TRAITORS

In The Pulpit

and

Treason Toward God

"As for the religious workers, the Communist Party does not make the abandonment of their religion a condition of joining the Party; even though it carries an educational work, which is anti-religious. We have preachers; preachers active in Churches, who are members of the Communist Party. There are Churches in the United States, where the Preachers preach Communism from the pulpits, in a very primitive form, of course."

—Communist Party, U.S.A.

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Act Now!

In this book, we have hardly scratched the surface of the Red Trojan Plot to destroy the Churches of America. Many books could be written, thousands of names could be brought to light but it has been our hope and prayer, that this book would be an eye opener, which would alert you to the danger that lies ahead; and that you will make yourself a Committee of one, to examine your own Church to find out whether Communism is making inroads in it. If you find the slightest evidence of Red intrigue, write us giving full details and enclose any literature, which you believe we ought to see.

We suggest that you buy quantities of the book 'Traitors in the Pulpit,' and send them to other Communities. Advise your friends to pass the book along after reading it. Through your co-operation, we can awaken every City, Village and Hamlet in America.

The hour for Action is here!

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Introduction

Atheism is a world-wide movement. The communists are the creators and supporters of it throughout the world. The greatest stronghold of atheism today is Russia; although its poisonous fangs spread into every section of the world.

While this fight against Christ can be traced back, centuries, the present day organized movement is being carried out by the Communist Internationale, and its fellow-traveler organization.

A writer once said, "If Robert Ingersoll were living today, he wouldn't be considered an agnostic, but an advanced theologian." This statement contains an abundance of truth, inasmuch as we can look about us, and see millions spiritually dead, because they have been overfed with theological rat biscuits.

Thousands of our pulpits today, are filled with blind leaders of the blind—men, who are servants to Communism, modern thought, and man-made philosophies, rather than of God. These preachers take the words of men, and speak them as if they were from God, yet they take the words of God, and speak them as if they were of men.

Yes, thousands of our pulpits are occupied by preachers, who unwittingly or unwittingly, have sold out to the materialistic ideals of the Communist theory. They no longer preach the gospel of Christ, but rather, sermons of high-sounding words, which when analyzed in the light of Christian teaching, fail to give support to the Scriptures, and raise a question in the mind of the listener as to the existence of the Deity, and Virgin birth of Christ.

It can readily be said of them, quoting the Scriptures, II Timothy 3:3, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away;" also in II Corinthians 11:13, 15, "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed as the ministers of righteousness, whose end shall be according to their works;" also in II Timothy 4:3, 4 "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves, teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables."

Eugene Dennis, leading American communist, once said, "These liberal chameleons are of great value at present, but
Once our goal is reached, they will either have to change their belief, or pay the price with their heads along with the rest."

The infiltration of the communists within the American Churches is growing daily. Browder has boasted, that there are now already over 8,000 communists in the pulpits of our land. This same strategy within the churches of Russia, helped foster the revolution, and will succeed here, unless Christians begin now to identify and drive out the enemies of Christ.

While I was a member of the Communist Party, we received training on how to work in churches, and guide them to the left in their thinking. Following our training, we were assigned to leading churches to carry on this task of boring from within. As an example of the cleverness of these God-hating atheists, I can cite you an incident, which occurred in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Two young girls were assigned by the Young Communist League, to bore-from-within the Epworth League of one of this city's largest churches. They soon became quite popular, and were elected to leading league offices; one of the girls having charge of worship.

On one Sunday evening the Epworth League held a discussion on 'Christ's Alternative to Communism' by E. Stanley Jones. We were notified of the meeting, and ten of our comrades attended, and successfully led the discussion along communist lines, until we had Christ, if he were here on earth today, leading strikes, and marching on Washington, D. C., to overthrow the established government. One red-haired fellow in the Church, arose and asked the Pastor of the Church, whether this was a meeting of the Epworth League or the Young Communist League. The pastor thought this was a very irregular question due to the fact that Communists don't believe in God; therefore don't attend church. He assured the young man that this was a good Christian discussion. To fully convince this young man, he asked any communists in the room to please raise their hands. There were ten of us there, but not a hand was raised. The pastor smilingly turned and said, "Just as I told you, there are none here." This is just one example of what is taking place in thousands of churches throughout our land.

E. Yaroslavsky, president of the Militant Atheists of the Soviet Union, in his book, 'Religion in the U.S.S.R.', boasts of the fact that religion is on the decline in the United States, and that new anti-religious movements are springing up daily. He concludes his book with the statement, "REMEMBER THAT THE STRUGGLE AGAINST RELIGION IS A STRUGGLE FOR SOCIALISM." We find this statement simplified by the defrocked Episcopal clergyman, Bishop Brown, (now deceased), who wrote a pamphlet supporting the Communists, and titled it, 'BANISH GOD FROM THE SKIES AND CAPITALISM FROM THE EARTH.'
There have been many cases in the last few years of men impersonating themselves, in the rank of Officer, in our military force; when these men were apprehended, they were arrested and fined heavily.

Wearing a uniform does not make a man a member of our military service; one must be inducted in the proper manner, and must subscribe to, and obey the articles set forth by the Military Command. When one fails to follow these orders, he receives a dishonorable discharge.

This ought also to hold true to those in the service of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Men like Rev. L. M. Birkhead, and his ilk should resign from the Christian ministry, as they no longer believe, and uphold the teachings set forth in the Holy Bible. To retain the title of Reverend, and teach the theories of these Christ blaspheming, Bible burning communists, is rank treachery, and should be dealt with as such.

The House-Committee on un-American Activities, after long research, published a list of questions and answers on Communism and Religion. We wish to quote a few which deal directly with the Organizations and personalities to be discussed in this book.

**QUOTE**

60. "Are Communists trying to corrupt religion in the U. S. A.?
Yes.

61. **What is their method?**
The Communist Party of the United States assigns members to join churches and church organizations, in order to take control where possible, and in any case to influence thought and action toward Communist ends.

It forms "front organizations," designed to attract "fellow travelers" with religious interests.

It tries to get prominent religious leaders to support Communist policies, disguised as welfare work for minorities or oppressed groups. In the words of Earl Browder, former head of the Communist Party of the U. S. A.:

"... By going among the religious masses, we are for the first time able to bring our anti-religious ideas to them."

62. **What is a "front organization"?**
An organization created or captured by the Communists to do the Party's work in special fields. The front organization is Communism's greatest weapon in this country and takes it among people who would never willingly act as Party agents.

63. **What is a "fellow traveler"?**
One who sympathizes with the Party's aims and serves the Party's purposes without actually holding a Party card.

64. **How can I spot them?**
Many organization have been listed as Communist fronts by the Attorney General and this Committee. You can get a list of these by writing to the House Committee on Un-American Ac-
tivities, Room 226, Old House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

To show up a fellow traveler, ask him to name ten things wrong with the United States and then ask him to name two things wrong with Russia. He will be on Russia’s side every time.

65. Are American Communists atheistic?
   Yes.

66. Can a Communist ever have religious beliefs?
   When he first joins the Party, a Communist may still have some religious faith but it soon goes or he fails as a Communist.

67. What happens to a religious person who turns Communist?
   The Party ridicules his religious ideals and dins atheist propaganda into his ears, day and night, in an attempt to convert him to atheism.

68. What if a new Communist refuses to renounce religion?
   Kicked out.

69. What happens to a person who gets kicked out of the Party?
   He is hounded for the rest of his life.

70. Have the Communists used blasphemous propaganda against the church?
   If there is any doubt in your mind as to the vicious and blasphemous propaganda Communists are using against religion, then go to your public library and read a typical example of it entitled “Goodbye, Christ,” by Langston Hughes.
   It is so atrocious that we will not reproduce it here, but even so, it is mild compared to the atheist propaganda in Moscow.

71. How do Communists work among church people, since they themselves are such haters of religion?
   Communists are two-faced.
   In their secret Party meetings, they make plans to destroy religion.
   In public, they say religion and Communism should be friends and that both are working for the same goals.

72. Are there Communist clergymen?
   Unfortunately, yes.

73. Do they admit they are Communists?
   Some do, but except in special cases, the Party requires Communists to keep their membership secret.

74. Will you give an example of the “open” type of membership?
   The Rev. Claude C. Williams, a Presbyterian minister, whose congregation expelled him for Party activity. The Rev. Eliot White, retired Episcopalian minister, who served as a delegate to a Communist convention and lectured at Communist meetings.

75. Are they important?
   Not as important as the others who have joined the Communist fronts which the Attorney General and this committee have declared to be “subversive.”

76. Do you mean that just because a clergyman joins or spon-
sors one or two Communist fronts for one reason or another, he is playing Stalin's game in America?

No. We are talking about those clergymen who have over a period of years consistently followed the Party line and joined, not one or two fronts, but ten, twenty, or thirty. These are the core of agents the Party depends on in the religious field.

77. But couldn't some of these clergymen be innocently misguided in their attempts to do good?

Well, they have followed every crook and twist of the Communist Party line. Would you excuse that in your minister's case?

78. Is your Committee investigating religion?

Certainly not. Religion is not under any sort of investigation by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, nor is any sect, creed, church, or individual, so far as his religion is concerned.

79. Then what's this pamphlet for?

To help you protect your religion and faith from Communist attack by showing you exactly what the Communists are up to.

80. But is Communism a "real" danger inside our churches?

Here's J. Edgar Hoover on the subject:

I confess to a real apprehension, so long as Communists are able to secure ministers of the gospel to promote their evil work and espouse a cause that is alien to the religion of Christ and Judaism.

81. Is Communist propaganda ever sneaked into church publications?

Yes. For instance, the Christian Register, official Unitarian publication, has carried Earl Browder's eyewash that a good Christian can be a Communist. It is significant that the minister responsible for doing this has since been removed from his editorship by the church.

82. Do Communist propagandists ever actually get before church groups as speakers?

Yes. For example, the head of the Communist Party, on one occasion at least, spoke at Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

Only a few months ago, the Legislative Secretary of the Communist Party addressed a conference of 100 ministers in Washington, D.C.

83. What about church youth groups?

Young Communists are ordered to join them.

84 Why?

For two reasons: To win over youth to Communism and atheism, and to turn their groups into tools of the Communist Party.

85. Is this done openly?

No. Communist youth, like Communist adults, work under cover. They won't admit being Communists if you ask them unless and until their Party officers direct them to do so.

86. Is the YMCA a Communist target?

Yes. So is the YWCA.
Also, church groups such as the Epworth League.

87. Do you mean every Epworth League or YWCA is a Communist hide-out?
   Of course not. But we do mean that Communists do dig into such groups any way and any time they can.
   We do mean they have dug into such groups, and are at it today.
   We do mean that if you want to keep your own organization fit for your own family’s membership, you had better stay on the alert.

88. How else do Communists spread atheism?
   Indirectly in Communist schools such as the Jefferson School of Social Science in New York, and the California Labor School.
   Also in the atheistic schools for children operated throughout the country by the International Workers Order.

89. What is the People’s Institute of Applied Religion?
   One of the most vicious Communist organizations ever set up in this country. Declared subversive by the Attorney General.

90. Where is it located and who are its officers?
   41051/2 Third Avenue, South, Birmingham, Alabama.
   Rev. Claude C. Williams, director; Edna Joyce King, executive secretary; Owen H. Whitfield and Winifred L. Chappell, associate directors; Carl Haessler, Calla E. Tennant, and Clara M. Vincent, trustees; Cedric Belfrage, research director.

91. What does it do?
   It teaches Communist ideas, pretending that they are Christian ideas.

92. What is the Methodist Federation for Social Action?
   A tool of the Communist Party, denounced by numerous loyal American Methodists. It claims to speak for 17 Methodist Bishops and 4,000 clerics and laymen. Not an official church organization.

93. Where is it located and what is it trying to do?
   150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York. Although strictly unofficial as a “church” organization, it is trying to use the prestige of the Methodist Church to promote the line of the Communist Party.

