

Persecution — Jewish and Christian

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At long last, a calloused world has come in personal contact with a persecution which it understands. At long last, it appears that the better sympathies of an indifferent citizenry are aroused to protest against the mad injustices now being meted out to a minority people resident abroad.

This afternoon bear with me while I add my voice in protest against persecution — that murderous weapon of hatred; bear with me while I endeavor to trace to its lair the fanged serpent of hatred whose sting has struck once again to spew poison and deal out death over the face of the earth — a fanged serpent which, on every previous occasion, has beat a slimy retreat to rest in security until appropriate conditions summoned it to emerge and repeat its devastation.

This time a united world must shatter the cruel weapon of persecution. This time we must assault hatred so that never again will it lift its head to assault us.

Thus, I shall ask an intelligent audience composed of intelligent Christians and intelligent Jews: "Why is there persecution in Germany today? How can we destroy it?"

Before attempting to answer these questions, permit me to review for the uninformed members of this audience the chief incidents immediately preceding the latest manifestations of persecution suffered by thousands of innocent Jews, natives of Germany; a persecution which, fortunately for all, has received a superabundance of publicity both at home and abroad.

A few days ago, a young Polish-Jew fired a shot that was heard around the world. Because his Polish-Jewish parents were dismissed from Germany by an order issued by the Nazi government, expelling all foreign-born Jews from the Reich, this frenzied youth murdered a German public official in Paris.

Reprisals for this imprudent act were rapid on the part of the Hitler government—peculiar reprisals. Instead of demanding an eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth, the German government levied a fine of approximately \$400-million against the 600,000 German-Jews resident in Germany.

Following this, the American newspapers were aglow with headlines. Our public officials were loud in their denunciations. Our ecclesiastical leaders were quick to disapprove of this vengeance. Our President spurred on the nation's sympathetic emotions by saying: "I myself could scarcely believe that such things could occur in a twentieth century civilization."

To be effectual in our discussion, which is not content merely with offering sympathy for the innocent German-Jews; which is not satisfied with registering protests against the German government—to be effectual in our discussion, which aims at unveiling the cause of persecution and then, at destroying it, it is necessary to record the following facts.

Although cruel persecution to German-born Jews has been notorious since 1933—particularly since the loss of their citizenship—nevertheless, until last week the Nazi purge was concerned, chiefly, with foreign-born Jews. German citizen Jews were not molested officially in the conduct of their business. The property of German citizen Jews was not confiscated by the government, although a few synagogues and stores were destroyed by mob violence. The children of German citizen Jews were permitted to attend public schools with other children. The German citizen Jewish bankers pursued their business as usual. The German citizen rabbis were permitted the practice of their rites. Until this hour no German citizen Jew had been martyred for his religion by government order although restrictions were placed upon Jewish professional men.

While it is true that foreign citizen Jews resident in Germany were disparaged and expelled, it is likewise true that many social impediments were placed in the pathway of Catholics and Protestants by the Nazi government—impediments which are revolting to our American concepts of liberty. But despite all this, official Germany has not yet resorted to the guillotine, to the machine gun, to the kerosene-drenched pit as instruments of reprisal against Jew or gentile.

My friends, it is only natural, however, that the civilized world

was shocked at the turn of events and at the imposition of a tremendous fine levied against innocent German-Jews because a Polish-Jew murdered a German government official. It is only natural that the Jews resident in America are aroused because their co-nationalists and co-religionists, living under the jurisdiction of Chancellor Hitler, have been subjected to such an unreasonable reprisal. It is likewise natural that Christians in every nation, particularly in our own, condemn this unjust persecution not only because it is unchristian, but because it is unwise.

In all countries Jews are in the minority. They have no nation of their own; they have no flag. *"The World Almanac"* states that there are only 15-million Jews in all the world and only 4-million resident in North America. Certainly they are in the minority—but a closely woven minority in their racial tendencies; a powerful minority in their influence; a minority endowed with an aggressiveness, an initiative which, despite all obstacles, has carried their sons to the pinnacle of success in journalism, in radio, in finance and in all the sciences and arts.

