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Tragedy Stalks Through Mid-Europe

'NAZARA'

A TRAGEDY of ever-growing dimensions is being enacted to-day in mid-Europe. Only by making contact with actual cases of suffering does one realize something of the appalling nature of the catastrophe which has overtaken the Jews and their kinsfolk in Germany.

The massacre of St. Bartholomew was a sudden passionate act, the Jews expelled from Spain long ago were at least offered an asylum in Africa, but the Jews of Germany, deprived of their means of sustenance, treated as the off-scourings of the earth, stripped of every privilege due to civilized beings in a country they had come to love, represent a mass of unmitigated suffering on a scale difficult to parallel in any period of 'Christian' civilization.

What is the number of people affected? The lowest estimate shows that there are about 500,000 out-and-out Jews, and over 2,000,000 'non-Aryans,' namely those with Jewish blood back to the third generation. Of the latter probably 400,000 are Christians, perhaps even more. This enormous number includes Christians married to Jews, who are also classed as 'non-Aryans.' All these can no longer claim citizenship rights. They have little, if any, protection or redress in the courts. They are deprived of all means of earning a livelihood and are being gradually starved out.

Only about 80,000 have managed to get out of Germany; 20,000 have gone to Palestine, 20,000 to France, about 3,000 and 4,000 respectively to America and England, and considerable numbers to four of the contiguous countries. These are all who have so far escaped. Half of the total number have as yet secured no permanent domicile. The special Commission appointed by the League of Nations and the committees of Jews in other countries have worked hard, but practically nothing has been done by the Christian Churches to meet the clamant need of the 2,000,000 'non-Aryans' who are gradually being driven to desperation.

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The writer listened with growing horror to the tales of family suffering. When a young educated man, representative of at least 10,000 other families, tells you that he and his family and practically all his relatives who so far have been helping each other, will be completely at the end of their resources in a month, what can you answer? No work for a year, no further prospect of paying rent or buying food, no money with which to leave the country, and subject all the time to every conceivable kind of gross insult, indignity, mendacious scandal and lying accusation, treated by many more brutally and cruelly than animals.

It is true that a certain number have retained posts where, so far, substitutes have not been found, that many without work are on the dole so long as they are prepared to enter the *Arbeitdienst* and do the heaviest physical work, that doctors and dentists may carry on their practice among their Jewish compatriots and that many Jewish shops are not actually closed, but allowed to struggle along with mainly Jewish customers—but all this scarcely affects the general situation which is daily becoming worse.

The diabolical cruelty of the persecution is seen most in the deliberate cold-blooded, sustained exclusion of the Jews from all that makes life worth living. The perpetual contempt in which they are held, treated as the scum of the earth, eats like poison into their soul and makes life for many almost unendurable. The number of suicides is reported to be very great, but exact figures are not available. At every corner in some districts of Berlin one sees boards displaying the pages of Herr Julius Streicher's paper, Der Stürmer, and at special depots the most lurid pictures of recent numbers are pasted up. The paper has nothing in it save the vilest mendacious tirades against the Jews with pictures such as no decent Government should allow to be displayed publically. This type of literature almost does more harm to Germans themselves than it can do even to the Jews. In the end one feels that the oppressor will suffer more in his soul than ever the victims will.

Many other papers are now taking up the same cry. Two papers bought at random in Frankfurt had leading

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articles on the theme, 'The Jew is our one deadly enemy, his extermination our only hope.' One reads of the exclusion of Jews from town and holiday resorts, from secondary schools and universities, from places of amusement, and all general cultural activities. The marvel is that they suffer all this so heroically, that the family bond is so enduring and the community spirit so self-sacrificing.

Examples of persecution might be multiplied from contacts with Jews and non-Aryans extending over the last eighteen months, but enough has been said to show the exceedingly grave situation that has arisen. So great is it indeed that much of the present anti-Jewish propaganda is due to sheer exasperation of the party leaders, who are confronted with a situation with which they are incapable of dealing. One feels that they are just as puzzled as to what to do about it—so gigantic and menacing is it—as are the friends of the Jews who wish to help them.

The vacillation of the chief authorities is also most marked. One evening, a week or two ago, it was announced on the wireless that the paper *Der Stürmer* was to be suppressed for three months; half an hour later the announcement was cancelled. Instead, two of the leading Jewish papers have been suspended so that the Jews are now largely cut off from knowing what their own community is thinking and doing.

At a recent meeting of all those interested in this whole matter the question was asked, 'What is to be done?' So far there have only been scattered efforts, dealing with individual cases on the part of the Friends, the Jewish Missionary Societies, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Hebrew Christian Alliance, and various individuals in touch with the situation.

Something on a much larger scale needs to be done at once to co-ordinate the Christian Church and all organizations interested in the relief of those imminently requiring succour. It is computed that, at the present moment, 100,000 individuals, mostly young people and children, are in desperate need of help. This is the immediate situation, but it will steadily become worse. A certain number

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could at present meet the cost of travelling if places of refuge could be secured, but if this is delayed all their resources will be exhausted and the question will assume proportions which will constitute one of the most serious problems facing humanity at the present day.

The Christian Church cannot stand by and let these people slowly but surely perish before its eyes, and that will undoubtedly happen if no action is taken.

Dr. Hoffmann, the Secretary of the Special Committee of the International Missionary Council, is working to secure committees in Berlin, London, and New York, to take up the whole matter. Groups in Germany have made proarrangements for co-operating with outside committees. These committees will deal with all questions of 'non-Arvan' relief. The German Government would probably welcome any concrete suggestions, especially if they aim at removing the Jews from Germany and of transferring Jewish institutions of all kinds. Personal help is needed for many of the more desperate cases in Germany, but the main problem will be the settling of as many as possible of the young people and families in other lands. Invitations from schools for one or two free scholars and hospitality for vacations have been proposed. problem, however, of where the greater number can go is extremely difficult, and to solve it on a large scale will require the action of the Government.

Meanwhile, Christian public opinion needs to be aroused. The High Commissioner for German refugees will need to redouble his efforts, and strong committees representing all interests will have to be formed in London and New York and elsewhere.

We believe that the readers of World Dominion will be the first to realize the need of doing something cooperatively to alleviate the situation. Personal offers of help will be forwarded to the proper quarter and any who express the desire will be kept in touch with the situation as it develops.

^{&#}x27;God is dead—the Superman lives.' (Neitzsche.)

^{&#}x27;He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh. . . . ' (The Psalmist.)