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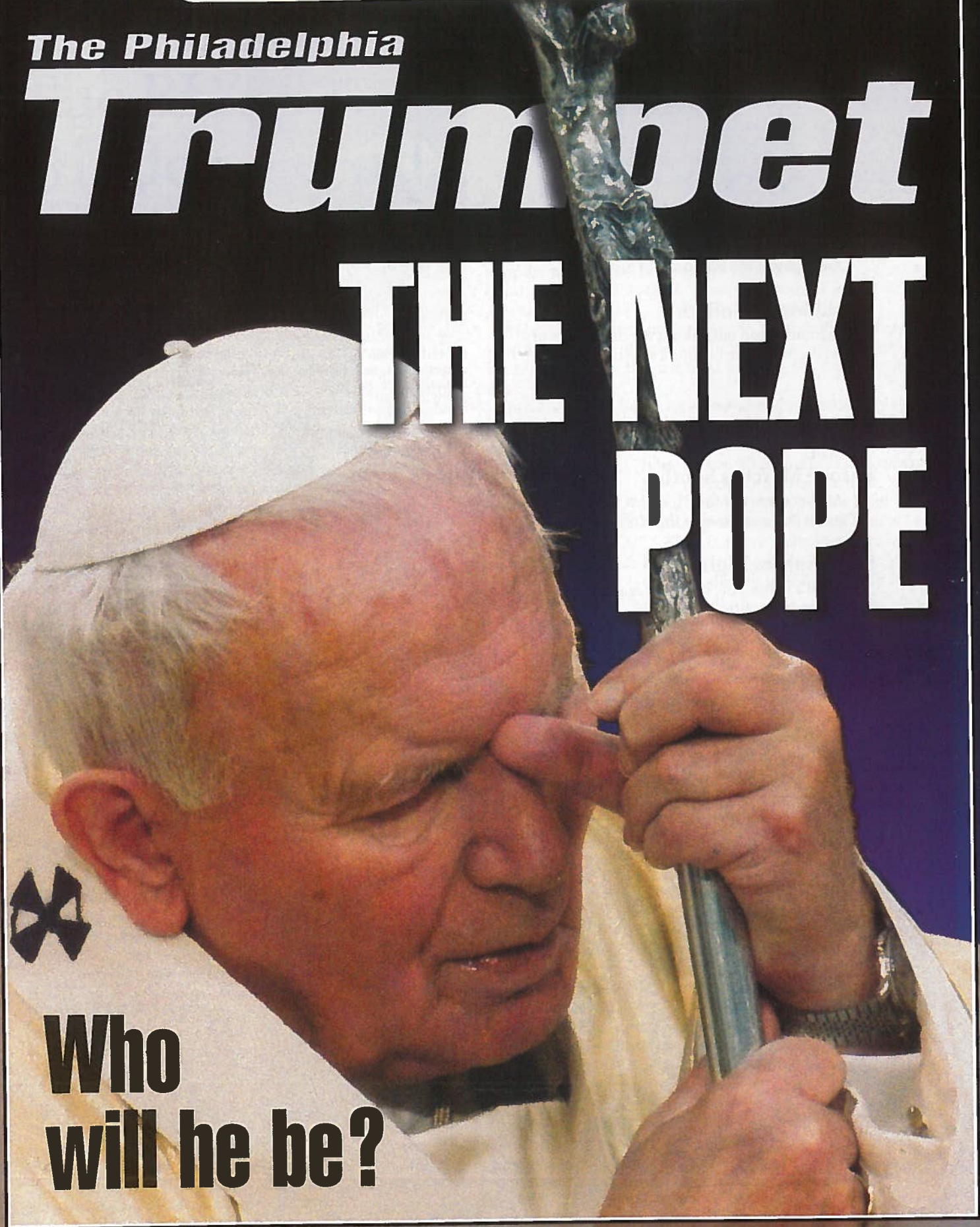
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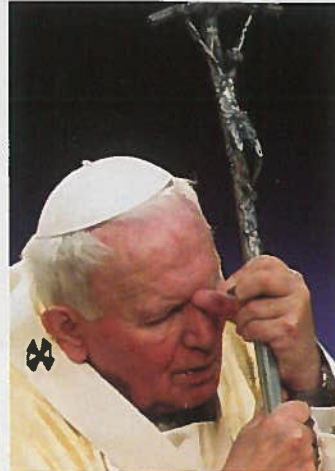
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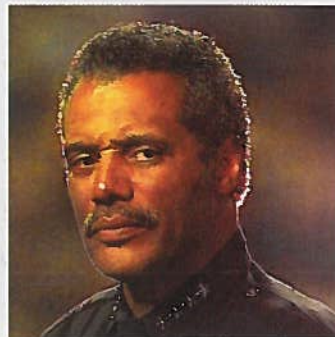
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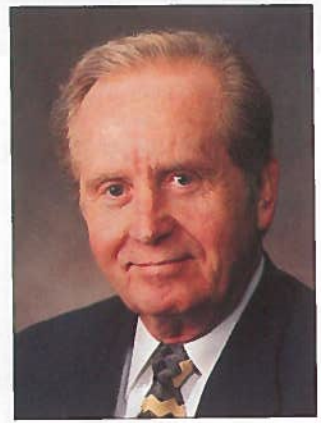
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The EU's Hidden Agenda

We recently attended a European Crisis Conference at Oxford University in Britain. The speakers were discussing the hidden dangers of the European Union (EU), which, as most of our readers know, is actually the final resurrection of the "Holy" Roman Empire.

I believe it will prove to be one of the most important political meetings in the history of Britain! The danger Britain faces today is far worse than in the 1930s, when Winston Churchill was warning his people! The big difference is that the enemy is much more deceitful than it was before World War II. And the potential for danger is far greater.

There are presently 15 nations which comprise the EU. Britain is already a member, but many of its people fear the political union that is being forged.

Adrian Hilton was one of the speakers at the conference. His book, *The Principality and Power of Europe*, has become a bestseller in Britain. Here is what he said after the conference (emphasis mine): "There are swaths of our written constitution that, if repealed, explicitly would be seismic in their shift. The media would have to report upon it. There would have to be referenda asking the people on very profound issues whether they wished it to happen. That's why the agenda is subversive, it is hidden, concealed, secret, because that's the only way they can achieve their ends...." (His interview is printed on page 11 of this issue.)

Notice the emphasis: "subversive...hidden, concealed, secret." The extreme danger lies in the hidden agenda. That is the ONLY WAY Germany and the Vatican can achieve their goals at this point in time.

Throughout history, Germany has usually been the military will and power behind the Holy Roman Empire. The Vatican has been the guide.

Here is what Mr. Hilton said about that empire: "You don't have to go so many years back to see that Europe has been in a perpetual state of war for over 2,000 years. I mean, the Holy Roman Empire was what evolved to effectively stop war. It didn't, of course; it precipitated the two bloodiest wars that the world has ever been through, and you will see, as is being pointed out by Sir Richard Body [minister of British Parliament] and Norris McWhirter [author of *The Guinness Book of Records*], that the whole German plan at the moment is simply the replacing of bombs and bullets by treaties. It is the same aggression, the same spirit, that is now at work still. The Vatican was intrinsically involved in both world wars. It

was a Vatican concordat with Hitler that effectively gave him support to do what he did, and for the Vatican to turn a blind eye to the Holocaust. These things are facts—undeniable facts in history."

He says Germany and the Vatican are fighting a different kind of war today. Bombs and bullets have been replaced by DECEPTIVE treaties. But THE GOAL REMAINS THE SAME—WORLD RULE.

Mr. Hilton was being very kind when he said that the Vatican turned "a blind eye to the Holocaust." The whole world can read books like *The Unholy Trinity* by Mark Aarons and John Loftus. These authors and others have revealed how the Vatican "Ratlines" helped most of the Nazi war criminals escape after World War II.

That is more than just turning a blind eye to the Holocaust! The Vatican was deeply involved in the Nazi movement!

To some people, that may seem like a radical view. But the evidence available to support that statement is almost overwhelming! Still, most people choose to turn a blind eye to the clear truth. Only the truth can set us free.

It is inexcusable if we fail to understand what the Holy Roman Empire is and the violent dangers it poses for our future! The whole world's future! As Mr. Hilton said, these are "UNDENIABLE FACTS OF HISTORY"!

It is time for the entire world to wake up to what is happening in Europe. THAT EMPIRE IS THE GREATEST PHYSICAL DANGER ON THIS EARTH TODAY! *

Jörg Haider's political party recently became the second-most powerful party in Europe. They comprise one half of the Austrian cabinet. Mr. Haider has openly expressed his Nazi and fascist views to the world. Now he has been forced from office by the EU, and his country has no political power as a member.

On the surface, his being ousted looks good. It appears that the EU will not support anybody with Nazi or fascist views. And that is a dangerous deceit!

Mr. Haider's problem is, he doesn't understand that the war of treaties has replaced the bombs and bullets warfare—FOR THE PRESENT TIME!

The Holy Roman Empire is winning today with deceitful treaties. But when treaties are no longer necessary, then they will use their bombs and bullets. Their policy of extreme deceit will remain the same. This is what they have routinely done for almost 2,000 years! They just do it better today.

"The whole German plan at the moment is simply the replacing of bombs and bullets by treaties. It is the same aggression, the same spirit, that is now at work still."

—Adrian Hilton

The struggle for power has already begun.

THE NEXT POPE

BY GERALD FLURRY
AND STEPHEN FLURRY

OUTSIDE THE VATICAN, things have never looked better. Over the past two decades, John Paul II has become the most visible and celebrated pope in Vatican history. He has logged more miles of travel than all other popes *combined* (262 of them). Of his nearly 100 trips abroad, the crowning achievement was his tour through the Holy Land in March. Never has a pope been so well received among Christians, Jews and Muslims alike.

Inside the Vatican, however, there is a different story. The pope, who turns 80 this month and suffers from Parkinson's disease, has *lost control of the Vatican*, according to the *London Times*.

UP FOR GRABS Inside St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City

DIGITAL STOCK



Senior Vatican officials told the *Times* that the pontiff spends much of the day resting and is in bed by 6 p.m. According to these inside sources, the pope's ailing physical condition has "left a power vacuum in the Vatican in which affairs are dominated by Opus Dei, the hardline right-wing faction that has seized control of at least three key Vatican departments: the section responsible for making saints, the congregation that appoints bishops, and the powerful press office" (March 12). Because of the pope's frail condition, the *Times* says the Roman Catholic Church is "facing a period of *unprecedented danger* as reformers attempt to seize the initiative back from the conservatives at the top of the Catholic hierarchy."

The article accompanied a more in-depth story submitted to the *Sunday Times Magazine* by author John Cornwell, also on March 12. Cornwell, a Catholic who teaches at Jesus College in Cambridge, England, authored *Hitler's Pope* last year, a best-selling book that exposes the Vatican's complicity with Hitler during the Holocaust.

Cornwell describes life inside the Vatican today as "an unhappy community of seething tensions" where right-wing conservatives appear to be gaining the upper hand. "Many who look forward to better days with the prospect of a younger, more vigorous pope," Cornwell writes, "fear that ultra-conservatives are intriguing to ensure the election of a reactionary pontiff to continue the current policies and to take the church *even further to the right.*"

What is happening inside the Vatican is *very* prophetic. We do not doubt John Paul's desire for peace in the Middle East. Nor do we necessarily criticize the pope's apologies for Christianity's sins throughout the ages (although he should have been more specific).

But what happens when the *next* pope is elected? Considering John Paul's physical breakdown, a new pontiff might be here sooner than you think. And despite the noble intentions of the *present* pope, history teaches us that the Vatican has also produced its share of *bad* popes. To say it cannot happen again is to be hopelessly naïve—and ignorant of even the most recent history.

Pope Pius XII

The most recent bad pope was Pius XII, the central figure discussed in *Hitler's Pope*. Cornwell was first in-

spired to write a book about Pius because he was upset by what he considered to be "unwarranted" criticism against the man. That prompted the Vatican to give Cornwell unlimited access to its treasured (and well-protected) archives. But once Cornwell gained access to the archives, he discovered the darker side of Pius. His research led him into what he called a state of "moral shock." The book accuses Pius of appeasing Hitler, ignoring the Jewish plight and turning a blind eye toward other Nazi atrocities.



HITLER'S POPE? Despite wide criticism, Pius XII is being considered for sainthood.

One example Cornwell uses to prove his point is particularly telling. It happened toward the end of the war. Pius had been receiving information about Hitler's Final Solution throughout 1942. Jewish groups and Allied officials had *repeatedly* urged him to publicly condemn Nazi savagery. Under increasing pressure, Pius used a December 1942 radio address to refer to the many thousands who "sometimes only by reason of their nationality or race are marked down for death or gradual extinction." That was his strongest objection to Hitler's genocidal rampage! Yet he failed to even mention the Führer by name and made no mention of Nazis or Jews.

In October 1943, ten months after Pius's radio address, 365 of Hitler's SS troops entered Rome's old ghetto and started arresting Italian Jews. They rounded up 1060 and transported them to a building called Collegio Militare—located *less than half a mile* from the Vatican. According to Cornwell, Pope Pius was one of the *first* to be made aware of the Jewish arrests. (German trucks carrying the prisoners

even drove by St. Peter's Square so drivers could see the famous church.) The Jews were kept at the holding center for *two days*—right under the pope's nose—before boarding cattle cars to Auschwitz where 80 percent of them were gassed within a week (the rest became slave laborers).

During the Jews' two-night confinement down the street from the Vatican, Pope Pius XII did *nothing*. The most powerful religious man in the world, commanding the allegiance of more than a half-billion Christians

at that time, remained silent when a simple protest probably would have saved 1045 lives. Only 15 of the 1060 survived the war.

Television journalist Ed Bradley recounted these events during a *60 Minutes* episode on March 19. Bradley interviewed one of the Jewish survivors, who asked, "Didn't the pope know where they were taking us? Didn't he ask himself where those railroad tracks ended up? We were right under his window, but his voice wasn't lifted. Nobody

came, not even to save a child."

A Vatican representative, Father Peter Gumpel, attempted to answer the victim's questions, saying the pope *couldn't* leave the Vatican because it was surrounded by German troops. He might have been arrested, Gumpel said. In quick reply, Bradley asked, "But wouldn't that be the kind of action that a true saint would have taken? Wouldn't that have been what Christ would have done?" Understandably, Father Gumpel stuttered in his response, saying he did not know what Christ would have done.

But this matter goes far beyond just *defending* Pius XII in the face of harsh criticism. Father Gumpel is one of the Vatican's senior saint-makers who happens to be in charge of *Pope Pius XII's beatification process* (the final hurdle to being named a saint). For 30 years he has been researching Pius's life to see if he's worthy of sainthood. Put another way, his job is to find damning evidence, if any, that would preclude Pius from beatification. *He hasn't found any!* Near the end of his research, Gumpel told *60 Minutes* he is "totally convinced

ACTS OF THE POPES

On March 12, the pope made a public apology for the universal church's past faults and sins. His confession was seen as vague and inadequate. Which past sins? Certainly he must have included the sins of his predecessors.