Thus, with these facilities at their disposal, no story of persecution was ever told one-half so well, one-half so thoroughly as the story of this \$400-million reprisal which culminated a series of persecutions. Perhaps, may I resubmit, this is attributable to the fact that Jews, through their native ability, have risen to such high places in radio and in press and in finance; perhaps this persecution is only the coincidental last straw which has broken the back of this generation's patience.

Whatever be the reason for this unparalleled publicity, we are thankful to God that it has happened; for it gives both Jew and gentile, Christian and non-Christian, an opportunity to write a new precedent, to establish a new tradition—a precedent and tradition by which we will all unite with all our facilities for all time to oppose all persecution wherever it may originate.

The Jew has challenged the Christian for his sympathy and cooperation. In turn the Christian challenges the Jew for his.

Thus, in a spirit of mutual cooperation; in a scientific spirit of coldly facing causes in order to remove effects, let us pause to inquire why Naziism is so hostile to Jewry in particular and how the Nazi policy of persecution can be liquidated.

It is the belief, be it well or ill founded, of the present German government, not mine, that Jews—not as religionists but as nationals only—were responsible for the economic and social ills suffered by the Fatherland since the signing of the Treaty of Versailles.

Imbued with this idea, be it right or wrong—an idea that spread rapidly, particularly since 1923 when Communism was beginning to make substantial advances throughout Germany—a group of rebel Germans under the leadership of an Austrian-born war veteran—Adolf Hitler by name—organized for two purposes. First, to overthrow the existing German government under whose jurisdiction Communism was waxing strong and, second, to rid the Fatherland of Communists whose leaders, unfortunately, they identified with the Jewish race.

Thus, Naziism was conceived as a political defense mechanism against Communism and was ushered into existence as a result of Communism. And, Communism itself was regarded by the rising generation of Germans as a product not of Russia, but of a group of Jews who dominated the destinies of Russia.

Were there facts to substantiate this belief in the minds of the Nazi Party, I ask?

Official information emanating from Russia itself informed the world that Communism, while barbarously opposed to every form of Christianity, made it a crime for any comrade to utter a single word of reproach against the Jews.

Uncontradictable evidence gleaned from the writings and the policies of Lenin, proved indisputably that the government of the Soviet Republics was predominantly anti-Christian and definitely anti-national.

More than that, the 1917 list of those who, with Lenin, ruled many of the activities of the Soviet Republic, disclosed that of the 25 quasi-cabinet members, 24 of them were atheistic Jews, whose names I have before me. The list, published by Nazis and distributed throughout Germany, is as follows:

<i>Assumed Name</i>	<i>Real Name</i>	<i>Nationality</i>
Lenin	Oulianow (Ulianoff)	Russian
Trotsky (Trotzky)	Bronstein	Jewish
Steckloff	Nakhanes	Jewish
Martoff	Zederbaum	Jewish
Zinovieff	Apfelbaum	Jewish
Kameneff	Rosenfeld	Jewish
Dan	Gourevitch (Yurewitsch)	Jewish
Ganetzky	Furstenberg	Jewish
Parvus	Helpfand	Jewish

Uritzky	Padomilsky	Jewish
Larin	Lurge	Jewish
Bohrin	Nathansohn	Jewish
Martinoff	Zibar	Jewish
Bogdanoff	Zilberstein	Jewish
Garin	Garfeld	Jewish
Suchanoff	Gimel	Jewish
Kamnelff	Goldmann	Jewish
Sagersky	Krochmann	Jewish
Riazanoff	Goldenbach	Jewish
Solutezeff	Bleichmann	Jewish
Piatnitzky	Ziwin	Jewish
Axelrod	Orthodox	Jewish
Glasunoff	Schultze	Jewish
Zuriesain	Weinstein	Jewish
Lapinsky	Loewensohn	Jewish

Be it emphasized that these Jews were not religious Jews. They were the haters of God, the haters of religion.

