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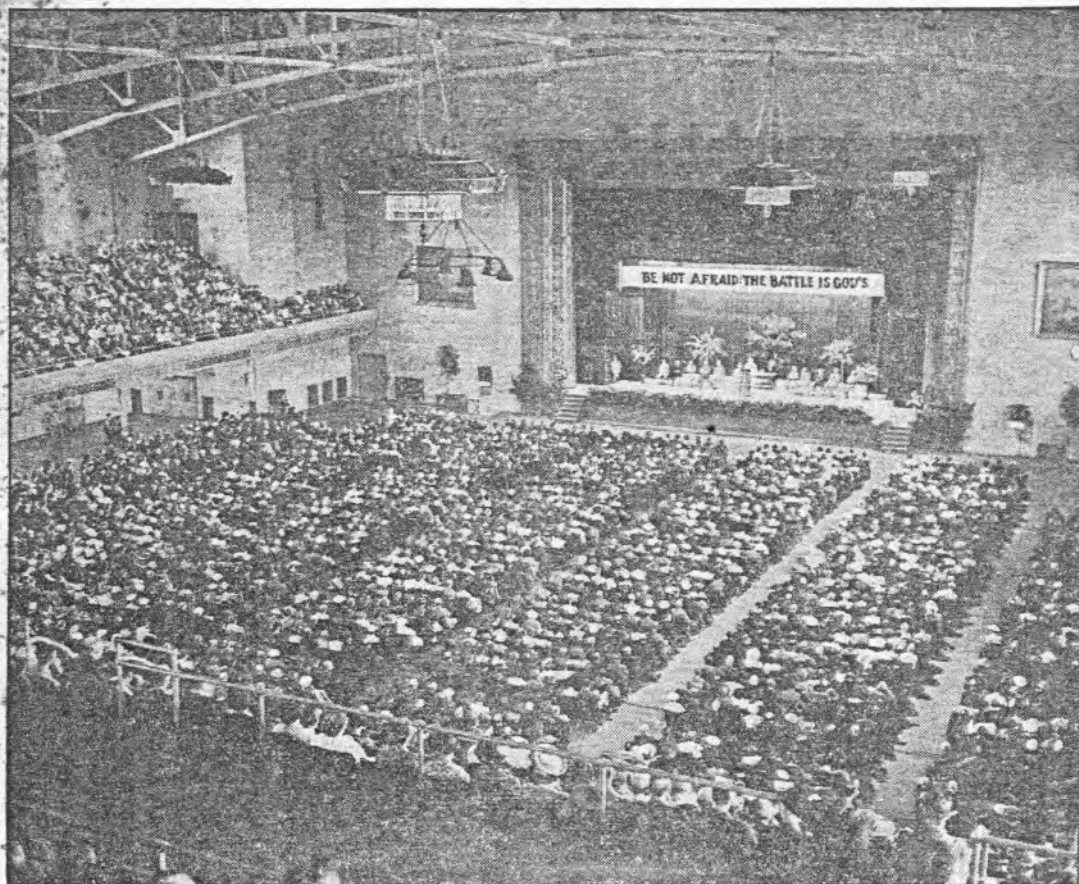
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Report of Northwest Convention of Jehovah's witnesses

Seattle, Washington, U.S.A., June 2-5, 1938

A CONVENTION of Jehovah's witnesses is always an event of more than passing interest and importance. As such a convention, wherever held, generally draws together thousands of out-of-town visitors, city councils have not failed to see the pecuniary advantage of inviting such conventions to be held in their cities. Jehovah's witnesses are law-abiding and orderly persons; so a city extending hospitality to one of their conventions profits materially at little inconvenience and expense. In any event, a convention of Jehovah's witnesses is news, and it would be expected, in view of the purpose of these conventions, and the fact that such large numbers attend them, that newspapers would give considerable space to the activities of such an assembly. But, strangely, instead of taking advantage of the opportunity to publish such constructive and worthwhile news, the newspapers have in many instances manifested a contrary tendency, apparently seeking to reduce to a minimum information concerning these important meetings.

Jehovah's witnesses have not been in the dark as to the reason. From time to time attention has been called by them to the influences back of editors which induce such editors to consign to the wastebasket information concerning their activities. It remained for the Seattle, Washington, convention of Jehovah's witnesses (June 2-5) to fully manifest the conspiracy back of the strange silence by newspapers with regard to things which the public have a right to know and in which they are interested. The special report to *Consolation* deals with the convention and the coincident exposure of newspaper methods in the suppression of the truth. The information this supplement contains is of the most vital interest to the people of America, and, in fact, to the people of every country where a measure of liberty still obtains. If the Seattle convention of Jehovah's witnesses had served no other purpose than to drag this matter into the light of publicity it would have fully justified itself. That it did much more will be evident to all who thoughtfully read this report.

Briefly stated, approximately 4,000 witnesses attended the convention. At the public meeting about 6,000 interested Seattle citizens came to the advertised meeting, bringing the total to 10,000.

During the convention Jehovah's witnesses called upon practically every home in Seattle and the surrounding country, devoting 12,796 hours to field service and leaving, with 36,263 interested persons, 52,454 pieces of instructive and constructive Bible literature. Additionally, by means of recorded lectures 14,061 persons heard the Kingdom message in their homes, stores or offices, or in public places.

To supplement Seattle restaurant service in handling the large number of conventioners efficiently at mealtime, a special cafeteria was installed in a building located about three blocks from the Civic Auditorium. The building was whitewashed throughout and spotlessly clean. It accommodated 700 persons at one sitting. An efficient staff of waitresses, helpers and ushers served the cafeteria patrons in a minimum amount of time and without waste of effort. Food was served at a nominal price, the arrangement being particularly intended for the less prosperous conventioners. The cafeteria served a total of about 15,000 meals during the period of the convention.

A hospital to attend to the incidental illness of conventioners was staffed with a number of medical and chiropractic doctors and trained nurses, who tendered their services free. Those able to offer some recompense for services rendered them by the hospital staff were given an opportunity to make a voluntary contribution, which was applied to convention expense.

Many of the conventioners came in automobiles, trailers and house-cars. Trailer camps, among which was one called "Playland", were placed at the disposal of these out-of-town visitors, and the owners of the respective camps treated the witnesses handsomely, doing everything they could to make their brief stay comfortable. There were 118 camping parties, totaling 430 persons.

In making up this report of the convention, it was not possible to include the speeches of

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all the speakers, nor can the addresses of Judge Rutherford, chief spokesman for Jehovah's witnesses, and president of the organization, be given here in full. It is understood, however, that these addresses will be published by the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society, Brooklyn, New York.

An important feature of the convention was the immersion of 210 persons, who thereby signified their full consecration to do the will of Jehovah God. All of Jehovah's witnesses have at some time made a similar consecration, taking their stand unequivocally on the side of Jehovah and His kingdom under Christ, the King.

The Civic Auditorium accommodated all the sessions of the convention, the large basement being devoted to the handling and distribution of convention supplies and equipment, particularly Bible literature.

In the auditorium itself no special decorations were in evidence, but banks of ferns, palms and flowers adorned the stage, while over the platform, across the wide stage, was an immense, brightly colored text, 'BE NOT AFRAID: THE BATTLE IS GOD'S.' In view of the opposition to the publication of simple and unvarnished Truth, this promise is particularly appropriate. It is far more significant when one learns that Jehovah's witnesses proclaim the early end of Satan's reign.

Not depending upon newspaper publicity, Jehovah's witnesses arranged four "sandwich-sign" parades by conventioners and the use of numerous sound cars to publicize the address on the theme "VIOLENCE".

In the basement of the Civic Auditorium a special booth had been built for the distribution of the *Seattle Star*, which had contracted to publish each day several columns of convention news. The contract was not carried out by the *Star*; hence the booth remained unused, a silent testimony to the prostitution of a great public service (that of publishing the truth) to the base purposes of a political religious system.

Numerous radio stations carried the address "VIOLENCE" to various states, all the way across the continent.

The convention got under way Thursday at 3:00 p.m., with an address by the chairman, Grant Suiter, of New York city, who stressed the unity of Jehovah's witnesses in their activities.

The convention had a thrill not scheduled

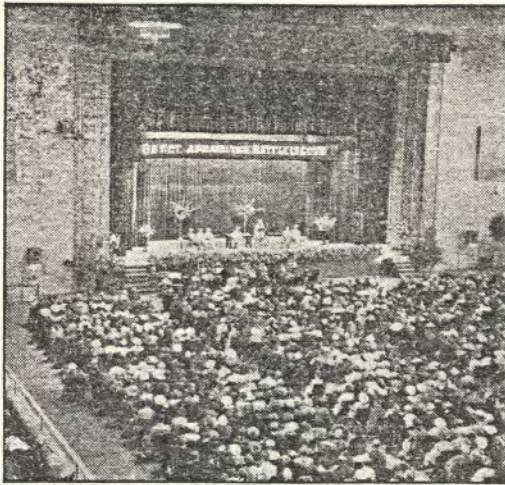
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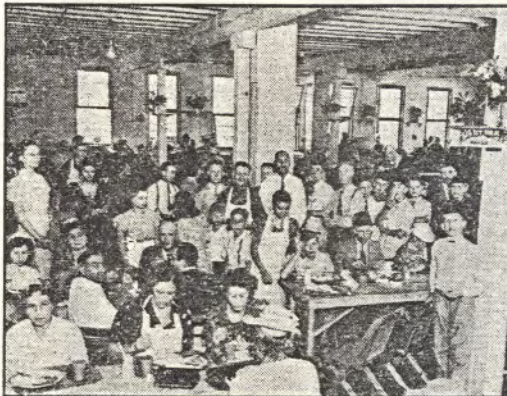
Ready for action



Auditorium filled



Spiritual food



Material food



Shining up

on the program when Judge Rutherford walked into the Auditorium Friday evening at eight o'clock and made a few extempore remarks, including some pertinent comment on the newspapers of Seattle and their attitude toward the convention. At this session of the convention the resolution "WARNING" was adopted, about which more will appear in another portion of this account.

Judge Rutherford's speech on "VIOLENCE", widely advertised, was the high point and climax of the convention program. The 10,000 listeners crowded out the main convention hall and overflowed into the adjacent ball park and the cafeteria building, being there enabled to hear the lecture by means of loud-speakers previously provided to meet the expected emergency.

A Watch Tower representative was on duty at a key station of the radio chain, and the station owner was there, as well as others in the radio station. At least five times during Judge Rutherford's lecture one of these others insisted on cutting it off, but the station owner insisted contrariwise, on leaving it on the air; and so the speech went through without cuts or censorship. The station owner at the time stuck to his word like a staunch upholder of freedom of speech, although "he chewed up a whole cigar and sweat like a son-of-a-gun", as one observer put it. A large number of telegrams were received from radio listeners all over the country.

CONVENTION CONVENIENCES

During the four-day convention the large and spacious basement of the Civic Auditorium served many requirements and was the scene of much activity as numerous workers, all Jehovah's witnesses, busied themselves in aiding others for the great witnessing work afield and for the convention in general.

The basement in itself is one huge auditorium, and measures over 200 feet square, giving ample room for all branches of departmental service. It is well lighted, cleanly, cool, and has a smooth-finished concrete floor.

To give an idea of the basement arrangements to those not having the opportunity of seeing it for themselves, a trip in print may furnish a mental picture.

Upon entering the main auditorium you take a left turn down through a series of inclines that wind around until you reach the basement. There are seven or eight of these

hallways about 40 to 50 feet long. After about the second turn one gains the impression that the next will be the last, and invariably one not familiar with the building will remark, "How long does this go on?"

When you reach the basement you are first confronted with the book department, where a crew of about 20 are busily engaged behind long counters and on the alert to take your order for literature. Public-address equipment, including portable phonographs, records, needles, and flasher-light signs, are all on supply in this department, and it is here that demonstrations of sound equipment are given.

Let it be stated here, for the information of those not acquainted with the work of the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society, that all books, booklets and other literature are printed and published in their own eight-story plant at Brooklyn, New York. Over 15 tons of literature is on hand for this convention.

Three thousand combination sets, each consisting of four bound books (one *Riches* and three *Enemies*), thirty *Cure* booklets, and two copies of *Consolation* as samples, were prepared in separate packages and in readiness to supply to conventioners, with many more cartons of literature in reserve. Little time is lost in obtaining this literature preparatory to field service.

As you move down the long counter you note a large supply of Bibles and Bible Concordances; thence to the *Consolation* subscription department, where over 10,000 copies of this magazine are on hand.

Moving on eastward you come across the busy sign painter with his brush deftly turning out all sizes and sorts of artistic signs that prove valuable later when you seek directions.

Then you step to the south a few paces to find a large radio amplifier installed for the convenience of the departmental workers. Throughout the day intermittent strains of music are heard therefrom, adding to the pleasure of service. It might be of interest to mention that the cafeteria also is connected with the convention auditorium by wire and loud-speaker, enabling those at this place as well to hear immediately important announcements.

