

Comment

British Invade U. S. A.—Catholics Do Not Escape

LAST WEEK Sir Philip Gibbs addressed 1,000 members and guests of the Charles Carroll Forum, a Catholic group, at the Willard Hotel, in Washington, D. C.

In a prepared statement which Sir Philip released to the press, he said: "We thought we would not win the war without an expeditionary force from America. Today, we want only materials to continue the fight."

In saying that Britain does not want an American expeditionary force, Sir Philip was most diplomatic in the choice of his expression. The plain truth is that this important British propagandist discovered, on coming to America, that the people of this country do not want to send an expeditionary force to England.

For the information of our readers, may we remind you that many millions of dollars were expended during the first World War to insure our sending an expeditionary force abroad; as much money is now being consumed by British propagandists in conditioning us to fight Britain's battle in the name of the "four freedoms" which Downing Street refuses to India and other subject peoples.

Associated with that statement is the hideous thought that these Britishers approach not only our politicians and publicists but also our prelates and Catholic groups, hoping, through them, to soften the Catholic population directly, and His Holiness, the Pope, indirectly.

From the *British Secret Service Report* of June 10, 1919, we reprint what the *Report* has to say about "pulpits" and propaganda:

"British born and trained prelates, divines and pastors have been provided as popular preachers here in many of the leading churches. The good work done by the Rev. Drs. Manning, Jowett, Kelman, McLeod and Hugh Black is beyond praise, although I fear Dr. Manning's endorsement of our healer, Hickson, may vex some of our Christian Science colonists. Of the many others deserving of mention I shall name only the Rev. Dr. Chas. Eaton, late of Toronto, who as a Baptist minister, as a war controversialist, as president of the Canadian Society, and as an exponent of Americanism, has been indefatigable.

"The visit of His Grace the Archbishop of York was a most welcome event in Anglican circles here, as was also, though to a lesser degree, the visit of His Grace the Bishop of Oxford. The Roman Catholic Bishop of Northampton, and Monsignor Barnes fulfilled the mission upon which they were sent by His Majesty's Government to their co-religionists here.

"The Moderators and lesser dissenting dignitaries imported by us created a valuable atmosphere of righteousness for our campaign. And so did Lord Reading among the members of his faith, owing to Colonel C. G. Bryan's success as censor in suppressing here all the news of the Dope

Scandal which displaced the Marconi Scandal in his Lordship's family."

The British are very adroit. The Monsignor Barnes whom they employed in America, according to the above official report, became a Chamberlain at Vatican City.

The *New York Herald Tribune* (Nov. 15, 1936) eventually recorded the death of Monsignor A. S. Barnes. That record reads as follows:

"Mgr. A. S. Barnes Dies;

Chamberlain to Popes

*Briton Visited U. S. to Urge Support
of Allies*

"Painswick, Gloucestershire, England, Nov. 14 (Saturday) (UP). — Monsignor Arthur Stapylton Barnes died early Friday. He was 65 years old. He visited the United States in 1917 and 1918 on a mission for the Foreign Office to persuade American Catholics to take a more favorable view toward Allied war aims."

Those who follow the movements of the British foreign service and associate with its movements the activities of other ecclesiastics, recognize that there is little need at this time for Downing Street to send another Monsignor Barnes to America.

The initiated can read "between the lines" of the last sentence.

Speaking of British propaganda in America, it may be well to quote from *The London Times* of July 4, 1919. This article — now almost 22 years old — has been reduced from theory to practice in such a startling manner that SOCIAL JUSTICE readers will be inclined to believe that Great Britain has taken over the land of the Stars and Stripes in more ways than one.

At least, the reader can judge from the following twenty-two year old article (July 4, 1919) lifted from *The London Times*:

"By efficient propaganda, carried out by those trained in the arts of creating public good will and of swaying public opinion towards a definite purpose, not only the natural and proper competition of interest between the two countries will be robbed of the poison of ignorant resentment, but also the malign influence of existing and potential propaganda antagonistic to British-American good will will be nullified.

"What is now needed — urgently needed — is to make a beginning. Efficiently or-

Walt Whitman Speaks

STEPPING down from the library shelves comes Walt Whitman, clad in the homespun tweed of common sense. He says:

"Go on, my dear Americans, whip your horses to the utmost excitement! Money! Politics! — open all your valves and let her go — swing, whirl with the rest — you will soon get under such momentum you can't stop if you would.