94. What is “The Protestant”?
   A magazine which fanatically spreads Communist propaganda under the guise of being a religious journal.
   Its avowed purpose is to “build a bridge” between Christendom and Communism. Boasts support of 6,000 ministers but not actually connected with any official religious organization.

95. Where is it published and who are the officers?
   It is published by Protestant Digest, Inc., at 521 5th Avenue, New York, New York. Editor: Kenneth Leslie; Associate Editors: James Luther Adams, John Hammond, Gerald Richardson.
   The fact that these are the findings of an authorized government investigation, ought to be an eye-opened to any skeptic, as he reads the documented evidence we now will present, concerning this diabolical intrigue to destroy the Churches of America from within.
CHAPTER II.

People's Institute of Applied Religion

A man in high authority in governmental service who is definitely in a position to know, recently told me that the American Communists are making a more concerted effort than ever before to get their people into the various churches of America. The Communist Party has been urging its followers to join churches and to act in such a way that eventually they will become president of the congregation, youth leader, elder, deacon, or occupy some other place of influence.

Some of these known radicals are given these important places by modernistic men of the cloth who know exactly what they are doing. Communism is the great deceiver in the world today. It contains the doctrines of satan, and, therefore, does not have to tell the truth nor fulfil its promises. Many clergymen are aiding the communists. If the Red Revolution ever succeeds in America, these same red-aiding preachers will find that the communists have no more use for them. They will be liquidated and imprisoned, and their churches destroyed, closed, or turned into atheistic museums; they will have a parallel fate to what will happen to those American clergymen who are now bravely — and often with much ridicule — battling atheistic communism.

The Rev. Claude Clausey Williams, a member in good standing with the U. S. A. Presbyterian Church, is the spearhead of the Communist movement through religion. He is Director of the People's Institute of Applied Religion, Inc., which was headquartered in Suite 420 of the Transportation Building, 131 West Lafayette, Detroit 26, Michigan, a half block from the city hall. (Recently
Mr. Williams moved his headquarters to Birmingham, Alabama. According to members of the church board over him, his support ran only until the end of May, 1946. Williams said farewell to Detroit officially at the beginning of June. It has not been ascertained at this writing whether the two facts are related to each other.) Two national church boards pay the salary of Williams and the Executive-Secretary, Calla E. Tenant. This group is but one of many found in cities all over the nation. It now instructs and ordains its own radical preachers after a few weeks of training.

Recently I paid a visit to this office and while one of the women leaders of the Institute puffed away at her cigarette, she assured me that everything they did and everything Mr. Williams wrote was from the Bible. She kept repeating between puffs:

"It's all from the Bible. It's all from the Bible!"

A casual reading of Williams biography will show that this man is not a true shepherd of Christ's sheep, but is instead a genuine, modern Judas to his Lord.

Supported From Moscow

We have in our possession photostatic copies of a number of checks paid in one day to various communist organizations by the American dispenser of funds from Moscow. One of the largest checks for that particular day's financial transaction goes to the DAILY WORKER, the official communist organ. Others are made out to the PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE OF APPLIED RELIGION, INC.

William's History

Claude Clausey Williams was born in Tennessee, the son of Jess and Minnie Bell Williams. His parents were extremely poor, but had the greatness of the full, fundamental salvation of Christ as is found in large parts of the Presbyterian Church. According to Belfrage's biography of Williams, his parents kept the faith and frequently admonished their son to get back on the right road. The biography gives the impression that Claude just patted them on the head with deep understanding of their fundamentalist ignorance. It is evident that unless Claude changes his ways, he will not meet his parents before the throne of grace.

After much arguing with an inner voice, Claude finally consented to becoming a preacher. He went to college; served several parishes near his birthplace; and finally received a call to Paris, Arkansas. During this time he came in contact with the modernistic writings of Harry Emerson Fosdick. These writings were the beginning of his slip-over from fundamentalism into modernism and eventually to the support of the communists.

The entire biography ridicules fundamental religion as scorn- ing the Negroes, being responsible for slavery, anti-semitism, fascism, etc. During the persecution that followed, Williams was always aided by the members of Commonwealth College of Mena,
Arkansas, which was a school for training communists, and which—after he had served as its director for a time—was closed by the State of Arkansas. The public testimony which is on file at the Attorney General's office in the state capital, is so revealing of the activities of Commonwealth College, and so disgusting to the moral senses that it should not be read in mixed groups. During the investigation to see whether the school should be closed, it was amazing to find out which people all over the country, including some from red centers in Europe, came to the rescue of this little school, way down in Arkansas. It is amazing indeed to know that people that far away had ever heard of a school of this size unless it had some international signification. Before Williams was made director of the college, he had been ousted by the Bible-lovers of his Paris Church. Those who came to his defense were people he had lured to the church through pool hall tactics and preached to them a heaven here on earth to help them escape the hell which they were supposed to be enduring before Williams came to help them.

**Attacks Fundamentalists**


**Youth for Christ Indicted**

There are undoubtedly many fundamentalist preachers who may disagree with some of the methods used by the YOUTH FOR CHRIST campaign. I do not believe, however, that any fundamentalist can deny that YOUTH FOR CHRIST is a truly fundamentalist undertaking. The rallies do not want modernists to preach for them. Recently Claude Williams while teaching a red school in Wisconsin indicted YOUTH FOR CHRIST as anti-Semitic. In an interview appearing in the CAPITAL TIMES and the WISCONSIN STATE JOURNAL, July 12, 1945, Williams is quoted as saying:

"The Youth for Christ movement is such a movement (a movement to mobilize for undemocratic purposes). Aimed at converting children to racial hatred and prejudice, it is anti-Semitic and anti-union. It is another Hitler youth movement."
Williams and Fundamentalism

The quotations found in the rest of this chapter are from "A Faith To Free the People," by Cedric Belfrage, published by Dryden Press. (This book appeared in London under the title: "Let My People Go."—1939.) Price: $2.75 (or $1.25 if purchased from Institute headquarters).

"It was Foodick's book that, long before the great crisis threw society's structural decay into relief, had had perhaps the most profound effect in revealing to him (Williams) THE FALLACY OF THE FUNDAMENTALISTS." (p. 151).

"It's a Wonderful Union, they sang now in a great chorus of hope and mass strength, 'and It's Good Enough for Me.' The old chant, 'When the Saints Go Marching In,' to the strains of which millions of children of the South had marched to revival altars for emotional conversion, had become: 'When the Unions Win Their Fight.' The change was only superficial, for the organized people saw their Kingdom at hand on earth, and no mere symbolism of words could have put it back in the sky, where the landlords and rich folks wanted it.'" (p. 182).

The author ridicules heaven; referring to southern planters under the slave system, who treated their colored folks with sentiment and kindness, he says:

"'But soon they had passed on to their lilywhite heaven, to fan themselves and sip juleps through eternity.'" (p. 54).

"Religion was not doing for the planters of the South what the textbooks said it ought to do: it is not STUPEFYING THE PEOPLE, but stirring them up." (p. 196).

Remember what Lenin said:

"Religion is the OPIUM OF THE PEOPLE,"

it stupifies the masses.

Claude in visiting his home in Tennessee is asked by his brother Jack:

"Do you still believe there ain't no hell?" "Still believe it."

Claude said. (p. 213).

"Chall told a good story about a preacher-stranger who had come by the farm not long before, had looked over the place and said:

"'Brother, that's a fine farm you have.'"

"'Yes, preacher,' Chall had said.

"'Well, you must thank the Almighty for that.'"

"And Chall had said: 'Preacher, you just ought to have seen this piece of ground when the Almighty had it all to himself.'" (p. 211).

Claude Williams speaking:

"Truth—nature—God: when you define them as far as the human mind can go you have the same thing. But when I go to do God a favor WHATEVER HE IS, I've got to go to man. There's no other way. So I have no use for supernatural belief." (p. 218).

A fundamentalist preacher friend asks him:

"Have you lost faith in the Creator of all things as absolute spirit and father?"

Williams answers:

"I guess I have—I've ceased to believe in anything absolute in life: absolute God, absolute morality, absolute panaceas for the world's evils. The world changes. God changes... Yes, God must grow as well as man. The Bible itself is a dialectical development. If we postulated the fatherhood of God, the leadership of Jesus and the progress of man onward and upward forever, then God must grow or we'll overtake Him." (p. 218).

Expressions are used such as "Old God," "New God," "The revolutionary God," "Pool-table God," "Brush the cobwebs off

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The People's struggle today is for more democracy, greater security and broader unity. These must

- Socialism
- Industrial Democracy
- Equal Rights for Women
- Universal Suffrage
- Black Madonna
- Land Distribution
- Peace and Labour
- Black Madonna
- Industrial Democracy
- International Justice
- Socialized Production
- Socialized Distribution
- Socialized Consumption

God,” “Reservation in heaven,” “Cumberland Presbyterian heaven,” and a regular church is a “Worshipping plant.”

Jubilating in the fact that so many preachers were beginning to preach modernism, Williams’ biographer notes:

“From Maryland it was reported that, in the middle of the Easter service, the pastor of the little Methodist Episcopal Church at Landsdowne had hurled his Bible across the floor from his pulpit, crying: ‘If the study of this book is going to hide the real Jesus from me, there goes my Bible. The Bible is not the word of God. It is man’s interpretation of the word of God, and anything reduced to words is imperfect, for language itself is imperfect.’ . . . Such reports kept alive Claude’s hope.” (p. 122-123).

Claude Williams speaking:

“But now I have to tell you that I have taken my stand with Jesus of Nazareth. And I do not even know, nor can any or us know, whether He ever actually existed. I do not care whether He is fact or myth.” (p. 127).

One day an illustrated magazine on nudism was taken from Williams’ young people’s recreation room in the church, and in his next sermon he asked that the thief return the magazine. This was in Paris, Arkansas. The biographer records:

“The elder who took the nudist magazine for inspection said: ‘Mr. Williams says there is no such thing as personal salvation. He doesn’t believe in the Virgin birth, nor that the whale swallowed Jonah. Once a miner came into the church drunk. They found a whiskey bottle right in the church. The preacher himself drinks beer. Someone saw a nudist magazine among his reading materials. Young people discuss everything in that Philosophers’ Club (which Williams conducts), even sex.’ ” (p. 132-133).

On page 73 ff. is a disgusting sermon by Williams promoting atheistic evolution and decrying the literal truth of the Creation story in Genesis.

The above quotations are not by any means all that could be quoted to show the Williams position on the truly inspired Word of God.

**Williams and Morality**

Any decent Christian person would not care to have a biographer record the things in this book on Williams which Mr. Belfrage wrote. Some of the most revolting subjects are discussed and described. We have already noted above the type of literature Mr. Williams prescribes for his young people. Besides magazines on nudism and books on sex, communism, etc., he had the usual radical magazines, “The Nation,” “The New Republic,” “Thinker,” “Forum,” “World Tomorrow,” etc., lying on the table in the social room for his young folks. (p. 110).

Belfrage writes:

“Once the son of a leading citizen of Paris, who had opposed Claude in many things, came with such a problem. He brought with him a girl whom he had made pregnant. They were fine young people and loved each other. Claude saw the shadow of social taboo hanging over three lives. He knew the economic origin of such taboos and of the law that upheld them, and it had nothing to do with Christianity as he understood it.

“The Christian way for him was clear, SINCE CHRISTIANITY MEANT PUTTING HUMAN RIGHTS FIRST. (Note: God’s laws, and Christ FIRST are shoved out the window when either interferes with the human race!) He married the pair and set the date on the certificate back so that they could have their baby without fear.

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"He told them that when the commandment about adultery was given, it was impossible for a man and woman to have relations without involving society, because it was before the time of scientific birth-control. But now that it was possible to avoid involving society, THE ACT WAS NEITHER MORAL NOR IMMORAL, BUT UNMORAL." (p. 119).

This simply means, according to Williams' religion, go ahead and have extra-marital relations all you wish, but be sure to use preventatives!

In the early part of his ministry, Belfrage records of Williams and his wife, Joyce.

