

**Behind
THE NEWS**
★
by "Yours Truly"

Hon. Cordell Hull
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.
Honorable Secretary:

THE ANNOUNCEMENT of the Russo-German trade agreement and the Soviet-Nazi non-aggression pact ought to have stunned Washington more than it did Paris, London, Rome and Tokyo; for America's diplomats were left once more holding the traditional bag.

Certainly the statesmen in your Department have no record in diplomacy to be proud of; but this latest development in international affairs ought to convince you and your underlings that America cannot counter with Europe's double-crossing and deceitful statesmen who ruthlessly cast off principle and ethics to suit their own purpose.

A cursory study of our relations with Soviet Russia and Germany—relations inspired by our close adhesion to the London-Paris-Moscow "peace" axis—ought to show you that America has committed economic suicide. America has now lost Russia, Germany, Italy and Japan as customers for American goods and commodities.

The last Soviet-German trade treaty, made in 1935, bogged down because Germany was either unable or unwilling to supply the U.S.S.R. with the products for the Soviet war and heavy industries. Russia then proceeded to buy these goods from America and Soviet purchases jumped from \$25,250,000 in 1935 to \$41,805,000 in 1936 and \$69,691,000 in 1938. Russia's purchases in 1938 and 1939 were chiefly of planes, war chemicals and knocked-down war wagons.

Under an agreement concluded August 4, 1939, between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., the Soviet government agreed to buy at least \$40-million worth of products from America during the next 12 months. But figures indicate that the Soviet's American trade fell off sharply and that American producers were unable to collect their bills from Soviet Russia.

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**CINCINNATIANS—
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Daily news broadcasts from the studios of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine at Royal Oak have proven sensations in Chicago and Detroit. Never have these cities heard so thorough and TRUTHFUL a digest of the "facts behind the news."

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Fifteen minutes of startling truth from Monday evening through Friday evening. Are you listening?

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THE TIME—
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We Told You So!

APRIL 17, 1939

Soviet Russia and Germany Long Secret Military Allies

THE WEEK IN THE WORLD

Stalin's Talk
Is Friendly
To Germany

World Learns How Reds
Helped Reich to Rearm;
Now Snub Democracies

By "OBSERVER"

MOSCOW, U.S.S.R.
Josef Stalin's speech MARCH 27, 1939

MORE THAN TWO YEARS AGO, following the sensational revelation of a secret meeting between Russian and German militarists in Skagen, observers of European affairs prophesied that Russia and Germany would be forced even-

JULY 3, 1939

Social Justice Trade Deal Talk Between Hitler and Stalin Points Toward Alliance

APRIL 10, 1939

Peace or War? Communist 'Democracy' Fraud

Will Envoy Be
Lothian Over
White House?

LONDON, ENGLAND—The ap

Resignation of Litvinov Upsets Alliance With French and British May Be Further Hint of Stalin's Purge of Jews;

Headlines selected from no fewer than five previous editions of SOCIAL JUSTICE show the consistency with which readers of this National Weekly have been informed of the trend toward alliance between Hitler and Stalin.

A Statement to the Press

By FATHER COUGHLIN

AS EARLY AS November 20, 1938, I publicly indicated that Bolshevik Russia and Nazi Germany were to be abhorred equally because, fundamentally, the content of their philosophy is identical.

In the April 10, 1939, issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE I said editorially: "Whatever eventuates, this is certain: The new plan of encirclement is forcing Germany and Russia into a league against capitalism and Christianity . . ."

"It will be absolutely fatal on the part of the United States to continue driving Germany towards Russia. If peace plans fail; if Hitler and Stalin join forces, it will be disastrous, at least, momentarily, for European civilization.

In the April 17th edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE (page 3) the following headlines introduced a story which supported the thesis that Russia and Germany were united: "Soviet Russia and Germany long secret military allies."

In the May 15th edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE (page 3) we reiterated that Russia and Germany were united in a news story captioned by the following headlines: "Resignation of Litvinov upsets alliance with French and British—may be further hint of Stalin's purge of Jews."

The alliance between Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany was well known to the editors of SOCIAL JUSTICE. It is my conviction that it was likewise known to all the Chancellories in Europe.

If the foreign correspondents engaged by SOCIAL JUSTICE were well aware of this alliance, it is inconceivable to me that the foreign correspondents of other news agencies were ignorant of this matter. Surely there must have been some reason for the suppression of this fact.