A few feet to the southeast are a large map and bulletin boards. You need not lack for directions here, either in Seattle or in King county, Washington. Should you decide to

mail a letter, card or package to the folks at home, purchase stamps or call for your daily mail, you have but to step over a few feet to be greeted by genial post-office clerks who are at once at your service. Should you lose a key, purse, or what have you, you are most likely to find it at the Lost and Found department, connected on the south with the Post Office department. Ample space has also been assigned for a baggage check room, where you can be relieved temporarily of excess baggage.

In the center of the basement a large space is devoted to the rooming and map departments. About thirty men and women stand and sit behind counters, forming a square, eager to help you get located at hotel, private home or auto camp.

The map and sound car departments are also elaborate setups. Those contemplating going witnessing in the field are given a map of the territory, with specific information as to how to reach said territory. One encounters little difficulty, if any, if these instructions are followed.

Large double doors permit cars to enter the basement on the south, which is on a level with the ground outside. Several cars are stationed here in readiness for any occasion.

To appreciate the service rendered by the well-trained individuals in their respective departments, it would be necessary to be present, for the atmosphere is charged with efficiency.

FEEDING THE CONVENTION

A large cafeteria for the convenience of the conventioners was situated just three blocks from the Civic Auditorium. This arrangement enabled a great many with limited funds or large families or both to meet the expense of attending the convention. By no means did the cafeteria serve all the conventioners, nor was it contemplated that it should do so. Many of them had their meals at their hotels or at restaurants.

The building that housed the cafeteria was an exceptionally large one, of the "flatiron" type.

Three weeks before the convention opened a large number of men were put to work cleaning up the interior of the building and white-washing it. Carpenters were kept busy building tables, counters, railings, etc., and doing other necessary work to get the cafeteria in first-class condition. All preparations were completed in good time. This included installa-

tion of gas ranges and other necessary kitchen paraphernalia. Two days before the opening of the convention everything was in readiness to serve early arrivals.

Seven experienced chefs shouldered the task of preparing the food. One of Jehovah's witnesses who was formerly the proprietor of a chain of restaurants was in general charge of the cafeteria arrangements. Waitresses and assistants made a small army.

Many are steadily at work preparing salads, with the aid of a large electric mixer. Meat slicers and other kitchen equipment serve to make it an efficient kitchen. Ten large coffee urns are constantly in use, as well as a large hot-water urn, with a capacity of several gallons. No aluminum cooking utensils or containers are about the place.

Over 1,000 pounds of meat a day are required; also 600 loaves of bread, 300 to 400 pies, and 20 cases of fresh eggs. The preparing of vegetables and paring of potatoes (several sacks a day being used) is no little task. When the dinner bell rings, so to speak, an onlooker can be satisfied (as the throngs wait in line to be served) that a lot of food will be consumed.

The cafeteria could serve about 700 at a time, and several thousand for each meal. As one stepped inside one was impressed with

the efficient system maintained. There were no delays. Everything went along like clockwork.

Seattle business firms were very generous in helping to equip this cafeteria, and the sincere thanks for



Salad is good for you



Sandwich department

the kindness shown was expressed by the Watch Tower committee.

An exceptionally large Coolerator, over six feet high, with six compartments, two smaller electric Cold Spot frigidaires, and about six wooden ice refrigerators, are in use.

Imagining yourself there, and starting from the kitchen, you note five large gas ranges with their enormous enameled kettles filled with piping-hot fresh vegetables, while the ovens bring forth those appetizing and well-prepared meats. The menu usually consists of a plate dinner of fresh fish or meat, fresh vegetables, salads, fruits, cakes, pies, home-made punches, milk, coffee or tea. Or, if it pleases you, there are lighter lunches to be had and your choice of a variety of sandwiches.

All cafeteria workers were given thorough instructions before the opening, and their training resulted in splendid service.

Violets Covered California!

One telegraph operator must have been somewhat perplexed when he transmitted the words, "Violets covered southern California." He did not know that the air was full of the exposure of violence, and that the telegram was intended to state that the lecture "VIOLENCE" had been heard with appreciation all over southern California. [See other telegraphic messages on last page.]

Synopsis of Chairman's Opening Address

This important convention is an assembly of Jehovah's witnesses and their companions of the Northwest and of Canada, and with all sections of the country represented. We appreciate the provisions made for us, and the kindness manifested by the people of Seattle. The people of this city and vicinity have not followed the example of the religious leaders, who opposed this convention.

Our purpose is to gain a clearer understanding of God's Word, and to carry to the people information concerning the same. The first part of each day will be spent in calling on the people at their homes and places of business, carrying to them the message of God's kingdom, which is their only hope during this time of great distress. This work is not confined to this convention, but is regularly carried on by Jehovah's witnesses wherever they may reside.

The commission laid on Christians, as stated at Isaiah 61:1, 2 (*Rotherham*), is, "The spirit of my Lord Jehovah is upon me, because Jehovah hath anointed me . . . to proclaim . . . the day of avenging of our God." This commission shows activity, and unity in action. The most important issue before mankind is the supremacy of Jehovah, the true God; and the salvation of man, while fully provided for by Jehovah, is of secondary importance.

God's kingdom having come, the time for the vindication of His name is here, and those commissioned to proclaim the truth must do so regardless of opposition, and so maintain their integrity and prove that God can have on earth men and women who will serve Him faithfully.

Jesus proved faithful to Jehovah under the test, and began the vindication of Jehovah's name, concerning which Hebrews 2:14 states, "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he [Jesus] also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil." This shows that in addition to creatures' maintaining their stand faithfully on Jehovah's side, the supremacy of Jehovah will be fully established in the destruction of the Devil and his organization, including the religious racketeers. Jesus provided the ransom or purchase price for the descendants of Adam, and so it is through Him that man has an opportunity to gain life.

There must be complete unity in action of those serving Jehovah as His witnesses; and there is such unity. There is no place in their ranks for trouble-makers, and, sooner or later, such will be gathered out by the Lord, as stated at Matthew 13:41. God's people are not seeking personal advantage or fighting for so-called "personal rights", but are seeking solely to honor the Lord by making public proclamation of His purpose as expressed in His Word, in harmony with their commission. The religious leaders vigorously oppose this work because the religionists are aligned on the other side.

This is not another religious movement, but a united world-wide work of informing the people, suffering distress of every description, of God's provision for man's blessing. Let all take courage, seek an understanding of God's Word, and faithfully serve Him.



Pioneers "have here no continuing city"

Newspaper Treason to American People

It would be difficult to imagine a more beautiful setting for a convention of Jehovah's witnesses than the city of Seattle presents. Puget Sound, with its bays and inlets lying across the front of the city, and the city itself rising from the water and creeping up the foothills of the surrounding mountains. To the west lie the Olympic mountains, snow-capped and majestic; to the south towers the awe-inspiring peak of Mount Rainier, at times hiding its white head in the clouds; at other times glistening grandly in the sunlight.

To the people of Jehovah God these mountains are reminders of the kingdom of which they are publishers. That kingdom is the only hope of the world. It is that kingdom to which Jesus told all people of good will to flee. "Let them which be in Judæa flee into the mountains." It seems passing strange that amidst all this evidence of the handiwork of the great Creator there should be such devilish opposition to the publishing of the message of the Kingdom. But when Jehovah's purpose in permitting it is seen, it is not strange.

Arrangements had been made with the *Seattle Star* to carry a full-page description of the convention of Jehovah's witnesses, including a synopsis of the talks of Judge Rutherford and the other speakers. Copy was to be supplied by the publicity department of the convention. Many thousands of subscriptions were sent in to the *Star* for copies of the papers carrying the account. These subscriptions came from every state in the Union, Canada, Great Britain and other countries.

Judge Rutherford had just returned from a tour of Australia, New Zealand, Fiji Islands, American Samoa and the Hawaiian Islands. Within the last year he had also toured Europe. He had many things to tell the conventioners as well as the public about the conditions existing on the earth, what those conditions meant, and what would be the remedy.

Judge Rutherford is recognized by millions of people of good will as the greatest living student of the Word of God, the Bible. Knowing that the Bible study helps that have come from his trenchant pen have reached the colossal circulation of over 275,000,000 copies within the last few years, it was only reasonable to expect that the information he would have to give to the public, based on the Word

of God, would be most timely and of the greatest importance to all right-thinking people, and certainly "news". But "news" as that term is used by the newspapers of today means a word picture of some blood-curdling murder; some horrible accident; Blue Beard's divorce from his tenth wife; how the president hooked some "poor fish" on one of his various vacation trips; Cardinal Pacelli's visit to the United States on a "vacation" trip; the aging pope is an old man and is losing his understanding, his legs have gone back on him; anything and everything but the most vital information of all, the "good news" of the Kingdom, the only hope of the world.

The first day's copy was submitted to the editorial department of the *Star* early in the day. Late that night a call came to the convention publicity department, something wrong with the copy. The editor of the *Star* had exercised his editorial prerogative and blue-penciled the copy. The article presented for publication was a description of the tour made by Judge Rutherford of Australia and the other points afore-mentioned. It gave an accurate account of the intense and well-organized opposition to the activities of Jehovah's witnesses in Australia; how the authorities had tried to prevent the judge from even landing in the country, thus branding him as an "undesirable". It told the fact that the prime minister of Australia is a Catholic, every member of the cabinet is a Catholic, the postmaster general is a Catholic, and the mayor of Sydney is a Catholic, and that from reliable information received it was shown that there was no opposition to Judge Rutherford's speaking publicly from any other than Catholic groups. The article called attention to the action of the religionists and showed how the Roman Catholic Hierarchy was working hand in glove with the Nazis and Fascists.

This wasn't considered news by the *Seattle Star*. There could be no use made of the word "religionists"; there must be no reference made to the Roman Catholic Hierarchy except in terms of commendation. To tell the truth as it is revealed in the Word of Almighty God was considered, by the *Star* editor, controversial. (See page 13.)

"But you have no objection to allowing politicians to vilify each other and tear each other

to pieces and accuse each other of being liars, frauds, and thieves," the statement was made to one editor in question.

"Oh, well, politicians are rotten anyway," was the answer.

"Can you imagine anything more despicable in the sight of God than religious hypocrisy?" the question was asked. "For instance, you say you are a Protestant."

"Yes," answered the editor, "I am."

"Against what are you protesting?" was the question.

"Oh, I suppose the world in general," was the reply.

"No, that is not so," said the questioner. "A real Protestant, as that term was originally used, was one who protested against the activities of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy; and if you profess to be a Protestant and you are doing no protesting, you are professing to be something that you are not. You are a hypocrite and, as a matter of fact, there are no so-called 'Protestants' voicing any protest today. They are as dead as doornails.

"The newspapers are afraid to publish the truth. They have not the 'guts' to tell the people what they know to be the truth. They have sold out to big business, corrupt politicians and commercialized religion and particularly the Roman Catholic Hierarchy."

The answer was, "Well, what do you expect us to do? If we were to publish the material you have given us as it is we might just as well go out of business."

When another point in the article that had been blue-penciled was called to their attention, which point dealt with the violent opposition to the message published by Jehovah's witnesses, the editor stated, "Well, if you attack others you may expect them to attack you."

It was pointed out to him that Jehovah's witnesses are attacking no one. A certain analogy was called to his attention. If any official of the government of the United States made a statement in his official capacity and that statement was unfounded and did not meet with the approval of the newspapers or some group of citizens, they would feel justified in voicing their opposition to the statement and producing evidence to show such statement to be false. All such activity would be considered news and would be readily printed in the newspapers. Christians recog-

nize the existence of the most important of governments, the Government of Jehovah God. They understand that the law of that government is contained in the Word of God, the Bible. From that Word they take their instructions, and follow the rule of action laid down in that law. They recognize only the official instructions that come from that Word. If there are others who claim to exercise official authority, such as the one who claims to be the "vicar of the son of God" and who, when speaking *ex-cathedra*, is speaking as it were with the authority of God, and such claimed authority has no Scriptural basis, will it not then be proper for citizens of that government to protest and prove such claims false? That is exactly the position of Jehovah's witnesses. They attack no one. They are merely calling attention to what the Word of God says, even though the statements of fact and truth may shock the susceptibilities of religionists.

The editor's comment was, "Well, that might be all right, but no newspaper would look at it that way. If we were to attack any religion we might just as well go out of business. As a matter of fact," said the editor, "if I dared stick out my neck and publish the material you have offered, the presses would be stopped back there in the pressroom," meaning, of course, that misguided Catholic pressmen back in the pressroom would refuse to print the truth.

Leaving the *Star*, the blue-penciled copy was taken to one of the officials of the Hearst organization in Seattle, and his opinion was asked as to whether the Hearst papers would print this material uncensored. His answer was the same as that received from the *Star*. This man freely admitted that the newspapers were just in business and that whatever affected their pocketbooks, no matter how true it was, would never be put into print. He openly stated that he had no sympathy whatever with the activities and the methods used by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, but that he found little use in trying to fight them. From this attitude it was clearly seen that he was lying supinely on his back allowing the Hierarchy to use him as a doormat. The last words he said to those presenting the copy were that he hoped Jehovah's witnesses would grow sufficiently strong to be able to overcome the activities of the Hierarchy. He personally would be happy when that day should arrive.

The Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* was then visited. The same reception was given to the copy when presented to them. At the office of this particular paper the information was received that pressure had been brought to bear upon them by some members of the Hierarchy in a letter addressed to the paper in terms which brought forth the expression from the editor, "Hell, but it was a hot one! Don't ever think you people don't have any opposition in this man's town; you have plenty."