BY DENNIS LEAP

POPE JOHN PAUL II IS NO STRANGER TO CONTROVERSY. Yet, the leader of the world's 1 billion-plus Catholics remains undaunted. Even with failing health he shows himself to be a man driven. But driven to what? His supporters claim that, nearing the end of his life, he is on an intense personal spiritual pilgrimage. However, an honest look at the facts reveals that he is pursuing an international political quest. John Paul's final days will be best known as the great effort to position the papacy at the forefront of world politics—specifically in the Middle East.

Here is some recent papal controversy. At mass on March 12, the pope stated, "As the successor of Peter, I ask that in this year of mercy, the church, strong in the holiness which she receives from her Lord, should kneel before God and implore forgiveness for the past and present sins of her sons and daughters." This was John Paul's plea for divine forgiveness for sins committed by his church over the past 2,000 years. It was a public confession of guilt. But was it a good confession?

I was raised Roman Catholic. To make a "good" confession I was taught to be *specific*, to be sorry for my sins and to promise never to do them again. The pope may have been sorry, but he definitely was not specific, and he didn't make any promises for the future.

Accompanying the papal self-pardoning was a 19,000-word document titled "Memory and Reconciliation: the Church and the Faults of the Past." Though extensive, this paper is also not specific. It mentions "past faults," and "scandals of the past." But these sweeping statements can cover a multitude of nameless sins. Some praised John Paul for his candor. But others are concerned about his lack of specifics. In fact, it is the lack of specifics that causes many to question the motives behind his statements.

Forgotten History

Historians recognize that the Roman Catholic Church is humanity's oldest continuing institution. The life of the church spans nearly two millennia. For centuries, and most of our modern times, the church has been happy to operate away from the public eye. However, John Paul's popularity and near-celebrity status have moved his church consistently into the spotlight. It is clear that the Vatican officials like it and desire a formidable public role during the third millennium.

Unfortunately, there is a problem. Church officials recognize that multiple volumes of secular history exist that expose the universal church's *scandals of the past* and *past faults*. Church fathers would like to see this history remain forgotten and not dragged into the spotlight. Why? Much of the scandalous history in the church has to do with its favorite sons—the popes!

In our age of media criticism, it is unlikely that any public figure can escape bad history—even the Roman Church. So the next best thing is to attempt to clean it up with apology. But will a sweeping apology wipe out papal history? Never! Some of the popes have lived incredibly dark, base and bizarre lives. Here are several short biographies of some of the more nefarious bishops of Rome.



MEMORY AND RECONCILIATION
The pope speaks at the Jewish Holocaust memorial in Jerusalem.

that [Pius] did what he could [to help Jews during World War II], that he was a holy person and *that he should be beatified.*" Asked if Cornwell's research in *Hitler's Pope* would have any bearing on the Vatican's final decision, he said it would "have no effect whatsoever because it's *totally worthless* from a historical point of view."

To cast aside Cornwell's book as *totally worthless* is remarkable, considering the depth of his research and the unprecedented access he had to the *Vatican's own documents!*

Is *this* the kind of ULTRA-CONSERVATISM that is believed to be GAINING CONTROL OF THE VATICAN? Father Gumpel, who has *publicly* blamed the Jews for killing Christ, declared the Vatican's resolute stance on Pius's impending sainthood just *two days before* Pope John Paul II arrived in the Holy Land for his much-celebrated tour. DOESN'T GUMPEL'S STATEMENT CAST A DARK CLOUD OVER THE POPE'S APOLOGIES?

Only *five popes* in the past THOUSAND YEARS have been declared saints by the Vatican. The church now stands at the beginning of the new millennium

prepared to beatify three more, one of whom is Pius XII—a fascist sympathizer who did nothing to help Jews

SABINIAN

THE HISTORY OF ANY POPE IS tied to the history of Europe and, more specifically, to the Holy Roman Empire. In essence, we can only understand the popes in their historical context.

Sabinian, the 65th pope, was one of the most loathed pontiffs in history. He came into power in A.D. 606 during the Lombard invasion of Italy. The continual military conflict over Italian soil had caused great famine. Sabinian maintained a tight control over food supplies in Rome. In fact, he sold food to the poor for profit. Sabinian was so hated that when he died in 606 his funeral procession was diverted outside of the city walls to avoid public protest. He was buried in a secret location in the Lateran Basilica.

during the Holocaust and who helped Nazi criminals escape justice through Vatican "Ratlines" after the war.

One wonders how these condemning facts escape most media outlets today.

John Paul II

The Second Vatican Council (1963-1965), initiated by Pope John XXIII and completed by Pope Paul VI, helped foster a new spirit of reform and openness within the Catholic Church during the 1960s. The Vatican sought to find common ground with Protestants and revised its attitude toward Jews, condemning anti-Semitism and absolving the Jewish race of blame for murdering the Messiah.

But while these developments encouraged church liberals to pursue further reforms, they also gave rise to an increasingly sharp conservative backlash.

Thirteen years after Vatican II ended, the College of Cardinals elected Karol Wojtyła as Pope John Paul II in 1978. Embracing a more traditionalist role as pontiff, many critics have argued that John Paul has rejected the sweeping changes the church initiated in the 1960s. Indeed, the Vatican's cur-

rent positions on papal infallibility and authority, celibacy among priests, birth control, abortion, divorce and not allowing women in the clergy have all remained staunchly conservative throughout John Paul's papacy, despite liberal protests.

One Vatican journalist noted in 1986 that "anyone who believes this pope is anything but a traditionalist, believing in orthodoxy and discipline, simply has failed to understand the man. He is a liberal only in his understanding, mastery and exploitation of the modern means of communication. When it comes to doctrine, there is simply no room for argument or dissent." John Paul has lived up to his "infallibility" tag. London's *Financial Times* says "no pope before him has ever been as infallible as the present" (Oct. 16, 1998).

This awesome power, combined with the length of John Paul's papacy, has brought about sweeping changes to a more conservative orthodoxy. Historically, the average pontifical reign has been 7.3 years. John Paul will complete 22 years of rule in August. During his papacy, he has named more saints than any of his predecessors. And when he elevates more than 20 bishops to the College of Cardinals in June of this year, the pope will have personally appointed all 120 cardinal electors.

In that way, the pope has already left his mark on the Holy See's next ruler. When John Paul dies, the College of Cardinals will meet inside the Vatican and remain there until a two-thirds majority can agree upon a new pontiff. Traditionally, the college has been divided into three ideological blocs—conservative, liberal and moderate. In times past, a two-thirds majority forced the college to compromise on a consensus candidate—one that all sides, for the most part, can agree upon.

This process, however, has changed significantly in recent years.

The New Rules

The fact that a conservative John Paul will have appointed all 120 cardinal electors by the time they vote for the next pope increases the possibility of an even more conservative successor.

Another factor that might influence the selection is simply a matter of logistics, as was explained in the May 11, 1998, *U.S. News and World Report*: "The cardinals attending the next conclave will have much more comfortable accommodations than in the past and may feel less pressed to reach agreement quickly. At previous conclaves, the aging cardinals were stacked and squeezed, cheek by jowl, in tiny, austere rooms called 'cells' adjacent to the Sistine Chapel. Some consisted of little more than a cot, a reading lamp, and a

STEPHEN VI (VII)

ONE OF THE MOST BIZARRE HISTORICAL ACCOUNTS INVOLVING the papacy involves an event known as the Cadaver Synod. Stephen, made pope in 896, ordered the exhumation of his predecessor, Pope Formosus, and had him tried for alleged crimes against the church. Formosus had only been dead for about nine months. Stephen dressed Formosus' corpse in papal robes and sat it in a chair. Stephen presided over the trial.

E.R. Chamberlin writes, "The corpse was provided with a council, who wisely kept silent while Pope Stephen raved and screamed his insults at it. The pretext for the trial was that Formosus, contrary to canon law, had accepted the bishopric of Rome while he was still bishop of another diocese. But few, if any, in the council chamber, were impressed by the charge. The real crime of Formosus was that he had been a member of the opposite faction and had crowned 'emperor' one of the numerous illegitimate descendants of Charlemagne after having performed the same office for the candidate favored by Pope Stephen's party" (*The Bad Popes*, 1969, p. 20).

Formosus was declared guilty. His remains were dragged through the streets of Rome and then thrown in the Tiber. The effect of the Cadaver Synod backfired on Stephen. Formosus' supporters, appalled by Stephen's macabre trial, rebelled. He was deposed, imprisoned and strangled to death.

SERGIUS III

RICHARD P. MCBRIEN, PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY AT Notre Dame, Catholic priest and author of the 1997 book *Lives of the Popes*, puts Sergius on his list of the 24 worst popes. Sergius was a murderous individual. He had his predecessor, Leo V, and Leo's rival, Christopher, murdered to secure his office. Sergius was made pope in 904, which was the same time the Theophylact family held sway over Rome.

Theophylact was a senator and commanded the local militia. Theophylact's wife, Theodora, and her daughter, Marozia, held sway over much of the affairs of state. They used illicit sex to maintain their power and influence. Sergius was a favorite of the family. McBrien writes: "Sergius was so close to his [Theophylact's] family, in fact, that he was reputed to have had a son (the future Pope John XI) by the 15-year-old daughter of Theophylact's wife, Theodora. So corrupted were Sergius and his immediate successors by the Theophylact family, that the subsequent decades have been called the 'pornocracy' of the papacy" (*Lives of the Popes*, p. 151). Essentially, throughout his base pontificate Sergius did the bidding of the Theophylact women. Some historians refer to his pontificate as "the rule of the harlots."

slop bucket tucked under a stairwell. Now, however, the cardinals will be housed in the St. Martha guest house, a new 150-room hotel-like lodging just a few hundred yards from the Sistine Chapel." The newer, more comfortable accommodations might impel a bare majority to hold out for their favorite candidate, despite strong opposition from another bloc.

More important still is the revolutionary change in voting which John Paul made himself in his 1996 apostolic constitution *Universi Dominici Gregis* (God's Universal Flock). In paragraph 75, the pope wrote, "If the balloting does not result in an election...the cardinal electors shall be invited by the camerlengo [cardinal who manages the pope's affairs] to express

an opinion about the manner of proceeding. The election will then proceed in accordance with what the *absolute majority* of the electors decides. Nevertheless, there can be no waiving of the requirement that a valid election takes place *only by an absolute majority* of the votes or else by voting only on the two names which in the ballot immediately preceding have received the *greatest number of votes*; also in this second case *only an absolute majority is required.*"

What this means is that if two thirds of the electors cannot agree upon a candidate after 12 days of balloting, a *bare majority* could change the rules to elect their

candidate! ("Absolute majority" means *more than half*.)

Jesuit scholar Thomas Reese notes the obvious significance of this alarming change in his 1996 book *Inside the Vatican*: "There is no longer an incentive to compromise and find a consensus candidate. All that is needed is a candidate who can get an absolute majority of the votes after about 30 ballots have taken place. This change increases the likelihood of a more radical and ideological candidate being elected pope. It means that a pope can be elected who was opposed by just

INNOCENT IV

LISTENING TO JOHN PAUL II'S REQUEST FOR FORGIVENESS, any student of history would naturally ask, which past sins? Could John Paul have been referring to the papal Inquisition? Most journalists believe he was. In "Memory and Reconciliation," while referring to John Paul's letter, "*Tertio millennio adveniente*," it is stated, "The church is invited to 'become more fully conscious of the sinfulness of her children.' ...Some of these are explicitly mentioned, like the separation of Christians, or the 'methods of violence and intolerance' used in the past to evangelize" (p. 5). Certainly the Inquisition represents the darkest of Roman Church history. The blood of millions was shed supposedly in the name of Christ.

It was Pope Gregory IX who established the papal Inquisition under the direction of the Dominicans in 1221. The Dominicans, known as the *preachers*, were not tied to any one location but were dispatched like an army on the move. Their mission was to search out all Albigensian heretics and bring them back into the Roman fold. The Albigensians rejected not only papal authority but also other false teachings of the church. With the approval of Emperor Frederick II, Gregory ordered the Dominicans to crush the Albigensians. The Dominicans, also known as *Black Friars*, were very effective at their job. They became accuser, judge and jury. They turned their victims over to the civil authorities. At that time most heretics were burned alive.

It was Innocent IV, made pope in 1243, who approved the use of torture to extract confessions of heresy. He aggressively applied the principle that "the end justifies the means." It is shocking to learn about the deranged instruments of torture that were used on so many innocent people. One of the most famous people to suffer at the hands of Roman inquisitors was Galileo. The church condemned Galileo for claiming that the earth revolved around the sun. It is interesting to note that Galileo was "rehabilitated" posthumously by John Paul II in 1992.

PAUL IV

OF COURSE, THE 700-YEAR SPANISH INQUISITION IS more notorious than the Roman. It was Sixtus IV who authorized the commencement of the council in 1479 under the Catholic monarchs Ferdinand II and Isabella of Spain. The Inquisition's primary targets were Muslims and Jews, but then it quickly broadened to include witches and political enemies. The council's methods included torture, confiscation of property and execution through burning. Sixtus appointed Tomas de Torquemada, a Spanish Dominican, as its first Grand Inquisitor.

At first, the Inquisition forced the conversion of Jews and Muslims. Eventually Torquemada ordered the expulsion of all Jews from Spain in 1492. Then he initiated the genocide of the Moriscos—converted Muslims living in Spain who had retained some Islamic practices. The Spanish Inquisition was widely expanded into Europe and came to full fury during the Protestant Reformation. The Inquisition proved to be an effective counter-Reformation weapon. It is estimated that over 50 million people were executed by the church. The Spanish Inquisition was not finally abolished until the 19th century.

It was Paul IV who gave the Spanish Inquisition its most effective means of prosecuting heretics. He created the Index of Forbidden Books. Anyone caught in possession of books on the list was in danger of excommunication, torture and death. Reuters reported on January 22, 1998, that the Holy Bible was one of the books on the list. It came as a surprise to many that handwritten copies of the Bible had ended up on Inquisition heretical-book bonfires. The greater sin, however, was that many Christians known as Waldensians were executed *for owning copies of Scripture*. McBrien also states this about Paul IV: "He was bitterly anti-Protestant and anti-Semitic, confining Jews to a special quarter in Rome and forcing them to wear distinctive headgear" (*Lives of the Popes*, p. 437).

It is interesting to note that the Roman Congregation of the Inquisition was never abolished. In 1965 Pope Paul VI renamed it *Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith*. Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger is the office's present head. It is also interesting that the Index of Forbidden Books was not abolished until 1966.

under half the cardinals" (p. 95).

Obviously, the College of Cardinals would have to reach an impasse before resorting to the above procedure. But the point is, *it can happen*. And the result of such action might shock the world.

Element of Surprise

Let's assume the above factors do not affect the selection of the next pope. That still does not rule out the element of surprise—where a pope turns out to be much different than his electors thought he would be. This too has happened before. God says it will happen again in the future.

In both the Old and New Testaments, God speaks of a great false church to emerge in this end time—one that will hold sway over the combined
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PIUS XII

JOHN PAUL'S MILLENNIUM REPENTANCE WAS ALSO VIEWED by many as an attempt to heal the wounds caused by Pope Pius XII's failure to rescue the Jews during the Holocaust. In essence, John Paul was apologizing for Catholic inaction during World War II. Pius XII has been accused of remaining silent and turning his head the other way while millions died. In 1999 John Paul made a proposal to canonize the wartime pope. Jewish leaders are bitterly opposed to such a move.