"Only make provision betimes, old States and new States, for several thousand insane asylums. You are in a fair way to create a whole nation of lunatics."

ganized propaganda should mobilize the press, the church, the state, and the cinema; press into active service the whole educational systems of both countries, and root the spirit of good will in the homes, the universities, public and high schools, and primary schools.

"It should also provide for subsidizing the best men to write books and articles on special subjects, to be published in cheap editions or distributed free to classes interested. Authoritative opinion upon current controversial topics should be prepared both for the daily press and for magazines; histories, and text-books upon literature should be revised.

"New books should be added, particularly in the primary schools. Hundreds of exchange university scholarships should be provided. Local societies should be formed in every centre to foster British-American good will, in close co-operation with an administrative committee.

"Important articles should be broken up into mouthfuls for popular consumption, and booklets, cards, pamphlets, &c., distributed through organized channels to the public. Advertising space should be taken in the press, on the hoardings, and in the street cars for steadily presenting terse, easily read and remembered mind-compelling phrases and easily grasped cartoons, that the public may subconsciously absorb the fundamentals of a complete mutual understanding."

Social Justice— At Least in Part

THE A & P (Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company) has accomplished a noble gesture towards the young men of its organization now serving in military camps.

According to the Associated Press (Nov. 24):

"The more than 2,600 soldiers and sailors who worked for the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company at the time of their entrance into military service are receiving compensation from the company at the rate of \$700,000 a year in addition to their regular Government pay."

In many instances, John A. Hartford, president, said, the check from the company is twice the amount of the man's base military pay.

A military compensation plan provides A & P employes in service with 20 per cent of their business salary in monthly installments, Hartford explained.

"All qualified full time and part time employes working more than 30 hours a week were made eligible for compensation not to exceed \$100 a month. The company also assumed payment of premiums on the group insurance policies held by the men."

It might be well to pass this information along to your son in camp. Perhaps, he worked for General Motors, Ford Motor or U. S. Steel or John Doakes.

Have him, with your help, bring to the attention of the corporation for which he worked what the A & P has done for its employes.

It is indeed a shame that the hundreds of thousands of boys in camps have been deprived of their good jobs and incomes, while hundreds of thousands of foreign refugees and emigres are cashing in on the gullibility of Americans.

Letters

SOCIAL JUSTICE aims to make this page a free forum and readers' opinions are invited. Naturally the views expressed are not always those of this magazine. We cannot guarantee that contributions sent to SOCIAL JUSTICE can be returned to the writers. Letters not signed with the writer's name and address cannot be considered, although the name will not necessarily be used. We reserve the right to publish all letters received unless contrary instruction is specifically given.

Not Division, But Almost Unanimity!

TO THE EDITOR:

I have noted an utterly erroneous idea seeming to take root and flower in the "Letters" column, and elsewhere in SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine, to the effect that we ought to moan because the Catholic clergy is "divided" on the question of aid to Russia.

The plain fact really is that our Catholic clergy is *not divided* on this question of aid to Red Russia but is united (more solidly than on any other question in the last decade) *against* aid to Russia.

We have but to witness the plain and conclusive poll of the clergy by the Catholic Laymen's Committee for Peace, which was reported in SOCIAL JUSTICE a few weeks ago.

The results cannot be "pussy-footed," minimized, or ignored.

The Catholic priests of America voted overwhelmingly — over 10,000 to 800 — against aid to the U.S.S.R. This is a clear indication of where our priests stand, 12 to 1 against any league with Stalin. This is not division; this is all but unanimity!

Our Cardinals, our Archbishops, our Bishops and our priests are overwhelmingly against aid to the Reds and are only waiting for us Christians to unite behind them.

The mere handful of priests and Bishops who stand against the majority conviction of the Catholic Church in America are being widely publicized in the press, on the radio, and in the news reels by the war-mongers for the purpose of creating an erroneous impression that our clergy is divided.