The Seattle *Times* took the same stand as the other papers. They were all afraid of the religionists, particularly of the Hierarchy.

Upon his arrival in Seattle Judge Rutherford learned of the attitude of the *Star* and the other papers and immediately prepared a resolution. It was presented to the convention by him on Friday evening. The situation as to the attitude taken by the newspapers was fully and clearly explained to the convention. Then the resolution was presented and adopted unanimously.

Before the vote was called for, the audience was informed by Judge Rutherford that he would pause for a short while between the reading of the resolution and calling for its adoption so that any who desired to register any opposition would have the opportunity. He said, in fact, it had been reported that some gentlemen had attended the convention with their vests turned around the wrong way and their collars back to front and that probably there might be some of those in attendance at that time who would like to register their opposition. The audience saw the point and responded in a roar of laughter. The vote was called for, and the rafters of the huge auditorium rang with the shout of "Aye!"

This resolution was taken to the *Star* and the *Post-Intelligencer* and presented to their editors. The *Star* refused to publish the material as it was written, reiterating their position. Although the *Post-Intelligencer* had come out in the Saturday morning paper with the headline that the Nazis were supporting the revolt in Mexico, they flatly refused to see any connection whatever between that which they had written up in their own paper and that which was presented to them by Jehovah's witnesses pointing to the real organization behind the activities of the Nazis.

Judge Rutherford was to address the convention on Saturday afternoon, and just be-

fore going on to the platform a copy of the late *Star* was put in his hands. Across the top of the front page was an editorial. The editorial reads as follows:

JUDGE RUTHERFORD, WE'LL STAY WITH
THE GOLDEN RULE!

Thousands of Jehovah's Witnesses, led by Judge Rutherford, are in Seattle for their annual convention.

It was advertised as a convention of Christian men and women.

Last night, at the end of its second day, the convention passed a resolution condemning Seattle newspapers because they would not publish attacks on other churches and creeds as demanded by the Judge and his followers. This, they said, was "important news."

Now I'm not what you might call a first class Christian.

I "belong" to no church in Seattle. I'm not a Catholic. I'm not a Protestant. I try to get along on an old-fashioned idea that I believe comes from the Bible (Judge Rutherford probably could tell you the chapter and verse) and which is sometimes referred to as the Golden Rule. I believe it goes something like this: "Do unto others as you would like to be done by."

We at The *Star* always have had the idea that an American should be allowed to worship when, how and as he pleases. The idea might be a little old-fashioned and out of date for some of these new-fangled religions, but it seems to have operated pretty satisfactorily for 1900 years or so.

The *Star* has no quarrel with Jehovah's Witnesses. We're glad to see them come to town to enjoy the wonders of the Evergreen Playground. And, as long as they confine themselves to their own religion, we're glad to play along. We told them so frankly.

But when they assume the attitude that their religious ideas are right and everyone else's ideas are all wrong, and say if they can't get publicity in Seattle for their attacks on other churches they'll condemn the newspapers of Seattle before the world, we're afraid we'll just have to say: "Go ahead and condemn. And if they want to put that condemnation on their front pages, it's all right with us."

We're satisfied to stay with that old Golden Rule plan. It's worked out pretty well in the past. And we'd recommend it to The Judge.

By THE EDITOR

It will, no doubt, be of great interest to the readers of this report to know what was presented in the resolution. Here it is in full.

Warning!

A foreign power now threatens American institutions. Jehovah's witnesses, in convention at Seattle, brought this matter to the attention of the Seattle Star and requested publication as a matter of news. The Star refused to publish it, claiming the same to be controversial. The convention, feeling its responsibility to warn the people, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

THIS BODY OF CHRISTIAN PEOPLE assembled at Seattle in convention for the purpose of making known the name of Jehovah God and the blessings his kingdom under Christ will bring to mankind, deem it necessary to declare at this time certain facts:

The world today faces the greatest crisis of all time and it is vitally important that the American people, who love righteousness and who desire freedom, should receive information and warning. A certain political organization, acting as a religious organization and in the name of religion, has used every means at its command to prevent the assembling of this convention and that same organization now attempts to prevent the people of this vicinity from learning important truths to be made known at this place particularly next Sunday afternoon. Furthermore it is using its power and influence to prevent the press from making publicity thereof.

It is of general public knowledge that the Fascists and Nazis, radical political organizations, have wrongfully seized control of many countries of Europe and that the same element is now moving with all possible speed and ingenuity to seize control of the United States of America. When this is accomplished all the people will be regimented, all their liberties taken away, and all will be compelled to yield to the rule of an arbitrary dictator and then the ancient Inquisition will be fully revived. The prime mover of such wrongful political schemes is a foreign power known as the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, which now rules the "Catholic population" of the world, and which is determined to rule all the people of the world. To accomplish that purpose the Hierarchy has made common cause with the Fascists and Nazis and resorts to every possible means to bring the people into complete subjection. The Hierarchy of Authority have placed their men in all departments of the government, planted their trusted representatives in every publishing company, and have secretly put Jesuits at the head of many of the Protestant church organizations. The Hierarchy employs threats and coercion and other improper means to prevent the public press from giving publicity to any facts that will expose to the view of the people said unholy political combine, which is moving forward in the name of religion, to steal away all the liberties of the people, to dishonor the name of Jehovah God, and to turn the people

away from his kingdom under Christ. Foreknowing the activities of such workers of iniquity Jehovah in his prophetic Word says to those who cooperate with the aforementioned enemies of God: "When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers. Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit."—Psalm 50:18,19.

Many Protestant religious leaders and many publishers of great newspapers are fully aware of the efforts now being put forth by the Hierarchy and their allies to steal control of America, yet because of fear of the Hierarchy the newspapers at Seattle have refused to publish anything that exposes the unrighteous political activities of the Hierarchy and thereby said newspapers cooperate with such public enemy to keep the people in ignorance of truths they should know.

Since the public press holds itself out to the people as publishers of important news and at the same time refuses to publish that which is of greatest importance to the people, we declare that the action now taken by the public press in yielding to the demands of the Hierarchy and allies and thereby keeping the people in ignorance by withholding publicity of the facts, constitute acts of disloyalty and treason to the American people and thus the welfare of the people is jeopardized. We declare that the people must now bestir themselves and learn the facts as foretold in the Word of God and it is our duty as Christians and servants of Jehovah God to give all possible aid to them in their efforts to gain such knowledge.

Centuries ago Jehovah God in his prophetic utterances recorded in the Bible foretold the present-day crisis and foretold the operations of the afore-mentioned enemy and the danger that now threatens the people and we see that prophecy being fulfilled. At the same time Almighty God commands that his servants shall warn the people of the impending crisis. These great and vital truths will be discussed in the public address to be delivered Sunday afternoon next at the Civic Auditorium and all persons who believe in freedom of speech, freedom of thought, and freedom of action, and who love righteousness, are urged to come and hear, and it is the duty of Jehovah's witnesses to invite them to come. Write Watch Tower, Brooklyn, N. Y., for free copy of Judge Rutherford's speech "VIOLENCE."

The convention proper ended Sunday evening, but several hundred witnesses remained to distribute on Monday 100,000 copies of the foregoing resolution, "WARNING." The religionists were considerably per-

turbed at this parting shot. It is with pleasure that one contemplates its being read by millions of others through the medium of this report. The exposure of hypocrisy and intolerance is a delight to the honest.

Judge Rutherford's Letter to the Star

In addition to publicly pointing out the derelictions of the newspapers, in general, and the Seattle *Star* in particular, in his discourses, Judge Rutherford wrote the *Star* editor a personal letter, in unequivocal and straightforward language. The *Star* published it, but saw fit to omit every reference to the Hierarchy and religionists, deleting even John 8:43, 44. The *Star* was not responsible for the contents of the letter, and could have published it in full without personally endorsing it.

June 5, 1938

TO THE EDITOR:

Your editorial appearing on the front page of your paper June 4 is suave and smooth and very misleading. It is in keeping with the present-day policy of the Press. Your statement: "That the convention passed a Resolution condemning Seattle newspapers because they would not publish attacks on other churches and creeds," is entirely untrue. Furthermore you say of Jehovah's witnesses: "When they assume the attitude that their religious ideas are right and everyone else's ideas are all wrong," you also state that which is wholly untrue. Jehovah's witnesses are Christians and not religionists. They do not practice religion. Your paper was never requested to publish attacks on anyone. For your enlightenment I ask you again to read the Resolution unanimously adopted by the convention, a copy of which I hand you. Briefly it states that a foreign political organization, operating in the name of religion, is attempting to grab control of America and rule it as Germany is now ruled; that the newspapers know this to be true and refuse to publish these facts because of fear of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, which Hierarchy, operating from Vatican City, Rome, leads in this political scheme. We insist that all religious organizations and all other organizations are at liberty to believe and practice their religion, but that no institution can rightfully carry forward a political scheme, and particularly in the name of religion, for the purpose of destroying American institutions, and that it is the duty of the public press to inform the people of the facts. Is it the purpose of your paper to serve the American people or to lend yourself to the enemies of America?

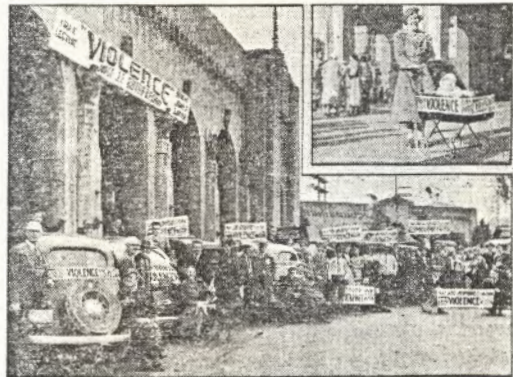
We see that America is in great danger of the same monstrosity that has seized European nations and now rules them by arbitrary dictators. The American people do not want dictators. If you really meant what you said: "We will stay with the Golden Rule," which means that you would do as you wish to be done by, you would use every possible means to warn the American people of this impending danger. We fully adhere to the Golden Rule and are giving warning to the people

that they may be advised and then take what course they see fit. The greatest menace that has ever threatened this nation is daily becoming more active. If you knew a great storm was coming would you warn the people or would your construction of the Golden Rule require you to close your columns to the well known facts? You seem to have great difficulty of understanding the truth and there must be a reason. The Pharisees, who were political religionists and using their religion for a selfish purpose, refused to hear Jesus who told them the truth. The words of Jesus then addressed to that political crowd appear to be quite appropriate today to those who deliberately misrepresent the truth and his words assign the reason why this is done. They are recorded in the Bible as follows: "Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of your father the Devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father of it."—John 8:43, 44.

We have no fight with any one because of his religion. Millions of honest Catholics and Protestants are kept in ignorance by their clergy because the clergy ignore the Bible and resort to political schemes and methods. Why do the newspapers support them and not publish the truth? The time is not far distant when you may see that you have permitted yourself and your newspaper to be used by conscienceless politicians, acting in the name of religion, resulting in great injury and to your undoing. In fairness to the good people of Seattle you should publish this letter beside your editorial and you should also publish a Resolution passed by a convention of four thousand people at Seattle above mentioned.

Very sincerely,

J. F. RUTHERFORD.



Newspaperless advertising

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An Outstanding Event in the History of Australia

[Note: This article illustrates how newspapers repress the truth. Portions printed in SMALL CAPITALS were stricken out by the editor of the *Star*; those in brackets were intended by him to be substituted. See preceding article.]

MANY centuries ago, in a sunny land nestling on the shores of the blue Mediterranean, a group of earnest truth-loving men, mostly common fishermen, were questioning the one whom they accepted as an authority on world affairs. This one was Jesus of Nazareth. Confidence had been lost in the existing political parties. Their religious leaders had sickened them with the traditions of men. They were satisfied in their own minds that relief from the oppressive burden heaped upon the less fortunate would not be expected from those who claimed to have the authority to rule. Their hearts yearned for that kingdom of righteousness their predecessors had proclaimed in prophetic phrase. Now the One whose coming had been foretold and in whom their confidence was implicitly placed was in their midst. They hailed Him as the one and only one who could bring in the desire of all nations. When might we expect this rule of righteousness to begin? Is the time at hand for the end of the old world, with its innate human selfishness and greed; with its God-dishonoring practices; with its rule of gold instead of a golden rule? These men were lovers of liberty; they desired to serve and worship their God, Jehovah, according to the dictates of their own conscience. This One to whom they addressed themselves had come in the name of their God, and in Him they had placed their hope. Not until the end of the world shall that righteous kingdom be established, was the answer. He had previously told them, "My kingdom is not of this world." What shall be the signs? they asked. "Upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; . . . men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." "And this gospel of the kingdom must be published in all the world for a witness unto all nations; then shall the end come." "And they shall lay hands on you, and persecute you, and ye shall be brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake." It is a far cry from the day in which these statements were made. The nations of earth have grown bold and arrogant. Pomp and circumstance have swelled their breasts with pride in their own accomplishments. **BIG BUSINESS AND POLITICAL CORRUPTION HAVE JOINED HAND IN GLOVE WITH COMMERCIALIZED RELIGION, AND THIS UNHOLY TRINITY DOMINATES THE AFFAIRS OF EARTH.** Freedom of speech and liberty to worship Almighty God according to one's own conscience, the common heritage of every man, so recognized in the Constitutions of this and other countries, are being rapidly lost to the people. Violent men using violent means rule the nations with dictatorial power, and might is established as right. Dictators are the

rule of the day. Like a voice crying in the wilderness comes the warning message that the time is here for the vindication of the word and name of Jehovah. The nations of earth, and particularly their RELIGIOUS institutions, have been weighed in the balance and found wanting. The time of Armageddon is rapidly approaching. The complete establishment of the righteous kingdom under the righteous King, Christ Jesus, is close at hand.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

In obedience to the commands of their God, as written in His Word, the Bible, men and women wholly devoted to the service of their God, Jehovah, and to Him alone, are publishing this message of warning throughout the earth. True to the statements of Jesus, they are meeting with violent opposition, **AND ESPECIALLY ON THE PART OF THE OLD-ESTABLISHED RELIGIONISTS,** [of some] who claim antiquity as the basis of authority. Many miles below the equator, at the southern extremity of the Pacific ocean, lies a mighty island continent. Closely adjacent lie other islands not so large. The name of this group is Australasia. In size, Australasia is 210,000 square miles larger than the United States. Australia is the largest of the islands. New Zealand, lying to the east and slightly south, is the next; and **many** Tasmania, swinging like a verdant green pendant from the southeastern tip of Australia, is the smallest. These islands have been known for many years for their intense love of liberty of speech and freedom of worship.