Questions concerning the Vatican's responsibility with regard to the persecution of the Jews came into sharp focus in the 1990s. Several well-documented and condemning books were published showing that the Vatican was more than *just silent* during World War II. Mark Aarons and John Loftus wrote a book titled *The Unholy Trinity*, which provides abundant documentation that the Vatican heavily sponsored the ignoble "Ratlines" used to help most of the Nazi leaders escape the Allies after World War II.

Catholic historian John Cornwell's book *Hitler's Pope: The Secret History of Pius XII*, published in 1999, shows that prior to his election as pope, Pius XII, as the Vatican representative in pre-war Berlin and then as its secretary of state, helped stamp out opposition to Nazism in the German church. He also abandoned Catholic political parties opposed to Hitler.

Cornwell then charges Pius XII of failing to use his influence in favor of the Jews. The pope did have access to information about Hitler's extensive killing of Jews. He mildly objected to their persecution rather late in the game. And then, during his objection, he didn't even mention the Jews by name. Pius XII has also been criticized by other historians for failing to warn the Jewish community in Rome before their roundup. There is also cause for concern that Pius never protested the Nazi murder of 20 percent of the Polish Catholic clergy.

JEWISH LEADERS AND MANY THINKING PEOPLE FEEL THAT, EVEN AT ITS BEST, JOHN PAUL's confession was inadequate because of its vagueness. Some analysts believe that his obscurity could be symptomatic of internal struggles taking place among high-ranking Vatican officials. It was John Paul's personal desire to make the confession. His critics within the Vatican, however, did not agree that the church should acknowledge past wrongs.

John Paul has been little affected by his critics. He has stood his ground on issues such as birth control, abortion and the ordination of women as priests. Earlier this year, Karl Lehmann, bishop of Mainz and president of the German Bishop's Conference, suggested that John Paul step down because of his advancing age and the visible affects of Parkinson's disease. By suggesting resignation, Bishop Lehmann expressed more the desire for a change in leadership than a concern over health. The pope refuses to resign his office.

We must realize that John Paul II is a brilliant man. The history of his papacy proves that he is a well-seasoned politician. In 91 journeys, John Paul has traveled to well over 125 countries during his 21 years as pope. In fact, he has logged more miles than all previous popes combined.

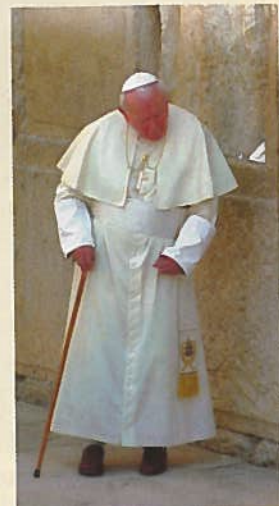
George Weigel, author of *Witness to Hope: The Biography of Pope John Paul II*, shows that this pope will be most remembered as a *statesman* who sped the collapse of communism, brought reform to Latin America and the Philippines and opened healing talks with Judaism.

It is more likely that John Paul's public confession was a carefully worded statement to put a better face on a papacy with a history. Recognize that while on his Holy Land trip, besides audiences with heads of state, he held meetings with religious leaders. There were Catholics, Orthodox Catholics, Protestants, Muslims and Jews. Four of those groups have had rough dealings with past papal faults.

David Van Biema reported in *Time* on April 3, "And timing has always been his gift. Just when the Soviet Empire was ripe for the tipping, the Polish pope provided a nudge. When Cuba's relationship with America was so sour that Fidel Castro might have grabbed at almost anything to improve it, John Paul arrived, provided an opportunity and—not incidentally—revived the rights of Christians on Castro's island. When deeds needed to be put to Vatican II's words in 1986, this pope knew enough to visit a synagogue."

Although the Holy Land trip was touted as a personal pilgrimage, the pope was rarely alone. While he prayed and meditated, journalists and cameramen surrounded him. The visit to the Holy Land was a well-scripted, well-timed media event with a purpose. Could the purpose have been to quell the world's ill feelings against papal authority?

There are those who recognize that John Paul will not long be able to discharge his office. The 80-year-old bishop of Rome is suffering from blackouts, dizzy spells and convulsions. Vatican insiders are already preparing to focus the world's attention on the Sistine Chapel. In fact, there are some anxiously awaiting the time when the conclave of 120 cardinals will take the seats under Michelangelo's fresco of the Last Judgment and begin the balloting for a new Pontifex Maximus. Who will that man be? There is much speculation. There are some clear favorites, but in reality there is no obvious choice. Whoever he is, we can be sure that because of John Paul II's efforts, he will play a significant role on the world's political stage. ♦



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MEDIA EVENT
At the Wailing Wall

forces of the European Union. In Isaiah 47:1, God says, "Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground: THERE IS NO THRONE, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate." This great church, called "mystery, Babylon the great" in Revelation 17:5, is pictured in Isaiah 47 as having its throne taken away. What worldwide religion has a leader who sits on a throne?

Before God removes that throne upon Babylon's downfall, He will allow some very evil things to happen so mankind might finally learn its lesson.

Continue in Isaiah 47:7, from the Moffatt translation: "You thought that you would last forever, mistress for all time, you thought nothing of your cruelty, reckless of all it would bring." During the Crusades and the Inquisition, Vatican leaders "thought nothing" of their cruelty and recklessness. True, John Paul has offered a general apology on behalf of *all* Christianity's failings. But the ultra-conservatives surrounding the pope have successfully urged him *not* to apologize for *specific* misdeeds—*not* to label the VATICAN itself as guilty.

One wonders why. The Vatican was responsible for killing hundreds of thousands of Jews and Muslims during the Crusades. It was responsible for slaughtering multiple millions during the Inquisition. (It has been said that the reason there are no Protestants in Spain is because the Catholics killed all of them.) It has forced millions more, by the edge of the sword, to convert to Catholicism. And it stood idly by as millions were murdered in World War II.

Why are Vatican conservatives intent on *not* bringing guilt upon the Holy See when the evidence of so many abominable acts is there for all to see? Could it be that they "thought nothing" of those cruel acts since they were committed "in the name of God"?

In verse 8 God says, "Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me...." This religious leader will say in his heart that he is LIKE GOD! He is infallible!

Now read Revelation 12. The chapter describes two churches which will play a prominent role in the events to unfold right before Christ returns to Earth. God is the head of one church. Satan, the great dragon, heads the other.

The one Satan leads is the great church spoken of in Isaiah 47. Revelation 13:11 says it looks like a lamb, but speaks like a dragon. In Revelation 17:6, John says, "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration." God says this great church, using the military might of

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MARTYRDOM Revelation pictures a woman, drunk with the blood of God's saints, riding a beast.

a European beast power, will again institute the practice of forced conversions and mass killings against "heathens."

We know this will be hard for most people to believe because, as yet, Satan has masked his real intentions by keeping it underground as long as possible. "The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall *ascend out of the bottomless pit*, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder..." (v. 8). Once above ground, everyone will finally see what God is talking about!

Why do most people not understand these verses? (For more explanation, request a free copy of our booklet *The Rising Beast*.) God says in Revelation 12:9 and II Corinthians 4:4 that Satan rules this present evil world! In II Corinthians 11:13-15, we are told that Satan has his religion—his own ministers. Yet most people are led to believe that Satan does not even exist. And if they do believe in the devil, they certainly would not believe that he actually uses *religion* to deceive the masses.

Do not be deceived! Satan is the prince of the power of the air (Eph. 2:2). Right now, just as we have been predicting for more than 50 years (see our February issue), he is raising a European beast power, straddled by the great false church of Revelation 17, TO CONQUER THE WORLD! And human beings—even those directly involved in Satan's machinations—will continue along, unwittingly led by the god of this world.

Thomas Reese was shocked to find that the Vatican offered no explanation for why John Paul changed the way the next pope could be elected. "It is almost

as if the *pope did not realize the consequences of what he decreed*," Reese said. He didn't realize what he was doing—but Satan did! Satan is preparing the way for one man to gain a stranglehold on a church of 1 billion converts. He is preparing one man on the European front to gain a stranglehold on the political affairs of Europe. United together, this religious and political force will conquer the world during what the Bible calls the Great Tribulation.

We can thank God that it will only last for a short time.

People do not see what is happening yet because it is all underground—unless, of course, they are tuned in to God's wavelength. You can hear the rumblings of this religious-political beast now rising in Europe like a bear awakening from hibernation, if you are attuned to God's message. You can know how to be protected from the destruction this power will wreak upon our land and upon our peoples, if you will act on God's message.

Meanwhile, scoffers will howl with laughter until this beast is staring them in the face! ♦

THE POPE'S JERUSALEM CRUSADE

Measuring Catholic maneuvers in the Middle East against the backdrop of history

BY STEPHEN FLURRY

AFTER REFUSING TO RECOGNIZE THE State of Israel for over 40 years, the pope finally established diplomatic relations with them in 1993. A year later, he began a similar relationship with the Palestinians. The pope has since signed agreements with both sides to safeguard church property and rights in the Holy Land.

Why is the Vatican so interested in guaranteeing its rights in the Holy Land—especially Jerusalem?

History tells.

The Crusades

When Islamic forces gained control of the Holy Land shortly after the death of their prophet, Muhammad, in A.D. 632, it sparked a religious conflict that has remained in the region to this day. Early on, Arab forces allowed Roman Catholic Europe to maintain a presence in Jerusalem. Muslim leader Harun al-Rashid even christened Roman Emperor Charlemagne as protector of Jerusalem and owner of the Sepulcher.

After Charlemagne died in 814, however, Catholic Europe gradually lost its influential hold on Jerusalem. But when the Roman Empire revived in the tenth century, the tide of power began to shift from Islam to the West.

It was against this backdrop that the Vatican called on Christians to *forcibly* drive Islam out of the Holy Land. During the Middle Ages, the Catholic Church made repeated attempts to gain control of Jerusalem and other holy sites. Christians called these advances *Crusades*—a sugar-coated term for *military invasions*.

Pope Urban II initiated the first

“crusade” at the end of the 11th century. According to authors Terry Jones and Alan Ereirao, “By summoning an army under the banner of the cross, the pope was extending the church’s mantle over all Christendom. This was the idea at the very heart of the revolutionary papacy; in place of separate local churches at the center of discreet communities, there was to be *one overarching church*, ruled by *one overarching pope*. The Crusade was to be its expression and its instrument” (*Crusades*).

One church—one pope—one *universal headquarters*: Jerusalem.

Journey to Jerusalem

Promising forgiveness and eternal glory to those who joined the Crusade, Pope Urban II raised a formidable Christian army. From 1096 to 1097, between 60,000 and 100,000 Roman Catholics answered the pope’s call. Urban commissioned the volunteers to reach Jerusalem or face excommunication at home.

With the help of Byzantine forces, the crusaders marched through Asia Minor in 1097, skirmishing with Turks along the way. That autumn, they reached the outskirts of Antioch—a Turkish stronghold just off the northeastern shores of the Mediterranean Sea. After holing up during the harsh winter, Christians sacked the city in June of 1098. In the middle of the night, crusaders scaled the city walls and opened the city gates. Through the night and the next day, they murdered every Turkish man, woman and child they found. By

HOLY LAND
Wailing Wall
and Dome of
the Rock in
Jerusalem

the next night, according to author Steven Runciman in *A History of the Crusades*, “You could not walk on the streets without treading on corpses, all of them rotting rapidly in the summer heat. But Antioch

was *Christian* once more” (vol. 1, p. 194; emphasis added).

A year later, 13,000 crusaders had made it to the outskirts of Jerusalem. For more than a month, the Christians diligently built three wooden towers to help them get over Jerusalem’s city walls. Like at Antioch, they chose to attack in the middle of the night. Runciman describes the details of this brutal massacre: “The crusaders, maddened by so great a victory after such suffering, rushed through the streets and into the houses and mosques killing all that they met, men, women and children alike. All that afternoon and all through the night the massacre continued.... Early next morning a band of crusaders forced an entry into the mosque and slew everyone. When Raymond of Aguilers later that morning went to visit the temple area he had to pick his way through the corpses and blood that reached up to his knees.

“The Jews of Jerusalem fled in a body to their chief synagogue. But they were held to have aided the Muslims; and no mercy was shown to them. The building was set on fire and they were all burnt within.

“The massacre at Jerusalem profoundly impressed all the world. No one can say how many victims it involved; but it emptied Jerusalem of its Muslim and Jewish inhabitants. Many even of



the Christians were horrified by what had been done" (ibid., pp. 237-238).

Catholics murdered an estimated 70,000 Jews and Arabs in securing their hold on Jerusalem. In so doing, like at Antioch, Jerusalem was "Christian" once again.

Two weeks later, in Rome, Pope Urban II died just before receiving word of the Christian victory at Jerusalem. He died not knowing what he had started—for the victory in 1099 was only the first of many such crusades aiming to establish one overarching church, ruled by one overarching pope from one universal headquarters: Jerusalem.

Same Story

Nine hundred years later, not much has changed. The Vatican still regards Jerusalem, the birthplace of Christianity, as its universal headquarters. And John Paul has long considered Christian unity one of the chief aims of his papacy. While visiting Jerusalem's Church of the Holy Sepulcher in March, he even referred to it as the "mother of all churches."

The one difference, for now, is that the Vatican is working to maintain its grip on Christian holy sites through negotiation instead of violence. That's why most believe the pope's pilgrimage in March to be the apex of his lengthy papacy. It was an unprecedented diplomatic achievement.

But it is important to remember that the Vatican's Holy Land objectives have not changed. It has initiated dialogue with Jews and Muslims alike—the pope has even apologized for the church's past sins. But through it all, as William Orme noted in the March 23 *New York Times*, "Vatican diplomacy has been dictated by its own ecclesiastical interests." That's why, after signing an agreement with the Jews to protect Christian holy sites, the pope made a similar move with Palestinians. He wants assurance that no matter what happens in Jerusalem between Jews and Arabs, the Vatican will retain its holy sites. That's why the pope has long been in favor of making Jerusalem an international city, which would give the church even greater control of its sacred sites.

"Israel and the Vatican have reached an understanding more out of political consideration than heartfelt friendship," wrote Anton La Guardia in the *Daily Telegraph*. "Recognition by the spiritual authority of 1 billion Roman Catholics is a diplomatic achievement for Israel,

while the Vatican is keen to protect its interests at a time of rapid political change" (Dec. 31, 1993).

No one can deny that we live in a time of rapid political change. And through it all, the Vatican has skillfully negotiated with all necessary parties to help protect its interests in the Holy Land.



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But what happens when those interests are threatened? What if violence should erupt in the region? Actually, it will. The *Trumpet* has warned of this for many years, based on the sure word of Bible prophecy. Jerusalem will explode with violence in the near future. And when that happens, the Vatican will revert to its old ways—stirring "Christian" forces to gain control of the region by force.

The Bible Tells

In Zechariah 12:3, God says, "And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdenstone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it." In the latter days, Jerusalem is prophesied to be a burden for mankind. It will not be a city of peace, which is what the name "Jerusalem" means. It will be a burden!

In Zechariah 14:1-2, we begin to see why so much turmoil will revolve around Jerusalem: "Behold, the day of

the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city."

This prophecy, revolving around the Day of the Lord, is for the end time—when Christ will gather all nations. At that time, shortly before the return of Christ, your Bible says the city of Jerusalem will be divided in two. Right now Israel controls the entire city because of its conquests during the 1967 war against the Arabs.