"But they did some powerful praying and it generally seemed to work. One time they were scared that Joyce was going to have a baby. They prayed without stopping until nearly midnight that she would not have one. Later that same night God sent the answer." (p. 28).

After the Williamses moved from the Paris parsonage, another woman was to move in. It is gleefully recorded that a young banker friend in Paris wrote Williams and said:

"I met the woman who is going to live at the manse and asked her when she planned to move in. She said as soon as she could get the nude pictures off the walls." (p. 114).

ALL U. S. A. PRESBYTERIANS READING THIS ARTICLE OUGHT TO BEGIN AN INVESTIGATION AND FIND OUT WHY THEIR MISSION MONEY IS BEING USED TO FINANCE MEN WHO CORRUPT GOD'S WORD LIKE CLAUDE WILLiAMS CONSISTENTLY DOES!

Williams and Communism

One of the best evidences of Claude's support by communism is his directorship of the communist Commonwealth College. A person couldn't even be a student there without being an ardent follower of communism (not necessarily a member of the party) much less a director of the school. Remember this, dear Reader, there are many, many more communists outside of the limited membership of the communist party than there are in it. Remember also that it is nearly impossible to trace any person's actual membership due to the fact that the membership lists are carefully guarded—even from different groups of communists—and due to the fact that members change their names one or more times while working in the party. Yet, these people may be well-known personalities if their real names and associations were only revealed.

Bearing these known facts in mind, we must examine a person's activity and statements to see whether they follow the communist line. When the communists smear good patriotic Americans they usually like to use quotations from a book written by a brother of theirs. For example, if they wish to smear anyone of some 452 generally good Americans, they would quote something against this individual from a book like "Under Cover," by John Roy Carlson, or "Sabotage," by Kahn, or "Time Bomb" by E. A. Piller, or they would quote from a communist front organization like Dr. L. M. Birkhead's Friends of Democracy, Inc. It is significant that none of these authors can find even one tiny little thing against one single little communist in
America, and yet they are supposed to be exposing the “enemies” of our country. Any student of communist activities will use such books as almost infallible guides against the decent people in America who believe in and love our country first.

I am not going to quote an enemy of Mr. Williams’ below, nor have I done so above. I am quoting from his friend, Cedric Belfrage, who wrote his biography, which I personally purchased from Williams’ own office in Detroit. Look at these direct quotations:

“Claude found the Marxian theory interesting.” (p. 91—early in his career).

Leon Webb was a leader at Commonwealth College.

“‘Preachers,’ said Webb, ‘God or no God, you are getting Moscow gold too—only you don’t know it yet. You soon will.’ The talk ended late with Claude and the Commonwealth group agreeing on ways in which they could work together. FOR THERE WAS NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THE OBJECTIVES FOR WHICH BOTH WERE STRIVING.” (p. 93).

“The miners were tickled by the sermon Claude preached a few Sundays later. He quoted Paul: ‘Without the shedding of blood there is no remission.’ He said that Jesus’ blood was red. The international workers’ (communist) flag was red. All men, regardless of race, had red blood. It was the one common color of mankind, symbolic of solidarity and brotherhood. ‘Yes,’ he said, ‘I AM RED.’” (p. 104).

Williams thinks this report is marvelous news:

“The once-respectable snowy-haired Bishop Brown of Little Rock, who had scandalized the devout by his one-man revolt against churchly pharisaism, was publishing as fast as he could write them, books and pamphlets ENDORSING COMMUNISM AS THE REAL CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP of the period of capitalist decay.” (p. 122). (Note: That, Reader, is something, when COMMUNISM is termed CHRISTIAN!)

A charge made against Williams by the Board of Elders of his Paris Congregation was:

“That he has constantly espoused the cause of Communism.” (p. 126). (Note: This comes from a Bible-believing Christian who listened to Claude’s sermons and saw his actions as an eye-witness.)

“The preacher was behind the broad New Deal program with everything he had, needing in any case only to observe who its enemies were to know WHERE GOD STOOD IN THE MATTER.” (p. 130—this is written by an author who knows no personal Savior! It is like a blind man describing a sunset.)

“The editor-elder objected to Claude on Presbyterian principles and also mentioned that the preacher had campaigned for the communistist Tugwell Bill.” (p. 133).

“The Communist Party of Arkansas, demanding a reversal of the verdict (to oust Claude from the Paris Church), although it could not claim the preacher as a member, remarked: ‘We see in this the distinct class character of the church which is merely a tool in the hands of the ruling class, the capitalists.’” (p. 134).

“He (Williams) even had among his supporters a young banker, who said that he did not care if the preacher was red.” (p. 135).

“Living events had taught him respect for the Marxian social philosophy... God was truth, and if there was truth in Marx and Lenin, then there was God in Marx and Lenin.

‘Reading for the first time the whole of Marx’s passage about religion, a light suddenly shone for him: the passage actually had a beauty and nobility almost worthy of the Bible itself. It was like reading Isaiah. ‘The opium of the people,’ Marx called religion. . . . The clash was not
between Marxism and religion, but between Marxism and SUPERNATURAL, ceremonial religion." (p. 133-139).

'(He (Claude) received an official nomination from the Arkansas Socialist Party as its candidate for Governor." (p. 139).

"After reading Lenin's 'State and Revolution and Imperialism' he found his views taking even firmer and clearer shape. HE WAS INSPIRED BY LENIN, by his parallel greatness as theoretical and active revolutionary, by his incisiveness and surefootedness, by his quick analysis of a situation and by his faith, which under the most terrible buffettings was a rock, LIKE THE FAITH OF JESUS." (p. 141).

"After the Conference another priest had paid him (Claude) a surprise call and they had discussed social and religious questions for several hours. He sold this priest some socialist pamphlets, but the priest annoyed him with his stubborn arguments for a personal Creator," (p. 141-142). (Note: The "Conference" referred to above was a radical so-called Church conference which Claude attended. Communists were also there and one of the Communists remarked after it was over that he felt like a "Conservative" with that crowd.)

Belfrage, either jeeringly, or significantly attempting to laugh off something, regularly refers to Williams as "the RED preacher." Several times he mentions that Claude had the pictures of Jesus, Debs, and Lenin hanging on his study wall.

"Witnesses were brought who claimed they had actually seen the preacher's Communist Party card, and who swore he had said Jesus was a bastard and had taught their children free-love and nudism.

"The attorney said: 'Just tell this jury of honest God-fearing men what is your position on Jonah?'

"'I accept that story as a parable cloaking significant truths.'

"'Now tell the jury straight. Do you or do you not believe in the Virgin birth?'

"'It doesn't make any difference to me whether Jesus was born of a Virgin or not. He was more than an ordinary man. People who knew him recognized him as a superior type. He was a big man.'" (p. 144).

Ward Rodgers was a Commonwealth communist. When some radical literature was found in an old trunk, they

"Had found an old letter from Claude, signed: 'Yours for the Revolution.'" (p. 160).

"A Communist in the twentieth century was like a Christian in the first three centuries, before Constantine legalized Christianity and muffled it in a jeweled rope. . . . The popular hatred of them (the Christians) was stirred up not on a basis of reason, but of superstition. Their revolutionary doctrine of brotherhood and community of ownership (Note: This was certainly not the fundamental doctrine of the early Christian), like Communism many centuries later, was too horrible for respectable people to discuss." (p. 180).

"A thousand RED preachers could not have dealt adequately with all the problems laid upon Claude's shoulders." (p. 184).

Look at how the pro-communist Henry Wallace and federal funds were used for the communist-controlled Southern Tenant Farmers Union which Williams helped to organize. Belfrage writes:

"Plantation toilers saw the tide turning at last their way, and the third winter convention of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union was held in an atmosphere of jubilation. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace sent a telegram of greeting to the convention, urging it to forward its recommendations to him. Through the new Committee for Rural and Social Planning, FEDERAL MONEY was contributed to the convention, to board and feed the delegates for four days. WITH SUCH ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE HIGHEST SEATS OF GOVERNMENT, the delegates shed few tears over the stubborn refusal of certain labor czars to attend. The president of
the UMWA District 21 had been announced to address the convention, but he declared: 'I will have nothing to do with it until the communistic element from Commonwealth College (attending the convention and aided by federal funds and Henry Wallace) is got rid of, and as long as the Reverend Claude Williams is recognized. I stand a hundred per cent behind my God and my country.'" (p. 208-209).

Williams said to a fundamentalist preacher:
"There's a horse-sense in Marx. Lenin knew a few things too, and so did Jeremiah and Jesus. They were all big men." (p. 215-216).

How Claude Works

Mr. Williams and the People's Institute of Applied Religion openly say they are communistic in philosophy and in support. A visit to their office indicated that the Institute advocates the same people for election in Detroit that the Communist Party and the DAILY WORKER advocate. A visit to their office and a casual reading of their literature, indicate that they hate the same people the Communistic Party and the DAILY WORKER hate. Mr. Williams and his outfit help communism by attempting to discredit all those who oppose communism whether they range from the strictly political, like certain senators and statesmen, to the strictly orthodox Bible preacher like some of those mentioned earlier in this chapter. The clerics who support this kind of pro-communist endeavor are either modernists in such organizations as the Federal Council of Churches which is notorious for its catering to reds, or they are plain ordinary fundamentalists who have not taken the time to see what the Williams plan is doing. How any decent person, especially how any preacher who loves Christ and the Bible completely and above all else, can allow a man of such dubious background and with such immoral anti-Christian teachings, go unchallenged, is beyond conception. That the U. S. A. Presbyterian Mission Board supports him and his pro-communist Institute either indicates a willingness on the part of the Mission Board officials to aid communism outright, or it shows they know little of the Bible or of Williams doctrines. You see, Williams has constantly warned them that he would be called a communist. This has unarmed those who have the authority to stop Presbyterian Church support of his activities.

Claude Williams is an associate editor of the notorious red magazine THE PROTESTANT. This magazine is attempting to split the Roman Catholic Church and the Protestant Churches in their combined fight against their common enemy, atheistic communism. The words: THE PROTESTANT, were painted on the doorway of the People's Institute Headquarters in Detroit. The magazine does not represent any protestant group. Many notorious communists like the red Dean of Canterbury and Adam Clayton Powell, Harlem preacher and representative in Congress who is divorced from his first wife and now married to boogie-woogie pianist Hazel Scott, are also on the associate-editor list.

Williams spent the Spring and Summer of 1946 on a western tour. He left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that he

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One God · One People · One Goal
Theistic Collectivism

By
Claude Williams, Director
Peoples' Institute of Applied Religion, Inc.
Post Office Box 3587 H. P., Detroit 3, Michigan

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181 McLean Ave., Detroit 3, Michigan

Front page of a booklet of Claude Williams which speaks for itself.
Note Jesus is taken out of his deity and made a carpenter, and a working class leader.
is definitely a communist using the church for his evil purposes.

At Denver he was quoted as preaching and declaring: “Denominationally I am a Presbyterian, religiously a Unitarian and politically I’m a Communist. I’m not preaching to make people good or anything of the sort. I’m in the church because I can reach people easier that way and get them organized for Communism.”

In California the communist newspapers announced his meetings. He is quoted by the press there as saying: “The closest approach to true religion in the world today is pure Communism—materialistic aspects of the ideology notwithstanding.”

Williams works with Leon Birkhead, the ex-Unitarian preacher, who said that youth needs the shock of the sex novel; that the Bible is unfit for young people; and who opened his former church in Kansas City for communist meetings. Williams secures some of the material he uses to smear decent Americans and fundamentalist Christians from Birkhead’s notoriously red “Friends of Democracy.”

The detailed machinery of the Institute cannot be given here for lack of space, but it is mentioned in newspapers, etc. as either the People’s Institute of Applied Religion, Inc., as the People’s Congress. When you see these names, or the names of Claude Williams and Birkhead, look out!
CHAPTER II.