SYDNEY CONVENTION

In Australia's great metropolis, Sydney, an international convention of Jehovah's witnesses was to be held. The large town hall had been engaged for this convention. Delegates from other countries had signified their intention of attending. Judge Rutherford had been invited to address the public on the timely subject of "WARNING". Indicative of the times in which we are living, and true to the statements of Jesus, **THE RELIGIONISTS** [his opponents] got busy. **EMPLOYING THEIR USUAL TACTICS,** political puppets were used to move federal and city officials to act. Judge Rutherford must not be allowed to land on these hitherto liberty-loving shores, but no longer such. The town hall must not be used for freedom of speech. **RELIGIOUS SUSCEPTIBILITIES MIGHT BE OFFENDED IF THE TRUTH WERE TOLD.** No other hall over which the city officials had jurisdiction must be used by Jehovah's witnesses for their convention. Why? **IT MAY BE SIGNIFICANT, IT MAY NOT, BUT THE PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA IS A ROMAN CATHOLIC AND EACH MINISTER IN THE**

CABINET, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, IS A CATHOLIC. IT IS STATED ON GOOD AUTHORITY THAT NO OBJECTION WAS REGISTERED FROM ANY SOURCE OTHER THAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS. There are still those in Australia with the same spirit as those who wrote the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights.

A vigorous protest was registered from many groups. A huge petition was circulated in and around Sydney, and within a few days 120,000 lovers of liberty had registered their protest against the action of Sydney authorities and those operating behind the scenes. It had been claimed by those desirous of preventing the truth from being told, that Judge Rutherford was against the returned soldiers, an organization quite strong in Australia and New Zealand. This was manifestly done to stir up violence and animosity against Jehovah's witnesses. But inasmuch as eighty percent of those who had invited Judge Rutherford to speak were returned soldiers, this circulated rumor was immediately branded as false and designed to hoodwink the people.

OPPOSITION NOTED

The Sydney *Daily Telegraph*, knowing of the opposition to Judge Rutherford's use of the town hall as well as the radio, sent the following wireless message to the judge as his ship approached the Australian shores: "Authorities refuse to make available Sydney Town Hall and other halls for your convention. National broadcast prevented by postmaster's refusal supply land lines. What is your reply to this? Will you speak open air as last resort?" Signed "Daily Telegraph". At the request of the *Daily Telegraph* Judge Rutherford answered by wireless [in part] as follows: "FASCISTS AND ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY COMBINE TO SEIZE CONTROL AND RULE ALL NATIONS BY DICTATORS. THEY SUTELY AND WRONGFULLY INFLUENCE PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO AID THEM IN KEEPING THE PEOPLE IN IGNORANCE OF FACTS. This greatest crisis of all time and the result plainly foretold in God's Bible prophecy. Vitally important that people hear the truth now. Persons of good will are anxious to hear truth. I will gladly speak open air to accommodate people. ENEMIES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS CANNOT PREVENT JEHOVAH'S MESSAGE REACHING THE PEOPLE. YOUR PAPER RENDERING SPLENDID SERVICE AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS." Signed "Rutherford".

OPPOSITION PROVED FUTILE

The attempt to prevent Judge Rutherford from landing failed, as did also the attempt to throttle free speech. A group of liberty-loving businessmen, directors and owners of a large sports park, offered their facilities to Jehovah's witnesses for the public speech of Judge Rutherford. The Sydney Town Hall held less than 5,000; the Sports Grounds held over 25,000.

This beautiful park arena was fitted with sound amplification so that the speaker could be heard

with perfect ease in every part of the Grounds. Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock was the time appointed; and at one o'clock, when the gates were opened, the crowd began to assemble. The weather was perfect. The people came, one thousand, two, three, four, and so on, until twenty-five thousand people had taken their seats in this huge Sports Grounds AS THOUGH IN PROTEST AGAINST THE UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE WITH THEIR GOD-GIVEN RIGHTS. A group of returned soldiers marched in solid phalanx to the meeting after having adopted a resolution condemning the city officials in their efforts to prevent the meeting. Never was greater enthusiasm and appreciation shown to any speaker than to Judge Rutherford on that occasion. In a clear-toned voice, which boomed from the loudspeakers, he told them of the present crisis and what it portends for the near future. HE TOLD THEM OF THE ATTEMPT ON THE PART OF RELIGIONISTS, ESPECIALLY THE "ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY", BACKING DICTATORIAL RULE, TO GAIN CONTROL OF ALL NATIONS AND RULE THEM WITH DICTATORS. HE MADE CLEAR THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN RELIGION AND CHRISTIANITY. He warned them that the nations were hurrying to Armageddon. He showed them that the only place of safety was the kingdom of Jehovah God under Christ Jesus, which kingdom is the only hope of the world. He showed from evidence presented that the vicious opposition to the message of God's Word found no sympathy in the hearts and minds of HONEST CATHOLICS, PROTESTANTS, JEWS, AND NON-BELIEVERS [many folk], as was shown by the vigorous protest on the part of the people themselves. Time and again this huge audience stopped the speech with prolonged applause. At the conclusion, as the chairman was about to close the meeting, an Australian returned soldier rushed forward and asked to have a resolution read and adopted condemning the practices of all organizations and groups endeavoring to destroy the liberties of the people, and especially their rights to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own conscience. The resolution was read by the chairman, and all who were in favor were asked to rise and say "Aye". Like a mighty wave, that huge audience rose as one man and a roar went up as the people shouted "Aye". [It follows in part:]

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Mr. Chairman, as a returned soldier, who did military service in the British Army for several years, I desire to propose to this vast and representative audience of Australia a resolution. I ask the chairman to read it and move its adoption.

Resolved that: (1) This body of Christian people, numbering upwards of 25,000, assembled this day at Sydney, Australia, do hereby declare that we are in favor of freedom of speech and unhindered

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worship of Almighty God, which have been the well-recognized principles of this nation since the time of its birth. We heartily join with the 120,000 persons and more of Australia who recently signed the following protest:

Attempts are now being made to deprive the people of the Commonwealth of their rights as citizens to hear a lecture by Judge Rutherford to be delivered at Sydney Town Hall, April 24, at 4 p.m., and relayed by radio to all parts of the Commonwealth. Expense to be borne by the Watch Tower Society.

We, the undersigned, emphatically protest against any action being taken by the authorities which savors of Fascism or dictatorship, and we petition the Commonwealth Government to make arrangements immediately for the broadcasting of this speech so that we may hear the Word of God discussed by Judge J. F. Rutherford, an outstanding visitor on our shores.

(2) WE DECLARE OURSELVES UNALTERABLY OPPOSED TO FASCISM, NAZISM, AND RELIGIOUS DICTATORS KNOWN AS THE "ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY", WHICH COMBINE ATTEMPTS TO REGIMENT ALL PEOPLE, ARBITRARILY RULE THEM BY DICTATORS, AND TO DEPRIVE THEM OF FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, OF SPEECH AND OF WORSHIP.

WE ARE NOT AGAINST THE CATHOLIC PEOPLE, DESIGNATED BY THEIR CLERGY AS THE "CATHOLIC POPULATION", BUT WE ARE AGAINST THE TACTICS OF THE "CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY", WHICH OPERATES FROM VATICAN CITY, SUPPORTS WARS OF CRUEL CONQUEST, RESULTING IN GREAT SUFFERING AND DEATH OF MANY HARMLESS PERSONS, AND WHICH CARRIES ON OTHER SUBVERSIVE SCHEMES. WE BELIEVE AND HOLD THAT THERE ARE MILLIONS OF HONEST CATHOLIC PEOPLE WHO ARE DECEIVED AND HELD IN IGNORANCE BY THE HYPOCRITICAL PRACTICES AND WRONGFUL INFLUENCE OF THE "ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY", AND WE INSIST THAT SUCH HONEST PERSONS OF THE "CATHOLIC POPULATION", AS WELL AS OTHERS, HAVE THE RIGHT TO FREELY HEAR THE TRUTH PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED.

We protest against the action of said UNHOLY combine in their endeavors to induce public officials to prevent the people of this country from hearing Judge Rutherford speak on Bible prophecy. We hold that it is the right of the people to hear what they please and then to exercise freely their own will.

(3) We vigorously protest against the action of public officials in refusing the use of public halls where the people might assemble and peaceably listen to the speech of Judge Rutherford. SUCH OFFICIALS MANIFESTLY HAVE YIELDED TO THE SEDUCTIVE INFLUENCE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED POLITICO-RELIGIOUS COMBINE AND HAVE THEREBY DEPRIVED THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY OF THEIR JUST RIGHTS TO LISTEN TO A PUBLIC LECTURE.

(4) We vigorously protest against the action of

public officials of the Fiji Islands, and of other possessions of the British Commonwealth of Nations, in preventing the people from obtaining possession of and reading books and other literature dealing solely with Bible prophecy NOW IN COURSE OF FULFILLMENT, AND WHICH PROPHECY AND FACTS THE PEOPLE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF HEARING AND UNDERSTANDING.

(5) FASCISTS AND NAZIS, IN UTTER DISREGARD OF THE RIGHT OF OTHERS, HAVE DESTROYED THE NATION OF ABYSSINIA, SEIZED CONTROL OF AUSTRIA, IMPRISONED THOUSANDS OF CHRISTIAN PEOPLE IN GERMANY, FOR HAVING IN POSSESSION THE BIBLE, AND ARE PROSECUTING REBELLIOUS WAR AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN, ALL OF WHICH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY FULLY ENDORSES; AND NOW THAT SAME UNHOLY COMBINE ATTEMPTS TO FORCE DICTATORIAL RULE UPON ALL NATIONS, AND AGAINST ALL OF WHICH WE VIGOROUSLY PROTEST.

(6) WE FURTHER PROTEST AGAINST THE ACTION AND PRACTICE OF STEAMSHIP COMPANIES OPERATING VESSELS UPON THE HIGH SEAS IN CO-OPERATING WITH SAID POLITICO-RELIGIOUS COMBINE, BY PERMITTING THE "ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY" AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO FORCE THEIR PRACTICES UPON A DEFENSELESS TRAVELING PUBLIC, BY DAILY USING PUBLIC PLACES ON SUCH VESSELS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVERTISING THEMSELVES AND CARRYING ON THEIR GOD-DISHONORING RACKET.

(7) We declare that it is man's inalienable right and privilege to enjoy freedom of thought, speech and worship of Almighty God, and that without let or hindrance from any POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER SELFISH organization, and we call upon public officials to see to it that the people of this country henceforth have and enjoy such full freedom.

CONVENTION A JOYFUL OCCASION

—WITNESSES FROM FAR AND NEAR

The convention of Jehovah's witnesses was held in another indoor sports arena kindly offered by another group of Sydney citizens in protest against the city officials. The witnesses and their companions were gathered from all parts of Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, Siam, Borneo, Java, Indo-China, Great Britain, and the United States. The common people of Sydney were most cordial in their reception of Jehovah's witnesses. THE INTENSE OPPOSITION OF THE HIERARCHY THROUGH THE CITY OFFICIALS ONLY SERVED TO ADVERTISE THE PRESENCE OF THE WITNESSES IN SYDNEY, WITH THE RESULT THAT THE VARIOUS SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION WERE ATTENDED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF HONEST TRUTH-SEEKERS WHO HITHERTO HAD HEARD NOTHING OF THE ACTIVITIES OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES. JEHOVAH ALWAYS CAUSES THE WRATH OF MEN AND OF DEVILS TO PRAISE HIM; SUCH WAS THE CASE IN SYDNEY. With such a vast territory covered by the Australian Branch of the Watch Tower, and transportation facilities sometimes modern, sometimes

not so modern, much time and effort was expended by many of the delegates to reach Sydney in time to meet Judge Rutherford. This was the first visit of the Society's president to these shores, and great was the joy and the fellowship between those from "headquarters" and faithful witnesses whose field of service was in far-off Borneo, Siam, Java, and Indo-China.