Throughout Germany antipathy towards all Jews, however, grew rapidly. It was increased year by year — and particularly in 1935 when the official disclosure made manifest that the central committee of the Communist Party, operating in Russia, consisted of 59 members, among whom were 56 Jews; and that the three remaining non-Jews were married to Jewesses.

The list of their names published by the Nazis follows:

Non-Jews married to Jewesses (3): L. V. Stalin, S. S. Lobow, V. V. Ossinsky. Jews (56): V. V. Balitsky, K. J. Baumann, I. M. Vareikis, J. B. Gamarnik, I. I. Egoff, I. A. Zelensky, I. D. Kabakoff, L. M. Kaganowitz, V. G. Knorin, M. M. Litvinoff, I. E. Liobimow, D. Z. Manouilsky, I. P. Nossow, J. L. Piatakow, I. O. Piatnitzky, M. O. Aazoumow, M. L. Ruchimovitch, K. V. Rindin, M. M. Houtaevitch, M. S. Tchuodow, A. M. Schvernik, R. I. Eiche, G. G. Iagoda, I. E. Iakir, I. A. Iakovlew, F. P. Griadinsky, G. N. Kaminsky, I. S. Unschlicht, A. S. Boulin, M. I. Kalmanowitz, D. S. Beika, Zifrinovitch, Trachter, Bitner, G. Kaner, Leo Krichman, A. K. Lepa, S. A. Lozovsky, B. P. Pozern, T. D. Deribass, K. K. Strievsky, N. N. Popow, S. Schwartz, E. I. Veger, I. Z. Mechlis, A. I. Ougarow, G. I. Blagonravow, A. P. Rosengloz, A. P. Serebrovsky, A. M. Steingart, I. P. Pavlounovsky, G. I. Sokolnikow, C. I. Broido, V. I. Polonsky, G. D. Veinberg, M. M. Kaganowitz.

I speak these words, certainly holding no brief for Germany or for Naziism. Simply as a student of history, I am endeavor-

ing to analyze the reason for the growth of the idea in the minds of the Nazi Party that Communism and Judaism are too closely interwoven for the national health of Germany.

Nor do I speak these words to defend the atheistic, international Jews and gentiles throughout the world who follow the footsteps of Lenin and advocate the principles of Marx. I do ask, however, an insane world to distinguish between the innocent Jew and the guilty Jew as much as I would ask the same insane world to distinguish between the innocent gentile and the guilty gentile.

Believe me, my friends, it is in all charity that I speak these words as I seek to discover the causes that produced the effect known as Naziism—Naziism which was evolved to act as a defense mechanism against the incursions of Communism.

Let us not forget the object of this discussion. My purpose is to contribute a worthwhile suggestion to eradicate from this world its mania for persecution.

Thus, while we are concerned with destroying the causes which beget persecution from this civilization of ours, let us profit by this occasion when the attention of our own country has been called to this international immorality, particularly on the occasion of a \$400-million fine being levied against 600,000 Jews.

I ask you: Should not all good men—Jew and gentile, Catholic and Protestant, Christian and non-Christian—coordinate their forces to restore sanity, peace and justice to an era which for its ferocity, its barbarism and its hatred has outstripped the Diocletians, the Neros and Torquemadas of old?

I was thrilled to hear the most intellectual Archbishop of San Francisco remind his compatriots that this universal surge of sympathy whose waters are now about to wash clean the impure emotions of a materialistic America—I was thrilled—and so were you—to hear him state that, at long last, the press and the radio of this nation are beginning to play their part in arousing a dormant people to the other injustices and persecutions which are besmirching our civilization—the persecutions in Russia, in Mexico and in Spain.

Persecution is an injustice, wherever it exists. Today's persecution was born from the loins of yesterday's persecution. Thus, if Naziism, a persecutor of Jew and Catholic and Protestant, is a defense mechanism against Communism, be assured that Communism, another persecutor, was a defense mechanism against

the greed of the money changers, who persecuted and pilloried the teeming populations of Europe.

Permit me to re-state that important principle: If Naziism is now memorable for its injustice and persecution, so was Communism; so was the economic system which made slaves of millions in the midst of plenty; the system which generated Communism.