But Israel will lose East Jerusalem—the half it acquired in 1967—according to Zechariah 14:2. As we wrote in the November 1996 *Trumpet*, when half of the city is taken it will be "like the first domino to fall, leading to Christ's return and battle against all nations in Jerusalem! It all begins and ends in Jerusalem." That is when God will begin to gather all nations.

Notice what else will occur once that city is again divided: "And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over" (Dan. 11:40). God says there will be a clash in this end time between the kings of the north and south. These are the same two forces that were pitted against each other during the Crusades—Catholic Europe and the nations of Islam! History will repeat itself! The Bible says Islamic forces will aggressively "push" at Europe. The *Trumpet* believes this prophesied clash will somehow revolve around Jerusalem—just as it has historically. The European Union will retaliate forcefully against the Islamic push—like a whirlwind, verse 40 says.

After responding to this Islamic push, Vatican-led Europe will then enter Jerusalem. "He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown..." (v. 41). The Hebrew word for "enter" implies that European troops will come in by invitation, not by force. Jewish officials will undoubtedly invite them into Jerusalem to keep peace.

Jesus also prophesied of Europe's "peaceful" entry into the Holy Land:

“And when ye shall see JERUSALEM COMPASSED WITH ARMIES, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh” (Luke 21:20). When God’s people see those armies enter Jerusalem, they will know the Great Tribulation is near. It may look like the world is about to have peace, but that will all change suddenly. The peaceful entry will turn into a deceitful double-cross—one in which *many nations* will be overthrown, including Israel, Britain and America.

Then, toward the end of the Tribulation, this final resurrection of the “Holy” Roman Empire will be troubled by events in Asia. “But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many” (Dan. 11:44). Fearing an attack by the Asiatic hordes, the European beast power will unleash a pre-emptive strike against them.

Notice what happens next: “And *he* [the religious head of this Eurobeast] shall *plant* the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN...” (v. 45). This verse refers to a religious leader who moves his headquarters—the tabernacles of his palace—to a holy mountain between two seas. The two seas refer to the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean. And the holy mountain between these two seas certainly denotes Mount Zion in Jerusalem.

These verses reveal that the Vatican’s dream of one “overarching church” ruled by a pope in Jerusalem will finally be realized! But it will be a short-lived relocation, as the rest of verse 45 indicates: “...yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.”

This is when God will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle, as we have already noted in Zechariah 14. Revelation 9, 14 and 16 also refer to this final climactic battle between the armies of this world and Jesus Christ’s army. Zechariah 14 goes on to describe the gruesome details of this battle in verses 12–13. Isaiah 31:9 says Jerusalem will be like a fiery furnace after Christ puts down man’s final rebellion.

That is where it all leads—to the return of Jesus Christ as king of kings and lord of lords. In the short run, Jerusalem will *not* be a city of peace. Only after Jesus Christ returns to this earth to set up God’s government, as it says in dozens of Bible prophecies, will there finally be peace in Jerusalem—and in the whole world. ♦

David Meets Goliath

Adrian Hilton talks about the difficulties of trying to expose Europe’s spiritual agenda.



Adrian Hilton

◆ In March, *Trumpet* Editor-in-Chief Gerald Flurry and other *Trumpet* staff attended a conference at Oxford, England, with lectures by a number of prominent speakers on the dangers inherent in Britain’s membership in the European Union. The following interview between British author and lecturer Adrian Hilton and *Trumpet* News Editor Ron Fraser is reproduced here for the benefit of our readers. Adrian Hilton is author of the best-selling book *The Principality and Power of Europe*, which includes in it a foreword by former speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Tonyandy. We have added emphasis to portions of the interview we felt to be most important.

A TRUMPET INTERVIEW

TRUMPET: Does the average British subject appreciate the essence of what’s going on in the European Union, involving the United Kingdom, let alone the spirit of the basic pillars of his national heritage that are being affected?

HILTON: Well, no. I mean, essentially the whole project is normally propagated in the media as essentially a secular notion. It is about issues of economics, trade, and now of course monetary union. The whole concept of *underlying powers*, like some sort of *spiritual agenda*, is one that the media aren’t always open to, and increasingly in a secular society, people aren’t often aware of either.

TRUMPET: Is there, to use a term you referred to there, a conscious “spiritual agenda” behind this European monolith?

HILTON: Well that’s what my thesis is of course based on. You don’t have to go so many years back to see that Europe has been in a perpetual state of war for over 2,000 years. I mean, the *Holy Roman Empire* was what evolved to effectively stop war. It didn’t, of course; *it precipitated the two bloodiest wars that the world has ever been through*, and you will see, as is being pointed out by Sir Richard Body and Norris McWhirter, that *the whole German plan at the moment is simply the replacing of bombs and bullets by treaties*. It is the same aggression, the same spirit, that is now at work still.

The Vatican was intrinsically involved in both world wars. It was a Vatican concordat with Hitler that effectively gave him support to do what he did, and for *the Vatican to turn a blind eye to the Holocaust*. These things are facts, *undeniable facts in history*. When the pope addresses the European Parliament, as he is free to do so, and calls for a united Europe from the Atlantic to the Urals, you begin to see—or at least any mature person must ask, what right does a perceived head of a religion have to lecture elected politicians on the agenda? The truth is, of course, that the Roman Catholics are essentially subject to his will, especially when he speaks infallibly *ex-cathedra*. And therefore, the agenda is perceived to be *spiritual*. *The present pope sees it as his divine right to assume the mantle of Charlemagne and be the emperor reigning over a united Europe*.

TRUMPET: Given that there is a spiritual agenda then behind the European movement, in order to limit that you’d think there has to be some sort of countervailing spiritual influence. But, religion, it would seem, in this country, is in a state of demise. I see where in May, I believe it is the Lutherans and the Anglicans are meeting in Canada to discuss being further drawn in under the Vatican umbrella. Where’s the resistance going to come from, in the spiritual sense?

HILTON: I wish I knew. But the answer is, of course, you’re right. The Lutherans, the Church of England,

whoever—whichever church wishes to ecumenically become a part of the world church that is emerging, the compromising is done on their part, not the Vatican's. There will be no movement in any issue of dogma, nor in the seven sacraments, because those are "infallible dogmas," effectively. They are there and they are "immutable."

Where's the movement going to come from? Well, one can only hope and pray that when a nation like Britain—which has enshrined in law its own rights and liberties, certainly for the last three centuries—when the people begin to perceive that their rights and liberties have been removed (it may be 10, 20, 30 years down the line), you may begin to get such civil unrest that there is a call for withdrawal from the European Union. But it won't be easy. And I don't doubt that Europol may well be sent in to keep the peace, or rather *enforce* the peace, at a later date. And the riots that you saw on the streets objecting to the poll tax will be as nothing compared to the riots that might ensue when people wish to retain or *regain* their liberties and rights.

TRUMPET: How do you overcome the apathy to get to that point?

HILTON: I can't deny that to an extent you have to be subversive now.

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You almost have to become a renegade and form your own little guerrilla groups to attack the appalling propaganda that is being permeated through society. I also wish to emphasize that we have the strongest weapon of all, I believe, on our side, and that is *truth*. I don't want to underestimate *the power of truth*. Whereas propaganda may be full of lies, insidious lies, and very attractive lies, to the mass of the population, ultimately *it is the sword of the spirit of truth that I believe ultimately will prevail*. Yes, there's a lot of darkness to go through, a lot of warfare to

engage in, and *the airwaves may well ultimately be closed to us under European law*, if we are perceived to be xenophobic, and inciting people to riot or causing disturbances of the peace, but *let us not forget, it was the first Christians in Ephesus who were accused of inciting riots and disturbing the peace*. And they were arrested on those grounds. It wasn't their *faith* that was at issue. It was the fact that they were in contravention of a civil law, that is the maintenance of the peace.

One might hope, and indeed, it's a possibility, that the more people speak out against these issues publicly, even if it's at Hyde Park corner and not on national television or radio, an arrest would engender a lot of publicity, a trial would engender even more, an imprisonment would be almost God's gift for having the issue raised to an even higher court.

I mean, it wasn't so many months ago that a judge in England ruled—when one person was arrested, I think it was in Bradford, for preaching the gospel. He was arrested because Muslims had complained, and of course there was a disturbance of the peace—he was arrested. And a judge said, there is no point in having freedom of speech if you cannot be irritating, if you can't be offensive. There is no point having it enshrined in your constitutions and law if it can't give voice to those sorts of people. So at the moment, the judiciary at least is aware of the fact that we have the rights to voice the opinion.

TRUMPET: You mentioned that you have truth on your side. A famous Roman, as he washed his hands, asked the question, "What is truth?" And so you have a great propaganda machine on one side, giving their version of truth, and you have struggling individual entities over here, that aren't, as one commentator mentioned, united as one body. They are disparate in a sense, but united in their own cause. Again, there has to be a mechanism to get the "truth" across.

HILTON: Well maybe it's a lot of *faith*. It was, after all, *one little pebble of David's that felled Goliath*. I mean, that may sound simplistic, and some may laugh at it. It is, I think, an historic fact, that little individuals, insignificant men, have formed groups that became whole movements.... You have to go back a few decades, if not centuries, to find examples of it, but there are examples of it....

There are swaths of our written constitution that, if repealed, explicitly would be seismic in their shift. The media would have to report upon it. There would have to be referenda asking the people on very profound issues whether they wished it to happen. That's why *the agenda is subversive*, it is *hidden, concealed, secret*, because *that's the only way they can achieve their ends in a nation*.

"That's why the [European Union's] agenda is subversive, it is hidden, concealed, secret, because that's the only way they can achieve their ends in a nation."

TRUMPET: You mentioned it could take perhaps up to 30 years for the groundswell of public opinion to move against what's happening in the relationship between the United Kingdom and the European Union.

HILTON: It depends to what extent the citizens of the United Kingdom wish to retain their common law rights, in essence. It is going to become more evident when people realize that *Magna Carta has been ditched* and people's rights to trial by jury have been eroded, essentially, under the *corpus juris* [collective or comprehensive body of all the laws of a nation or state] proposals of the European courts, Commission and Parliament. These things aren't realized immediately, that is true, but I don't give up all hope.

Let's face it—the European Union wouldn't achieve its aims if everything came in one big fell swoop. If we had been told back in 1975 that our membership of the European Economic Community demands a single currency, we would have voted no.... Now of course, Ted Heath has openly said—our prime minister then—has openly said that it was very much on the cards, and he was aware of it. Only now can it be revealed that he was aware of it, because we were being conditioned, slowly, to accept such a move. In speaking in terms of time frames, yes, time is against us, but that's because institutions like the Vatican aren't subject to democratic cycles of four or five years. THEY CAN THINK IN TERMS OF CENTURIES, and set the agendas, for centuries.

TRUMPET: We look out here at this group assembled today, and I imagine the mean age may well have been 60.

HILTON: Yes.

TRUMPET: It would appear then, that if this group is representative of other similar groups in the country, then you face the prospect of concern dying out, assuming that the up-and-coming generation is not being educated to be concerned about these things. The heritage is being lost. It does sound rather hopeless.

HILTON: Yes, I have to sadly, regretfully, agree with you. It *appears* hopeless. But if oaks are to grow from acorns, it isn't impossible that a small movement, albeit a divided one, operating in all sorts of spheres individually, can sufficiently undermine what is being constructed, because *what is being constructed is being constructed on sand*. When you find the *Maastricht treaty is law in Europe against its own clauses*, you begin to see and understand that it doesn't take much of a challenge in a court, ultimately, to bring the whole edifice down. It's a theoretical power, at the moment, but it's a very real prospect.

I also am not going to deny the spiritual power of prayer. We may have truth on our side, but *I don't believe the European Union, as it is evolving, is a move of God, as the pope does, and as many others do. If it is a move of God, then there's no point in opposing it; it will happen. However, wherever there is a movement of God, a genuine one, the truth, ultimately, will win out*. It does look bleak, especially with our children in this nation being systematically programmed with propaganda, all pro-Europe, all pro-the Roman Catholic Church—it looks very bleak. But all it takes is ONE TEACHER, one member of parliament, one education minister, to bring this to the attention of a higher power, to have the whole thing exposed. It's possible.

TRUMPET: What would be your most real and immediate concern about the European Union, in respect to its relationship with the United Kingdom?

HILTON: My most immediate concern, I would think, is the *moral* effect it is having on the nation. I mean, there is an awareness that the whole thing, as I've said, is economically driven. It's a monetary issue. That's what the *media* make of it. The spiritual powers are more aware of the fact—the Roman

Catholic Church—more aware of the fact that there is an *underlying agenda* to that.

It is when there are little agreements in the European Parliament, *definitions of things like sects*, that you begin to perceive that religious liberty, civil liberty, is going, bit by bit, but we are not being made aware of it. That's of immense concern: When people find out, a decade or so down the line, it's gone, it's too late to question your MEP [member of the European Parliament] or write to the European Commission to object, because it's already been dealt with and gone. When these



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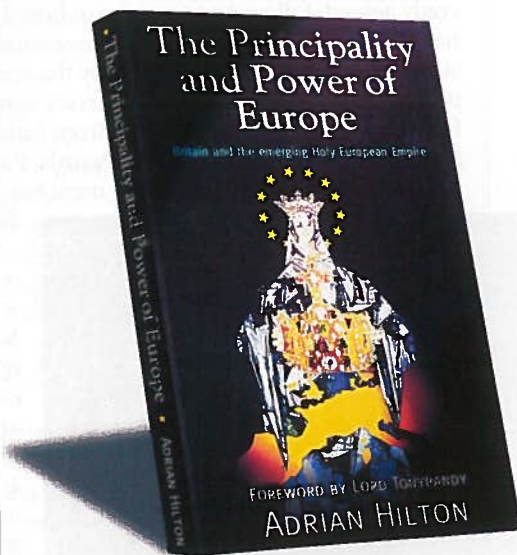
things are given away, they're called *Acqui Communitaire*, they are community acquisitions, and they don't ever come back. *There is no mechanism for them to come back*. The undermining of our democratic rights, being the mother of parliaments here, is of immense concern. But, the media go on propagating the *lie* that it's our members of parliament whom we can elect or reject, and they are the lawmakers. It's become a *façade*.

The reason Tony Blair has moved so far to the right and John Major moved so far to the left is because they all are subject to this *malaise* of a *Third Way*, emanating out of Brussels. Tony Blair didn't democratically and freely decide to stick to conservative spending principles when he came to power. He knew, in order to meet the criteria for the single currency imposed on us by Maastricht, *he had no choice but to do that*. And yet the British people are told that if we elect Tony Blair, we have a different agenda. Well then they find out they haven't. And in fact, the Labor Party in this country has lost its ground-root votes now, because they have perceived that actually it's not much different to John Major's conservative government at all, because

democracy is actually gone. And it's of immense concern to me, when the adages of issues like “no taxation without representation” are gone, and people aren't yet aware of it.

TRUMPET: Well, getting back to the principle thrust of your book and the point you made earlier here, to sum up, it would seem that, ultimately, from all angles, at its grass roots it's a spiritual problem, in that obviously there's a spiritual movement driving the European Union, and therefore that has to be counteracted with a more than equal and opposite spiritual effect. Would you care to comment on that?