Crew of the Lightbearer

A group of witnesses, FINE, STALWART young fellows who 'remember Jehovah in the days of their youth', came to the convention from Batavia, in Java, across a boisterous sea in a small but seaworthy motor yacht. The yacht was named "Lightbearer", significant of its mission to these far-off lands. It took a number of weeks to make the trip, but in due time the Lightbearer rounded the Sydney Heads into the safety of the magnificent, commodious Sydney Harbor. The Lightbearer, being equipped with sound amplifiers, is used to publish the Kingdom message as it approaches the shores of the countries it visits; in the harbors to groups of seafaring men; up navigable rivers to the various communities along the shores. Great have been the opportunities of Lightbearer to send out the message of hope and comfort to the eager natives.

On his way back to the United States, Judge Rutherford addressed a large audience in the Town Hall in Auckland, New Zealand. The time was extremely unfavorable, it being mid-week, noonday, but the few hours in port would permit of no other. Regardless of this, a serious, earnest-faced gathering of people filled the Town Hall and an adjacent hall to capacity. New Zealanders are mostly from

the old Scotch Dissenters and BROOK NO INTERFERENCE WITH THE RIGHTS THEY HAVE FOUGHT FOR. The message of warning was received with much enthusiasm and applause; a thing not so frequently expressed, at least outwardly, by these otherwise staid conservative Scotch people. A similar Resolution was offered at the conclusion of the speech, and so enthusiastically was it received that the

chairman had to repeatedly wait for the applause to cease before resuming his reading. In all, the common people of Australia, the people of good will, registered their appreciation and acceptance of the message of warning from God's Word AND THEIR UNQUALIFIED OPPOSITION TO ANY UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE FROM ANY DICTATORS AND RELIGIONISTS, THE "ROMAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF AUTHORITY" IN PARTICULAR. Continuing north, the steamer touched the islands of Fiji and Samoa. A convention and public meeting was to be held in the town of Suva, in Fiji, at which time Judge Rutherford was to address the small group of Jehovah's witnesses as well as the public. HERE THE OFFICIALS WERE MORE SUCCESSFUL IN PREVENTING ANY PUBLIC ASSEMBLY.

In the Fiji Islands no publication of the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society is allowed to enter. Bible study helps which have been distributed to the peoples of earth in over 78 different languages and dialects, and to the number of over two hundred and fifty million the last few years, are not permitted in these POOR BENIGHTED ISLANDS DOMINATED MAINLY BY ROMAN CATHOLICISM. Property on which the name "Watch Tower" appeared was confiscated on the persons of American tourists, BY THE CUSTOMS OFFICIALS. CATHOLIC PRIESTS WERE SEEN IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH THESE OFFICIALS. Judge Rutherford and members of his party were shadowed constantly by police in plain clothes as well as in uniform. When the officials were threatened with suit for illegal possession, the aforementioned property was returned with apologies. THE PRESENCE OF THESE PRIESTS IN OFFICES MARKED "PRIVATE" CLEARLY INDICATED THE DIRECTION FROM WHICH OPPOSITION TO THE MESSAGE OF WARNING CAME. In the short time the ship was in port at American Samoa, opportunity was taken to distribute copies of the Resolution adopted in Sydney. These were gladly received by the people of Samoa. The governor was given a copy, and so informed of what he too might expect if not already having experienced it.

Violence

SEATTLE, June 5. Judge Rutherford, world-known Bible Scholar, author and radio-speaker, addressed a visible audience of 10,000 here this afternoon, delivering his widely heralded speech "VIOLENCE". An audience of over 6,000 packed out Seattle's beautiful Civic Auditorium, and the other thousands overflowed into adjacent halls and the adjoining ball-park stands, where they heard the speech by means of loud-speakers connected by wire with the speaker's platform. As the judge spoke to this vast throng his speech was simultaneously broadcast over a coast-to-coast network of 34 radio stations.

"These are days of great peril," began Judge Rutherford. "A mighty and violent monster has recently appeared on the earth, the like of which was never seen before. Every government on earth is threatened with destruction. In every nation the people are filled with fear and are in great distress. Multitudes are in 'much pain, and their faces are gathering blackness'.

"What is that violent monster that menaces the governments of the earth? From whence does it come? Why has it recently appeared in the earth? What is its purpose? What will it accomplish? and what will be its end? What can the people do to find refuge where they may be protected from its violent action?

"Because the Almighty God, Jehovah, foreknew the coming of that monster, long ago He foretold its coming and caused His faithful prophets to write of it and of the things



Judge Rutherford delivering the lecture

that would come to pass at its coming, and thereby He makes it possible now for those persons who desire to know to find the answers to the foregoing questions. If you desire that which is just and right, and if you are of good will toward Jehovah God, the Righteous

One, and will then sincerely and diligently follow what is set down herein, you will learn the satisfactory answers to the foregoing questions."

To his audience, now eager to learn the identity of the monstrosity, the judge thereupon showed that violence originated with Satan the Devil, who used first Cain and thereafter caused the earth to be filled with violence up to the Flood. After the Flood he renewed his program of violence, using Nimrod, the mighty hunter and the organizer of religion, politics and commerce. Then came the call to Abraham, God's friend, the moving of his descendants into Egypt, the deliverance of the Jews from Egypt's violence, and finally their settlement in Palestine. God hates violence.

Continuing, the judge said: "God did not hinder the Devil from putting forth his effort to debauch the nations and to fill the earth with violence, for the reason that the Devil had declared his superiority over Jehovah God and that he, the Devil, could cause all men to curse God and, if permitted, he could turn all men against God and into wickedness. That malicious challenge and threat made by the Devil raised the question of who is supreme, and that question, put at issue, must be settled. God permitted the Devil to remain and carry on his nefarious work and to put forth every endeavor possible to turn the human race into the way of wickedness and destruction. God has declared that in his due time, and after the Devil has had full opportunity to prove his malicious challenge, then He, Jehovah, will destroy the Devil and his entire organization and will permit the righteous and obedient ones of the human race to live everlastingly. Thus Jehovah God will prove that he is the Supreme One and that only the righteous creatures shall receive the blessings of life, peace and joy.

RIGHTEOUS NATION

"The Israelites were a typical people, as long as they obeyed God; that is to say, they foreshadowed the nation of righteousness." But in their wrongful course the Israelites foreshadowed what is commonly known today as "Christendom". "The righteous nation, which Jehovah God promised, is the kingdom, or government, with Christ Jesus the anointed One as the Head and the Ruler thereof. The law which God gave to Israel served as a shield and protection of that people from the Devil

religion and was to keep them in line with the right way until the coming of Christ the King. (Galatians 3:24) God required of them obedience in order that they might receive protection and blessing, and in that the nation of Israel failed. The Lord God sent His faithful prophets to the Israelites to teach them and to warn them that they must keep themselves free from the wicked influence of religion. But the people fell under the influence of the Devil and his agents; and the religious leaders of Israel always persecuted the faithful prophets whom God had sent to them, and upon such prophets they inflicted great violence. This they did, to be sure, at the instance of the Devil."

After the faithful prophets, "came Jesus to the earth to carry out the purpose of Jehovah God, first, to redeem the race from death, then to take out a special people to be witnesses, to set up His government, and to vindicate Jehovah's name. Instead of the Israelites' receiving Jesus gladly, He was rejected by the religious leaders, ill-used, persecuted, and maligned by all such. He made known to the people that He was God's anointed One who would set up the government of righteousness and bring to them their long-desired blessings. He spoke the truth. When the question was put to Him by the Roman governor concerning His relationship to God's kingdom, Jesus replied: 'I am a king; to this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth heareth my voice.'

Because the Devil is the "mighty one" or "god of this world", Jesus told His disciples that they would suffer violence as He had suffered, because they were faithfully giving testimony to the people concerning God's righteous government. True to His prophetic utterance, all His apostles suffered great violence at the hands of religionists. They were arrested and thrown into prison, were beaten with many stripes, and some of them put to a violent death, because they insisted on obeying God and telling the people about God's kingdom of righteousness.

"In these latter days there are faithful men and women on the earth who are wholly devoted to God and to His righteous government under Christ, and those men and women now are going about the land to inform the people of and concerning God's kingdom as the only

means of relief and blessings to humankind. For that reason they are designated in the Scriptures as Jehovah's witnesses, and because Jehovah God has given them that name. (Isaiah 43:9-12) These faithful witnesses of Jehovah are now suffering great opposition and violence because of their faithfulness in telling the truth of and concerning the kingdom that will bring relief and blessings to the people. Thousands of such faithful witnesses are now suffering in filthy prisons in Germany, and many of them have been put to a violent death. In many other lands, including the United States, Jehovah's witnesses suffer great violence, being imprisoned and beaten and otherwise ill-treated because of their faithfulness in telling the people the truth about God's gracious provision for them. These facts are here recorded in order that you may see that, from the time of Abel to this very hour, all persons who have been faithfully serving God and Christ Jesus have suffered persecution and great violence at the hands of God's enemies."

VIOLENT ONES

Judge Rutherford now put the question, "Who are the persecutors?" and answered: "The Devil is the violent opposer of God's kingdom and of all who support that kingdom. It follows then that those who persecute and violently treat the followers of Christ Jesus are the agents of the Devil. Satan the Devil is the author of religion because religion opposes the commandments of Almighty God. Those who practice religion are under the influence of Satan the Devil, whether they know that fact or not. Mark this indisputable fact: that, from the time of the organization of the first nation under Nimrod until the present hour, the violent persecutors of good men and women have been and are religionists who practice religion, and who claim to serve God, but who in fact serve the Devil." The judge then cited the case of the Jewish Pharisees, traditionalists, who brought about the crucifixion of Christ Jesus, and quoted Jesus' words of denunciation of them as recorded at Matthew 23. Coming down to modern times, he continued:

"The Roman Catholic Hierarchy or religious organization takes the lead of all religions of the land which are designated the 'Christian religion'. The name 'Christian religion' is a misnomer, however, because it is

against Christ and against God. Those religious leaders, like the Pharisees of old, claim to be representatives of God, but they do exactly like the Pharisees of old, in this, that they persecute every one who proclaims the message of God as He has commanded concerning Christ Jesus and His kingdom. At all times it has been the religionists that have resorted to violence against true Christians, and today it is the religionists that violently persecute Jehovah's witnesses; and this they do for no other reason than that such faithful witnesses of Jehovah tell the truth to the people of and concerning God and His kingdom, which truth exposes to view the wickedness of religionists. Christ Jesus is the anointed King, to whom Jehovah God has committed all power in heaven and earth, and whom Jehovah has made the rightful Ruler of the world. Now Christ Jesus, that righteous King, has come and has begun His reign amidst the enemy, that is to say, while Satan and his crowd are still operating. The faithful followers of Christ Jesus, who are Jehovah's witnesses, in obedience to Jehovah God's commandment, go forth now from house to house to tell the people the good news that the kingdom of heaven is at hand, and which kingdom will bring them the blessings they have so long desired. This message is good news to all people of good will, because it means the end of Satan's rule and the continuous and everlasting rule of the Righteous One, Christ Jesus. Being violently opposed to God and to Christ and His kingdom, Satan induces his religious representatives in the earth to violently oppose everyone and everything that pertains to and supports God's kingdom under Christ Jesus. This he does in an effort to carry out his original boastful challenge to Jehovah God concerning the one who exercises supreme power. The fact that the religionists are the ones who lead in the persecution of Jehovah's witnesses is of itself conclusive proof that such religionists are the agents and representatives of Satan."

Referring to the Biblical record of Jewish history as prophetic, "for our admonition" (1 Corinthians 10:11), the judge described the war of the Philistines against the Israelites under King Saul. "The Philistines put forward a great giant or monstrosity by the name of Goliath, who defied the army of Israel and cursed Almighty God. No one amongst the army of the Israelites had the

courage to fight Goliath. Although the king, together with all the people of Israel, claimed to be on the side of Jehovah God, they were lacking in faith in the power of Almighty God and were afraid to engage that monstrosity or giant in battle.

FULFILLMENT

"Since the time of Eden the question of supremacy has been at issue. It must be settled in due time, and that due time is at hand. The apostles of Jesus Christ were wholly on the side of Jehovah God and they answered the question concerning supremacy in these words: 'We ought to obey God rather than men.' (Acts 5:29) Following the time of the apostles the Catholic organization came into existence; and later followed the Protestant organization; which latter organization has ceased to protest against the unrighteous course of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy. For the purpose of identification and convenience such organizations are here designated under the term 'religionists', which religionists were pictured by the unfaithful Saul, the first king of Israel. . . ."