But by these very efforts, frenzied, persistent and ridiculous as they are (always emphasizing the meager handful of war-minded clerical odds and ends they are able to scrape together, always suppressing the obviously and naturally peace-minded and anti-Soviet sentiments of the overwhelming majority of our priests, the regular body of the clergy, the rank and file who express the attitude of the Catholic Church in America) by these very efforts it is only made more clear to us how united our Catholic clergy really is against war or aid to Russia.

So, don't be worried; the Catholic Church in America is *against* aid to Red Russia and the war-mongers know it—that's why they're trying vainly to create the opposite impression!

—J.B.

Mount Vernon, New York.

Plug for a Good Neighbor

TO THE EDITOR:

I have read with interest and approval G.R.W.'s letter in your splendid paper on sending Christian cards at Christmas.

I know it is hard to buy Christian Christmas cards in some stores; the demand for them does not make it profitable for the stores to stock them up. I would like to suggest that your readers send for them to *Our Sunday Visitor*, Huntington, Indiana, book department.

I believe they put out 18 beautiful Christian cards for \$1, and I'm sure any persons who will buy them will be very pleased with these Christian Christmas cards.

—F. K. McK.

Chicago, Illinois.

1942 Coming Up!

TO THE EDITOR:

Now that the 1942 Congressional elections are coming up the people must repudiate the war party which, by and large, is the Democratic party, especially here in the Southern States.

In places where a Congressman's record shows that he has voted for real national defense, but that he has opposed by words and his vote those so-called "defense" measures which are actually acts of war, he should be supported.

In other districts, where the war party is so firmly entrenched, the people aided by capable leadership should form their own party, select one of their own members, and send him to Washington to really represent them.

This would apply, I think, to most of our Southern States and to places like New York City where the war groups have a virtual monopoly on all political opinion, and "the people's" voice is rendered ineffective.

If the Communists can elect a Communist in my native Brooklyn with 45,000 votes, let's see what Americans can do next year in Washington, D. C.!

Anniston, Alabama.

—S.L.J.

People and Government 'Same Thing', Wilson Said

TO THE EDITOR:

All this differentiation between peoples and government reminds me of another epoch of the blandest hypocrisy and slimy slogans.

In 1917 when we entered the World War to save the British empire and the investments of our banking fraternity, everyone in the street began asking, "What are we fighting for?"

Then, as now, the administration at Washington answered—not in plain English, but with a Greek word which our masses do not understand—"democracy."

Woodrow Wilson, whose methods are being religiously followed by his one-time Cabinet officer and disciple now in the White House, enlarged upon the cryptic slogan by proclaiming publicly:

"We are not fighting the German people, for whom we have but feelings of friendship and admiration; what we are fighting is their autocratic government."

When more than four years of starvation imposed upon Germany caused the people to demand an immediate armistice, to be followed by the immediate lifting of the hunger blockade, the general slaughter was continued for four weeks longer, because the Wilson administration let it be known that we "could not deal with" the Imperial German government.

It was only after the German emperor had gone into voluntary exile, in order to stop further bloodshed at the front and starvation at home, that our administration and the other allies agreed upon an armistice.

Germany was then ruled by the

Social Democratic Party which surrendered all German arms and left their country completely defenseless.

In spite of that, the hunger blockade against the defenseless people of Germany was kept up for another six months while Wilson fixed his signature to the notorious betrayal of Versailles.

Upon his return from Paris, Mr. Wilson expected that a servile Senate would again ratify his signature, although the treaty of Versailles had betrayed the 14 points completely. He encountered, instead, a strong opposition, the American people in the meantime having ousted from office most of the Senators who had voted us into the war.

Wilson then thought to gain his ends by making his appeal directly to the American people. While thus addressing a large audience in St. Louis, the President was interrupted by one of his listeners who asked:

"You always claimed that we were not fighting the German people, but only their imperial autocratic government which is no more; how about it?"

Thereupon President Wilson turned red in the face and, after steadying himself, answered:

"It is true that I have said that, but any intelligent person knows that the people and the government are the same thing!"

Shortly after this experience, he cut his speaking tour short and we began to hear that Mr. Wilson was "a broken man."

New York City, N. Y.

—H.F.

Satan's Mind

TO THE EDITOR:

The scheme to have our American youth shed their blood to perpetuate the power of internationalists is so diabolical that it must have originated in hell. Satan's mind alone could have devised such a "plan"; and, once having devised it, put it into the minds of godless men.