HILTON: *Well...the love of money is the root of all evil*. But when you have a parliament that is effectively a commission and a structure on monetary union and economic issues, and the Vatican, which is by all reports the wealthiest institution on earth, and it is vastly so, *it's all constructed on the love of money. It therefore rests on what is the root of all evil. Only an exposition of the truth can combat that*. And that will not be, I don't believe, the established Church of England, because it is now hopelessly compromised. It will be these little subversive groups, or, *as they are found in the book of Acts, when they were first called Christians, this sect, this cult, that will ultimately, maybe, raise the spiritual temperature and open people's eyes to truth*. ♦



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◆ U.S.

Bering Strait betrayal

A recent *Soviet Analyst* produced by World Report Limited reported Britain's loss of the strategic real estate known as Faraday Base, located in Antarctica. Faraday Base, Britain's oldest base on the peninsula, established during the Graham expedition in 1934-37, has now been turned over to the Ukraine.

Under the guise of continuing their research program in Antarctica, since 1993 the Ukraine has sought control of the area so "Ukrainian 'scientists' would be able to continue their scientific research program." Ignoring the fact that Soviet military would be interested in the site, the foreign office agreed to the handover.

This handover followed the similarly shortsighted U.S.-USSR Maritime Boundary Agreement of 1990. "A comparably stupid handover of priceless territory was secretly agreed, following negotiations which had continued since the end of the Ford administration, between the former U.S. Secretary of State, James A. Baker III, and MVD General Eduard She-

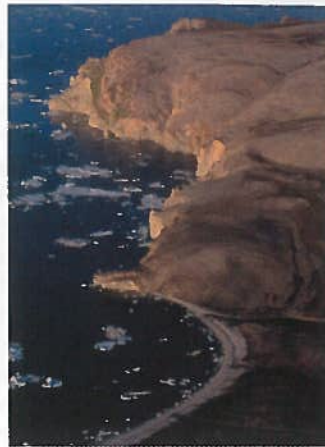
vardnadze, when he was still operating as Soviet foreign minister, on June 1, 1990. Specifically, these two signed a U.S.-USSR Maritime Boundary Agreement" (Vol. 26, no. 2, Feb. 2000).

The agreement effectively removed Wrangel Island, Herald, Bennett, Henrietta and Jeanette Islands in the Arctic, and Copper Island, Sea Lion Rock and Sea Otter Rock on the west end of the Aleutian Chain from the previous control of the United States. These islands effectively control passage through the Bering Strait.

In addition, the territorial seas of these islands, the assets and seabed, also previously controlled by the United States, passed to Ukrainian ownership.

"The secret accord also delimited the territorial sea and seabeds of Little Diomed Island at less than the normal 3-mile or 12-mile extent. Simultaneously with signing this secret agreement, James Baker signed an executive side-agreement with Shevardnadze stating that, pending the entry into force of the proposed treaty agreement (of June 1, 1990), the two governments agreed to abide by the terms of the proposed treaty agreement, with effect from June 15, 1990: In other words, this secret side-agreement basically overrode ratification" (ibid.).

The *Soviet Analyst* now reports that the state department and Moscow are negotiating for the redrawing of maritime boundaries which will additionally remove 40,000 more square miles of ocean and seabed from American control. This area regularly yields 300,000,000 pounds of fish a year. For this added transfer to Russian control, the United States would



Wrangel Island

receive little or nothing in return.

"Among territory to be lost under the existing accord are the 200-nautical-mile exclusive economic and fishery conservation zones around the islands already ceded" (ibid.). Not decided, as yet, is the future of the oil and gas reserves in the areas, which are considered to be worth billions of dollars.

Loss of control over the strategically important Wrangel Island is a potential disaster for two reasons.

First, it is in prime territory for radar and satellite tracking locations, missile deployment systems, and missile submarines pens which would threaten the north-western coast and interior of the U.S.

Second, and perhaps far more critical in the short run, is the probable loss of passage to American warships through the Bering Strait.

◆ AUSTRALIA

Welcoming the queen

The liberal press and their Republican mentors had predicted a low turnout for Queen Elizabeth's recent visit down under. They were wrong. The roots of royal heritage still run deep in this island continent.

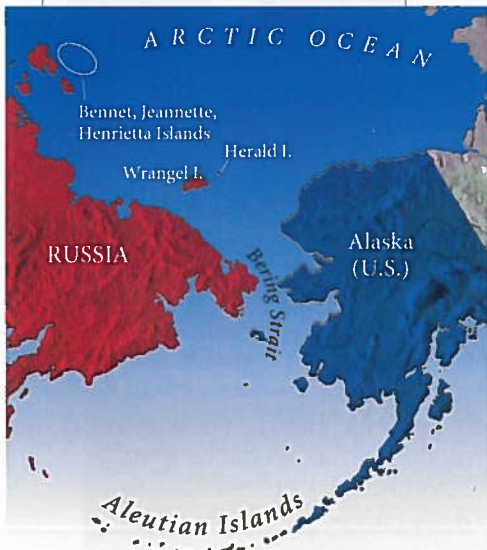
As it turned out, the queen was given an overwhelmingly friendly welcome by both Republican sympathizers and monarchists alike on this, her 13th visit to Australia. As the *Week* magazine recently reported, leading Republicans praised Queen Elizabeth for her 48 years as their head of state. They reinforced this message with an assurance that any move to abandon the monarchy by Australians implied no personal criticism.

This queen has simply won the hearts of rambunctious Australians with her evident and tireless devotion to duty. Prince Philip's occasional roguishness endears him to independent-spirited Aussies, and Prince Charles' secondary school stint in Victoria in his youth served to further bind the ties between this southern member of the British Commonwealth and Britain's royal family.

Stepping diplomatically between the Republican and monarchist debates in Australia, the queen "recalled her links with the country over the past half century, but added: 'We must look forward as well as back. Australia has always been a country on the move and will go on being so—it is not for nothing that the anthem is 'Advance Australia Fair'.... Whatever the future may bring, my lasting respect and deep affection for Australia and Australians



WELCOME FIT FOR A QUEEN Queen Elizabeth receives warm Aussie greetings.



everywhere will remain as strong as ever. That is what I have come here to say" (*Independent*, March 21).

Stating her belief that it was for the Australian people alone to decide their future, she added, "I respect and accept the outcome of the referendum," thus indicating that the narrow margin by which the monarchist vote edged out the Republican vote during Australia's 1999 referendum on the issue of whether or not to dispense with her services had been duly noted by her. This, she indicated, could well mean that Australia may dispense with her services as head of state within the current decade.

If her recent friendly welcome is anything to judge by, whether or not the liberal-socialist push to eliminate the proud British heritage from the consciousness of Australians succeeds, it appears that the queen will still be welcomed in that country as a true friend.

◆ ANGOLA

Blood money

Since 1975, almost unheeded by the rest of the world, the African nation of Angola has been engulfed in a bloody civil war. Just over the past decade this tribal conflict has left half a million dead and a further 2 million homeless.

What is little known is that it is the West that is wittingly funding this war.

It works like this. The Angolan government relies on oil sales to finance its armies. Their antagonists, the rebel independence army, pay for their weapons with money derived from diamond exports. As the civil war between the two escalates, sales of Angolan oil and diamonds increase so as to fund the fighting.

As *Earth Island Journal*



OIL-RICH WATERS off the coast of Angola's province, Cabinda, have attracted Western merchants.

recently reported, undeterred by the blood money which their custom provides, foreign multinationals line up to benefit. BP Amoco, Exxon and Elf-Aquitaine have all acquired major concessions on Angola's virgin oil fields, while the diamond trader De Beers continues to profit from the strife-torn country.

What is even worse is that Angola's oil and diamond traders have close links to another industry which stands to profit from this messy war: Defense-related corporations in the West have equity holdings in all of Angola's major oil contractors. Thus the civil war in Angola proves to be quite a profitable racket for greedy Western merchants.

◆ YUGOSLAVIA

Another Kosovo fake

The U.S. and British administrations continue to claim success in the Kosovo war of last year despite a string of embarrassing revelations to the contrary.

Last year Stratfor Systems, a Texas-based intelligence service, forced the hand of the United Nations by revealing that the Kosovo killing fields simply did

not exist. This forced the UN to revise their estimates downward from the outlandish figures touted by NATO's spin doctors.

Then came the exposure of the British TV news team from ITN in their falsely claiming that a photograph of refugees at

Trnopolje camp was proof of the Serbs setting up Nazi-style concentration camps for Albanian prisoners. As U.S. diplomat Richard Holbrooke admitted in a TV interview, it was this fake photograph which dominated the minds of the U.S. administration and NATO operations as they discussed their strategy to bomb Serbia.

Hard on the heels of these embarrassing reports, yet another Kosovo fake has been revealed.

Within two weeks of the launching of NATO's bombing campaign against Serbia, Germany's Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer revealed the purported existence of *Operation Horseshoe*. This plan ostensibly showed that Serbian leader Slobodan Milosevic was intent on ethnically cleansing Kosovo's entire Albanian population. NATO then took up the cudgel, regularly citing *Operation Horseshoe* as proof that Belgrade had long planned the expulsion of Albanians, thus further justifying its bombing raids over the Serbian capital from 15,000 feet up.

Now a retired German brigadier, Heinz Loquai, reveals in a new book that this purported plan touted by Fischer was a complete fake!

Loquai claims that *Operation Horseshoe* was fabricated from a vague

Bulgarian intelligence report which was connived to gain public support for NATO's campaign. However, even this apparently sham report indicates Bulgaria had concluded that Milosevic's aim was to merely destroy the Kosovo Liberation Army, not to expel all Albanians!

◆ SWEDEN

Hitler's legacy

In a recent report which surfaced in Sweden, that nation discovered that Hitler's legacy of madness lived on fully 35 years after the Second World War.

The report confirms that a social-engineering program mounted by the Swedish government in 1935 was inspired by Hitler's eugenics program of the 1930s. Trouble is, it did not cease when Hitler disappeared. The Swedish government continued to administer sterilization to mostly women patients until 1975.

The criteria for sterilization adopted and continued by the post-war Swedish government embraced those classified as "racially mixed," "gypsy," and any young girls who were reported to government agencies for leading an "immoral life." Among those sterilized against their will were women who had produced disabled children.

Many women had no idea they had been sterilized. On the other hand, the report indicates that thousands of others were sterilized by force. In all it appears that 63,000 Swedes were sterilized as a result of the program.

The report of involuntary sterilization contrasts markedly with the recently released British statistic verifying that 30 percent of British women under the age of 35 have had a voluntary abortion.



Milosevic

Europe Marches South

Here is advance news of the next move of the rising European monolith, the European Union. You will soon read of this in your newspapers. In this article we break the news of the EU's move southward.

BY RON FRASER

SAN ANTON PALACE, VALLETTA, MALTA
Sunday, March 5

DARK HAS FALLEN ON THIS EARLY spring evening in the ancient capital of the Mediterranean island of Malta. Our Maltese representative, Daniel Frendo, and I have walked the red carpet up the ancient steps of the presidential palace to the presidential reception room. We are ushered into the presence of Maltese President Guido de Marco, where, with a handful of other journalists, we await the arrival of the president of the European Commission, Romano Prodi, and his commissioner for European Union Enlargement, Gunter Verheugen.

The doors swing open and a smiling Romano Prodi advances to shake the hand of the Maltese President. The two settle into a pair of sumptuous regency-striped chairs in front of a warming fire set in the ornate open fireplace. Pleasantries are exchanged, then both men make key statements which affirm the stance of each on Malta's pending accession to EU membership.

President De Marco succinctly puts his government's view of Malta's relationship with the EU: "It is possible that apart from the political discussions on the nature of the relationship with the EU, all will agree that Malta's relationship with the EU is of fundamental importance."

President Prodi's response highlighted just how crucial he regards Malta's membership: "Malta and the Mediterranean are of the highest priority, even though they have been recently overtaken by the Balkan problems. The EU actively wants economic growth and cooperation in the southern Mediterranean, and Malta can contribute in this. *Future peace depends on this development, and crisis would result if these efforts failed.*"

In a crucial statement that was to be reinforced as he lobbied hard over the next two days to strengthen Maltese support for EU membership, Prodi then declared, "*Malta is the southern pillar of Europe.*"

Both Guido de Marco and

SOUTHERN PILLAR

Malta is being pulled in by Europe.

Romano Prodi are only too aware of the historically strategic positioning of Malta as a bulwark of defense to the Mediterranean and as a gateway to the east and the south. Hence Prodi's stressing that "*future peace depends on this development.*"

Europe in the South

For some time the EU has sought involvement in the south within the Mediterranean, North Africa and the Middle East. In 1960, concessionary trade agreements were concluded by the EU with certain of these countries. They were expanded in the 1970s to include economic and financial cooperation, culminating in 1990, following the unification of Germany, with the adoption of the New Mediterranean Policy. This policy introduced the concept of EU-Mediterranean partnership, by the use of EU assistance, to encourage economic and structural reforms in Mediterranean countries.

However, in November 1995, at the Barcelona Conference convened between the 15 member states of the EU and 12 countries of the Mediterranean, North Africa and the Middle East, the EU agenda began to solidify. The agenda declared that peace and stability in the region were "of the highest priority."

The EU was moving aggressively, at this point, out from behind its façade as an economic and trading bloc and flexing its political muscles, following the conclusion of the 1994 Maastricht Treaty. This treaty introduced an entirely new role to the EU, that of *defense and security* initiatives via titles v (articles J to J.11) and vi (articles K to K.9) allowing for the development of a *common defense and security policy*. This was further strengthened by the conclusion and implementation of the Amsterdam Treaty in mid-1999.

Article v of the treaty deserves thoughtful consideration in respect of the European Union's agenda. From its inception, the Eurocombine was touted as an *economic* entity. For over 40 years it grew upon a policy of the development of a *single market*, together with the protection and extension of that market's international trade. Then, with the Maastricht Treaty, the single currency issue, which replaced the national sovereign currencies of member nations, elevated the European community into a singular *political* entity. With the subsequent adoption of the



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Amsterdam Treaty, the prospect of the EU becoming a combined European economic, political and *military* power became a reality. Article v (ex-article B) of the common provisions of the Amsterdam Treaty states that one of the objectives of the Union is to “*assert its identity on the international scene, in particular through the implementation of a common foreign and security policy, including the eventual framing of a common defense policy, which might in time lead to a common defense.*”

It is the EU’s aggressive pursuit of this policy which has led the present strained relations with the U.S. to the point where two months ago, the U.S. administration dispatched Defense Minister William Cohen to Brussels to try and figure out just what the EU was up to. The U.S. fears conflict between NATO and a future EU defense arm.

The Soft Underbelly

Winston Churchill, when contemplating the European continent, pointed to its weak point—the “soft underbelly” of the Mediterranean. It was the heroic stance of Malta, under the greatest siege in warfare history, which allowed the Allied forces to secure the Mediterranean, the Middle East and North Africa and turn the tide of war against the Nazi onslaught in 1942.

This history is well known to Romano Prodi, who has been at the forefront calling for yet another treaty to build upon Maastricht and Amsterdam “*to give us our own defense capability.*”

Thus, as we observed the cordial meeting between the Maltese President and Romano Prodi, we took particular note of the commission president’s declaration of the EU’s next

move. This move is pending on the securing of the Balkans by the EU under Commissioner Bodo Hombach’s 1.8 billion ECU (European Currency Unit) plan for Balkan and Romanian “economic reconstruction.” Prodi stated “I will be very happy to open the door for Malta to enter the EU.... I give the highest priority to the entry of the

countries of the Mediterranean into the EU. *I’ve always regarded Malta as part of Europe—historically, culturally and politically. We’ve been taken up with the Balkans up to now but soon we shall focus on the Mediterranean. I*



Romano Prodi

want to see Malta in the EU.”

