

press, the President of the United States entered the controversy. There was an exchange of telegrams between the President and the leaders of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. A wide section of the press led the public to believe that the President's telegram to the National Conference of Christians and Jews resulted in Joe McCarthy's firing me as executive director of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. Nothing was farther from the truth. Not wishing to hurt Joe McCarthy, I quit over his emphatic protest. And, it was *after* that fact had been made known to politicians high in the Republican administration that a phony exchange of telegrams between the White House and the National Conference of Christians and Jews was arranged.

How well I remember reading a dispatch from Honolulu stating that the Rev. Dr. Carl McIntire agreed with my estimate of the extent of the Communist infiltration of the ranks of the Protestant clergy.

TERMS DEFINED

In order that you may better understand me, I wish at the outset to comment briefly on the terms Communism, socialism, statism, and world government.

When I speak of Communism, I mean the Soviet slave state, its satellites, and its fifth column in the United States.

Socialism, whether of the Fabian, ADA, or Republican variety, has the historic role of producing such disintegration of the economy and deterioration of the national morale as to hasten the appearance of a totalitarian receivership.

Statism, under whatever name, is the accumulation of power—both economic and political—in the hands of a gigantic bureaucracy, with the resultant whittling down of liberty.

World government means the surrender of national sovereignty essential to the preservation of our basic freedoms, and the placing of American destiny in the hands of those who envy or hate us.

Over against all of these four outriders of the four horsemen of the Apocalypse, we have the uniquely American economy of a free competitive

market in which the free choices of unregimented and sovereign consumers provide the impersonal and unplanned basis for all our freedoms. The gradual wearing away of this distinctively American economy under the corroding impact of Communism, socialism, statism, and world government is the tragedy of the 20th century and a grievous and irreplaceable loss to mankind.

INFILTRATION OF CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD

In 1953, when I ran into some unsought publicity over an article that I wrote for the *American Mercury*, I received several thousand letters and telegrams. The commonest complaint of my correspondents was that I had not mentioned Catholics and Jews in the article. There were broad hints that I was afraid to do so.

As a matter of fact, I have written and spoken on the subject of the Communist infiltration of the Catholic priesthood. The Catholic priests who have been affiliated with Communist-front organizations are negligible in number, but they prove that priests are not absolutely immune to the wiles of the Communist apparatus. According to my card file, 48 have had such affiliations, but the large majority of these have had only one affiliation.

When Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam was confronted by the Velde Committee with the fact that he had been a sponsor of the National Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax, cited by the Committee as a Communist front, he called attention to the fact that the Most Reverend Robert E. Lucey, Archbishop of San Antonio, had also been a sponsor of this Communist outfit. Archbishop Lucey was also listed as a member of the council of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, cited by the House Committee as a Communist front. The fact of Archbishop Lucey's connection with the National Committee to Abolish the Poll tax was not a part of the House Committee's record until the testimony of Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam placed it there. This means that Bishop Oxnam became an informer!

I have not forgotten that the first smear book on the Dies Committee was written by Father August Raymond Ogden and published by the Catholic University of America.

In 1944, the Dies Committee published long reports on the extensive Communist penetration of the