"The year 1914 marked the beginning of the World War, and also marked the time of the enthronement of Christ Jesus as King of the world, and also the 'war in heaven' between Christ and the Devil, resulting in the Devil's being cast down to the earth. (Revelation 12:1-12) The Devil knows that his time is short until the final showdown. He needed a monster power to champion his unrighteous cause in the earth, and therefore in 1917 there arose such champion in Russia in the form of a totalitarian state or arbitrary government called Communism or Bolshevism, and which government is entirely anti-God and anti-God's kingdom, and which puts forth the 'state' as supreme and above the Almighty God." Because of the fear of the religionists at this, "the modern-day giant or great monstrosity, which was pictured by Goliath, was brought forth in another dress, and this time under the name of Fascism, and which opposed religion and defied the religionists, and such religionists, fearing the giant or monstrosity, made peace and an alliance with Fascists. Fascism puts the 'state' above Jehovah God and claims that the dictator of the 'state' is the supreme power. In this claim the religionists have acquiesced. The head of the religious organization, the Papacy, not only

yielded to Fascism, but has become a supporter of Fascism; and Mussolini, the dictator, has become a Catholic; and that alliance now places the state or totalitarian government above God and claims the right of the state to regiment all the people and compel them to obey man and to disobey God. To further carry out his purpose, in the year 1933 the Devil brought forth the same monstrosity, identically, pictured by Goliath, and this time under another dress or garment, and called it 'Nazism' or Nationalism, and set up that rule in Germany, which also defies everything that is for Jehovah God and His King, Christ Jesus, and is against everything that names the name of God and Christ. Again the religionists, led by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, made an alliance with Nazism by entering into an agreement with that gigantic thing, and the religionists did so because of fear of losing the opportunity to rule. Again religionists openly showed opposition to God and His kingdom.

"The newspapers are fully aware of the truthfulness of the statements I have here made, and know that the Hierarchy employs threats to prevent the publication of such truths. The newspapers claim to publish what is proper news, but their excuse for refusing publication of these truths is that the same are controversial. They know that such claim is false, because they publish much that is controversial about other things. Their real reason for not publishing this warning to the American people is either because they are afraid of the foreign power, led by the Hierarchy, or because they form a part of that political religious organization. By withholding these vital truths from the people the public press are unfaithful to American interests and traitors to the American people and, above all, put themselves against Jehovah God and His kingdom."

Here the judge briefly described how today totalitarian rule is overrunning all the nations, including the British Empire and the United States. "Communism, Fascism, and Nazism, although different in name, are all one and the same thing, and are all against God and against His kingdom, and all put the state forward as the supreme power, and all defy Almighty God and punish those who insist on serving God rather than man. . . . As the host of Israel stood inactive because of fear of the Philistine Goliath, so now all

'Christendom' stands in silence, fearing the great monstrosity of totalitarianism.

"Who is on the side of Jehovah God and His King? Only those who love and serve God and who are determined to obey God rather than human dictators that defy every law of Almighty God. Jehovah's witnesses and their companions, the Jonadabs, are the only people on the earth who now boldly and without compromise declare for Jehovah God and His King, and because they do so such faithful witnesses of the Lord are made the objects of persecution at the hands of religionists and other Fascists. They suffer great violence because of their faithfulness to God's kingdom. Jehovah commands His witnesses now to sound the alarm and warn the people of good will against the disaster about to follow, and to call their attention to the only possible way of escape."

Expanding how the Roman Catholic Hierarchy operates as a religious organization and yet is a political organization united with Fascists and Nazis, and is endeavoring to gain and is gaining control of all nations, especially "Christendom", the judge showed, what then? "It will attempt the destruction of every true Christian, and then the Lord will act. Now that wicked combine attempts to put to silence all those who expose its nefarious work. Its agents say to others, 'Let us indulge in nothing that will offend one another, but let us follow the good-neighbor policy.' Such oily words are deceptive in the extreme. That monstrosity has come in upon the people like a thief in the night, and concerning the same it is written in God's Word: 'For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.'—1 Thessalonians 5:3.

"The entire drama is prophetically set forth in the Bible, where the record is made for the benefit of the people now on earth. God anointed David as king over Israel, and David there pictures Christ Jesus, the rightful Ruler of the world. When David saw the monster Goliath defying God and bullying God's chosen people, even as now the religious-political monster defies God and oppresses all persons of good will, David volunteered to fight the monster; and thus Jehovah foretold His purpose to destroy the modern-day monster. Armed with a sling and smooth stones, picturing the Kingdom representatives

under Christ, David met the monster, who was armed with sword, spear and shield." (1 Samuel 17:45-47) By this victory over Goliath God foretells what shall shortly come to pass at Armageddon.

"God's anointed one slew Goliath, the giant, and now the time is at hand when God's anointed King, Christ Jesus, will slay the monster that oppresses the human race. Christ and His heavenly host will completely destroy all the enemies of God, including those who persecute His faithful servants. . . . As the Lord said to the Pharisees, so He now says to the religionists who are led by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy: 'Therefore . . . the kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.'—Matthew 21:43, 44.

SAFETY

"Where now can the people find refuge and safety? The only place of protection and safety is under Christ Jesus, the King of righteousness, because God's day has come when He will settle for ever the question of supremacy by destroying the Devil and all his supporters and every vestige of his organization. As David fought Goliath the giant, and killed the monster, so now Christ Jesus, the anti-typical David, as Jehovah's Vindicator, will execute Satan and all of his organization. That will for ever settle the question of supremacy, put an end to violence, and all then will come to know that Jehovah is God, and Christ is King, and that they only are the Higher Powers. (Romans 13:1) All persons who will gain life must obey God and Christ. Jehovah God commands His witnesses to now bring this warning information to the people that the people of good will may find the way of escape and the only means of salvation."

The judge next referred to the establishment of the religious, political, commercial combine as one of the 'signs of the end' mentioned by Jesus, on seeing which the people must take warning and flee to God's kingdom under Christ. (Matthew 24:15, 16) A distinction must be made as to the violence at the battle of Armageddon: "That battle will begin by the complete destruction of religionists and religious supporters, to be quickly followed by the execution of all other enemies

of God. The act of the Lord in destroying His opponents cannot be classified as a malicious act of violence, such as dictators indulge in, but it is and will be the execution of God's just judgment against all who are wicked. Only those who love righteousness shall escape; as it is written: 'The Lord preserveth all them that love him; but all the wicked will he destroy.' (Psalm 145: 20) All persons who love that which is right and just will give heed to the Lord's warning and will take their stand firmly on the side of Jehovah God and His kingdom under Christ, which is the only place of escape and complete safety."

Seizing the occasion, Judge Rutherford then read and proposed the adoption of a Declaration, one for Jehovah God and His King, Christ Jesus, and against any organization that uses the name of God and Christ

to deprive the people of their liberties, and urging upon all persons "that they inform themselves of the truth contained in God's Word, the Bible, and that they seek righteousness and meekness and protection under Christ the King, which in this hour of world peril is the only place of safety". The Declaration was adopted by the vast assembly with a thunderous "Aye!" followed by a burst of vigorous and prolonged applause, joined in, no doubt, by the unnumbered unseen radio audience.

In this article only the high points of Judge Rutherford's lecture on "VIOLENCE" could be presented, space in the report being limited. The lecture complete will be published in booklet form. The Saturday lecture by Judge Rutherford, dealing with David and Jonathan, will appear in full in the *Watchtower* magazine.

Hierarchy's Power in the Northwest

AMERICANS who love their country will be interested in the exhibits shown on this page which disclose the manifest power of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy in the Northwest.

The three advertisements of radio stations KOL, KVI and KMO are from the *Tacoma Times* of June 16, 1938. The fact that the wording is identical [like the "100 percent" "plebiscite" votes for Hitler in Germany and Austria and the support of Frank Hague in Jersey City] betrays the common origin.

As published in the *Times* the advertisements of KOL and KVI were three columns wide and eight inches high. That of KMO was only two columns wide and five inches high. One wonders if, by now, KMO has apologized to Mr. Shaughnessy, Roman

Catholic bishop of Seattle, for not following the uniform style and size of advertisement carried by KOL and KVI.

Quite evidently all three stations must have been furnished with "proofs" or at least carbon copies of typed statements which they would be expected to have reproduced in the newspapers. The similarity in the advertisements of KOL and KVI could hardly have been accidental.

Further, it took eleven days to get these advertisements published. The address was given on June 5. The intervening eleven days afforded ample time for the Hierarchy to bring the necessary pressure to get the results obtained, which

is evidenced by what the Hierarchy published in its *Catholic Northwest Progress*, Seattle,



What can America expect from such leadership?

Washington, issue of June 10, 1938.

It is not a pretty picture to see newspapermen and radio stations groveling in the presence of Fascism and the other things for which the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is directly or indirectly responsible, owing to its consistent and centuries-old policy of hating the Scriptures and those who teach them.

In the accompanying cartoon one can see the editors and radio owners and managers of the Puget Sound region fearing what they have brought upon mankind but lacking the courage to stand for the truth, or even to stand by those who do stand by the truth. It is men of this type that are rapidly turning America into another Germany or Italy.

What can America expect from such leadership of editors and radio owners who have allowed Catholic Action to reduce "Christendom" to what it now is as here shown? It is men such as these that have betrayed America and are betraying the whole world into the hands of its worst enemies.

If the American people are ever going to wake up, they had better wake up in a hurry! Better a thousand times to "offend the religious susceptibilities" of the nincompoops than to sell out the liberties and prerogatives of Americans to a gang of unprincipled politicians parading in sheep's clothing.

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...I do not doubt, if they were strong enough, that the Catholic people would hinder, even by death if necessary, the spread of heretical errors among the people, and I say rightly so."

...This was the statement made by the Rev. Mr. Harney, a Paulist Father, in St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, in New Brunswick, N. J., Friday evening. The Paulist Fathers have been conducting a mission for the last three weeks in that church. Last week the services were for the benefit of non-Catholics.

...A feature of last week's services was a "question box." This question was read by Father Harney on Friday night:—"Does the Catholic Church regard Protestants as heretics, and does it not believe and teach that heretics should be punished, even with death if necessary?"

...Father Harney's answer was:—"In a way, I say yes. Certainly the Church does consider Protestants heretics, in a way. A former heretic is one who knows he is perverting the truths of God and the Catholic Church. No man, by sinning himself, should be allowed to lead others into sin."

..."I do not doubt, if they were strong enough, that the Catholic people would hinder, even by death if necessary, the spread of such errors through the people. And I say, rightly so."

..."As human society protects itself against the murderer and the man who proves a traitor to the government, so the Church of God has the right to protect itself. The Catholic Church never dreamed of punishing one who is materially a heretic—who believes things to be true that are not true—any more than a father would punish his child who does wrong unintentionally. The history of the church has been a history of toleration."

..."The Catholics have proved more tolerant than the Protestants."

...In an interview last night, Father Harney stated that his remarks on Friday evening, as above quoted, were correct. He said they expressed his personal convictions and were in accord with those of the Catholic Church.

...LAWYER GUARDI

Radio Station KOL offers its sincere apology to religious-minded people for permitting its broadcasting facilities to be used by "Judge" Rutherford on Sunday, June 5, to deliver an attack on organized religion.

The regrettable lapse in policy that countenanced a broadcast offensive to our listeners has been corrected.

RADIO STATION KOL

THE YACON TIMES
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1938

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RADIO STATION KMO

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RADIO STATION KVI

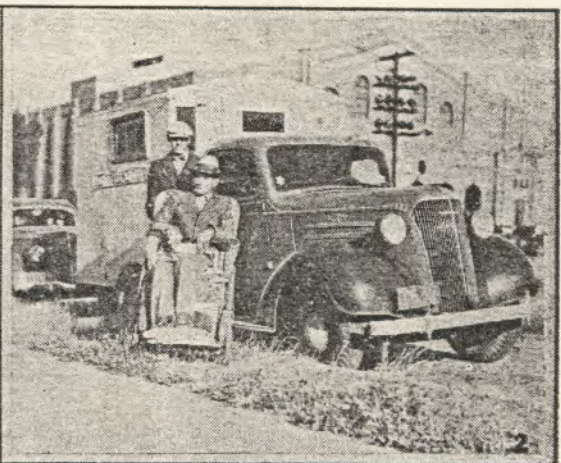
THE SEATTLE STAR
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1938

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RADIO STATION KOL

Advertisements of radio stations completely subject to the Hierarchy



1. Convention crowd. 2. Wheel chair pioneer with colaborer and trailer. 3. Notice. 4. "Sandwich signs." 5. Kitchen mechanics. 6. Cafeteria scene.

Stories from Conventions in Both Hemispheres

FIRST is the story of a Malay boy, or rather, of a Medanese. His name is derived from that of the town Medan in the island of Sumatra. Sumatra lies in the Malay Archipelago, a thousand-mile strip of land almost three times the size of Georgia, in such a geographical position that it is bisected by the equator. It is naturally tropical, hot and, to a great extent, covered by dense jungles. Animal life and vegetation are abundant.

The nature of the country is wild, and scarcely under any governmental control in the interior, although the Dutch hold nominal possession to the entire island and their government is effective in the coastal sections. It is necessary to give this description of the country itself in order to understand the obstacles that one would have who attempted to inform the people of the Kingdom there.

A boy of about 16 or 17, born in the town of Medan, received information of the truth through some witnesses who had come there or he had met in some coastal port. Almost immediately he asked for literature and started out in the field. The authorities naturally decry any education of the barbaric savages of any sort that they claim would tend to cause an uprising. With this as their excuse they terribly persecuted the young man.