First, our American youth was conscripted for an emergency; then, the one-year period was abolished; now, they are asked to enlist in the regular Army for service overseas.

If they refuse, they will be branded as "slackers" if not traitors. Our boys have been intrigued and entrapped.

No American youth wants to be branded as a coward. Either he will be so branded now, or he will have to shed his blood to keep alive a dishonest money system that has enslaved the peoples of so-called "democratic" lands for many years.

The international war-mongers, bankers, and munitions makers are willing to sacrifice the lives of men in any country so long as their little clique can continue to exploit China, India and all other peoples the world over.

There is one effective weapon against this hellish plan. That weapon is prayer to God that He will once again, as He has so often done, bring Hell's scheme to naught.

McSherrystown, Pa.

—P.L.S.

The People's Will

TO THE EDITOR:

I have been thinking a lot about what Mr. John Cudahy, the former ambassador, said in his recent speech at Madison Square Garden:

"It is either peace or war. A country cannot exist half peace and half war. The time has come for a show-down. We challenge the administration to put the issue up to Congress in the American way!"

"We have petitioned, and they have turned a deaf ear. We have entreated, and they have denied us a hearing. We have pleaded, and our pleas have been in vain. Now, we entreat no more—we petition no more—we make no further plea.

"We defy them to take this country into a sanguinary war without the consent of the people and their Congress!"

What did he mean? Is it possible that I see a pin point of light in the distance—a faint ray of hope for America in Mr. Cudahy's following remarks in the same speech:

"But, Hitler is only a passing phase and he would soon pass into eclipse if he dared to oppose the will of his generals and the German people to enter into peace negotiations."

Or, is it only a mirage of hope—a mocking illusion? I mean, the generals and the 85 per cent of peace-minded Americans. Can it be possible that they are any different?

—A.J.C.

West Orange, New Jersey.

Letters

1935 Prediction

TO THE EDITOR:

Father Coughlin said this in 1935:

"Whether you know it or not, the stage is being set for our entrance into another world war; whether you know it or not, we are preparing to become the cats-paws for saving the international bankers of the British empire, which empire unfortunately is dominated by the privately-owned and controlled Bank of England!"

How true Father Coughlin's prediction of 7 years ago reads today.

— J. O'K.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Off the Question

TO THE EDITOR:

The Chicago radio station WGN broadcasts the Northwestern University's roundtable program every Sunday morning.

On November 16th the subject under discussion was "what advantage, at this time, will accrue to the United States by collaborating with Soviet Russia?"

While there was considerable chatter during the quiz period, a significant point as I observed the proceedings was that the topic drew a larger audience than I had seen on previous Sundays this season. Also a larger number attended for the first time.

But, even more significant, most all of the statements and questions emphasized a deep concern for Soviet Russia — not for America!

Yet, remember that the topic was "what advantage would accrue to the U.S.A.?"

— J.W.B.

Chicago, Illinois.

'P' for Peace

TO THE EDITOR:

Have we so degenerated, does our faith mean so little to us, and are we so impressed by the exaltation of brute strength as to preach bloodshed and destruction?

Is our *Christian* heritage dead? Is it not wise to subdue these wild war-advocating hysterics?

Let our sign be "P" for peace with justice and truth, not merely a "V" for victim and victory with its trail of another Versailles of subjugation and injustice, the fruits of which, 20 years ago, we see everywhere today.

We owe it to the suffering and dying, and the youth who are about to die. We owe it to the anguish and tears of American motherhood, mothers who will cry out as Christ hanging on His cross cried out, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do!"

— G.G.

Tough on the Indians

TO THE EDITOR:

The spineless lethargy of our business men, from one end of the country to the other, is disgusting.

Unable to get materials with which to operate, because of priorities for "defense," they are solicited by British agents who are willing and able to supply the needed materials — at a considerable advance in price.

A steel mill in St. Louis has an abundance of material on hand in various grades but they are "verbotten" to dispose of any of this material without written permission from the O.P.M., which issues release orders only for goods that will benefit Great Britain or Soviet Russia. Business in the U.S.A. can be damned!

One agent for a steel concern boastfully recounted how though he was unable to obtain steel for "non-essential" production because of the O.P.M., he was fortunate to obtain the material from a British concern.