Methodist Federation for Social Action

RED CHURCHMEN MEET

Kansas City was the host the last week of December in 1947 to the Annual Conference of the Methodist Federation for Social Action, an unofficial but politically powerful adjunct of the Methodist Church. This group is a Communist front organization and has made great inroads into the Methodist Church. Although representing only a small minority of the nation’s 11 million Methodists, it is the only organized social action body in the Church. It speaks in the name of 17 Methodist Bishops, and 4,000 preachers and laymen; and is highly articulate.

If John Wesley had come back from the grave, to attend this Conference he would have been astonished, horrified and bewildered, to find the pulpits of the Methodist Church, which he and his brother Charles founded, filled with men who deny the deity and virgin-birth of Christ and sing praise to Bloody Joe Stalin and his anti-Christian cut-throats.

On entering the meeting hall he would have not found the book table filled with Bibles or sermons from Gospel preachers, but with copies of Red trash which varied in price from five cents to three dollars, which included such Communist propaganda as “Behind the Soviet Power”; “Soviet Russia Since the War”; “Constitution of the U.S.S.R.”; “Russia and America, Pacific Neighbors”; “Soviet Democracy”; and “Soviet American Relations”.

Taking a seat inside of the Church, he would have had to listen hour upon hour to tirades against our Government and the lauding of Soviet Communism. He would have seen a platform, filled with Red traitors of his Church, who have sneaked into the Church which he founded to spread the Gospel of Salvation.

These “Red traitors”, disguised as ministers, are using the pulpits which were built by his Bible-believing, Christ-exalting followers, as a sounding-board for a new gospel; a gospel of hate and evil called the “Social Gospel”. Through this new gospel they hope to lead the Church down the road to revolution and a Red Communist State.

John Wesley would have had to listen to a Red discourse by Dr. Harry F. Ward, on minority rights, and American Soviet relations. Dr. Ward was one of the founders of the Red Garland Fund in 1922; served on its board of directors; and was its vice-president from 1922 to 1924. This Garland fund was established by Charles Garland of Massachusetts, who served a
term in the penitentiary for running a ‘free-love’ farm. The fund is used for the promotion of Red Revolutionary movements in America.

In 1932, just before leaving for a year’s study in the Soviet Union, Dr. Ward admitted in a bulletin, put out by the Methodist Federation for Social Service, his outright cooperation with Red revolutionists. On his return from the Soviet Union he toured the country for the “Friends of the Soviet Union”; and spoke on the lecture platform with many known Communists. In the ’30’s, he became the National Chairman of the “American League against War and Fascism, (later known as the “American League for Peace and Democracy”).

Ward has been at one time or another a member of a dozen or more “United-front” Red groups. He contributed articles to the Daily Worker, official publication for the American Communist Party. He also writes for the Red periodicals: “The Protestant”, and “Soviet Russia Today”. He wrote several Red books, the most infamous being, “The Soviet Spirit”, which was widely circulated by the Communist Party, and hailed by its leaders as a great contribution to the revolutionary movement.

On October 17, 1943, he addressed the first meeting of the Red Youth group, known as “American Youth for Democracy”, in Mecca Temple, New York City. In this address he declared: “A large number of active religious youth can be drawn into this new Red Youth League because most religious youth are anti-fascist in principle and the time has come for unity between Communist and non-Communist, as a matter of ‘Historical Necessity’.”

John Wesley would have had to listen to Rev.? Jack McMichael, its executive-secretary, and former chairman of the Red Youth front, “American Youth Congress.” I knew Jack when I was in the Communist Party. He was considered a valuable member because of his religious connections. He has backed of late five front organizations listed by the Attorney General as Communist and subversive.

Brother Wesley would have had to listen to the guest of honor, Feng Yu Hsiang, a former Chinese warlord who has been calling for the overthrow of Chiang Kai-shek and a coalition with the Chinese Communists. The Federation’s April, 1946, Social Problems Bulletin, featured as an authoritative commentary—a blistering attack on American policy in China. The author, Chu Tang, was described as ‘Editor of the China Daily News, New York City’. The Bulletin did not mention that Chu Tang has been an apologist for the Chinese Communists; and that the China Daily News is the Chinese version of the Daily Worker.

Another speaker he would have heard was Dr. Guy Emery Shipler, editor of the “Churchman”. This man headed the Protestant delegation to Yugoslavia and placed his hand of ap-
proval upon the bloody regime of Marshall Tito which is liquidating the Christians by the hundreds. Shipler has his name on the Sponsor List of a group of Red fronts.

Then, last but not least, our Brother Wesley would have heard Dr. Jerome Davis tell the Conference that we should give Red Russia ten billion dollars. Dr. Davis has long been an admirer of the Soviet system. In the June, 1947 Bulletin, Dr. Davis summed up his views thus: “Is it not probable that the greatest event of the 20th Century thus far is the Soviet Revolution and all that it has meant to human welfare?” In the article, Dr. Davis sought to justify Russia’s denial of individual liberties; one-party monopoly; bureaucracy; concentration camps; and firing-squads. He defended firing-squads and concentration camps in this manner: “Russia believes it is wiser to destroy the enemies of the people from within rather than wait until they foment war from without.”

He would have heard resolutions asking for the President to revoke an executive order requiring the oath of loyalty, as a qualification for holding federal office. Also a resolution calling for a federal F.E.P.C.

He would have heard that America is an Imperialistic war-like Nation, and that Red Russia is living the Christian way—not us. He would hear Red butchers lauded as modern-day saints. Then he would see the new Chairman, Robert Brooks, a negro, take over for the coming year.

Surprisingly, he would not hear the old gospel hymns, written by his brother Charles Wesley. He would not hear an altar-call or see an old fashioned mourner’s bench.

Yes, if John Wesley had come back from the grave to attend this conference he would have gone away thinking he had looked upon a CONVENTION IN HELL.
The Enemy Forces

Most of our opposition comes, of course, from the Catholics and the Protestant Fundamentalists. In addition to our old antagonists, such as the American Tract Society, the Gideons (who again this year threatened us with suit because some one had stuck one of our Bible pasters in a Gideon Bible in an Albany, N. Y., hotel), the Defenders, led by Gerald E. Winrod, the notorious author of "Snakes in an Atheist's Grave," which is perhaps the most widely circulated pious leaflet, and the World's Christian Fundamentalist Association, several new reactionary groups have opposed our work. The American Coalition of Patriotic, Civic and Fraternal Societies in New York published a pamphlet on our propaganda.

The Modernists seem to attack Atheism only to screen their own unbelief. No better proof of our contention that the Church is losing can be given than that the Modernists are now in control of all the larger Protestant denominations and, working from the inside, discredit the basic teachings of Christianity in the name Christianity. In this grand farce, fortunately for us, the dumb Fundamentalists through contributions pay for the destruction of their own belief in the Bible as a superhuman, infallible book. The Modernists are superior in strategy. When recently President Smith twitted the Rev. Dr. Riley with these facts, the Fundamentalist leader boasted of what he would do at the recent annual conference in Washington of the Northern Baptists. But at that and the other denominational conventions this Spring the Modernists were defeated. They are hopelessly beaten. They cannot vote the Modernists out and dare not themselves withdraw. These two groups are held together by real estate.

Higher Critics within the Church, carrying on the work of Voltaire, Paine and Ingersoll, in milder language, it is admitted, have made many Christians so ashamed of their creed that we now hear of that acme of absurdity, "a creedless faith"—of persons who believe, without believing anything. Thus Christianity slowly dissolves.

But the good work of these Modernists not only does not lessen the need of Atheist propaganda but instead serves to emphasize its importance. Though its activities are on a smaller scale, the Advance Guard is always the most important unit in the army. We must continue to lead the way.

This photostatic copy was taken from material circulated by 'The American Association for the Advancement of Atheism'. It clearly shows how the Modernists are aiding the Atheist, and Communist, by their teachings.
CHAPTER III.

Christian Front for Peace

“A Worker Looks At Jesus”

One of the greatest attacks on Christianity appears in a pamphlet called “A Worker Looks at Jesus” by David Grant and published by the “Christian Front for Peace and Against Fascism,” whose headquarters is in the second largest stronghold of Communism in America, Hollywood, California. The complete pamphlet attempts to ridicule soul salvation and place the church on a revolutionary basis. To prove its outrageous blasphemy against the Church and the Holy Bible, I shall quote at random several passages.

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“Religious emotionalism is one of the most popular methods of escape from the realities of life. It ranks higher than alcohol or dope. The old time religious revival is the medium that has mentally unbalanced countless people. In its most devoted stage the sufferers believe themselves to be historic religious characters and are confined in insane asylums.

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“The Bible is the history of a race of people evolved from savagery to the point where it produced a Jesus.

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“Everyone is ready to discuss the Bible. Many believe it, but few have read it through. The God of the Old Testament, as represented by the text, aided, abetted, advised and often commanded murder, arson, pillage, robbery, rape, etc. It has often been said, “If there existed such a monster as the God pictured in the Old Testament, it would be man’s first and foremost duty to destroy Him.”

“Early in the Bible, we read about God parading “all the Beasts of the field and the birds of the air” before Adam, to have him pick himself a wife—but he found nothing to suit. So God put Adam to sleep and from one of his ribs made woman. How lucky for the future of the race that Adam had a mind of his own.”

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“The “Gentle Lamb of God” idea of Jesus is a figment of the imagination and not in accord with the records in the Bible.
A WORKER LOOKS AT JESUS

BY DAVID GRANT

Thousands of millions of dollars invested in build-
ings of stone and steel,
Part of it mulched in pennies and nickels from the
gullible and the poor.
The rest of it put up by the forces that thrive on
the ignorance and poverty of the masses.
Hundreds of thousands of well-fed, silver-tongued
preacher salesmen
Selling a distorted Jesus to the masses, in an ef-
fort to help perpetuate our national set-up of
Unemployment, malnutrition, starvation, exploita-
tion,
Dog-eat-dog ethics, leading to fascism and war.
All in the name of
Jesus, the Rebel Worker Leader
Who dammed the rulers, the rich and the preach-
ers of his day
For preventing the Kingdom of God, on Earth.
And for which he was crucified between two
thieves for "stirring up the people."

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Christian Front for Peace and Against Fascism
1134 Vine Street Hollywood, Calif.

A type set reproduction of the cover page of "A WORKER LOOKS
AT JESUS" which was distributed by the Communist Book Stores to
further the Modernist theory of a revolutionary Christ.
“Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbor unto him that fell among the thieves?” Levite and priest were the religionists; the Samaritan, the un-believer.

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“Jesus was the Good Shepherd that protected the sheep amongst the Roman wolves. Paul sought to turn the people into sheep and put them at the mercy of the wolves.”

Then on page 25 the writer shows that his first love is for Communist Russia, when he states that Christ said, “The Co-operators shall inherit the world,” and “In this man’s world, the Co-operators rule more than one sixth of this earth, and their power is still in the ascendant.”

The writer then climaxes his thoughts in presenting to the reader, the man he worships as God, when he states on page 35 “The economic interpretation has been found to furnish the key to this better understanding, ANOTHER JEW, KARL MARX, WHO WILL IN TIME RANK WITH JESUS, AS A SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD WORKED OUT THIS METHOD OF CRITICAL INTERPRETATION.”

WHY YOU MAY ENROLL ANIMALS TO THE FAITH
AS AN EXAMPLE AND STUDY OF GOD’S GREAT PLAN

As a dog trainer, the founder, traveling extensively, has had Revealed to him, a series of very startling occurrences, and absolutely irrefutable evidence that Dogs have a very well-developed so-called sixth sense, or the sense of intuition, or Divine Guidance, which they obey instantly. Having seen this manifested in many other animals in the wilds and in the circus also, we are led to believe that there may be a key for us, to bring us into harmony with that Mystic Fourth Dimension of space or Spirit or Ethereal Electronic Force.

This is one for the books! Here we have a church called “The Master Church of the Faith of Nature, Inc.” a church for animals where they can be married, buried, and even ordained. You laugh! Well listen, a dog preacher from this church spoke in a leading down town modernist church in Denver last year, and the “Denver Post” carried an ad for the meeting on the church page. A dog entertained the congregation that Sunday. Then the following night the “Bishop” and the dog entertained drunks in a tavern on the outskirts of Denver. This shows how far one can go when he begins to wander away from the “faith once delivered to the Saints.”