Mr. Prodi continued with this theme as he addressed an official dinner later that evening at the Auberge de Castille, the official residence of the prime minister of Malta.

The next day we represented the *Trumpet* at the Palazzo Parisio in Valletta where EU Enlargement Commissioner Gunter Verheugen addressed a meeting of the mini-European assembly of the National Student Travel Foundation. Mr. Verheugen was pointed in his comments, which reflected a typical Teutonic federalist approach to Europe: “Working together quite simply works better than acting alone.”

This is the argument that has seen the loss of national sovereignty of the 15 European Union member nations to the point where they are now referred to, not as nations, but as “European communities.”

Reflecting the globalist thrust of the EU, Verheugen continued, “What Malta has to offer to North Africa, or Australia, or wherever, becomes more effective.... You become a gateway. And psychologically, too, you will leave behind unequal relationships of the past.” This last comment was designed to remind Malta of how often it had been overtaken by foreign powers and the struggles it has experienced in developing as an independent nation since the British left.

As has been the habit of this rising beast with a rotten heart (refer to Bernard Connolly’s *The Rotten Heart of Europe*, previously quoted in this

magazine), cash is on offer to tempt aspiring members of the EU into the fold. Mr. Verheugen proffered, “There will be money to modernize Malta. There are large funds available.”

Yet, most intriguing for us was the commissioner’s revealing the future focus of EU expansion—to the *south* and *east!* Mr. Verheugen declared, “For Europe, Malta has been described as

a springboard to the whole Mediterranean region, and especially to the *African* and *Middle Eastern* shores. Malta will be at the heart of north-south relations. The goal is a stable and prosperous Mediterranean basin, with its

southern and *eastern* flanks filling their true potential.”

This is not just trade talk—this is talk of a strategic plan, prepared by an aggressive European political entity bent on becoming a dominant world power, superceding even the present global dominance of the U.S.!

Political Blackmail?

The modernized chamber of Malta’s House of Representatives gives stark contrast to the historic warmth of the beautiful Tapestry Room where

President Prodi and Commissioner Verheugen were officially welcomed by the House speaker, prior to the EU commission president’s address to the parliament of Malta. This was the second day of their visit to this rocky island.

During his speech to the assembled House of Representatives, Romano Prodi stressed three key areas for consideration by the Mal-

ttese when contemplating whether or not to pursue EU membership: considerable EU *financial support*; the prospect of the 400,000-strong Maltese population going it alone or joining the giant Euromarket to their north; and the idea that national sovereignty would be strengthened rather than lost upon accession to EU membership.

It was in attempting to convince his audience of these three prospects that Mr. Prodi revealed the true nature of the web which the EU weaves around contenders for membership.

The first, the promise of “considerable aid” is pure blackmail to a struggling independent nation of less than half a million population such as Malta.

The second proposition was put by Prodi thus: “In Europe, the crucial location factor for international business from outside often comes down to one thing—*are you inside or outside the trading bloc of 400 million people?*” This statement is not much more than a veiled threat. It is tantamount to declaring that if a small independent nation wishes its international trade to survive, then it had better yield to the pressure to accede to EU membership—if you’re in you eat, if you’re out you starve! (Rev. 13:16-17).

The final proposition is but an out-and-out, barefaced lie. Romano Prodi stated before all the assembled parlia-



Gunter Verheugen

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mentarians, diplomats, honored guests and the gathered press that “paradoxically, you have more influence and real sovereignty inside the union than out. This is because sovereignty is pooled rather than lost.”

The very opposite is the truth!

Britain is slowly waking up to this fact. In a letter to the *Sunday Times* of Malta dated November 26, 1999, author Rodney Atkinson tried to warn the Maltese of this reality in the following terms: “As the author of the book *Europe’s Full Circle*, quoted by your correspondent Eddie Privitera (October 17), might I warn the people of Malta of the malign and blatantly political interference of the ‘European movement’ in Britain over the last 30 years as our nation, democracy and 800-year-old Constitution have been largely wiped out.... Malta played a noble part in the defeat of the totalitarian superstate of the 1940s—I am sure you will resist the siren voices of the European movement today and choose nationhood and freedom.”

Yet the voice of *business* in Malta is not working to this end if the words of John E. Sullivan, president of the Malta Chamber of Commerce, are to be believed as he addressed Romano Prodi at a meeting of Maltese business organizations and trade unions on March 6. Sullivan declared, “Our country cannot remain detached from these winds of change if it is to pursue its future path of continuous economic development. Maintaining the status quo [non-membership of the EU] would certainly constitute a recipe for disaster for Malta.”

As Mr. Atkinson mentioned in his letter previously quoted, “The European movement is financed by big business and the European Commission, neither of which have of course been elected by anyone.”

Malta’s course is set. Either the island nation accedes to membership and loss of national sovereignty, or it will simply be overtaken by events as the EU pursues its aggressive strategy—a strategy underscored by both Romano Prodi and Gunter Verheugen during their recent visit. The EU is moving *south* and *east*, and Malta is in the direct path of that move. The securing of this ancient island bastion is *crucial*

to this southward and eastward advance of the Eurobeast.

Ancient Prophecy

As Mr. Frendo and I witnessed these recent events in Malta, we could not avoid turning our minds to an ancient prophecy in the book of the prophet Daniel. Speaking of the *physical* fulfillment of a latter-day type of Antiochus Epiphanes, described as a “little horn” attached to a mighty beast power, that prophecy predicts that the



rising European combine will move *south* and *east*, toward the Holy Land! Those are the very words of both EC President Prodi and European Com-

Spain Surges Right

In a landslide victory, right-wing Spanish President Jose Maria Aznar recently demolished his socialist opponents in Spain’s federal elections. What’s behind this swing against the center-left tide in European politics?

BY RON FRASER

POST-FRANCO SPAIN HAD, FOR THE past half-century, shown a recurring tendency toward left-of-center politics. Yet, just two months ago the right-wing Popular Party of Jose Maria Aznar won the greatest majority in the entire history of Spanish democracy.

While politics from Britain eastward to Germany have been influenced by center-left, “Third Way” swings in European electorates over the past decade, the right-wing landslide victory in Spain comes hard on the heels of similar trends in Malta last year and, more recently, the much maligned triumph of Jörg Haider’s Freedom Party’s dominance in the January Austrian election—not to mention trends of a similar nature even in the Russian elections. In all of these national elections, the biggest losers have been the hard-core Communists.

What is startling in the Spanish electoral result is that, whereas Haider’s party gained the right to govern in coalition with the Conservative People’s Party, Aznar’s party gained a stunning outright victory, winning 183 of the 350 seats in the Spanish Cortes (parliament). The Communists, formerly the third-biggest parliamentary bloc in

Spain with 21 seats, had their representation reduced to a mere eight seats.

Interestingly, though the two, on the surface, would appear to represent different political ideals, Aznar’s platform for victory was not unlike that of Russian leader Vladimir Putin in his successful drive for victory in the Russian presidential elections. Both leaders were applauded for their tough stand on terrorism. Both pandered to the powerful business sector. Both made sure that their powerful police forces were well paid; Aznar hiked police pay by up to 13 percent in his first term as leader; Putin, being an old KGB hack, was well accepted by the Russian police. Both Aznar and Putin publicly pledged to deal with corruption spawned under the leadership that preceded them.

In Malta’s case, Prime Minister Fenech Adami stymied Alfred Sant’s socialists—only a third of the way through their elected term of office—by appealing to business and promising to limit the socialists’ tendency to flirt with terrorist-based countries, such as Libya, in exchange for a ride on the coattails of the European Union.

Three right-wing swings in three strategically vital Euro-Mediterranean countries in less than two years—

missioner for Enlargement Verheugen, which we heard with our own ears at these recent crucial conferences in Malta in March. Read those words again: “Malta is the *southern pillar* of Europe.... I want to see Malta in the EU”—Romano Prodi. “You [Malta] become a *gateway*.... For Europe, Malta has been described as a *springboard* to the whole Mediterranean region [*south and east*], and especially to the African [*south*] and Middle Eastern [*Holy Land*] shores”—Gunter Verheugen.

Now, with those words ringing in your ears, read the clear prophecy of Daniel which these words are destined to fulfill: “And out of one of them

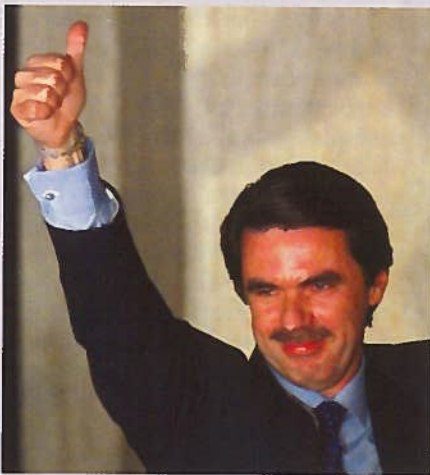
came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the *south*, and toward the *east*, and toward the *pleasant land*” (Dan. 8:9).

You need to understand the application of this ancient prophecy to the events even now happening in Europe, the Mediterranean, reaching into North Africa, across to Cyprus and into the Middle East!

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AZNAR CELEBRATES his win.

added to the Putin phenomenon in Russia. What’s going on in this vitally strategic region?

In Spain, Austria, Malta and Russia there was a singular dominant factor—the craving of an electorate for *stability*. This was incubated by a perception of *instability* engendered by the previous, less-assertive leadership of more center-left persuasion.

And when European nations crave *stability*, it is part of their history that they swing *right* politically. The great paradox is that in seeking greater stability by supporting right-wing leaders, this has inevitably led to their greatest periods of instability; witness 1817, 1914 and 1939, as the dogs of war rose to wreak havoc on the European continent.

In this context it is worth watching political trends in the three key nations within the present European Union: *France, Germany and Italy*. Each of these nations have the seeds of instability germinating within their nation-

al boundaries—endemic unemployment, rising xenophobia, populations which are simply not replacing themselves at a rate which will sustain their national economies, diminution of social welfare as their governments seek to wrestle their economies into conformity with EU requirements, and educated populations which fear a loss of independence to a Eurobureaucracy.

Of particular concern in times of social and political instability is *Germany*. With the collapse of the Christian Democratic Union’s (CDU) leadership, the credibility of Germany’s dominant political party, the party of corporatist business, of Catholic conservatism, has been greatly clouded. The previous security of a two-party political system, enjoyed by the German electorate for over 30 years, has been shattered by the demise of Helmut Kohl and his CDU party supporters. In the meantime, as reported recently in the *Suddeutsche Zeitung*, youth centers across Germany are once again filling with Hitler busts and Nazi music.

In point of fact, Germany for the past 60 years has been “democratic” in political *appearance* only. Germany, throughout its entire history, has never been a democratic society at heart.

A democratic system of government was enforced in Germany following the denial of victory in the Second World War. But, as the unembargoed archives have recently revealed in many well-documented books and commentaries, the beating heart of national socialism in Germany simply went underground in the closing months of World War II. The great corporations of national socialist Germany which drove its mighty war ma-

chine, in collusion with some U.S. corporatists, have emerged to now dominate global business.

The appeal of a “strong deliverer” to the German national character is fundamental to the German nature. The intense discomfort with instability, the craving for order, system and organization still wells up in the breast of a true German, particularly in time of social, economic and political upheaval.

Right-wing politics—the politics of the national socialists of recent German history, of the fascists of Italy, of Vichy France, of Franco’s Spain—are not far below the surface of present-day politics in Europe. Scratch the surface and you find a Jörg Haider, a Jean-Marie Le Pen, a Jose Marie Aznar, a Gianfranco Fini or an Edmund Stoiber.

What we perceive as a cyclical swing to the right in some Euro-Mediterranean nations today may well be just the next step along from the “Third Way” of the center-left phenomenon of 1990s Europolitics—a step toward the re-emergence of that old Catholic socialism that too easily can spread like a rippling earthquake across Europe when any major destabilizing effect frightens the European electorates. If the Third Way center-leftists have their roots in fascist ideology, as claimed by numerous authors whom we have previously quoted, then to the *right* of fascism stalks the specter of *Nazism*.

Watch Europe! Watch the Mediterranean. Watch Germany—watch for signs of the imminent emergence of the final thrust of a *right-wing national socialist swing* which will sweep a single dominant leader to victory to lead the rising, soon-to-be *globally dominant Eurostate*. *Watch—and prepare!* ♦



Czechmate!

How Western weakness has allowed former Czechoslovakia to be dominated by the Vatican and European Union

BY GARETH FRASER

OXFORD UNIVERSITY, ENGLAND

TRANQUIL GARDENS, FLOWING STREAMS and age-old architectural design of 39 colleges fill the landscape of the world's most prestigious seat of learning. Oxford is a unique and historic institution. As the oldest English-speaking university in the world, it lays claim to eight centuries of continuous existence.

Passing by the Oxford Union building, I was reminded of a 1933 debate at which the majority of undergraduates approved the motion, "That this House refuses in any circumstances to fight for king and country."

Winston Churchill's response to this motion was swift: "My mind turns across the narrow waters of channel and the North Sea, where great nations stand determined to defend their national glories or national existence with their lives...."

"One can almost feel the curl of contempt upon the lips of the manhood of all these peoples when they read this message sent out by Oxford University in the name of young England" (*The Prophet of Truth*, vol. 5 of *Winston S. Churchill*).

It was only 67 years ago that on these very grounds here at Oxford,

Winston Churchill was laughed to scorn as he warned students and faculty that Britain desperately needed to re-arm or face the menacing power of the Nazi war machine.

Betrayal of Czechoslovakia

At the time, Oxford and most British folk did not listen to Churchill's passionate warnings. Politicians in both America and Britain pursued a policy of appeasement toward the provocative Nazi regime. Hitler had already re-armed Germany, violating the Versailles Treaty of 1919. On March 7, 1936, German troops occupied the demilitarized zone of the Rhineland. Still, the West did nothing. As the West gave an inch, Hitler took a mile.

Despite giving assurances that they were not preparing for an invasion, German troops amassed on the Austrian border for "training exercises" on March 12, 1938. Later that night, Hitler ordered his storm troopers to cross into Austria.

In spite of this Teutonic taunting, British Prime Minister Neville Cham-

berlain believed that through negotiation and good will, sanity would prevail. He engaged in an open-ended dialogue with the Führer.

Unmoved, Hitler began looking further east, into Czechoslovakia and the mountainous Sudetenland that separated Germany from the Czechoslovaks.

In September, while speaking in parliament, Chamberlain received an invitation from Hitler to attend a four-power conference in Munich. Chamberlain broke off his speech and excitedly announced the news. Loud applause erupted as he told the House of Commons that he would accept Hitler's invitation. All in the house, save Churchill and three others, were on their feet enthusiastically cheering this "victory." Churchill knew Czechoslovakia was in peril: Britain was about to betray a true ally.