However, the fact was suppressed either consciously or unconsciously, intentionally or unintentionally.

As a result of this, we Americans find ourselves isolated because of our presidential boycott of Germany and of our unreasonable friendliness with Russia. I say "unreasonable" because I cannot conceive how our State Department could have been so ignorant of the real events which were in the process of transpiring between Berlin and Moscow.

Now, however, the whole matter is a *fait accompli*. As a result, international capitalism will decline rapidly; Asia will become the economic sphere regulated by Josef Stalin and Europe will become the economic field to be plowed by Adolf Hitler.

According to the recent arrangements which have been under discussion for several months between Berlin and Moscow, the Russo-Japanese war now active on the Mongolian front, is scheduled to terminate very shortly and a combined Russo-German attempt will be made to restore peace between China and Japan.

As everyone knows, the British-French-American plan of encirclement has failed. The result will not be happy either for the British Empire or for France. Both of these nations will be forced within the year to restore Germany's lost colonies. In fact, they will be fortunate if they can retain their own colonies in Asia.

Meanwhile, Great Britain's influence in Europe has been terminated and France will be forced to establish either a communistic or fascistic form of government to avoid being reduced to a third grade power.

The only consolation left for right-wing Englishmen and Frenchmen is associated with the repudiation of Anthony Eden's and Leon Blum's fantastic foreign diplomacy.

As for the United States, it is evident that our childish foreign diplomacy will react unfavorably not only upon the Government heads who

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Fr. Coughlin and Dr. Curran Are Speakers

Board of Education Denies
Pressure on Teacher to
Force Resignation as
Chairman of Meeting

CINCINNATI, OHIO—High pressure tactics of Jewish opposition to Christian activities in Cincinnati were brought to light by Reverend Doctor Edward Lodge Curran before 3,000 persons at a mass meeting in the Music Hall Friday evening, August 25.

The occasion of the meeting was a rally under the direction of social justice followers of Father Coughlin in Southern Ohio and Northern Kentucky. Doctor Curran addressed the meeting in person. The address of Father Coughlin, lasting 40 minutes, was delivered via telephone from the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak and public address system.

Dr. Curran prefixed his discussion of the European situation with the revelation that Mr. Walter von Schlichten, Western Hills High School teacher, had agreed to preside as chairman of the meeting but had been forced to decline by his superiors on the Board of Education. Father Curran stated that pressure of the board had been enlisted against the chairmanship of Mr. Von Schlichten by Mr. Henry Segal, editor of the *American Israelite*.

Naziism and Bolshevist Objectives the Same

Doctor Curran then went on to analyze for his audience the recent Nazi-Bolshevist *coup* in Europe and to point out that their objectives are the same—economic control of the world and the steady snuffing out of Christian ideals of life.

In his address, Father Coughlin sketched the oft-repeated warning of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine that Naziism and Russian Bolshevism would sooner or later unite. He pointed out that Naziism was established as a defense mechanism against Communism, and that the latter in turn was set up as a defense mechanism against

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**PHILADELPHIANS—
YOU CAN NOW HEAR
FATHER COUGHLIN!**

WTEL

Beginning on Monday evening, August 21, Station WTEL began to carry the weekly broadcasts of Father Coughlin.

This broadcast into Philadelphia is made possible by the support of the people of Eastern Pennsylvania, and shall continue, subject to an increase of that support during the months of this crucial winter in the affairs of America.

Remember the hour—7 to 8 p. m. every Monday.

HERE AND THERE

By
Dr. Edward Lodge Curran

THE WHOLE WORLD has gone crazy. The announcement of the trade pact between Nazi Germany and Communistic Russia has paralyzed the right half of the world's cerebral hemisphere. The announcement of the non-aggression pact between Nazi Germany and Communistic Russia has paralyzed the left half.

The world can no longer think because it refused to think the clear thoughts stated week after week in the columns of SOCIAL JUSTICE. The world's mental digestive tract is full of totalitarian ulcers because it refused to digest such facts, both of national and international news, as were presented in the pages of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine for the past year.

Of all the editors in the world, Father Coughlin is the only one who can say "I told you so!"

In referring to the companionate marriage just entered into by Nazi Germany and Communistic Russia, we dare not write in paragraphs. The mind of America is already suffering from the alphabetical poisoning of the misnamed New Deal in this country. We dare not offer it a menu of large paragraphs of comment on the brazen, godless, un-Christian, anti-Semitic, anti-democratic and hypocritical implications of the secret treaty between Nazi Germany and Communistic Russia which saw the baleful light of a bitter day over a week ago.