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REVIVAL
of TRUE RELIGION!
—APPLIED
SAVE YOURSELVES!
from this
Crooked Generation!

WOE UNTO THE RICH
—Who Defraud the Workers (James 5:1-5)
Cursed are those who sign Restrictive Covenants
—and Join House to House Until There Is No Room (Isa. 5:8)
Cursed are anti-Semites
—Who Curse the Jewish People (Gen. 12:3)
Cursed are crooked politicians
WOE UNTO THE ROBBERS
—Who Devour Widows’ Houses (Matt. 23:14)
WOE UNTO RELIGIOUS FAKERS
—Wolves (Matt. 7:15); Blind Leaders (Matt. 15:14)
WOE UNTO (NAM) PREACHERS

Rev. Owen H. Whitfield
Rev. Claude Williams
on the wall of a Communist Party Book Store in Chicago. Here promote atheistic communism in the name of a Christian Revival.

Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth! Isa. 5:8.

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CHAPTER IV.

Friends of Democracy

Birkhead Smear Chieftain

Birkhead, guiding hand of the so-called ‘Friends of Democracy,’ was once a Methodist Preacher. He apostatized, and became a Unitarian. He later established a place in Kansas City, Missouri, called the ‘Liberal Center.’ This became a typical Red Nest. Prayers were not offered, nor were the scriptures read at his ‘services.’ Many of the evenings were devoted to Communist Party Rallies.

In 1927, he challenged Dr. W. B. Riley, to a series of public debates, to deal with the Fundamentals of the Christian Faith. Discussions were held in Churches of several different Cities. Dr. Riley won every decision, and Birkhead’s utterances were regarded by Pastors and Laymen as being so objectionable and blasphemous that some of the debates had to be taken to public halls, and places other than the Church.

Birkhead boasts, in a biographical statement prepared by his own hand, that he helped Sinclair Lewis write ‘Elmer Gantry,’ the most scurrilous attack upon the Protestant Clergy, that ever came from a printing press.

In 1937, the National Leaders of the Communist Party became interested in the Anti-Christian activities of Birkhead. Soon backed by a certain group of people, and spending a certain kind of money, Birkhead went across the river from the Missouri side to Kansas City, Kansas. Engaged a Post Office box, and began calling himself, ‘Friends of Democracy.’ He also secured the services of another left-wing Kansas City Preacher, who had a short time before, entertained Sally Rand, the fan-dancer, in his pulpit; to speak on behalf of the Communist Revolution in Spain.

This, briefly explains the origin of the so-called ‘Friends of Democracy,’ which has since become a segment in the nationwide underground Spy System, and Red Gestapo, in the United States. In 1939, Birkhead’s backers set him up in business in New York City. He continued the Kansas City Post Office box as a branch, and subsidiary headquarters. His outfit upheld free press, and free speech for themselves, but would deny the blessings and advantages of American Civil Liberty to others.

When Arthur Derounian (alias Roy Carlson, alias George Pagnanelli, alias Thomas L. Decker, alias John Correa, alias
Rudolph Kibers) wrote the smear book, 'Under Cover,' he did it as a stooge for the so-called 'Friends of Democracy,' and that explains why Birkhead is so generously praised in its early pages.

Birkhead was behind the writing of, 'The Nazis Go Underground,' and 'Time Bomb.' He is the key man for the Communists in their attack on the Christian Clergy, and Churches in America. Through his atheistic sheet, called 'Propaganda Battlefront,' he has smeared and libeled the names of hundreds of Christian Americans.

In 1946, he levied an expensive and well organized attack against Dr. Walter Maier, of the 'Lutheran Hour.' This smear artist is doing everything within his power to put Dr. Maier off the air.

Why, of all men, was Dr. Maier chosen for persecution? Simply because the Christ, whom he exalts is an offense to the pro-Communist elements of the United States.

Birkhead's 'front' is a four page smear sheet called "Propaganda Battlefront," but his real sinister work is behind the scenes. In every large city, he hires stooges, at anywhere from $10 to $25 a night to cover Christian meetings. These stooges record in shorthand everything that is said. Listings are made of prominent people attending these meetings. These reports are then forwarded to his New York Office, where he arranges the statements to suit himself. Then they are mimeographed and sent out to the Anti-Defamation League, and other leftist Outfits throughout the Country; so that every City has a complete Birkhead file on what is occurring. These files are then put into use, to see that anti-Communists are fired from their jobs; their mortgages foreclosed; yes, these and many of a hundred nasty un-American acts are used to cause grief, and to browbeat those who are proclaiming Christ, and the American way of life.

Birkhead is a racketeer, who preys on the Jewish people by creating new Hitlers, from which he promises to deliver them. Then as a Sir Galahad, (underwritten by their cold cash) he goes forth to shadow-box with monsters he creates in his own mind.

On May 29, 1946, he attempted to crash a Gerald L. K. Smith rally at the St. Louis Municipal Auditorium, in the guise of a New York private detective. Later in the evening, he was the principal speaker at a Communist sponsored Rally; protesting Smith's use of the Hall. He appeared on the same platform with such St. Louis Communists, as Nathan Oser, Elliott Waxman, Douglas McLeod, Orville Leach, and Abe Treiman.

*Recently changed to 'Friends of Democracy'.

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Birkhead’s partner and co-worker, is Rex Stout, a former detective story writer, and one of the founders of the Communist ‘New Masses,’ and who was originally a member of its executive board. Later, he was carried as an executive editor and his wife was business manager. Stout has been connected with many Communist-front groups. He sponsored the Communist-controlled Committee to Rebuild the American Labor Party in 1941. Like most of the other U. S. Communists, he yelled for a diplomatic break with Spain. He was a member and supporter of the notorious Communist-front Union for Democratic Action. Stout wrote a book called ‘The Illustrious Dunderheads’; prior to the 1942 political campaign, in which he smeared all non-interventionists. The illustrations were by the cartoonist of the Communist ‘Daily Worker’ and ‘New Masses,” William Gropper.

We can’t laugh off this sinister alliance of Stout and Birkhead. We must alert every Christian American, to this sinister and dangerous plot to libel and destroy the Christian preachers, under the false and sweet sounding title of ‘Friends of Democracy.’

The religious people in Russia were taken off guard a quarter of a century ago, when the newly established government began to propagandize against them. This propaganda was accompanied by the murder of Preachers, Priests and Laymen—the breaking-up of Christian families—the confiscation and destruction of Church property.

In America, Christ’s followers are more fortunate; for the plans, purposes, and objectives of the persecutors are becoming more clearly understood each passing day, and when the Church of the Living God becomes aroused, it is MORE TERRIBLE THAN AN ARMY WITH BANNERS.
THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
RIVERSIDE DRIVE - 117TH STREET
NEW YORK, N.Y.

January 31, 1946

Mr. W. B. Burnhart,
1613 Bethlam St.,
Harrisburg, Penna.

Dear Mr. Burnhart:

I have received your letter. I am constantly astonished at the things people say about me, and never much more so than by the report that you sent me of the strange statement in your recent discussion group. He never read any statement from me publicly announcing my change of thought. I am a liberal in theology, and have been so ever since I was a young man. Far from changing, I have gone straight ahead with it, and I should say again just what I said to you in the letter that I wrote you on January 4, 1937.

Of course, I do not believe in the Virgin Birth, or in that old fashioned substitutionary doctrine of the Atonement; and I do not know any intelligent Christian minister who does. The trouble with these fundamentalists is that they suppose that unless one agrees with them in their doctrinal set-up, he cannot believe in the profound, substantial, everlasting truths of the Christian gospel that transform men's lives, and are the only hope of Christ's saviorship in this world. When, then, they hear me proclaiming these everlasting truths, they think I must believe in their fundamentalism. As a matter of fact, I regard it as a perversion of the Christian gospel.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

A letter of Harry Emerson Fosdick, in which he says: “I do not believe in the Virgin birth, or in that old fashioned substitutionary doctrine of the atonement, and I do not know any intelligent Christian Minister, who does.”
CHAPTER V.

Bishop Oxnam

WAS WOBBLY PREACHER

Bishop Oxnam, the Red Bishop of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ, started his leftist career as a Wobbly Preacher back in California in the early 20’s. His first adventure was to establish a dingy institution, which he called ‘The Church of All Nations.’ Here he promoted Communism, under the guise of religion. He hired as his lieutenant, a Mrs. Kashub, who was well dyed in the Red Ideology. She taught a Sunday-school class of children between 9 and 11 years of age, in this Church of All Nations. She used as a textbook Walter T. Mills’, ‘The Struggle for Existence.’ The Sunday-school classes would consist of an hour study on Socialism; then an hour of dancing, which was closed with twenty minutes of singing Red songs, such as: ‘Blow the Bloody Bugle,’ ‘Red Flag,’ ‘Internationale,’ etc.

Soon the Church became the gathering place for every type of a Red from an I.W.W., up to an Anarchist. A library was established with up-to-date books on Socialism and Communism. A ‘RED’ BOY-SCOUT troop was formed under the leadership of Klussman; and through it Klussman and Oxnam indoctrinated youth with the Marxist ideologies.

Oxnam soon became the Chief Spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Committee, on the West Coast, and used the Committee as a vehicle to reach a larger proportion of the workers, with his ‘Red Social Gospel.’

In 1926, he was one of an American Delegation of 24, under Sherwood Eddy, who toured the Soviet Union. Immediately on his return, he began campaigning for the recognition of the U.S.S.R.

His work in California satisfied the Red Leadership in the Federal Council, and he soon found himself enroute to higher positions in this Red American Religious Order. From a Wobbly Preacher in California, he was promoted to the presidency of De Pauw University in Indiana.

In 1936, he was active in the Medical division of the North American Committee to aid Spanish Democracy. This was a Front, which the American Communists used to smuggle men and supplies into Spain, during the bloody Spanish Civil War. Here we see Oxnam in a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde role, for while he was helping further the Red Revolution in Spain, he was working for the abolishment of Compulsory Military Training on the Campus of De Pauw. His watch-cry might well have been:
never fight for America only for the fatherland of Socialism the U.S.S.R.

During the past few years, he has done a great deal of writing; many of his articles have appeared in the 'Protestant,' which is edited by Kenneth Leslie, whose Communist connections are exposed in another chapter of this book. In one of his manuscripts, he goes so far as to call God, "a dirty Bully." This alone should be enough to open the eyes of any Christian as to where this Red Bishop stands.

Our Alliance with Soviet Russia, during the War, afforded him great opportunity to promote Communism through the medium of the Council of American Soviet Friendship.

In 1946, he attended the World Council of Churches Congress in Cambridge, England; and broke bread with the Red Dean of Canterbury, Hewlett Johnson. On his return to the States, he stated that there need be no fear of War; and pooh-pohed as false, the fact that Red Russia is out to conquer the World and enslave Christianity.

LEFTIST CONNECTIONS LISTED

During his Public Career, Oxnam has been affiliated with the following radical or Communist Front Organizations:

Member of 'Peoples Educational League,' control of which was in the hands of Communists, International Workers of the World, etc.

Member of the 'Internationale,' an extreme left-wing group led by Fanny Bixby Spencer.

Member, 'Federated Farmer-Labor Party.'

Member of National Council, Committee on Militarism in Education.' This was an organized effort to abolish military training in schools and colleges, an effort which was persisted in, up to the time the U. S. went into war and while Russia was arming for conflict. Oxnam did succeed in eliminating military training from DePauw University during his presidency of that institution.

Advisory Board, 'League for Organization of Progress,' a radical left-wing Outfit, highly sympathetic toward Russia.

Member of National Committee, 'National Religion' and Labor Foundation, a Socialist Organization.

Member of the 'Fellowship of Reconciliation,' a Socialist-Communist Front.

Sponsor of meetings in 1937 under auspices of the Communist Front organization, 'American League Against War and Fascism.'