Thus, one persecution begets another as one injustice evolves into another.

The inevitability of cause and effect will pursue its course to its logical destiny of chaos as one injustice continues to reproduce a worse injustice.

It is our concern, therefore, to destroy the cause in order to prevent a succession of disastrous effects. To abolish persecution, let us destroy hatred. To eliminate hatred, let us establish justice—justice for all without exception.

Any other approach to our problem is unscientific.

And, may I add, there can be no justice without God; there can be no God without love—love for Him and for our fellow-men whom He fashioned according to His image and likeness.

Be not mistaken, therefore, in analyzing the cause of Naziism. Trace it courageously to its legitimate lair, to its occasioning cause.

Therefore, I say to the good Jews of America, be not indulgent with the irreligious, atheistic Jews and gentiles who promote the cause of persecution in the land of the Communists; the same ones who promote the cause of atheism in America. Yes, be not lenient with your high financiers, and politicians who assisted at the birth of the only political, social and economic system in all civilization that adopted atheism as its religion, internationalism as its patriotism and slavery as its liberty.

"In our possession we have a copy of the official *'White Paper'* issued by the English War Cabinet in 1919." (N.B.: These words I used in a discourse of Sunday, November 20th, 1938. In compiling this booklet of discourses permit me to add the following information which I did not deliver over the radio on that date. The official British "White Paper" says:

"I consider that the immediate suppression of Bolshevism is the greatest issue now before the world, not even excluding the war which is still raging, and unless, as above stated, Bolshevism is nipped in the bud immediately, it is bound to spread in one form or another over Europe and the whole world, as it is organized and worked by Jews who have no nationality and whose one object is to destroy for their own ends the existing order of things."

Because so much controversy arose and so many denials were made relative to facts which I obtained from the British "White Paper"—particularly about Bolshevism being attributed to the Jews—I am supplying all the readers of this discourse with photostatic copies of that portion of the original British "White Paper" which later on was expurgated, and which expurgated edition my critics used in denying the validity of the facts which I presented.

I am also supplying photostatic copies—pages 88, 89, 90, 91, 291, 292, 293—of Father Fahey's book, "The Mystical Body of Christ," and his references to the American Intelligence Report U. S. Army No. 2 which he calls the American Secret Service and which name was used by the French High Commissioner.

Critics have denied the existence of this testimony. But the "Documentation Catholique" of March 6th, 1920, together with other documents which the photostats reveal guarantee it.)

This official paper prints the names of the Jewish bankers, Kuhn, Loeb and Company of New York City, among those who helped to finance the Russian Revolution. Since then, both Jewish and gentile financiers have been according financial comfort to the Soviet Republics.

Perhaps these financial overtures were made in innocence—perhaps not.

Moreover, I have before me a quotation from "*The American Hebrew*" of September 10, 1920 which says: "The achievement (the Russian-Jewish Revolution.—Ed.), destined to figure in history as the overshadowing result of the World War, was largely the outcome of Jewish thinking, of Jewish discontent, of Jewish effort to reconstruct."

Let our remarks be couched in the language of charity when referring to that quotation: "It was a Jewish effort to reconstruct." But, in justice, we expect that results—that truth founded upon fact and experience—now will convince all Jewish leaders worthy

of the name to repudiate vigorously atheistic Communism and its followers whence emerges the fanged serpent of persecution. Then and only then can we coordinate our forces to banish hatred and injustice from the nations of the world.

Now that experience has proven that this effort to reconstruct society by means of Communism died a-borning—now that this same experience teaches us that from the birth-cradle of Communism there rose the stench of Nazi persecution; now that this Communism is permeating the entire world with the fumes of hate, of destruction and of irreligion, is it not time for those Jews and Christians who have escaped unscathed, to re-purify the atmosphere of the world, first, from Communism, lest by its continued presence, an unjust defense mechanism similar to Naziism will spring up to assail us?