We must confine our comments to phrases and sentences, here and there.

From one viewpoint, from the neck upwards, the German-Russian alliance is merely the mating of *moustachios*: the lager beer brand of Stalin's and the closely cropped lawn tennis brand of Adolf Hitler.

The German-Russian alliance should be baptized the "Nasty-Stalin" Pact.

What is New York City, America's own Moscow, going to do for another "Stop Hitler" parade?

Perhaps we shall see a "Putsch Hitler" parade or even a "Putsch Hitler-Stalin" demonstration.

What will Eleanore's "Ma Day" column have to say about the "Nasty-Stalin" alliance? The head of the dynasty is rushing home lest "Ma Day" commit him to even more stupid foreign policy blunders than he has been guilty of in the past.

Out of Union Square—where even circles are squared with the help of a little red paint—the following ticket is being maneuvered for the Communist Party in the presidential elections of 1940:

For President—Earl Browder, perennial plant of the cactus variety;

For Vice President—Fritz Kuhn, perennial growth of the genus mushroom.

A new masthead is driving the artists of the *Daily Worker* frantic. The Swastika must be combined with the Hammer and Sickle. Try it, in the interest of artistic as well as international chaos!

Now that the "Nasty-Stalin" Pact has condoned the persecutions of the Jews in Germany, will President Roosevelt immediately recall our ambassador to Soviet Russia?

What is left for Harold Ickes, the honey boy of the Cabinet, to talk about? Perhaps, he'll suddenly become Secretary of the Interior. His own interior must be color drunk with the Nazi brown that he has just had

to swallow on top of the Russian red.

Nazi Germany will now be represented at the New York World's Fair after all! The Soviet building is her agent. Here's another reason to boycott the World's Fair until the Red Flag ceases flying and until the Soviet Red Star is extinguished.

Poor old British diplomacy! It lies desperate upon the ground, with only the umbrella of Chamberlain to cover its nakedness.

Here is the latest version of the foreign policy song of Anthony Eden and all the British Edenites:

"We must go to Russia, to Russia, to Russia,

"We must go to Russia, to Russia to be STUNG!"

And what about the group of American citizens who just issued a statement calling for closer relations between the United States and Communistic Russia? Four hundred of them signed the appeal. Four hundred of them denounced all Americans who asserted that "the U.S.S.R. and the totalitarian states are basically alike." And along comes the "Nasty-Stalin" Pact to make the four hundred the most ridiculous group in the United States and to prove that the U.S.S.R. and the totalitarian states are *basically alike*.

Here is a list of some of the signers, as gathered from the press: Professor Henry Pratt Fairchild of New York University; Professor Mildred Fairchild of Bryn Mawr; Professor Samuel N. Harper of Chicago University; Dr. Max Lerner of Williams University; Professor F. O. Matthiessen of Harvard University; Professor Robert Morss Lovett, Governor of the Virgin Islands; T. A. Bisson of the Foreign Policy Association; Professor Walter L. Rautenstrauch; Vincent Sheean; Corliss Lamont; Dashiell Hammett; Donald Ogden Stewart; Colonel Raymond Robins, head of the American Red Cross Mission in Russia; Professor Dorothy Brewster of Columbia University; Doctor John A. Kingsbury; and Maxwell S. Stewart, associate editor of the *Nation*.

Oh, Professors! How your faces, as well as your ideologies, must be red! What do you think really of the "Nasty-Stalin" Pact?

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Pravda (Aug. 21) acknowledged that although Germany a few years ago had the largest share in Soviet foreign trade due to political tension between Russia and Germany, Germany dropped from first place in 1935 to fifth place in 1938, following the United States, Great Britain, Belgium and the Netherlands. The same official Soviet newspaper explained:

"Actually the present negotiations with Germany were initiated before the British and French made any suggestion to send a military mission to Moscow and, incidentally, were preceded by Mr. Hudson's proposals of a British loan to Germany, an effort to make an arrangement with Germany that did not meet the success of our own negotiations. Since the British government and its press at the time described these as an endeavor to promote world peace, we expect our similar but more successful efforts to be similarly characterized."