Member of national committee, 'Friends of Democracy,' Oxnam's name came off the letterhead of this organization, when elected to his present post.

Advisory Committee, 'American Civil Liberties Union,' Red defenders organization.
Dear Mr.,

Your booklet is interesting and after reading it carefully I've come to this conclusion:

"THAT THE NAZIS IN GERMANY FAILED GOD BY MAKING THE MURDERER AND FIEND HITLER, TAKE THE PLACE OF LORD JESUS CHRIST."

God will punish them!

When you reprint the booklet, there's a line on page 20, I would suggest taking out:

"WHEN THE JEWS WHO CRUCIFIED CHRIST"

Bishop Oxnam, and other nationally known authorities are at present, backing a soundly established campaign, to take that out of ALL BIBLES and all printed matter, because years of painstaking research has proved - THAT LINE ABSOLUTELY FALSE!

Whenever you have any other printed matter kindly send me a sample copy as I am very much interested in your work.

In all friendliness,

LOUIS C. SHIMON

Doctor of Humor

SPECIAL COMEDY MATERIAL WRITTEN FOR: Radio, Motion Pictures, Legitimate Stage

This letter was sent to a prominent Milwaukee businessman and "lets the cat out of the bag" when it states that a powerful campaign is underway to delete certain passages from the Holy Bible, and that Bishop Oxnam is cooperating with this campaign.
A sponsor, 'National Council of American-Soviet Friendship,'
which was a new name adopted for the 'Friends of Democracy.'
This organization was headed by Corliss Lamont, cited for con-
tempt of Congress.

A member of Advisory Board of 'Protestant Digest.'

A sponsor of the 'Medical Bureau and Committee, to aid
Spanish Democracy.' This Committee along with numbers of
other similar Committees, organized at the time, was for the
support of the Communist Cause in Spain.

PREACHERS

Preachers spout their platitudes
To workers hard and lean
Who toil with aching bodies
For wealth they’ve never seen.
Parsons who live in plenty
And drive a limousine
Say they bring a message
From a toiling Nazarene . . .
Preachers with potted bellies
A-filling out their clothes,
Pain the eyes of toiling folks
And stink before our nose . . .
For we with toil-bent bodies
And gaunt eyes hard and keen
Know that labor for our bread
Makes bodies bent and lean.
Say, we don’t need you preachers
Who rant and rave and yell
About a poor man’s sinning
That sends him down to hell!
For we have had our Calv’ry
And bled through a new birth.
We’ll teach you loafers how to work
Or wipe you off the earth!
So, wake up, sleeping parsons,
Fat paunches can’t abide
To soil the name of a Toiler
Who hung with a spear-rent side!

This attack on preachers was written by Don West, a preacher in
the Peoples Institute of Applied Religion and shows the revolutionary at-
titude of this Fake Red Christian Front.
CHAPTER VI.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones

PREACHES SOCIAL JONES

Dr. E. Stanley Jones is a much ballyhooed preacher, of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Jones became a Methodist preacher, in the days when the doctrines of Harry Ward, and Harry Emerson Fosdick hadn’t taken full sway in the Churches.

He declined a Bishopric, but chose the mission field of India. While there, his writings began to trend further and further to the left. This made him popular with the Red Leaders of the Federal Council.

His books were widely circulated, and he soon was looked upon, along with Ghandi, and Kagawa, as one of the three great giants of Modern Thought in our day.

Dr. Jones has become one of the shrewdest promoters of the Social Gospel, the world has ever known. One of his favorite methods of deceit, is the adoption of a double meaning for certain words or phrases, by which he gives the impression to the average person, that they mean one thing while they really mean quite a different thing. The real meaning is understood perfectly by his modernist hearers, who have been initiated into the mysteries of his vocabulary. Yet the sad thing is that many good fundamentalists follow him and sincerely believe in him, as a true champion of the faith once delivered to the saints.

Matthew Spinka is quoted in the Jan. 1938 American Mercury, as saying that Jones “wishes to organize the Church into a Christian International, and in the end to seize political power, by means of the ballot.”

While speaking in Denver during the fall of 1945, Rev. Jones let the ‘cat out of the bag,’ when he innocently unfolded the plot, to establish ‘One World and One Church.’ He proposed a super-World Setup, in which we would have a Government above our Government—A Flag above our Flag, and a God above our God.
ONE WORLD AND ONE CHURCH

Dr. Jones stated that he belonged to a committee, which is organizing cells in every Church, to lead all the churches into one Church, which shall be called ‘United Church of Christ of the World’; and he stated also, that there would be no world peace until there was One Church and One World. Jones said, the Committee was already sowing the seeds, and would soon publish a magazine called ‘Federalist’; that by fall of 1948, he felt they would be strong enough to call an Assembly and formulate a Statement or Constitution.

Membership cards were passed out at the close of the meeting, giving the address of the ‘Association for a United Church of America’ as P. O. Box 1506, Boston 4, Mass.

Jones’ whole speech followed the Communist line of leading the people into the World Super-State. The sad part is that many good Christian saints are falling for the sweet melodious voice and line of this ‘Red altar boy.’

The Rev. E. Stanley Jones is not an economist; and there is no doubt that he is not an understanding Christian preacher, otherwise he would not try to mix power politics and bogus economics, now being used to establish a World Slave-State, with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Dr. Jones clearly indicated that the ‘Social Gospel’ as advocated today by the Modernists, logically involved the radical and revolutionary ideas, which he represents. Dr. Jones’ book, ‘The Choice Before Us,’ represents Modernism drawn to its logical conclusion.

According to Dr. Jones, the whole Christian movement throughout all the history of the Christian Church has been on a wrong foundation since the failure of the Communism in the early Christian Church, as recorded in Acts 3 and 4; and that Communism with some improvements, is Dr. Jones’ suggestion as to what the world needs and must have today, in order to be saved. In the name of ‘Christianity,’ Dr. Jones comes forth advocating something, which has never been historical Christianity.

In nine chapters in his book ‘The Choice Before Us,’ Dr. Jones expounds his thesis for Christian Communism. The Chapters are: The Kingdom—The Kingdom Personalized—The Kingdom Comes with Power—Fascism—The Religion Underlying Naziism—A Comparison Between Naziism, Fascism, Communism, and Christianity—The Kingdom; the Key to Unity—The Prodigal Society—The Choice Before Us.

There is nothing trite or tawdry about the book. One reads with animation the ultra-radical concepts garnished and embroidered with many of the most beloved Christian terms of the historic Christian faith.
There are a number of emotions, experienced as one reads through its pages:

**Amazement:** that a man who would champion such a thing could be spoken of thus—as “This modern St. Paul comes to America with a thrilling message.”

**Sorrow:** that the Christian movement has come to such days, that it would offer such a man to a great Nation like ours, and so many people be deceived and misled.

**Disgust:** that such a brilliant mind as Dr. Jones', could be turned aside to a praise of Russia, and misunderstanding of the true Christian movements.

**Indignation:** righteous indignation, and a desire that this should be exposed—that every true Christian and liberty-loving American, should know and should resist the un-American, un-Christian crusade in the name of the Church, for a Social Order patterned after Russia.

His prize exaltation for Red Communism is found on page 224, of his book, 'Christ's Alternative to Communism,' where he says: “When the Western World was floundering in an unjust and competitive order and the Church was bound up with it, and was a part of that order, God reached out and put his hand on the Russian Communists to produce a juster order and to show a recumbent church what it has missed in its own gospel.”

This type of teaching is causing thousands of our young people to fall victim to false(isms) both in the fields of religion and politics. It is high time that the Christians of America, Awake, and purge the Christian Churches of this false leadership.
YOU CAN JOIN OUR NATIONAL CRUSADE!

Give a helping hand to Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Kate Smith, Gabriel Heather, Rex Stout, Rudy Vallee, Henry Horen, Drew Pearson, Humphrey Bogart, Quentin Reynolds, Frank Sinatra, W. B. Kennedy, Chicago Daily News, Milwaukee Journal, Chicago Sun and hundreds of others who are backing a national "CRUSADE" to spotlight and bring to justice the seditionists and bigots who make a business of preaching racial and religious hatreds; and spread lies about England and Russia.

Any man or woman who preaches against our Allies, is stabbing our soldiers in the back. The returning GI appeals to the Common Sense of the American people by saying, "If Stalingrad or London couldn't have held out, we would now be fighting THE WAR RIGHT HERE IN THIS COUNTRY. Horrors of the prison camps and the murder of millions of Czechs, Poles, Norwegians, French, Jews and Danes must never be forgotten.

"If people in America must preach something, they should preach hatred for the NAZIS only then are they doing a bit of good for all humanity."

SEND FOR A FREE COPY OF "PROPAGANDA BATTLEFRONT"

published by Friends of Democracy at 157 East 57th St., New York 22, N.Y.

Our victory against NAZISM won't be complete unless we lick all the subversive outfits in America. Instead of listening to "hate mongers" retell Hitler's lies against Russia and England - you will be helping us in this crusade by recommending the immediate reading of: "UNDER COVER," "SABOTAGE," "BLACKMAIL," and "THE PLOT AGAINST THE PEACE."

In these tragic days, I like to meet a man who is proud of the America in which he lives. I like to meet a man who lives so that America can be proud of him. Eminent Psychiatrists tell us that the bigots, seditionists, pro-Hitlerites, Fifth Columnists, isolationists and crackpots are mentally ill and belong in an institution...your combined action will put them there.

JOIN THIS NATIONAL CRUSADE OF OURS AND BE AN AMERICAN!

This handbill was circulated by L. M. Birkhead's crowd, in an effort to brand anyone who raised a voice against Russia as a traitor.

Note, that one of the men the leaflet asks you to help, is Bishop Oxnam.
CHAPTER VII.

Kenneth Leslie

JACK OF ALL TRADES

Kenneth Leslie has had a somewhat interesting and varied career. A native of Nova Scotia, he has at one time or another, taught, lectured, farmed an apple orchard, bought and sold stock, led a dance orchestra, studied acting, written poetry, operated a buttermilk restaurant in Los Angeles, sang Hebridian songs over the radio, and published popular songs under the firm name of Leslie and Fitzgerald; at one time he was on the staff of the First Baptist Church of Montclair, New Jersey.

EDITS THE PROTESTANT

From these miscellaneous moorings he has drifted out into the poison sea of Communism to become one of her ablest workers within the Christian Churches of America. He edits a magazine called the ‘Protestant.’ The Protestant Magazine, which on its face, seems to be a journal devoted to religious discussions, is in fact devoted to the most incessant denunciation of the Roman Catholic Church, and the Fundamentalist Churches of America and to the most lavish exaltation of the Soviet Union, and to persistent efforts to inflame the Jewish and Negro citizens of America, against their enemies, with which according to ‘The Protestant,’ the Nation seems to be swarming.

Hewlett Johnson’s book, ‘Soviet Power,’ which was originally published by the Communist Party in this Country, was put out in another edition by The Protestant and under this allegedly religious imprint, got a far greater circulation than was possible to the Communist Party.

On Nov. 7, 1943, Comrade Leslie wrote in the ‘Daily Worker,’ official organ of the Communists: “If there is a heart of justice in the universe, it is beating now in the Red Army. I believe in that heart, I call it God. The religion that will be acknowledged in the Soviet Union, will be based on actual working out of community among individuals, economic units, and national groups. It will be beautiful.”

Communist writers are among the most numerous contributors to ‘The Protestant.’ In seven issue of the magazine, I note twenty-six articles bitterly criticising and attacking the Fundamental preachers of America. This religious journal which weeps crocodile tears over anti-Semitism is itself the most virulent provocateur of anti-Christianism.

Despite the fact that ‘The Protestant’ believes in the atheistic principles of Russia, and not the Christian principles of the great majority of Americans, this vicious scandal sheet commands the open support of more than 1,000 Protestant Clergy-
men. Its list of editorial advisors said to number fifty-five, includes many writers whose works appear in other pro-Soviet publications; chief amongst which is the official newspaper of the Communist Party, the Daily Worker. Foremost among his writers are: Dr. Harry Ward, and Dean Hewlett Johnson.