On September 29, 1938, the Munich Pact (which relinquished Czechoslovakia's Sudeten territory to Germany) was signed by Germany, France, Italy and Britain. Hitler had "officially" gotten his way. Sadly, the Czech government was not even consulted or invited to the Munich talks. Landlocked, abandoned by the West and in fear of Hitler's Nazi henchmen, Czechoslovak President Benes was left with no choice but to agree to the terms of the pact and allow the Germans to pilfer the resource-rich Sudetenland.

As he returned from Munich with the agreement in hand, Chamberlain was met by cheering crowds at the airport. It was here that he claimed victory and prophesied "I believe it is peace for our time" to the British people, rec-



PROPHET OF TRUTH Churchill's warnings about German aggression were long ignored.

ommending to them, "Go home and sleep quietly in your beds."

While the country slumbered, Churchill was awake and vigilant. He gravely warned Parliament on October

5, 1938, in his speech titled "A Total and Unmitigated Defeat," "This is only the beginning of the reckoning. This is only the first sip, the first foretaste of a bitter cup." On January 7, 1939, with the Munich Pact in full effect, Churchill reminded the British political elite that "War is horrible, but slavery is worse."

Too proud to admit wrong, the pin-striped politicians supported continued appeasement.

Then, again, despite assurances to the contrary, Hitler invaded Czechoslovakia and was over-nighting at the president's palace in Prague by March 1939. Czechoslovakia was under the control of the German jackboot—and *Western appeasement had allowed it.*

The Führer had referred to Czechoslovakia as the "dagger aimed at the heart of Germany," and he took immediate action to ensure that the point was blunted: He promptly split the country in two. The Czechs became part of the Reich, while Slovakia declared independence and became a Nazi puppet state ruled by the "appointed" Catholic priest Jozef Tiso.

Finally, after Germany invaded Poland, the West declared war.

But it was only after Chamberlain resigned that Churchill took office and re-armed Britain. Later America entered the war in support of Britain to fend off the establishment of Hitler's Third Reich and squelch his aspirations of resurrecting the "Holy" Roman Empire in the tradition of Charlemagne. Fifty million lives were extinguished in this, the world's worst war.

In the weak spirit of the 1933 Oxford undergraduates, the West is again pursuing a policy of appeasement toward German-led European expansionism. As a result, since the fall of the Berlin Wall, Germany has, under the flag of the European Union and the cross of the Catholic Church, achieved more than Adolf Hitler had at his zenith in World War II.

Today, Czechs and Slovaks are again in Czechmate!

Papal Pressure

The means to achieving their goals have changed. But as this issue of the *Trumpet* has shown, the appetite for growth exhibited by the European Union and the Vatican has remained

unchanged from the days of World War II. Their policy on Czechoslovakia is no exception.

Pope John Paul II has worked hard to bring Czechoslovaks into the Holy Roman family. Just six months after the



PUPPET STATE Jozef Tiso (center) was appointed Slovakia's prime minister when the German Reich took the country under its protection.

fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, on his first visit to Eastern Europe since the fall of communism, he visited the Czech and Slovak republics. He knew the importance of securing central Europe *spiritually*, before what he termed "the eastern and western lungs" of the empire could be fully secured.

Communism had taken a toll, reducing the Catholic population to just 30 percent of Czechs and 60 percent of Slovaks. But this was about to change.

Using St. Adalbert, the first bishop of Prague, as the prime *spiritual connection*, he embarked on a systematic program of reviving the Holy Roman roots of both Czechs and Slovaks. Eight years after his historic April 1990 visit, speaking from the burial place of St. Adalbert in his second Special Assembly for Europe, the pope made this emphatic plea: "There will be no European unity until it is based on unity of the spirit.

"Here, from this place, I repeat the cry which I made at the beginning of my pontificate: Open the doors to Christ! In the name of respect for human rights, in the name of liberty, equality and fraternity, in the name of

solidarity among mankind and in the name of love, I cry out: *Do not be afraid! Open the doors to Christ!*"

After the Velvet Divorce in 1992 when Czechs and Slovaks split into separate republics (they had reunited after World War II), the pope again made sure he visited both. He told the Slovaks, "Now is the time of spiritual rebirth," and encouraged the Czechs to follow Holy Roman Emperor Charles IV's example and "gain a deeper understanding of the religious and civic history of your homeland." In addition, he asked both republics to return property seized from Catholics by the Communist government.

Today, Catholicism is the state religion for both republics. Through consistent papal pressure, the eyes of 15 million believers from this region once again look to Rome for spiritual guidance.

With both republics having already made their formal applications for inclusion into the EU family, the Czechoslovak *spiritual foundation* of "Europe's state religion" has already been laid. This fulfills the pope's priority that "there will be no European unity until it is based on unity of the spirit."

Euro-Deutsche Trade

Working hand-in-glove with the Holy See, German corporate giants have continued on their road of European economic domination.

After 1945, Germany lay in rubble and the corporate giants that fed the furnaces of Hitler's Reich were aborted or managed by the Western allies.

Werner Meyer-Larsen, former editor of *Der Spiegel*, reveals in his latest book that these were the years when "Lufthansa and Deutsche Bank didn't exist at all and in which VW was owned by the British occupation forces.

"The companies' names, however, didn't disappear; they returned, or were resurrected, for well-considered reasons....

The larger and more important they were then, the more it is assumed they were involved in the corporate system of the Nazi regime....

"Now, more than half a century later, it is essentially the same companies that form the inner circle of Deutschland AG" (*Germany Inc.*, p. 20).

Germany has risen from the ashes of World War II and rebuilt through the power of its "inner circle" banking system, with an infrastructure of managerial power under the sons of the Nazis, to emerge today as a *corporate steamroller*. The small, powerless, comparatively corporately inept Czechs and Slovaks are easy pickings for the modern globalist EU, with its dark shadows of the past.

It should then come as no surprise to find that the Czech Republic's main trade partner is Germany, which consumes 38 percent of its exports and 34 percent of its imports. Germany has worked closely with the Czech government to privatize and modernize its economy. From 1990-1996, the EU provided 3.3 billion euros in financial assistance to the Czech Republic.

In like manner, Slovakia's main trade partner is also Germany, which

Czechoslovak Sudetenland. Today, again under the sleepy eyes of the West, Germany, under cover of the EU, has gained total economic control of this vital border area.

Under the guise of the EU Cross Border Cooperation (CBC) agreement, Germany has total access to border areas of north, west and south Bohemia for the Czech-German CBC program and of south Bohemia and Moravia for the Czech-Austrian CBC program. *Eurunion.org* reports the annual financial allocation to the vital Czech-German CBC program at 25 million euros and only 9 million for the Austrian-German CBC program. The EU has a similar agreement with Slovakia into which they annually pump 9 million euros.

Thus, not only is Germany the chief trading partner for both republics, it also has *total unrestricted border access from the heart of Europe to the Ukrain-*

izing upon the weak, ineffectual leadership of Czech President Vlacav Havel and Slovakia's Mikulas Dzurinda. Though the populations of both republics have dragged their feet in this process of change, because of continued ultimatums from EU Commissioner Romano Prodi and Enlargement Commissioner Gunter Verheugen, both governments have embarked upon fast-track programs of privatization and modernization necessary for their inclusion in the EU.

One Man of Truth

Herbert W. Armstrong warned that Germany would unite and work under the guise of this Eurounion to revive both the eastern and western legs of a resurrected Holy Roman Empire. He said the Vatican State would impregnate every member nation of this union and ride atop it, exerting powerful spiritual influence.

Winston Churchill loved the history, culture and fighting spirit of the Czechoslovak peoples; he fought with all his might to defend their sovereign freedom in Europe and wept when political appeasement led them into the grip of the clenched Nazi fist. He proclaimed that "there was a great purpose being worked out here below" and that Great Britain needed to be stirred to "fight for king and country" and preserve that purpose as the defender of freedom in Europe during the dark days of World War II.

Today's prevailing conditions in America, Britain and Europe are frighteningly reminiscent of those preceding both the world wars.

Today, *one man of truth* continues in the tradition of Herbert Armstrong and Winston Churchill to warn, as an end-time watchman, of the marauding Holy Roman Eurobeast devouring its prey (Amos 3:7-8).

It is through the ONE VOICE of this magazine, crying out in a wilderness of journalistic confusion, that YOU may understand and comprehend and ACT UPON today's changing world events (Rev. 10:11). You have the opportunity to turn to the ONE unseen hand of mercy that will pluck you from this world held captive and set you free as a begotten son in a *family* government currently being prepared to usher in the return of ONE who will put down the Holy Roman Empire and restore peace and prosperity for all. ◆



accounts for 50 percent of its total transactions. From 1993-1996, EU exports to Slovakia jumped 50 percent per year, as the EU worked to place the Slovaks in a better economic position prior to granting EU membership status. EU financial grants to Slovakia from 1990-1998 totalled around 1.5 billion euros.

Czechoslovaks have always feared Germany and throughout history been reluctant servants of their larger, more powerful neighbor.

In 1938 Hitler gained (through Western weakness) the Munich Pact, giving him the vital border area of the

ian border. The Czech statistical office recently reported that 41 percent of all Czech travelers in 1999 used their border with Germany.

In blind faith, the Czechs in 1992 and Slovaks in 1993 signed the "Europe Agreement," which provides a framework for their gradual integration into the EU. The agreement covers a broad range of portfolios from privatization and restructuring to agriculture, investment, banking, finance, health, labor and education.

Since Czechoslovakia's Velvet Divorce, the EU has lost no time capital-

An Ongoing Face-Off

Will China “lose face” over the election of a pro-independence Taiwanese president?

BY ERIC ANDERSON

ONE OF LIFE'S GREAT PLEASURES IS SEEING a bully's threats ignored. That's why the victory of Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan's pro-independence Democratic Progressive Party was such a sweet experience for supporters of democracy everywhere.

Mr. Chen's triumph in Taiwan's presidential election on March 18 came despite strong warnings from China, which has long threatened to invade the island republic should it declare in-

SWEET VICTORY

Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan

dependence from the mainland, or even resist unification talks indefinitely.

Since it became a free nation over half a century ago, Taiwan, formerly known as Formosa, has earned a reputation for valiantly fighting against the forces of communism. China considers Taiwan a renegade province; and, as the *Trumpet* has stated for years, China's ultimate objective is to bring Taiwan into complete subjection under the communist yoke.



REUTERS

The handwriting is already on the wall.

Prior to the election, 74-year-old Chinese President Jiang Zemin announced that he plans to make Taiwanese “reunification” with the mainland his final legacy. Thus, a timetable for reconciliation has been set.

In addition to Mr. Jiang's statements, on February 21 Beijing issued an 11,000-word White Paper on Taiwan, signaling a new impatience in China. The paper stated that if Taipei should drag its feet in reunification negotiations, Beijing would be made to “adopt all drastic measures possible, including the use of force.”

That is not all. Just days before the elections, Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji cautioned Taiwanese constituents against voting for the pro-independence candidate. Mr. Zhu said, “Let me give advice to all the people of Taiwan: Do not act just on impulse.... You will regret it very much—and it will be too late to repent.” He added that China was willing to “shed blood” to defend its “territorial integrity.”

Mr. Chen's election flies in the face of China's crude mandates. This bold move has China on the defensive. How Beijing will respond to the new president has suddenly become one of the most critical issues in Southeast Asia.

A Long-Time Ally

Some political analysts want to portray China's recent threats against Taiwan as empty bluster. They believe China's attempts to influence the election backfired, just as its scheme of launching missiles into the Taiwan Strait seemed to have backfired during the last election in 1996. Many Taiwanese citizens, however, are not so optimistic. They realize the challenges their new independence-minded president faces as he works toward breaking the current deadlock in relations with the mainland. They know that if Mr. Chen pushes the wrong buttons, he could provoke a Chinese invasion.

Taiwan also has reason for trepidation because of the flurry of American diplomatic activity toward Beijing in the past several years.

U.S. House Majority Whip Tom DeLay recently criticized the Clinton administration for deserting Taiwan on the eve of its election. He said that the president was “appeasing” Communist China and encouraging their warlike posture. “This administration

has treated Taiwan with a thinly veiled disdain," he said in a foreign policy address on March 16. "This proud people who have nurtured liberty in the shadow of tyranny have been all but abandoned by a democratic superpower of unrivaled strength."

Indeed, Taiwan has been a long-standing and faithful ally of the U.S. It has had strong democratic rule for a number of years and is deeply devoted to America.

Loss of Face

The Taiwanese cannot help but wonder whether America will soon terminate diplomatic relations with them. Such an action would automatically invalidate the 1954 Mutual Defense Treaty and 1979 Taiwan Relations Act, both of which oblige the U.S. to defend the island. This would be detrimental for both America and Taiwan. "For the U.S. to unilaterally scrap [the Mutual Defense Treaty] with a time-tested friend would...result in a further LOSS OF U.S. CREDIBILITY AROUND THE WORLD" (*Plain Truth*, June 7, 1975).

Herbert W. Armstrong, the late founder and editor-in-chief of the *Plain Truth* magazine, foresaw Taiwan's fate more than 40 years ago. Here is what he wrote after the Quemoy confrontation, in a letter dated September 19, 1958: "Will Red China invade and capture Formosa? In all probability, YES—but when depends on when GOD ALMIGHTY decides.... It is probable that...free China will fall into the clutches of the communists. The Red Chinese will 'save face,' and the United States, with many American troops now on Taiwan, will again LOSE face!"

From the viewpoint of Asian leaders (and others), a nation's merit is invaluable. That is why China is relentlessly trying to defame America. They know that once a country's reputation is damaged or destroyed, it is very difficult to establish credibility again.

Mr. Armstrong explained this truism in a July 5, 1960, letter. "Loss of face has far greater meaning to the Oriental mind than to ours," he wrote. "Orientals regard PRESTIGE, or loss of it, on the basis of the PERSON of the nation's leader."

The reason Chinese leaders continue to defiantly shake their fists at the U.S. and Taiwan is simply that no one is stopping them! Consequently, their disrespect for America grows. Likewise, the longer their belligerent words

and actions go unchecked, the more evident it is that the U.S. lacks the courage and will to squelch China's number-one goal of reunification.

Mr. Armstrong explained further, "The Communist policy is not to attack the West first or direct.... They know this 'loss of face' they have given our peoples, by humiliating and insulting the U.S. president—and getting away with it—will have a TREMENDOUS effect on turning the minds of Eastern peoples against us and toward communism.... Reds are now shouting, for the first time, 'The United States is clearly defeated. It is already wobbling as a world power'" (ibid.).

Cause for War

Although China currently finds it difficult to push the agenda of Taiwan unification on its own terms, "it has now raised the stakes, and it will not want to LOSE FACE over such an important issue as Taiwan" (*Intelligence Digest*, March 10). Therefore, China will continue browbeating Taiwan—and could even revert to scare tactics, including staging war games or imposing a naval blockade in the Taiwan Strait.

The danger, especially in light of the fact that Taiwan's newly elected leader is pro-independence, is that Taipei may view these measures as only "FACE-SAVING SABER-RATTLING—and this calculation could, in turn, encourage Taiwan to go one step too far" (ibid.).