Another story is told of a South American salesman for International Harvester Co. who learned on a recent trip that International Harvester tractors could be bought from Britain for \$200 less than the manufacturer himself could sell them! Thanks to our lend-lease gifts to Britain.

In Chicago, one supply concern closed its doors because they were unable to obtain materials. They did not learn, apparently, that "Britain delivers the goods" — our goods, or else, they had enough good old-fashioned Yankee gump-tion to refuse to deal with this

kind of an international racketeer!

Every day we hear this kind of tale from persons whose integrity is above question. And it continues day after day growing in proportion, without a word of effective protest from stupid business men, who are well organized and who could put a stop to this phony hypocrisy within a week!

If we are to submit to the giving away of our country, I prefer to give it back to the Indians instead of to the British.

— J.J.T.

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Inconsistent

TO THE EDITOR:

Since the secret meeting of Churchill and Roosevelt on the high seas, and Roosevelt's elaborate expurgation of Red Russia's religious persecution, many seem to find justification for absolving the Soviet of all guilt.

If Stalin is "bloody" and the liquidator of millions, is the complexion changed one bit because he has been attacked by Hitler? The Russian people are a religious people, we're told.

I am no Nazi and do not abet National Socialism; but do the people of Germany suddenly become "irreligious" because Hitler has felt that he was justified in attacking Stalin?

If there be reason to help the "religious" Russians, why condemn Germans as irreligious?

— B.J.J.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Converted by Broadcasts, Reader in Plea for Faith

TO THE EDITOR:

Isn't it strange that so many people fear the truth; yet, knowing the truth, refuse to profit?

So many I speak to about SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine, for example, admit that it is a fine paper yet when I ask if they subscribe regularly they say, no.

Some of them have even said that if they read the paper regularly they would be so upset and disturbed about dishonest conditions that it would keep them in such a state of mind that they could not properly perform their work and earn a livelihood.

What an excuse! Maybe that is just what is the matter with so-called "democracy": The people would rather not be bothered.

For centuries, the Christian church has been driven to earth, time after time, and always comes back stronger than ever. There must be a reason.

Why not try a Government founded on "Love thy neighbor as thyself"; "I am my brother's keeper"; "Christ is Master over all we possess."

It has never failed the church,

and it would not fail a government.

I am not asking that non-Catholics "become Catholics" — I only say, get back to God whatever faith you profess! However, I might add for anyone who doubts, that it will be five years in March that I was converted because of Father Coughlin's Easter and Christmas sermons.

If there are any Catholics, or non-Catholic Christians, who do not understand that the human body is the temple of an immortal soul, just make a trip to the Shrine of the Little Flower which Father Coughlin built in Royal Oak.

If in the past you had been inclined to say, "Oh, he is just like anyone else who makes money by radio broadcasting," your visit to the Shrine will cure you. It may even occur to you that men and their laws alone can never save the governments of the world.

Until we have at least a few leaders like Father Coughlin in Government, there is no hope for us.

— C.F.W.

Buffalo, N. Y.

Back to Principles!

TO THE EDITOR:

As you are perhaps aware, there is a momentous election being held in the 7th Congressional district of Massachusetts on December 16, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Lawrence Connery of Lynn.

Among the various Democratic aspirants, in this predominantly Democratic district, is State Senator Joseph B. Harrington, who is campaigning on a platform of "American defense at any expense, but no foreign war." Senators Nye and Tobey are to make speeches in his behalf.

The people in this district feel that it is the most important election ever held in the modern history of the United States!

In this district, your readers should know, the intelligence of the people and the skill of our laborers run high; furthermore, a complete expression is possible as there exists here no subtle disenfranchisement of voters.

Strangely enough, the physical boundaries of the district come within seven miles of the scene of the original Boston Tea Party. Conceivably, the ancestors of many of us took part. So, this constitutional battleground on election day might well serve as a cross section of the independent New England spirit again asserting itself against being submerged and swallowed by Old Lady England in a 1941 manner.

— J. J. McC.

Peabody, Massachusetts.