The Protestant, once known as ‘Protestant Digest,’ was one of the Communist Fronts, identified in the ‘Yanks Are Not Coming’ campaign in 1940; the aim of which was to discourage our entry into the War. Later, when Germany attacked Russia, the same gang started yelling for a ‘second front,’ and immediate aid to our ‘Soviet Allies,’ as did The Protestant.

Leslie and his smear sheet were supporters of the un-American and subversive National Federation for Constitutional Liberties; 45 of whose 77 leaders were described by the un-American Activities Committee as not “the mere gullible rank-and-filers, but the leaders of the Communist Party’s front movement in the United States.”

DEFENDS COMMUNIST ON FEDERAL PAYROLL

When the un-American Activities Committee charged that there were more than 1,100 Communists on the Federal payroll; Leslie’s crowd, described as numbering more than 1,000 Protestant bishops, clergymen, and editors, issued a resounding denial and said: “Not one member of any branch of our Government is Communist,” and for good measure, their message carried a demand for more aid to Russia; there is abundant evidence, that there were and still are, many Communists on the United States Payroll, and this fact completely discredits the position of these Churchmen on this question.

Leslie formed the textbook Commission; to eliminate anti-Semitic statements in American textbooks and to purge the Holy Bible, and all Church material of any references to the Crucifixion of Christ.

To Kenneth Leslie ‘The heart of Justice is beating in the Red Army,’ and he calls it God; he is obviously a Communist in spirit, even if he doesn’t carry a card.

How any Christian Clergyman or any decent Citizen can follow him, is beyond understanding. The only, and most charitable conclusion must be that these people follow Leslie because of ignorance.
CHAPTER VIII.

Kirby Page

ADVOCATES COLLECTIVIST STATE

Kirby Page has long been associated with a group of pacifist clergymen, within the Federal Council, who have hindered our National efforts by instilling their pacifist ideals into the minds of American youth. Anyone willing to study the documentary evidence of the Justice Department, by reading the list of Communist Organizations and their leaders, named side by side with these so-called peace promoters, will prove to themselves beyond a shadow of a doubt, that the Pacifists, and Revolutionary Movements are linked together, with hoops of steel.

None of Christ’s disciples taught a ‘political revolution,’ either in the name of Christ or of Social Justice; but the traitorous, and misguided Christians of today, are doing so—in teaching the Social Gospel of Socialistic, Communist Revolution, for the sake of the political ‘New Social Order,’ of Atheistic Karl Marx.

In warning against the false prophets, that shall “deceive the very elect,” Christ said: “For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered.” So today, Christian pacifists, dead to the realization, that they are co-operating with Jesus Christ’s crucifiers, when they co-operate with Marxians, for the pacifism of civil war, merely serves as the carcasses for these revolutionary eagles to feed upon.

If John Wesley knew that the pulpits of the Methodist Churches were being used by Page, for the spreading of the teachings of Karl Marx, he would turn over in his grave. For Kirby Page in his speeches is doing more for the furthering of Communism in our country, than could be done by a dozen paid communist workers.

His main discourses are a call to the Christian Church to unite in overthrowing the capitalist society, and establishing in its place a so-called Collectivist State, which means nothing more nor less than a Communist Dictatorship. In his speeches, his references to the Cross of Calvary are not in the terms of salvation, but of going all the way for a cause. In one speech he made the following statements about the cross: “Christ was stretched on the cross and died a cruel death. Christ’s way is the way of the cross. What is the way of the cross? It is to find what is God’s will, and ask God and receive power to live that way, no matter what happens. The way of the Cross is a rough and rugged way.”
In this he employs the same theory as Kagawa the great Japanese Red preacher; that the Cross is the symbol of going all the way for a cause, whether it be Communism, Fascism, or any other ideology.

‘RED’ PACIFISM

Mr. Page leaves a very sharp impression, that Jesus and the disciples were unlearned people, much in contrast to himself and his kind today. Yet one can hardly blame those, who never go into the records for yielding to the seductions of this pacifist, who makes an art of his sentimental siren appeals. One finds it difficult in reading the tender writings of Kirby Page, not to become hypnotized and dreamy-eyed, at the unbelievable love and sweetness exuding from his lines. Yet, he recommends for reading, the bloody class-war Daily Worker, published by the Communist Party. In his writings, one might be persuaded to believe that Mr. Page would faint at having to kill a fly. One might perhaps swoon, at the gentleness and beautiful idealism, in the sentiments of Kirby Page; when in answer to the question, whether he would fight if his own mother were attacked—he replied in effect, “Why should I kill some other mother’s son, just because someone killed my mother?”

One might become intoxicated under his spell, to the point of agreeing, if a rattlesnake wished to bite us for a taste of fresh meat; as unselfish Christians it would be our duty to set an example of sharing, by not only giving the snake one bite, but inviting him to lunch again. Yet this same gentle dove took thousands of dollars, for his Pacifist magazine, “World Tomorrow,” from the ‘Garland Fund’ Directors, who are henchmen of the Russian Communists, whose hands were dripping red with the blood of Christian martyrs.

While in Wichita, Kansas, I attended an afternoon lecture of Kirby Page, in a leading M. E. Church. His whole discourse was on the need of a Christian Communal System. He said, “No one has ever heard of a Baptist Fire Department. For if the Methodist Church caught fire, they might let it burn down. Nor has anyone heard of a Methodist Milk route; for this might lead to the Baptist babies going without milk.

“This type of system makes you all laugh, but this is the very system, you are living under, one of controlled monopolies, and we as followers of the Nazarene Carpenter, must put an end to this system, by bringing about the Kingdom of God on earth.”—(A CLEAR CALL FOR REVOLUTION).

Yes, under the cloak of religion he has invaded the sanctuary of the Christian Church, to sow seeds of class warfare and revolutionary socialism. In his addresses, he referred to Christ but several times, and then only in the abstract.
Kirby Page, like all other Communists, denies his connection with the Communist Party. The following connections of Kirby Page, reveals his Red leanings and position; Editor of 'World Tomorrow'; Committee on International Justice and Goodwill of Federal Council of Churches; Garland Fund, Committee on American Imperialism; was Chairman of Executive Committee, of the Fellowship of Reconciliation; Non-Intervention Citizens Committee, 1927; was the inspiration of the L.I.P.A. (League for Independent Political Action); Peace Patriots; collaborator with Sherwood Eddy; contributor to 'Disarm' of L.I.D. (League for the Industrial Democracy); is pro-Soviet author of infamous 'slacker Oath.'
This lesson sheet is used in the Peoples Institute of Applied Religion. Here we see how communism can be promoted in the name of religion. These pictures conclude with the workers taking over the world. Note the two hands in the lower corner.
CHAPTER IX.

The Double Crossing Dean

RED DEAN OF CANTERBURY

One need go no further than the Dean's own work, 'The Soviet Power,' and the Communist Party Press to get a clear picture of the background, and convictions, the connections and aims of Rev. Hewlett Johnson, who has earned the title, the 'Red Dean of Canterbury.'

He devotes sixteen pages of this book to his own history, from which we learn the following facts: He had a bourgeois boyhood. Poverty came to the family and he climbed the educational ladder of hard work to the goal of many University Degrees. He became a Parish Priest, studied Darwinism, acquired a deep 'interest in socialism,' and came to the conclusion, that 'Judaism, and Christianity' provide the 'highroad to Socialism and Communism'; a thing which he says he would welcome.

He defends Communism, the Communist Party, the Soviet Union, Joseph Stalin, V. I. Lenin, the October Revolution, and the entire Communist Program, and paints Russia as a veritable paradise of plenty, love, brotherhood, and Christian Spirit.

His publishers are the Soviet Union's official printers in America, called the International Publishers, headed by Alexander Trachtenberg, long active Communist executive.

His quoted authorities are Communists, Socialists and Communist supporters, and his endorsers came from the same class—chief of whom is the Communist Party itself. In fact,
the former Communist leader Earl Browder refers to Johnson’s book, ‘The Soviet Power,’ as ‘our best seller.’ The Communists boast that they have sold 2,000,000 copies.

His chief distributors are the Communist Party bookshops, and the ballyhooing propaganda, and advertisements for the sale of the work appear in the Communist Party papers and magazines.

In 1940, Rev. Hewlett Johnson wrote his first book, in defense of Russian Communism, called ‘The Soviet Power.’ Millions of copies of this book have been sold, and given away in all parts of the globe. Copies can be found in every village, hamlet, town or city in America. It was first sold at fifty cents a copy, then reduced to a pamphlet form, which sells for five and ten cents. In my travels here in America, I have visited hundreds of clergymen, who have been converted to the Communist theory of government, through this book.

In all of his 352 pages of ‘The Soviet Power,’ not a line appears against the Bolshevik regime. The entire text is a build-up for the Soviet Union, for Communism, and for Joseph Stalin. It is obviously a selling talk to unsell Americans on Americanism, and to sell them to the system of Communism. Here we have another case of a foreigner ‘poking his nose’ into American affairs with the deliberate intention, and purpose of pumping the poison of Bolshevism into the flood-stream of our channels of thought.

This case, however, is far different from the rest, because here is a professedly Christian man, of the center circle of his Church, using his priestly prestige to betray his own, and the American people into the powers of Godless Communism.

COMMUNISTS SELL BOOKS

Had the Dean of Canterbury ended his praise of Communism by this book, one would have been less suspicious, but hardly a Communist publication comes to my desk, that doesn’t contain some article written by him. Some of the latest articles are: ‘The Moral Foundation of the U.S.S.R.;’ found in the magazine called ‘Soviet Russia Today.’ Then in a pamphlet, ‘My Russian Travel Diary,’ written by Major A. A. Hooper, he writes an introduction, which gives full support to the Communist theory, and concludes it in his deceiving way, by using the words of Christ in saying, “This is a criterion handed to us by Him, who said of persons—and it equally applies to nations, (“By their fruits ye shall know them”). In 1943, he published a book called the ‘Secret of Soviet Strength,’ which sold like hot-cakes. At the first meeting in December, 1943, of the Communist-controlled Press, and Literature Council of Philadelphia, 2,500 copies were sold. The Communist Party has done everything in its power to circulate this book.

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In an article in the December 12, 1943 'Worker,' William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party, reviewed this book and made the following comment, "TO PUT THE BOOK 'SECRET OF SOVIET STRENGTH' INTO THE HANDS OF AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE, IS NOTHING SHORT OF A MAJOR WAR TASK." Following the completion of the book, the Dean received a cablegram from Joseph Stalin, praising him on the fine work he was doing.

The Dean, in this new Alice in Wonderland book, exposed his great love for the Atheistic Communist Party, when he said on Page 159: "Without such a Party, Russia could never have borne the shock and maintained its cohesion of will and purpose, throughout the terrible five and one half months of defeat and retreat, which followed Hitler's initial attack. It was the iron core of unity and determination, that made possible what is probably the greatest feat, in Military History, which turned an ordered retreat of eight hundred miles without pause or hesitation, into the long and effective counter-offensive. It was Russia's Will, manifested through the Communist Party, which saved Russia and the World in 1941, and 1942."

The Red Dean recently visited America, to ask the President to release the Atomic secret to Russia for the advancement of World Peace. The only World Peace, the Dean is in favor of, is one in which his Red Comrades would rule the World, and all would have to bow at the shrine of Atheistic Communism.

During a speech in Milwaukee, Wisconsin he stated that Russia was a virtual heaven on earth. Yet there has been no indication however that he will give up his British citizenship and take up permanent residence in Russia.

It surprises me to see so many Christians fooled by this wolf in sheep's clothing, but more surprising than this, is that the great 'Church of England' keeps him as a leader.
PROPAGANDA BATTLEFRONT

A REPORT ON WALTER A. MAIER

When divisive and defeatist propagandists are seeking to subvert the fundamental principles of Christianity, they are far more dangerous than when they are propagating the pro-Fascist, rabble-rousing crowd of which Gerald L. K. Smith is the perfect example. The Reverend Walter A. Maier, Lutheran Fundamentalist minister from St. Louis, may be their successor.