Thus, it is my hope that the thousands of erudite, sincere Jews in this nation, together with all informed Christians, will recognize that as long as misguided Jews and gentiles both, and in such great numbers, continue to propagate the doctrines of anti-God, anti-Christ, anti-patriotism and anti-property, so long there always will exist some defensive mechanism against Communism. Today it is Naziism in Berlin. Tomorrow it will be some other "ism" in New York. But always it will be characterized by persecution.

It would be ignominious for Christians, at this hour, to cloak themselves in the garments of crass silence on the subject of Communism from which cesspool there originated Naziism. It would be ignoble for us not to raise our voice in defense of the 600,000 Jews subjected to so many persecutions by the Nazis, culminating in a fine of \$400-million.

However, it is my opinion that Naziism, the effect of Communism, cannot be liquidated in persecution complex until the religious Jews in high places — in synagogue, in finance, in radio and in press—attack the cause, attack forthright the errors and the spread of Communism, together with their co-nationals who support it.

My fellow citizens, I am not ignorant of Jewish history. I know its glories. I am acquainted with its glorious sons. I am aware of the keen intellectuality which has characterized its progress in commerce, in finance, in all the arts and sciences and, particularly, in the field of communications.

But I am also aware that every nation from time immemorial has lifted in its hand the lash of persecution to strike the back of Jewry. From Nineveh to Berlin; from ancient to modern

times, a constant moan of suffering has been raised from the Weeping Wall whose structure now has encompassed the world.

Portugal and Spain, France and Germany, England and the northern countries, Italy and Russia — all, in turn, have taken their stand at the pillar of persecution to wield the leaden lash about the shoulders of Jews—for what reason I need not detail at the moment. I will satisfy myself simply by drawing to your attention that, since the time of Christ, Jewish persecution only followed after Christians first were persecuted—persecuted either by exploiters within their own ranks, as in the Middle Ages, or by enemies from without, as in our own days—the days of Communism.

Many historians — in fact, the vast majority of them — maintain that the Jews were persecuted because of their social philosophy.

Parallel with their persecution has been the persecution of Christians — not for their social philosophy but for their religion.

Relative to Christian persecution in our own day — in this most enlightened day of the 20th century — witness the price that Christians have paid to uphold their religion against those who were anti-religious; to uphold their Christ against those who were anti-Christ; to uphold their patriotism and nationalism against those who were unpatriotic and international.

Between the years 1917 and 1938 more than (c.) 20-million Christians were murdered by the Communistic government in Russia.

Between these same years not \$400-million but (c.) \$40-billion—at a conservative estimate—of Christian property was appropriated by the Lenins and Trotskys, the Zinovieffs and the Kameneffs, the Litvinoffs and the Lapinskys — by the atheistic Jews and gentiles—both—of Russia.

Those were the desperate days when Christians were not expelled from their native land but were targets for the machine gun which beat out its tattoo against human hearts; incredible days when the altars of Christ were desecrated and the servants of Christ were massacred on ever-multiplying Calvarys.

Our President recently said: "Such news from any part of the world"—speaking of the persecution of the Jews in Germany—"Such news would inevitably produce a similar profound reaction among American people in every part of the nation." Alas! the news of Christian persecution came to our shores. Alas! the

press and the radio were almost silent. Alas! this present government made friends of these murderers by recognizing their flag!

Those were the days when there was silence in the press; days when there was silence on the radio because opposition to Communism was a "controversial" subject.

Turn the pages of history to recent years when the disciples of the Communists, atheists, internationalists and anti-Christians obtruded their philosophy into Mexico. Although the Christian world stood aghast while hundreds of millions of dollars of property, including ecclesiastical institutions, were confiscated, there was no condemnation officially uttered against a Cardenas, there was no recall of the Ambassador Josephus Daniels, there was no national protest on that occasion, there was no invitation extended to the persecuted Christians of Mexico to seek refuge in our land.

Almost contemporaneous with this Mexican madness, directed and operated by the commissars of the Kremlin, the world began to hear the story of disconsolate Spain—Spain that has become the battleground of Communism versus Christianity.