Bishop Stands Pat

TO THE EDITOR:

In the latter part of 1939, when Soviet Russia grabbed Ukrainian territories within Eastern Poland, the Most Rev. John Buchko, auxiliary bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic archdiocese of Lemberg, found himself a refugee in the United States.

As a good Christian, Bishop Buchko opposed Communism and preached against it. The Jewish Red "front" paper, *The Hour*, attacked him for his activities and Catholic circles were enlisted in an attempt to silence the Bishop.

When that failed complaint was made to the F.B.I. and the Immigration Service. The Bishop was asked to sign a promise to stop talking against Communism, as an alternative they said he would be expelled from the country.

They asked what proof he had that Christians were persecuted in Soviet Russia. The Bishop retorted that he had millions of proofs, namely, the Christians murdered by the Bolsheviks.

Did not the Bishop know that this country supported Soviet Russia? one agent asked him.

The Bishop replied that anyone supporting Soviet Russia was either a fool or a Communist. As an alternative to being deported, the Bishop departed voluntarily and is now on the high seas.

— X.Y.

New York City.

Comment

At Last—the Jews Support Fr. Coughlin

IN NOVEMBER, 1938, Father Coughlin asked the religious Jews of America to take a stand against those individual Jews and Jewish organizations then supporting the Communist government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

He pointed out that it would be to their advantage and to the advantage of all civilization.

At that time the Radio Priest was roundly attacked by Jews and their supporters on the grounds of being anti-Semitic.

Now comes the *Jewish Spectator* in its November issue with an editorial supporting the 1938 stand taken by Father Coughlin.

"Several weeks ago a group of 'prominent Jewish citizens of the U.S.S.R.' addressed an appeal to their 'Brother Jews in all lands' to help wipe out the 'Brown Plague' and to lend moral support to the Jews of Soviet Russia," says the *Spectator*.

"In response to this call, issued by leading Jewish intellectuals and members of the Communist Party, a group of American Jewish writers, headed by Dr. Chaim Zhitlowsky, and other Jewish organizations, are preparing replies pledging the moral support and aid the Russian appeal asked for.

"There can be altogether no question that all-out help must be extended to Soviet Russia fighting a death struggle on the side of the democracies. Yet, this military alliance with the Communist dictatorship does not obliterate the record of the Stalin regime . . . Not a few liberals, Jews and Christians alike, regard the help extended to Soviet Russia as a measure directed *against* Hitler rather than a *support* of Stalin.

"It is rather incongruous that the American Jewish writers and intellectuals in their reply to the Russian appeal emphasize that forces of 'reaction' rose against the Jewish people through the ages. What exactly do they mean by 'forces of reaction'? Surely, the Stalin persecution of all that is holy to a Jew cannot be called 'progressive.' And is it not a fact that only rarely in their long history of martyrdom were Jews subjected to such violent and ruthless attacks as faithful keepers of the Jewish religious and cultural heritage as in Soviet Russia?

"Hitlerism aims at annihilating the Jewish people by making their physical existence and survival impossible," continues the editorial. "Stalinism has systematically and with ruthless brutality struck at the Jewish soul and spirit. The blood of our Russian brothers who died in Communist prisons and in Siberia because of their unflinching devotion to traditional Jewish values cries unto us no less than the blood of those Jewish martyrs who were murdered in Nazi concentration camps.

"The powerful and fruitful reservoir of Jewish strength and inspiration in Russia was callously drained and destroyed by the Communist regime, so that there is today a new generation of Russian Jews that does not know the greatness and glory of the Jewish legacy but mistakes for Judaism and

Jewishness the shallow, insipid 'secular Yiddishism' fostered by the Soviet Union.

"Far be it from us to close our ears and hearts to the appeal of our Jewish brethren in the Soviet Union—however, does the appeal, signed by the Jewish Communists and erstwhile revilers of all that is sacred to the Jew, really represent the voice of Russian Jewry?

"The real voice of Russian Jewry has as yet not been raised, for it has long been drowned out and silenced by the Communist oppression. The voice of the rabbis and *Talmud* students, the voice of the Hebrew writers and Zionist leaders, the voice of the hundreds of thousands of Russian Jews who want to live and worship as they were taught by their fathers and as their conscience tells them to and who are deprived of the most elementary freedoms of mankind.