Walter A. Maier's sermons are rarely openly anti-Semitic, anti-Catholic, anti-Lutheran, anti-American, or pro-Fascist. However, these themes are present in his works, which are circulated by his followers.

In one broadcast, Maier said, "A Christian hates no one because of his race or creed." And in the next, Goebbels-like, he said that "Russia, the greatest enemy of humanity, is being ruthless and determined in its efforts to undermine and destroy our way of life." At present Maier broadcasts this form of anti-propaganda on the radio program called "The Lutheran Hour." These broadcasts are heard over more than 500 stations in 24 countries, including 42 outlets in Australia and Canada. They are also heard in Canada, as well as in South America. In addition, Spanish and Portuguese are used in the broadcasts to Latin America.

Maier's broadcasts are also beamed to our Armed Forces overseas. Here at home, Maier has a large following among the troops stationed in the country. About 70 camps received transcriptions in 1943.

It is reported that on May 7, 1944, Maier began a three-week series of broadcasts by Maier to Germany.

During 1940 and 1941, when war appeared imminent, Maier was an opponent of preparedness and an advocate of non-participation in the war. "You need not be at war with us, but our hearts belong to the" Foreigners," he wrote. "If our nation be not kept out of Europe's war, it will be beyond her power to keep out of the Fifth Column." During this period, Maier was also an ardent admirer of the "the purifying influence of Hitler's Lebensraum." Apparently these past years have not changed Maier's mind, as he has recently written in "The Messenger" in a roundabout way: "How easily the mind of the masses is changed; how abruptly a people's mood can turn against a natural benefactor!"

Pearl Harbor had little effect on Maier's doctrine. He stated that the war was a punishment by God on a sinful world and held no hope for improvement in the post-war period unless his own orthodox and Fundamentalist ideas were accepted. Maier implied that anyone opposed to his views was either an atheist, a Communist, or both. "The enemy," he said, "has penetrated youth groups, labor unions, and Negro organizations, while "mainstream Communism" and "enemies of the state" were determining government policy.

Maier continued to oppose our Allies vigorously. "What assurance have we that tomorrow we will not be fighting against those with whom we are allied as those against whom we are fighting today?" he asked. His tirades against Russia were particularly vehement. "Of what good will it do to secure collaboration with atheistic Communists?" According to Maier, the press, public officials, and public officials of the country are filled with the spectre of a victorious Soviet nation controlling continental Europe. Shortly before VE Day, Maier still was saying that the German, "despite Hitlerism, have formed a human defense of the Christian faith and a bulwark against Communism."

Meanwhile, Maier opposed rationing, insisting that it was a blessing of God that America's millions had not starved "despite rationing and restriction." He further denounced the "best seller" Under Cover, saying that few books "have been as dangerous as destructive..." and that a number of those exposed by the book were no worse than those who "before Pearl Harbor tried to keep the country out of war."

The notorious pro-Fascist and anti-Semitic, Gerald L. K. Smith boasts of his friendship with Maier. Although Maier readily denies any association with Smith, it is known that when Smith, leader of the America First Party and the American Nationalist movement, speaks in St. Louis, he visits and confers with Maier. Smith also knows Lawrence Reilly, a clerk in Maier's office and former editor of a mediocre magazine, the Eleven Hour. This publication carried Smith's Nationalist News Service and it at least once carried a report from Maier's magazine, the Walter Lager Messenger. Reilly last month announced that the publication was suspended, and Maier, who for months had allowed the magazine to be published under his name, felt called upon to "discontinue" the "unprofitable" news dispatches printed by Reilly. Reilly and Maier's actions followed an exposé in the St. Louis Star Times and a forum on the campus of Concordia Seminary, where Maier is a professor and Reilly was a student. Seminary officials roundly denounced the Eleven Hour and Gerald L. K. Smith.

But, Maier isn't regularized pro-Fascist and anti-Semitic publications such as America in Danger, X-Ray, Gentile News, Western Voice, King's Gazette, and Gerald Winrod's Defender, which have made frequent use of his writings. Clearly, however, Maier's attacks on his allies prove only on the supposedly more "respectable" anti-propaganda publication, The Chicago Tribune and its editor and publisher, Colonel Robert R. McCormick. When McKernan declared that "Communists control our political parties and influence," Maier commented on the Colonel's "remarkable address." It is reported that Maier did not agree with Smith's own efforts to unite all "Nationalists" in the country to work the "wonderful plans.

As a minister who purports to spread the gospel of Christianity in the United States, he uses his influence to subvert the nation's ideals and to undermine the country's progress. It is clear that Maier is a threat to the stability and security of our nation. His sermons are heard by millions of people every week. Because of his influence, Maier makes it very difficult for the laity to distinguish between his propaganda and the true teachings of the Gospel. Ample evidence shows that Maier does not believe in the Hitleric technique of achieving political power. Rather, Maier preaches his anti-propaganda and his defense more subtly and by implication.

This is a photostatic copy of the smear article on Dr. Maier, that appeared in "Propaganda Battlefront;" edited by L. M. Birkhead.

Note, the shrewd method used by this Character Assassin, to destroy a Gospel Preacher.

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CHAPTER X

The Four Quacks

HE QUACKS LIKE A DUCK

Emil Mazey, a Detroit Labor Leader, recently rose at a labor meeting to object to a proposed resolution, as Communist inspired. The man, who introduced the resolution, challenged Mazey to prove that he was a Communist. Mazey retorted: "I can't prove you are a Communist, but when I see a bird that quacks like a duck, walks like a duck, has feathers and webbed feet, and associates with ducks—I'm certainly going to assume that he is a duck."

DR. FOSDICK

Harry Emerson Fosdick is one of the grandpappys of Modernism, and the Social Gospel in America. His writings on religion, are very liberal and highly recommended by Socialist and Communist. It was through one of his books that Claude Williams, became a convert to radicalism.

Fosdick has held a chair in Union Theological Seminary, since 1915 as a Professor of Practical Theology. He has served as head of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ, and as pastor of the Rockefeller Riverside Drive Church.

On page 34 of this book, we have printed a letter, which Fosdick wrote to W. B. Barnhart, in which he states his disbelief in the Virgin Birth, when he says, "Of course, I do not believe in the Virgin Birth"; this shows Fosdick's true position. For here we see the so-called No. 1 Protestant Radio Preacher, disclaim Christ as the Son of God, and making Him, only a historical personage. He also states in the letter, that he does not believe that Christ died for our sins and says: "I do not know any intelligent Christian Minister who does."

This is Dr. Fosdick whom the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, has used as its No. 1 Radio Preacher in the United States. Year after year, his voice has gone out over the radio on free radio time which has been given to the Federal Council, because it represented so many Christians, in order that Dr. Fosdick might preach another Christ; a revolutionary Christ whom Fosdick could place alongside of Karl Marx and Lenin on the pages of history.
DR. NIEBUHR

Reinhold Niebuhr is another one of the Union Theological crowd. In company with Harry Ward, he has adorned the platform of many Communist rallies. He was a speaker along with Earl Browder, then General Secretary of the Communist Party; and Henri Barbusse, a French Communist, and guest of honor at an anti-War Rally in New York City, Sept. 29, 1933.

The Philadelphia Record of October 14, 1933 reported: “Reinhold Niebuhr, Union Theological Seminary Professor, last night advocated the use of force; to bring about a New Social Order. His open leaning toward revolution was expressed at the opening of a three day Joint Regional Conference, of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom, and The Fellowship of Reconciliation at Swarthmore College.”

Niebuhr in his book ‘Moral Man and Immoral Society,’ states that “The religio-political dreams of the Marxians, have an immediate significance, which the religio-ethical dreams of the Christians, lack.”

Karl Marx, the idol of Reinhold Niebuhr, denies the existence of God or Supreme Spirit in any form. He teaches: the desirability and inescapable necessity of class hatred; class revolution; envy and covetousness; the abolition of the family unit and of marriage; the communizing of women; state ownership of children; that matter and force constitute all of creation; that only materialistic circumstances guides destiny, character, and history; that man’s spirit is as material as a chemical effervescence or an electric spark which flickers out or rots with the body; that “Religion is the opium of the people”; that with the vanishing of property rights, religion and morality will vanish, along with other “bourgeois sentimentalities”; that a government proletarian dictatorship must be set up by violence; and that any theory that the two classes can get together is only a dodge on the part of the bourgeoisie, who wish to avoid having their throats cut in a bloody proletarian revolution.

DR. ELIOT WHITE

On Aug. 29, 1943, Dr. Eliot White, formerly associated with New York’s historical Grace Church, and now on the retired list of New York’s Episcopal Diocese; and his wife Mabel R. White, joined the Communist Party. On joining, he stated that the Communist Party, was the only Party living up to the Holy Bible.

Since his induction into the Party, he has taken a position on the ‘Worker’ editorial staff, and is editing a column, called “Toward a New Day.” On Feb. 4, 1945, he wrote an article called ‘Some Definitions,’ in which he answers a query of a teen-aged boy, on Religion, Marxism, and Atheism. In this article, he attempts to prove that God is good. Therefore anyone, who is
an atheist or Marxist and is good, is God-like. He says that one of the greatest pronouncements of true religion ever made, is the 'conclusion of The Communist Manifesto,' by Karl Marx, and Frederick Engels, issued in 1848, which says: “The proletarian's have nothing to lose but their chains, they have a world to win; working men of all countries, unite.”

Such blasphemy, coming from the pen of Dr. White, who hides behind a Clerical robe and stiff collar, to spread this deadly poison of Marxism among the youth of our Nation.

DR. BRADLEY

During the past years a Chicago preacher, Preston Bradley of the 'Peoples Church,' has been pooling his wisdom, with the cash of the Market Place; to the gratification of his vanity, and the satisfaction of the profit motive of certain fur traders. Bradley has been a Presbyterian, and an Independent; and is now a Unitarian.

Dr. Bradley’s mellow booming voice is for sale, for radio or lecture on any subject from 'religion to food or to the glories of Evan’s Fur Coats.'

Every Sunday, he broadcasts his morning service over the radio. His prayers are accompanied with the dramatic tolling of bells, to give a religious effect; which smooths over the fact that he doesn’t address God but instead uses phrases such as: “Oh beauteous truth, Ah beau-teah of the Universe.” In many of his sermons, he renders praise to such men as Buddha and Confucius. His divided allegiance can be seen in hymns of this type, which appear in the hymnal sheet of Bradley’s Church.

“We love to think of Jesus
He loved both young and old,
The noble-minded martyr
Whom all in reverence hold.

“We love to think of Buddha
So sweetly kind and true,
Whose love for man was tender
And ne’re a limit knew.

“Of thee, O wise Confucius
We often think with awe;
Thy watchword, love of others
Thy guide: the moral law.”

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While Bradley probably would hold any opinion, it paid or sounded best to hold; he is no newcomer in the Red-sympathizing ranks. When the "Communist, American, Russian Institute for Cultural Relations with Russia," Chicago Branch, gave a banquet on Feb. 20, 1934, in honor of the Soviet Ambassador, Trotskyansky. The announcement of this banquet listed Bradley as one of the Sponsoring Committee, along with other prominent Communists and Communist sympathizers in the Chicago area.

On May 15, 1937, Bradley presided at a Farewell Dinner, given by the Communist Medical Bureau, to aid Spanish Democracy in honor of the unfrocked Red Priest, O'Flanagan, and three Medical Units, which were leaving for Spain to aid the Communist Revolutionists, who were seeking to establish a Communist rule in that Country.

Bradley was one of the Sponsors of a meeting of the Communist, 'American League Against War and Fascism,' at which Harry Ward was the main speaker. Bradley's name appears repeatedly as a Sponsor of many Communist United Front Committees, such as: The Scottsboro Defense Committee; The American Civil Liberties Union; Committee to aid victims of German Fascism, (mainly Thaelman); and the Chicago section of the New Theatre League.