He was taken into custody, deprived of his clothes and all his publications and not even permitted their return, when he was sent out of the town, packed off into some other part of the country. Not greatly discouraged, he went about telling the people of the Kingdom without any books whatever. Finally he received a small shipment of publications and simply lent these to various friends whom it was possible for him to see.

These facts were learned by a witness from Australia when he made a voyage by airplane, stopping at some of the towns of Sumatra otherwise inaccessible. The witness brought further publications, and the young man

started out again with the message of the Kingdom. When last heard of he was battling as a poor Malay to give this information to his people, and in the three years in which he had been in the service he had learned both English and Dutch. Here is evidence that an instrument in the Lord's hands needs not education, but only a desire to serve and be obedient to Him.

TRUTH PROHIBITED IN FIJI

In the group of islands forming the British Crown Colony of Fiji, whose capital is Suva, quite a number of people have been informed of God's kingdom. On Judge Rutherford's trip to the south a call was made at Fiji both going and on the return trip. A view of the island, as the boat makes its way through a narrow passage in the reef that guards the harbor, presents all the spectacular color of tropical scenery. The amethyst blue of the sea



The judge, with some of Jehovah's people in Fiji

is ripped with white lines where the water breaks on the reefs and shore; their colors contrast vividly with the red and white houses of the city and the lush green foliage of tropical vegetation.

About 75 years ago, it is said, cannibalism was still practiced in the Fiji Islands. Rumor has it that on some of the distant islands this barbaric custom has not been entirely stamped out. The natives themselves are fine-looking specimens, their features not so flat as the Negroes, their hair very long in most cases, and their bearing stalwart.

A group of these had assembled at the dock, among which were some Hindus, Americans and others, to hear the message which they had long hoped to get from Judge Rutherford. During the meeting they listened with rapt attention to a discussion of their privilege and duty in the Kingdom. Many brought their children. A large number of the rest were barefoot and in native costume.

Later, in honor of the judge, a chorus chanted and sang native songs. One of the witnesses there interpreted what they were singing about, telling the judge that when these hospitable people learned a new truth concerning Jehovah God and His kingdom they would go home and improvise music and sing about it. It reminded one of the songs or psalms of David and those great singers of the Hebrews who praised the Lord.

Naturally the Catholic influence was here manifested, as the Hierarchy would fear the effect of enlightening people of such good hearts. As has been reported, the publications of the Watch Tower have been banned in the Fiji Islands. This has simply been done by the prohibition of an acting governor during the absence of the chief in authority.

However, the people, having once learned something of the provisions of Jehovah, are earnestly seeking information in whatever way it can be obtained. It was inspiring to note the faces of these people, not long since savages, and some of cannibalistic ancestors, but now enlightened with the precious truths from the Scriptures.

MAKING THE OLD WOMAN WINCE

During the convention in Australia Judge Rutherford's car, which the friends had provided for his comfort, was driven by a zealous witness who had learned of the Kingdom nearly fifteen years ago but had never before seen the judge. Prior to coming to a knowledge of the truth he had been a Roman Catholic for thirty years.

As a zealous Catholic he had not at first been much concerned about the proclamation of the truth, but he was persuaded to go to hear a lecture being given by a visiting witness. Later he got many of the publications and the Lord opened his eyes to the truth. Immediately he began to go to see Catholic priests and bishops. His stories on how he was received were amusing, in the chagrin and discomfiture shown by these fakers. In many cases they were as horrified as if they had just discovered a snake in their bed, and, to follow the simile, the truth really bit them terribly.

Then he went to his friends who were also Catholics. The damage to the "old woman" started in earnest. In some instances they refused to listen, but often, in view of the fact that he had for so many years been active in the church, they listened with much attention.

As far as the priests and bishops were con-

cerned, the fat was in the fire. However, our friend was a real scrapper. None of their threats or abuse affected him in the least. As he had had a career of seamanship, and as a veteran of the Great War, he was left undisturbed in the face of their scurrilous attacks. Later, seeing his privilege of full-time service, he was put in charge of a radio station and was there effectively continuing the work of exposing the "old woman", which work Jehovah has said must now be done.

The ship Lightbearer, which plies around the coast of Australia and the islands north, particularly in the Malay Archipelago, was grazed by a government boat. The officer in charge respectfully asked what damage had been done, and, even though the damage was slight, insisted on towing the ship into their repair shop and giving it a thorough overhauling, which put it in better condition than before.

MANY NOBLE MEN IN AUSTRALIA

In Australia, while the majority of the newspapers, as usual, fought against the Kingdom, freedom of speech is not entirely dead, and many protests were made against the unwarranted and outrageous ban on Judge Rutherford's use of the Town Hall and the radio lines.

A league for the protection of civic liberties pointed out that the hall in Melbourne refused to Judge Rutherford had been refused also both to those requesting its use to get funds for the Spanish refugees and to another group that had sought assistance to Ethiopia. It is interesting to note that both of these organizations would be considered anti-Fascist, and hence anti-Hierarchy. Individuals sent telegrams and protests to the government and to the officials of Sydney demanding that freedom of speech be upheld.

While Judge Rutherford was aboard ship he received a telegram from a Sports Auditorium owner, Rufe Naylor, whose building was said to hold 14,000 people, offering it free to the judge in the name of freedom of speech. He was thanked for this offer, but the Sports Grounds were later secured because of their greater capacity.

One organization headed by Protestant clergymen also decried the discrimination against Judge Rutherford and pointed out, with protest, the reception given by public officials to Catholic prelates. This use of public funds for entertainment of the Catholic Hierarchy

representatives was particularly offensive to them during the celebration then being had of the Eucharistic congress. To many in Australia the judge was the much-longed-for and courageous defender of the people's interests.

FROM AUSTRALIA TO SEATTLE

After the judge left Australia and the South Seas and plans were afoot for the convention in Seattle, the Hierarchy apparently concentrated their forces in that section of the world. A group of clergymen made representation to those in authority in Seattle to prevent the use of the beautiful Civic Auditorium in that city. However, the Lord used the officials for His own purposes and saw to it that the convention was held there.

The *Star*, one of the chief newspapers of Seattle, likewise lined itself up with the entrenched criminals of Rome. They followed practically the identical tactics used in Washington, D. C., a few years ago, and in Australia, showing that their efforts are directed from some central organization, such as Vatican City. Although having agreed to publish the news of the convention, at the last minute they refused. Full consideration of their treachery to the people is found elsewhere.

In anticipation of further opposition on the part of the Hierarchy, there was instituted at the convention a group of strong and alert brethren to prevent heckling or other interference with the Lord's message while this was being delivered by Judge Rutherford. Later events showed that this precaution on the part of the witnesses was approved by the Lord and used to further the proclamation of His name.

The organization functioned to prevent any interruption by a hireling of the Fascist-Nazi group or any other disturbance. Evidently this group of troublemakers were afraid or were prevented by the Lord from any activity during the speech, but when the talk was over an interesting demonstration took place.

Just before the talk, several of the witnesses had observed a Catholic priest sitting in an automobile near the front entrance of the auditorium. Not knowing the exact relationship, what his purpose was, naturally suspecting him to be an enemy, the friends went down, looked him in the eye, and noticed how frightened and disconcerted he seemed. Some others with movie cameras went down and took pictures of him. It was found that he seemed to be in charge of the distribution of

some Catholic literature. One of the witnesses in a guileless manner asked for some of this to distribute, and then destroyed it before his eyes.

EFFORTS TO START A RIOT

The most of the priest's work was done by young Nazis displaying a devilish madness in their eyes. A group of these collected outside of the auditorium with the intention, apparently, of causing injury to the judge or some of his friends.

One of these was so bold as to come into the auditorium near the judge's apartment and began causing trouble and forcing his literature on the friends. He was requested to desist in this activity. He gave no heed. Two of the brethren who had been appointed to keep order picked him up, even though he continued to desperately resist, his face white with devilish madness. They carried him forward and ejected him. Still angry, he made a dash at a courageous sister who took his picture with a movie camera, but he was apparently so afraid at this last move that he disappeared.

When the Nazi bunch, no doubt sent there, as usual, to cause trouble, saw that the friends were solidly organized, they seemed to fade from the picture. If any find cause for criticism in such ejecting of those who interfere with the Lord's message, it would be well for them to reflect what Jesus did when the Jews started their commercial activities in the temple.

The reason for such an organization's being set up in Seattle was due chiefly to the experience had in Sydney, where it was found that the police did not give any help and that the Roman Catholics had sent an armed group there to try to make a general riot and thus reflect dishonor upon the name of Jehovah. Anyone who does not think that it is in order to forcibly prevent disturbance might consider just what treatment he would receive should he go into a Catholic church and kick up a rumpus.

As for the Catholic claim that their Nazi following had been sent to peaceably distribute literature with the people, the fact that THEY said it is sufficient to discount it as unreliable; but added to this is the fact that the agent of Rome, when ejected, tried at once to attack the young woman who was taking his picture. Criminals customarily resent photographing, and this party was so violent that

he badly bruised the girl's face in his effort to grab the camera. Those who wish to prove the good intent of this ruffian will find the evidence of the camera hard to refute. This evidence will be retained for future use.

A prominent businessman of Seattle, who helped to arrange the convention, made the statement to another businessman, one of Jehovah's witnesses, that the Catholics deliberately sent those boys to the convention to invite trouble, in order that they might make publicity out of it and play it up in their newspapers.

An effort was made to dishonor Jehovah's name by the claim of a drunk who presented himself to the cafeteria and demanded that someone help him get his room back from one of Jehovah's witnesses who had beaten him and taken away his room. He was closely ques-

tioned and refused to tell where his room was, or permit any assistance to be given him when he saw that the one in charge was determined to get at the root of the matter. No method seemed too mean or small for use by the Hierarchy.

A protest adopted by Jehovah's witnesses assembled in Seattle, protesting the action of the newspapers, and pointing out their treacherous conduct toward the people and contrary to the welfare of the people, was met by an editorial on the front page of the *Star*. The editor had evidently been so stung by the truth linking the paper with the Roman Catholic system that he couldn't contain his chagrin and "busted out in print". Even though the editorial was nothing but a tissue of lies, it furnished fine publicity free of charge.

—William P. Heath, Jr.

"Truth Conquers All Things"

124 Columbia Heights,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 14, 1938

The Catholic Northwest Progress,
President, Most Reverend
Gerald Shaughnessy, S.M.,
William P. O'Connell, Managing Editor,
Seattle, Wash.
Gentlemen:

The motto of your paper, "Veritas omnia vincit" ("Truth conquers all things"), ought to make you hesitate to put out matter containing as many malicious and deliberate lies as fills your issue of June 10 regarding Judge Rutherford and the activities of Jehovah's witnesses. It was my privilege to be present at the Seattle Convention June 2 to 5 and to know the facts.

I draw your attention to the facts that in all he says Judge Rutherford points constantly to the Word of God, which is the only possible standard by which man can guide his course, and that in nothing that you say and do are you guided by that Word, but you resort to abuse and ridicule instead. The Savior, whom you profess to love and follow, said, 'Sanctify them through the truth; Thy Word is truth,' and that means just what it says. I know that you do not believe the Scriptures. They condemn every practice of the Hierarchy, but they are the truth and conquer all things in opposition to them. You fear the truth of

God's Word and vent your spleen on those who speak it, and on honest businessmen who co-operate in the interests of free speech.

You have an editorial on the front page in which you declare that Judge Rutherford's address was a vicious attack on the great majority of the taxpayers of the city. You knew that was a lie when you wrote it. You tried to put that thought in the minds of your readers, hoping they would accept it. How many honest people that attended the Convention could have anything but contempt for a man that would maliciously attack another man as you attacked Judge Rutherford, and then pretend that he did it because that man stood in the middle of the street and shouted "insults at his neighbors"? The mind of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is like that, crooked, mean, unfair beyond words.

The scare-head eight columns wide across the top of your front page, "Whole state resents Rutherford hate broadcast," contains at least three lies within itself, and that is a record for six words, even for the Hierarchy. You know that the "whole state" did nothing of the kind. The people who heard the address "VIOLENCE" knew it was not what you labeled it. In no sense was it a "hate broadcast". It was a solemn warning, the discharge of a responsibility to the great Creator.

In Shaughnessy's editorial you admit a purpose to make trouble, if possible, for those

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Seattle, Washington
 June 11, 1938

Station KOL
 Seattle, Washington

Gentlemen:

I have always been an ardent listener of Station KOL, and have enjoyed the progressive program which it presented.

However, the recent broadcast of the Judge Rutherford address was an insult to me and to millions of other Americans. It seems to me that the first duty by a radio station to its listeners is to censor the type of program which it presents, in order that it may be a public service. The facts are significant that the other radio stations didn't carry the program, whereas KOL did, probably having the remuneration rather than the interests of the majority of the public at heart.

As retaliation in the future, I shall pass up 1270 kilocycles.

Yours truly,

L. V. Lessin

CC: to WGN
 Don Lee

As I recall WGN was one of the originators of the mutual network, and I thought that I should pass on my views, and that of probably thousands of others in this locality.