What is the record of that unfortunate country?

(c.) Seven hundred thousand men have fallen in battle. (c.) Three hundred thousand of the noblest non-combatants—men and women and children—have been butchered because of their religion.

The press of America succeeded in muzzling the truth about these horrors. No symposium of radio protest was organized to decry the Christian life-blood spilled upon the pavements of Barcelona—Barcelona with its population of over one million persons where, at this moment, there is left only one, small, semi-official chapel.

Nor was Claude Bowers, our Spanish Ambassador, called back to Washington to tell his story — the most ghastly story in all the pages of civilized or uncivilized history. Nor did the State Department forbid the (c.) 3,200 members of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, recruited from our Jewish and gentile Communist youth, from participating in dragging Christ down from His cross and slaughtering His innocent followers.

And most recently—just last week—there was no protest, no indignation aroused when Stalin, not satisfied with having paid for his Communism with the blood of (c.) 20-million martyrs—

instituted a new purge against all Christians and a handful of political Jews.

Why, then, was there this silence on the radio and in the press? Ask the gentlemen who control the three national radio chains; ask those who dominate the destinies of the financially inspired press—surely these Jewish gentlemen and others must have been ignorant of the facts or they would have had a symposium in those dark days—especially when students of history recognized that Naziism is only a defense mechanism against Communism and that persecution of the Christians always begets persecution of the Jews.

However, let the dead past bury its dead. Today — this is our day, Christians and Jews. We were not responsible for the atrocities of yesteryear. We will be responsible for the persecutions of future years.

My friends, unless all persecution is stopped; unless all the causes that lead to persecution are removed, this 20th Century, which will have become renowned in the chronicles of the world as the most blood-thirsty in all its existence, will continue to procreate scientists who, in turn, will beget new means for destruction; will generate radicals who will conceive new plans for revolution; and will multiply persecution, unless we have courage to remove the basic causes of exploitation which have been confiscating the properties of the poor.

Therefore, we are in hearty accord with our government which has seen fit to recall its Ambassador from Germany for the purpose of discussing the injustice of a government which has been challenged for persecuting the Jews.

If we are sincere we will recall all the ambassadors or ministers from the communistic countries—from Mexico City where a price is still placed on the head of priests; from Barcelona in whose suburbs (c.) 300 innocent nuns—the breath of life still in their bodies—were drenched with kerosene, and burned alive by official order of the Military Communists, from Moscow where our temples have been turned into museums and where our Christ has been crucified anew—yes, (c.) 20-million times anew.

By all means, let us have a convention of ambassadors.

By all means, let us have courage to compound our sympathy not only from the tears of Jews but also from the blood of Christians—(c.) 600,000 Jews whom no government official in Germany has yet sentenced to death, and (c.) 25-million Christians, at least, whose lives have been snuffed out, whose property has been con-

fiscated in its entirety and whose altars and Christ have been desecrated since 1917 without official protest from America— America that has extended and still extends the right hand of recognition to the murderers themselves.

Let us distil this sympathy into a program of peace — peace, the result of order; order, the offspring of law; and law, the child of justice.

Thanks be to God, both the radio and the press at length have become attuned to the wails of sorrow arising from Jewish persecution!

May these notes rise in rapid crescendo until a symphony, not of hate but of love, not of protest but of determination, fills the heart of every human being in America.

May every honest Jew, every God-fearing Jew, as well as every honest and God-fearing Christian, find themselves cooperating in this common objective.

Gentiles must repudiate the excesses of Naziism. But Jews and gentiles must repudiate the existence of Communism from which Naziism springs.

In conclusion, may we Americans not engage in unreasonable reprisals against any nation.

Let charity be the norm of our conduct as we assemble our forces for action.

Charity that bids us love God with our whole heart and soul and mind; charity that bids us love our neighbors — not for what they are in themselves — but for what God has made them — His sons, our brothers.

P. S.: I know that this address is particularly displeasing to those of communistic mind.

I have it on definite information that these persons have organized to complain to the radio stations to stop my future broadcasts.

Need I say more?

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