Congressional Appeal made \$3000 contributions to Rep. Ross Adair of Indiana, James Quillen of Tennessee and John Rarick of Louisiana. Additional \$2000 donations went to Reps. Walter Baring of Nevada, John Dowdy of Texas and Ed Foreman of New Mexico.

Checks for \$1000 were delivered to Reps. Ben Blackburn of Georgia, Bill Brock of Tennessee, Herb Burke of Florida, John Duncan of Tennessee, Lou Frey of Florida, Jim Haley of Florida, John Hammerschmidt of Arkansas, Albert Johnson of Pennsylvania, Dan Kuykendall of Tennessee, Earl Landgrebe of Indiana, Bob Price of Texas, John Saylor of Pennsylvania, Henry Schadeberg of Wisconsin, Bill Scott of Virginia, H. Allen Smith of California, Gene Snyder of Kentucky, Sam Steiger of Arizona, Albert Watson of South Carolina, J. Irving Whalley of Pennsyl-

vania and Roger Zion of Indiana.

California Rep. James Utt, the chief congressional spokesman for the Liberty Lobby, received only a token \$500, despite his loyalty. Carto economized because he considered Utt's re-election for the ninth time reassured.

Of all the candidates who accepted money from United Congressional Appeal, only Baring, Dowdy and Haley are Democrats. The candidates might have been unaware of controlling elements at UCA had it not been for the fact that Carto's pro-Nazi leanings have been thoroughly exposed in this column since October, 1966. And Carto signed the checks.

Carto's goal, as he stated in the foreword to "Imperium," is to capture political power. "To the goal of political power," he wrote, "all else must be temporarily sacrificed." On Capitol Hill at least, he has had alarming success.

HE HAS also succeeded in infiltrating the press. He has purchased financial control of the American Mercury, established by the Baltimore iconoclast, H. L. Mencken. He also publishes various newsletters, including the Washington Observer, which is sent to American Mercury subscribers. Insiders say that the American Mercury and Washington Observer have 8000 paid subscribers.

Carto's boldest effort to influence the press, however, has been the creation of a Press Ethics Committee to police newspapermen. Its alleged aims are outlined in a confidential memo, which has been used to raise operating funds.

"We previously discussed the committee as a watchdog organization," states the memo, "to which those of us who are still working newspapermen can submit information and documentation regarding the manufacture and slanting of news reports."

To lead this crusade against "slanted" reporting Carto selected Frank Kluckhohn, who had been editing the Washington Observer.