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AIR MAIL

June 20, 1938

Mr. Lewis Allen Weiss, Manager
 Don Lee Broadcasting System
 1078 West Seventh Street
 Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Mr. Weiss:

I'm glad to have your letter of June 18 and will make a note to send you a copy of Judge Rutherford's talk of June 5th the moment the printed copies are off the press.

What you say about Station KOL has been noted with much interest since it coincides with other information which has come to us and to the Society from various sources and from Archie Taft himself.

What surprises me most is that you should feel that the occurrence, as it relates to KOL, is sufficient vindication for your official refusal of the talk on June 5. Our decision can be compared to that of a jury which has only heard the case of the plaintiff. However, we are in a position to give you a better picture of the situation regarding the broadcast on June 5 than that which has come to your attention in the form of letters such as the one you send me as a sample. For everyone of that type of letter we can show you hundreds praising the broadcast and thanking the stations for having carried the program. In your own network there is a fine example in that of Station KBBB and we are happy to send you a copy of their letter to the Society.

The case of KOL is a very sad one indeed, but smaller to the latter to what occurred at Station KLF (Philadelphia) and which resulted in a damage suit by the Watch Tower Society against the Roman Catholic Arch-Bishop of Philadelphia. The boycott against KOL is part of an organized plan of the Catholic Church to single out one station as an example and to make felt its full force. In a democracy such as ours there are property laws which protect those against whom there is a concerted boycott and the Society shall before long vindicate the action of KOL and show to the country at large how undemocratic and how "Hitler-like" is the action of the Catholic Church in boycotting Station KOL.

32 stations carried the broadcast yet of all these stations only one, and that KOL, is the scapegoat of the Catholic pressure group.

I do not deny that Judge Rutherford's talk of June 5th was distasteful to many listeners but that is no reason why the program should not go forth nor is it any reason why any one group should take action to restrain Judge Rutherford and the vehicle of his expression in any manner whatsoever. To my mind KOL acted very unwisely in publicly apologizing for having taken the Watch Tower program. Such action was an admission of guilt, yet KOL was guilty of nothing, for, indeed, its broadcast of the program secures the complete admiration of every free-thinking person.



DON LEE BROADCASTING SYSTEM

MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

1078 WEST SEVENTH STREET
 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

June 18, 1938

Air Mail

Mr. Sidney Matthew Weiss
 Acorn Agency, Inc.
 RKO Building, Rockefeller Center
 New York City

My dear Mr. Weiss:

I did not hear the Judge Rutherford program of June 5 and will therefore appreciate it very much if you will send me a copy of his script as offered in your letter of June 14.

As a result of your direct arrangements with our Seattle station, KOL, for the broadcast referred to, that station has suffered a very substantial economic loss as a result of a boycott instituted against them by the Catholic organizations of Seattle.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of one of the complaints that they have received regarding the Rutherford broadcast, which is typical of the many that have been addressed to the station and ourselves.

In view of the foregoing facts, I feel that my judgment has been completely vindicated in officially refusing the use of our facilities for the program referred to.

With kindest wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Lewis Allen Weiss
 Lewis Allen Weiss



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 Mr. Lewis Allen Weiss
 June 20, 1938

It must not of necessity rule that a person must agree with everything that is uttered by another in order to countenance such expression, yet that is exactly the attitude that is taken by stations and a portion of our people.

The action of the Catholic Church with regard to KOL, to my mind, is as flagrant an offense as the acts of his Honor the Mayor of Jersey City, the Honorable Mr. Hague.

I am a believer in the equality of freedom which is undeniably the right of every citizen of this country and I believe that you share this belief with me. To countenance and to find justification in the acts of the Catholic Church in their boycott of station KOL is to put a stamp of approval on everyone of the undemocratic actions of Mayor Hague.

I trust that after you have read ^{the} speech by Judge Rutherford that you will have reason to wonder, even as I, why KOL should have been chosen as the focal point of an unwarranted attack by the Catholic hierarchy.

In grateful appreciation of your willingness to discuss this question and with kind personal regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Sidney Matthew Weiss
 Secretary

SMW:MS
 Enc.

who rented out the Civic Auditorium for the very purpose for which such auditoriums are constructed. What kind of Americanism is that? It is not Americanism at all, but it is Catholic action.

Shaughnessy also goes after the radio stations which carried a public address, as was their right and duty. You make it clear that you want the Civic Auditorium used for nothing until the renters first consult you, and you want the same strangle hold on the radio; that being one of the very things Judge Rutherford was talking about, and which the people have a right to know about. Your column headed "Resentment runs high against station KOL" is merely propaganda put forth in the effort to make trouble for a station that had the manhood and courage to do its duty.

You say Judge Rutherford "chanted", "Rise up and give the old harlot hell." This statement of yours is false. You say that the record of the number distributed of the Watch Tower publications, which publications aid the people in their study and understanding of God's Word, did not satisfy Judge Rutherford, and that he spoke of this at the Convention, and "warned his followers" concerning it. This is also a lie on your part. Judge Rutherford was not even present at the convention when consideration of the field service was under way, and there was nothing stated at any time by any one else which is as you publish it. Of course you know this, and you may also know that others are fully aware of your dishonesty.

In your public and private teachings, extending back 1,200 years, you boldly claim the right to murder those who disagree with you. You know this is the truth. Then how

do you stack up as apostles of "The Golden Rule" as set forth in the same issue of your paper?

As to your published statement that Jehovah's witnesses cursed and spat in the faces of your workers who tried to interfere with the public assembly, that is another deliberate lie; but there is evidence that one of your workers did strike a lady that sought to take a picture of him. Why did he not wish his picture taken?

You refer to the Seattle papers' failing to publicize the Convention properly, and you well know that the reason therefor is that they were afraid of the malicious, un-Christian things the Roman Catholic Hierarchy would do to them and their advertisers, and they knew that the Hierarchy was desperate in its attempt to prevent the convention at all.

You fellows have been getting away with this kind of thing for so long, and covering it so well with honeyed words, that you think you can get away with it forever, but you might as well know that the people are getting on to you. They know that you are merely racketeers of the lowest and meanest sort, for you take money from the people on this Purgatory swindle when you know perfectly well that Almighty God said, "The dead know not anything."

You know what Judge Rutherford teaches, and you know that it is God's Word, nothing else. You have taken your stand against that Word, and will in due time suffer the consequences.

I doubt if you will publish this letter, because its statements are true. You? Publish the truth? You would not dare.

Sincerely for the truth,

GRANT SUITER

Cheering Messages to Judge Rutherford and Seattle Convention

ENGLAND. London: "Greet you and Seattle convention. Make joyful noise unto Jehovah. Fear not enemy's violence. Psalm One Hundred." Fourteen hundred at Manchester convention.

BELGIUM. Brussels: "Seven hundred witnesses this twentieth year, recognizing fully Society's service organization, extend love to you and Seattle convention."

AUSTRALIA. Sydney: "Give the SOBS an extra one for us. Going strong." Watch Tower.

QUEBEC. Montreal: "Besides English-speaking conventioners one hundred thirty French present; twenty of them immersed; all formerly adherents of the Roman Catholic Church. Their zeal and that of English-speaking comrades thrilling to behold as they manifested determination to go forth in battle against religion, which, in form of Roman Catholic Hierarchy, has venomous aspect in Quebec. During convention ten witnesses arrested and haled into court at instigation of priests, only

increasing determination of all present to serve God. French witnesses defended themselves in court with such assistance as Society and representatives gave them. Convention adopted resolution sending love and greetings to you and convention; wish to express gratitude for blessings received and are determined to be wholly faithful in the fight against the Devil's organization and in bearing witness to the name of Jehovah God, His King and His kingdom." F. C. Wainwright.

ONTARIO. New Liskeard: "Assembly of Jehovah's witnesses at New Liskeard, Ontario, rejoice to share with you in this great campaign and pray that Jehovah will give you all power to deliver His message 'VIOLENCE' to His praise." Jack Nathan.

Toronto: "Greetings! May Jehovah the great Theocrat strengthen your heart and voice as you again sound forth His message, 'VIOLENCE.' This is the earnest prayer of every one in the Greater Toronto company of Jehovah's witnesses. We are right with you in the fight. The battle is Jehovah's." Toronto company.

Toronto: "The Bethel family at Toronto send warm love to you and greetings to all assembled at convention and will be with you in mighty witness to be given to Jehovah's name. We rejoice that Christ Jesus now rules as special representative of the great Theocrat, Jehovah, and pledge undivided allegiance."

ALABAMA. Birmingham: "Rich blessings to all at convention, from our heavenly Father, Jehovah." Peter Linakis.

CALIFORNIA. Alhambra: "Your speech 'VIOLENCE' real comfort to all who love righteousness." Jehovah's witnesses, Pasadena.

Santa Barbara: "Wonderful lecture." Santa Barbara company.

Ventura: "Reception fine; lecture wonderful; Resolution adopted." Ventura company of Jehovah's witnesses.

CONNECTICUT. Bridgeport: "Greetings and love from Bridgeport company. Praise Jehovah for unity."

Norwalk: "Speech wonderful; heard despite static. Lord bless you and all." Darien, Connecticut, company.

IDAHO. Nampa: "Your thrilling message came in clear." Nampa company Jehovah's witnesses.

ILLINOIS. Carbondale: "Let Jehovah arise. Let His enemies lick the dust." Carbondale company of Jehovah's witnesses.

MASSACHUSETTS. Westfield: "Greetings, companions. Pray Jehovah's blessings upon arrangements. Valiantly with you." Springfield, Massachusetts, company of Jehovah's witnesses.

MICHIGAN. Highland Park: "Greetings in name of Jehovah; His blessing on your assembly." Detroit company of Jehovah's witnesses.

NEVADA. Reno: "Entire broadcast good and clear from Reno, KOH." Reno company of Jehovah's witnesses.

NEW JERSEY. Bloomfield: "Every word of Judge Rutherford's address 'VIOLENCE' was heard by an assembly of people here." Bloomfield company of Jehovah's witnesses.

Clifton: "Your truthful and courageous message heard by Passaic company assembled, clear and distinct. Existing static but served to better emphasize the strong points made. We want you to know we are with you in this fight to the finish." Passaic, New Jersey, company of Jehovah's witnesses.

East Orange: "Greetings. Heard lecture 'VIOLENCE' perfectly. Entire assembly joined in shouting 'Aye.'" The Newark company of Jehovah's witnesses.

Paterson: "Twelve in service today; twelve enthusiastic listeners tonight. Resolution adopted." New Jersey Kingdom School.

Union City: "Fine reception. Jersey City company unanimously and enthusiastically adopted resolution." Jersey City company of Jehovah's witnesses.

NEW YORK. Brooklyn: "'Aye!' 'VIOLENCE' speech tremendously appreciated here. Excellent reception." WBBR.

Brooklyn: "Heard clearly thrilling declaration your lecture 'VIOLENCE'. We back you hundred percent against present-day monstrosity." Italian group Jehovah's witnesses.

Brooklyn: "Thrilling lecture 'VIOLENCE' clearly heard by 150 assembled at Brooklyn headquarters. Resolution unanimously adopted." Brooklyn company of Jehovah's witnesses.

Brooklyn: "'VIOLENCE' hottest yet. Family thrilled. Unanimous 'Aye!' Jehovah bless you." Bethel family.

New York: "Heartily endorse resolution. We are against monstrosity, Hierarchy and newspapers." Bronx company.

New York: "Enjoyed lecture immensely. Glad the privilege of making recordings." Leonard W. Schneider.

New York: "Heard 'VIOLENCE' clearly. Electrical storm over Manhattan did not curtail effect its eloquent delivery had. Unalterably opposed to Goliath, and enthusiastically shouted 'Aye!' " Manhattan unit.

Saint George: "Devilish religious monstrosity more clearly seen and hated by lovers of righteousness here. Resolution unanimously adopted. New interest overflows hall." Staten Island company of Jehovah's witnesses.

OHIO. Dayton: "We and all associated publishers desire to express greetings to yourself and those assembled in convention. We resolve furthermore our determination to advance with all boldness in the warfare."

Warren: "We are rejoicing with you in praises to Jehovah." Warren company of Jehovah's witnesses.

OREGON. Klamath Falls: "Reception perfect. Wonderful and thrilling to hear." Klamath Falls company.

PENNSYLVANIA. Easton: "We the Easton company of Jehovah's witnesses were thrilled to hear your speech on 'VIOLENCE' and are one hundred percent with you in your declaration against the Devil's monstrosity."

Philadelphia: "Jehovah bless and sustain you as ever. We join you in spirit and in service and patiently await His good pleasure." West Philadelphia unit of Jehovah's witnesses.

VIRGINIA. Charlottesville: "Message 'VIOLENCE' heard clearly by Charlottesville company over WRNL. Resolution adopted." Charlottesville company of Jehovah's witnesses.

Petersburg: "Greetings! Lecture heard through WRNL, Richmond, Virginia. Praise Jehovah for further uncovering monstrosity." Jehovah's witnesses, Petersburg.

WASHINGTON. Spokane: "Great message of cheer to oppressed, and destruction to persecutors." Spokane company.



Civic Auditorium packed out