"There can be no solidarity with the Russian Jewish Communists who all these years have been the most rabid despoilers of their Russian fellow-Jews and have martyred them no less cruelly than the Nazis are martyring the Jews under their sway.

"The voice of Russian Jewry has as yet not spoken—but when it will be raised, American Jewry will not fail to respond. In the meantime, let us support the American and British policy of extending aid to Russia as an enemy of Hitler—Jewish honor and self-respect do not permit us to go further than that.

"Let Jewish organizations beware from making common cause with the Jewish Communists who all these years never uttered a word of sympathy for suffering Jews but eloquently voiced their denunciations of those, whom, now that they need them, they address as 'Brother Jews.'

"Where were these 'Prominent Jewish Citizens of the U.S.S.R.' from 1933 till now?

"Why did they lend moral support to the Mufti and his hired Arab murderers who destroyed hundreds of young Jewish lives in the Jewish homeland?

"And what guarantee is there that these 'prominent Jewish citizens,' who are now oozing with expressions of Jewish solidarity, will not revert to their well-known ways when the danger will have been passed?

"Military help *against* Hitler, yes! Moral support to Communism, never!"

It is regrettable that these sensible religious Jews do not get the same hearing in the United States accorded to the warmongers and Soviet lovers.

Comment By-Products

IN THAT Chicago newspaper battle wherein Marshall Field's new venture is to challenge the *Tribune*, Col. McCormick can take solace in the adage that "the Fields are always greener . . ."

It is said you cannot throw a stone in Washington, D. C., without hitting some paid administration propagandist: well, that's fair enough.

A New York hostess says there are too many men at debutantes' coming-out parties. Perhaps, Col. Knox, Senator Pepper, et al., can remedy that.

Soviet Defenders of the Faith

THE CATHEDRAL of Moscow has been for years the No. 1 Anti-God Museum of Moscow. Its story is told by Carveth Wells in "*Kapoot*." Here is Mr. Wells' description of two of the disgusting cartoons with which the walls of the former cathedral were decorated:

"The great feature of this exhibition of 'sacred' pictures was a life-sized cartoon of Jesus. He was dressed in a frock coat, top hat, striped trousers, shiny shoes, yellow walking stick with a pair of yellow gloves, and an American flag in his right hand. In his left hand was displayed the Union Jack.

"Jesus had a disgusted look upon His face and from His attitude it was evident that He had just received a violent kick from behind. The artist had drawn what is technically known among cartoonists as a 'balloon'; and emerging from Jesus' mouth were these words: 'I have been exposed! I promised the people paradise after death, but Lenin has promised them paradise on earth!'"

Another cartoon is a game of football: "God is the Goalkeeper and Lenin has just shot a goal! The football has caught God square in the stomach, carrying Him clean through the goal with it. The spectators are shown in two groups: peasants with expressions of joy on their faces, and a crowd of Catholic clergymen and Jewish rabbis, obviously very much upset! Standing beside one of the goal posts through which God has just been carried, is the Virgin Mary with the infant Jesus in her arms."

"The fight against religion in Soviet Russia has been carried on since 1918," says the *Zealandia* (published in Auckland, New Zealand) as reported by the *Catholic Digest*.

"Religion," it continues, "does not die out in a day, and since persecution invariably aids the cause attacked, it is just natural that many Russian Christians have remained faithful . . ."

"The Russian people have been driven, as were the first Christians, into a catacomb life. The Soviet knows this, admits it. It has been said that 'priests have gone underground; religious services, observances and rites are being practised in strict secrecy. Thus, "illegal" communities and sects are growing like mushrooms.'

"It has been that way recurrently throughout the history of Christianity, and will ever be the same," the magazine observes . . .

"There are (or were, according to the latest information available to the author) 14 churches in Moscow. Over one of these the Soviet Metropolitan Sergius was placed and the Soviet named it a cathedral. And so it has remained, but few have been deceived by this patent piece of trickery.

"Soviet Metropolitan Sergius may function in his 'cathedral,' but it is not *the* cathedral of Moscow. Many people may go there to worship, driven under the stress of the war let loose upon them, but the genuine priests of the Catholic and Orthodox Churches, as also the bona fide ministers of non-Catholic bodies, will continue to minister to their people in secret until the day comes when Russia will enjoy religious freedom again."