Mr. Secretary: It ought to be apparent to you that another severe blow has been dealt America's hopes to regain her foreign markets and that this trade agreement is another in a series which indicates the increasingly sad state of America's foreign commerce. Germany and Russia have now acquired foreign markets for their materials and commodities—America, with great surpluses of materials and commodities, has lost these markets following quickly upon the

heels of her revocation of the American-Japanese Treaty of 1911. Although Soviet Russia has constantly regarded its treaties and agreements with America as worthless scraps of paper, violating every provision of them, yet we have continued to do business with Russia.

You, Mr. Secretary, have gone even further in short-sighted diplomacy by enacting economic and financial sanctions against Germany, Japan and Italy at the Sovietphiles' request. You even went to the extreme of aiding boycotts of the products of the "fascist" nations!

America has been double-crossed again by her "friends." Britain and the Netherlands now monopolize the Japanese and Italian markets. The South American nations have captured America's markets in Germany, Italy and Japan. Now Germany takes America's market in Russia.

Furthermore, at the behest of her "allies," America has addressed beligerent protests to the fascist nations and invoked economic sanctions against them; while her allies were doing business, commercial, financial and military, behind the scenes with the same fascist nations. Although Britain and France deceitfully and secretly aided their supposed enemies, it remained for Russia to fling treaties, pacts and agreements into the face of long-suffering America.

Since America has practically severed diplomatic relations with Germany, Italy and Japan, why not now sever her relations with Soviet Russia, an obvious ally of the much-hated Germany?

Yours Truly.

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espoused it, but upon all anti-Nazi who persistently refrained from being equally anti-Communists.

Now that the diplomatic cat is out of the bag, it is logical to state that Josef Stalin and his Communist regime says "Amen" to Adolf Hitler and his anti-Semitism and anti-Christianity.

Of course, it is a waste of time to discuss Danzig any longer. Not only Danzig but the entirety of Poland slips into the orbit of Russo-German domination. The same observation holds good for the Balkan States.

And one word more for the United States: The billions of dollars owed to us by England and France will never be paid. That money is lost together with our diplomatic self-respect. The billions of dollars buried at Fort Knox, Kentucky, will be of little value for world trade.

May I conclude this statement by quoting what I said in a public address on March 29, 1939, and which appeared in SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine on April 10, 1939 (page 6): "The time is not far distant when those who have criticized me for being an anti-Semite because I am both an anti-Communist and an anti-atheist will be glad to accept whatsoever help I can afford them in defense of their rights both at home and abroad. That time is not far distant; for it is becoming plainer that the Nazi and Bolshevik forces in Europe soon will merge to the discomfort both of Christians and of Jews."

Rhode Islanders—Attention!

The evening of Friday, September 8, will be a red-letter night in New England.

On that evening Father Coughlin will deliver a most important message to the people of Boston, Eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island at a mass meeting to be held in the Boston arena, Massachusetts Avenue at St. Botolph Street.

Rhode Islanders are asked to attend this meeting.

See your SOCIAL JUSTICE distributor immediately for tickets or communicate with Mr. Francis Moran, 58 Harbor View Street, Dorchester, Mass., or room 204, Copley-Square Hotel, Boston. Telephone Kenmore 1717.

Admission by ticket only, but there is no charge for tickets.

Only a limited number remaining.

Doors open at 7:30 o'clock.

Father Coughlin will speak via telephone and loud speaker system from Royal Oak at 9:30 o'clock.

Boston Mass Meeting

Father Coughlin to Address Social Justiceites in Massachusetts

Tickets may also be obtained from—

Mr. Edward Roberts, 1423 Gorham St., Lowell, Mass.
(Tel. 2-7972)

Mrs. Florence B. Chase, Room 11, 273 Union St., Lynn
(Jackson 1088)

Dr. Walter M. Welch, 125 Tremont St., Boston (Library 8521)

Mr. Joseph MacDonald, 179 Chestnut St., Jamaica Plain
(Arnold 2119)

And all SOCIAL JUSTICE agents.

On the evening of Friday, September 8, a mass meeting of Christian-American readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine and their friends will be held in the Boston Arena, Massachusetts Avenue and St. Botolph Street.

After a series of speeches by prominent citizens of New England, Father Coughlin will speak directly to the gathering by telephone and public address system from the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak.

Admission by ticket only. Tickets are in the hands of SOCIAL JUSTICE distributors, or you may write or telephone Mr. Francis P. Moran, 58 Harbor View Street, Dorchester, Mass., or Room 204, Copley Square Hotel, telephone Kenmore 1717.