Some intelligence sources believe that Chinese forces still are ill-equipped to invade Taiwan, despite reports of growing Chinese military capabilities. According to one of the Pentagon's top experts on the Chinese military, however, Beijing may have figured out a way to force Taiwan's surrender without a full-scale invasion. "Mark A. Stokes [says] a massive, coordinated air strike employing hundreds of short-range ballistic missiles could cripple Taiwan's air defenses and early warning systems, destroy its command, control and communications centers and demolish Taiwan's eight primary airfields, thereby neutralizing the Taiwanese air force as well as its naval ports.... [China] could then force the Taiwanese to sue for peace on Beijing's terms" (*Washington Post*, March 21).

China is already building two surface-to-air missile bases near Fuzhou—a coastal city barely 160 miles across the Taiwan Strait opposite Taipei. China also possesses a potent arsenal of

sophisticated electromagnetic sea mines, Kilo-class submarines, and a nuclear-powered destroyer capable of penetrating navy defense systems. In addition, as we have pointed out in previous issues of the *Trumpet*, China is developing a strategic partnership with technically advanced Russia. Because of this, "in the space of only years China will be able not only to threaten the island BUT U.S. FORCES IF THEY INTERVENE" (*Stratfor GIU*, March 3).

Appeasement?

If the Chinese are planning a missile attack on Taiwan sometime in the near future, THE U.S. WOULD BE WELL-ADVISED TO PREVENT IT NOW instead of following a policy of appeasement and taking a hands-off approach to Taiwan. That kind of "peace making" does not work in the end.

Washington's spin-doctors apparently want U.S. citizens to believe that defenselessness and lack of preparation for war is not only safer, but a sign of maturity. Their psychology of pacification appears designed to convince America's peace-loving peoples that any effort to prevent a military conflict is too provocative and therefore too risky. However, this rationale may backfire in their faces the instant China lobbs the first missile across the Taiwan Strait!

The February 1978 *Plain Truth*, reporting on the Carter administration's drive for closer relations with China, put it this way: "Many Taiwanese see Washington's seemingly irrational policy of pursuing relations with [China] on [China's] own terms as a POLICY OF APPEASEMENT—a policy which will encourage Communist Chinese aggression in the same way Neville Chamberlain's appeasement of Hitler encouraged Nazi aggression."

Although President Reagan tried to patch up relations with Taiwan in the 1980s, U.S. policy has once again tilted against Taiwan in hopes that Taiwan's new government under Chen Shui-bian will accommodate Beijing's demands. That is unlikely. Around 95 percent of the Taiwanese are against allying with China. Polls show that a growing number no longer even consider themselves Chinese. Furthermore, although Mr. Chen has pledged not to declare independence while he is in office, chances are that his Democratic Progressive Party will adopt a nationalist policy Beijing considers unacceptable.

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POLICING THE POLICE

Chief Bernard Parks is trying to save the LAPD's reputation.

teeming with thousands of gangsters composing 30 different youth gangs. The CRASH team was famed for its aggressive, confrontational policing tactics. It got results: In the 1960s the area had 170 murders each year. Last year, that figure was 33.

Then last September, former officer Rafael Perez, accused of stealing cocaine from the department's property division, plea bargained for a lighter sentence by implicating fellow officers in a variety of other abuses. Allegations of corruption multiplied over the months that followed. Years of criminal evidence accumulated by the department have cast a dark shadow over the LAPD.

Police Chief Bernard Parks convened the Board of Inquiry to assess the problem. Its final report made 108 recommendations to help eliminate corruption from the department. In addition, 20 officers were relieved of their duties and two others fired.

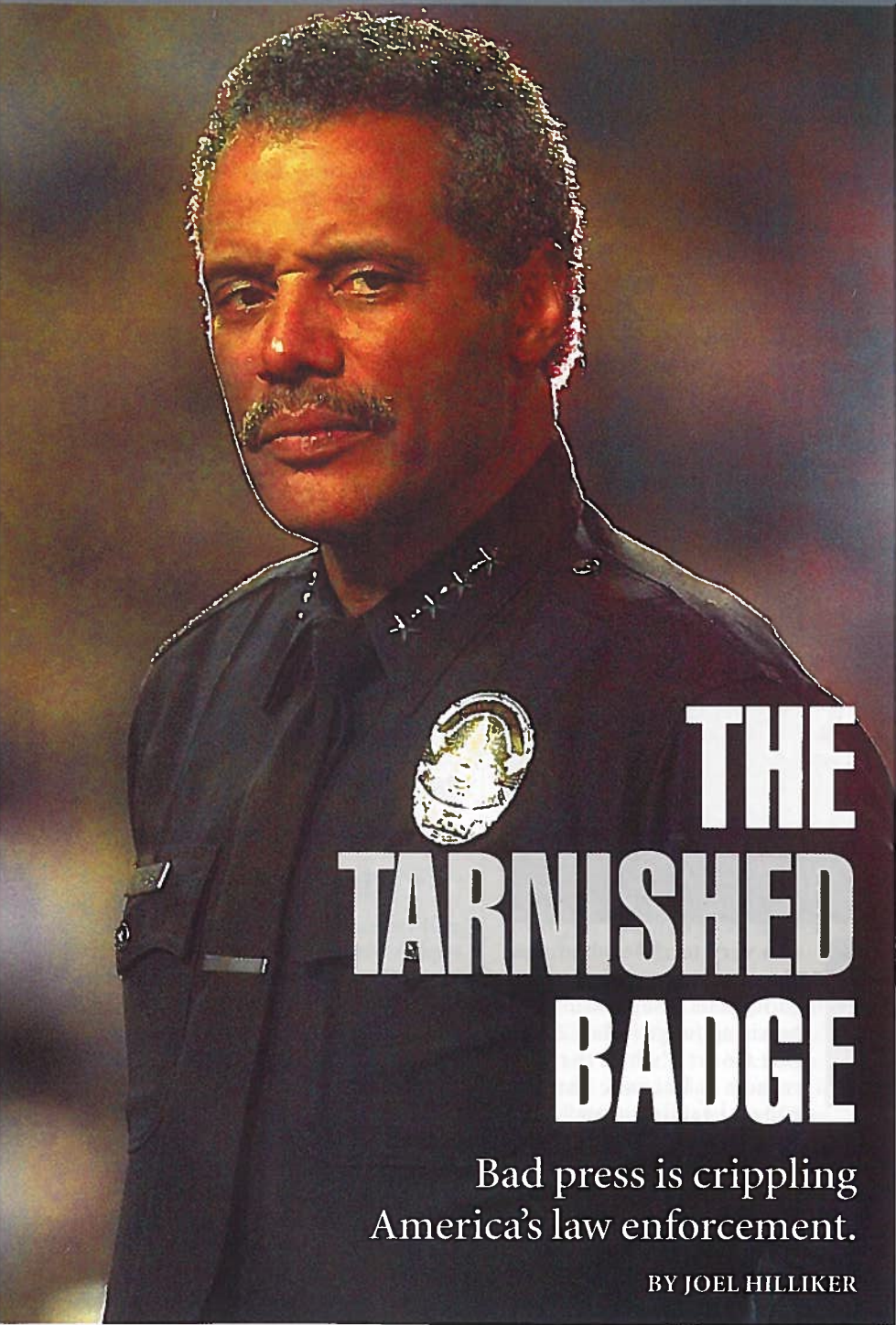
This wasn't good enough. Under intense social pressure, particularly from groups like the American Civil Liberties Union, the Los Angeles Police Department brought CRASH to an end in March. Reputation is everything.

The department says it will practice gang-suppression in other forms, but many area residents say they feel helpless and abandoned. "I'm hoping that some police officer or someone would be on patrol," said one fearful resident. "This is the only hope I have, 'cause there's no hope if there's no CRASH unit or no one to protect us."

The Popular Cause

On the other side of the nation, New York is also reeling from recent high-profile cases of police brutality. For most of 1999 the news was splattered with lurid details of the NYPD officers' torture of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima in Brooklyn. With that case in full swing, the misguided killing by four NYPD officers of Amadou Diallo, an unarmed African immigrant, hit like a bombshell. The *New York Times* in particular seized upon the incident as an example of pervasive police misconduct, printing an average of 3.5 stories about it every day for two months.

In both cases, race was an obvious issue, exploited by minority groups seeking to expose alleged racism with-



THE TARNISHED BADGE

Bad press is crippling
America's law enforcement.

BY JOEL HILLIKER

"THIS SCANDAL HAS DEVASTATED OUR relationship with the public we serve and threatened the integrity of our entire criminal justice system."

THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT (LAPD) is working overtime to repair its battered reputation in a tough community where reputation is everything.

The above words speak of the frustration felt in a department of 10,000 sworn officers all laid open to suspicion because of the bad behavior of a

few of their cohorts. They were written in the executive summary of an LAPD Board of Inquiry (BOI) investigating corruption within the department's Rampart Division.

The "scandal" referred to in the report started with an elite, and arguably quite successful, anti-gang unit of the LAPD. Community Resources Against Street Hoodlums (CRASH), established over 20 years ago by the Rampart Division, worked one of Los Angeles' most severe neighborhoods: an ethnically diverse, 8-square-mile area

in the NYPD. An angry New York public ranted and demonstrated. In the famed race for New York senator, Hillary Clinton called the Diallo killing a murder before the policemen even went to trial (she later apologized for doing so). Her opponent, New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, called the anti-cop demonstrations silly, and his approval rating nose-dived.

The issue has since moved far from being a local problem: It is a national

ber of lawsuits against police nationwide. In response, law enforcement agencies are taking steps to check racial profiling by their officers. In over 100 communities, officers now track their traffic stops by race. (Some say the practice can increase the tension of a traffic stop, particularly when they can't guess the person's race and have to ask for it.)

L.A. judges are noticing another new trend: Jurors seem less likely to accept police testimony as valid. "It is

toward and suspicion of the entire system is more common than ever. People don't trust the police, and the police know it. Caution bordering on fear is rising among many of them, as are policies limiting their jurisdiction and authority.

Here's one example: In New York, homicides have decreased remarkably in recent years (from 2,200 in 1990 to 633 in 1998). However, after the Diallo case blew up in their faces, the



debate. The acquittal in March of the officers in the Diallo case made national news as being a symbol of widespread racial injustice and police brutality. Of the Louima case, the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said, "The horrific nature of this crime provides just a glimpse of the THOUSANDS of brutality cases across this nation where law-abiding, hard-working people are harassed and abused by rogue cops who hide behind their badge and uniform." Sanctimonious articles condemning aggressive and race-based police practices appeared in many major newspapers and magazines. And American public opinion fell right in step: A Harris Poll taken in February found that 76 percent of blacks and 45 percent of whites believe police brutality against minorities happens occasionally or often in their communities.

Minorities' complaints that they are victims of racial profiling—being treated differently because of their skin color—have led to an increasing num-

RIGHTEOUS CAUSE?
New Yorkers protest the Diallo killing.

also very terrible when people who are overwhelmingly guilty walk away," said a supervising judge in L.A. Superior Court, "when the only reason is because there is general feeling now in the

public—if that's what it's coming to—that police officers' testimony can't be trusted."

Erosion of Law and Order

Such issues aren't all new. Similar agitation came to a head in the '60s, in Watts and other police-centered race riots. It surfaced again in the early '90s over O.J. Simpson and Rodney King. The difference now seems to be that the public outrage and mistrust of what is perceived as rampant corruption is no longer confined to minority segments of the population; it is mainstream. Even prominent presidential candidates are making promises to outlaw racial profiling.

And in the process, the authority of America's law enforcement is taking a beating. Whatever the extent of the problem within police ranks, hostility

We are to submit to governing authorities, not condemn or react violently against them for the faults inherent in human leadership. Any who strike against them through character assassination or other attacks are eroding community law and order, and actually doing society more harm than good.

NYPD's Street Crime Unit, which the four officers were part of, pulled back and began making fewer arrests. Consequently, in the months that followed Diallo's death, murders in the city rose 10 percent. Truly, the implications of even one highly publicized anti-police case are far-reaching.

"This scandal has devastated our relationship with the public we serve and threatened the integrity of our entire criminal justice system," said the Los Angeles BOI summary. It continued, "Distrust, cynicism, fear of the police, and an erosion of community law and order are the inevitable result of a law enforcement agency whose ethics and integrity have become suspect."

That is the sobering backlash of these events: an erosion of community law and order. That will prove to be the real danger in the long term.

Be Subject to Higher Powers

It is deplorable for a police officer or any other authority to corrupt or misuse that power. This principle is addressed throughout Scripture. Two examples: "The God of Israel said, the



Rock of Israel spake to me, *He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.... It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness*" (II Sam. 23:3; Prov. 16:12; see also Deut. 27:19). Anyone in a position of power should fear to abuse it.

But God's clear injunction to all those under that authority, which in the case of America's law enforcement includes virtually all of us, is to respect it. "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: *the powers that be ARE ORDAINED OF GOD*. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist SHALL RECEIVE TO THEMSELVES DAMNATION" (Rom. 13:1-2).

Ultimately it is God who gives men civil authority. As Christ said to Pilate, "Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above" (John 19:11). Thus any act against that authority is an act against God! That is why He condemns those who resist them. Other scriptures command obeying "magistrates" and submitting to "every ordinance of man" (Titus 3:1; I Pet. 2:13), that is, as long as doing so also complies with the higher, spiritual law of God (Acts 5:29).

God provides governing authorities to control and regulate society—especially to punish those who would create civil strife and anarchy (I Pet. 2:14; Rom. 13:4-6). The authorities offer at least partial protection from such criminals. We are to submit to governing authorities, not condemn or react violently against them for the faults inherent in human leadership. Any who strike against them through character assassination or other attacks are eroding community law and order, and actually DOING SOCIETY MORE HARM THAN GOOD. *That even applies in cases where there is admitted corruption.* People may feel very righteous in their noisy pursuit of justice over bad police, but the Bible says we shouldn't even curse the authorities in our thoughts (Eccl. 10:20). God will deal with those who abuse their office of authority in His time.

What happens when the enforcement of law—even human law—is disrespected? The November 1965 *Plain Truth* put it this way: "In order for laws to be honored and adhered to, the true respected SOURCE of law must be defined. There must be a standard—a source—an authority....

"But can respect for a law exist when every man is a law unto himself?... By rejecting the fact that there is a source for law and that there are absolutes, our society has rejected the very basis of law and order." Sounds very similar to the conclusions reached by the L.A. Board of Inquiry. Scorn the the law and those who enforce it, and then brace for *lawlessness* and *disorder*. Those are the potential consequences of this risk to "the integrity of our entire criminal justice system."

This is a much bigger threat than we realize.

What Happens When We Fail

Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in the October 1963 *Plain Truth*, "Make no mistake! This is no light matter to pass over casually! RACE WAR is coming! Racial tensions, passions and hatreds are being deliberately stirred by ORGANIZED PLANNING. It will explode into mass VIOLENCE that will stagger the imagination! It will be whipped into an accelerating crescendo until human blood runs like rivers!

"It is no local matter. It is WORLDWIDE."

The February 1965 *Plain Truth* forewarned, "The prophecies reveal that this worldwide racial strife is going to intensify in the years just ahead....

"According to the prophecies of God's word, racial conflicts and virtual annihilation of certain peoples is destined yet to occur.... Such race hatred will pale into insignificance Hitler's mass slaughter of Jews and Poles."

Let's look at one of those prophecies.

"Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: *the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint*" (Isa. 1:4-5).

God says the government that leads Israel (primarily the United States and Britain) is *sick!* There is corruption; there are disorders. As a result, problems multiply among the people they are supposed to protect. But the government's heart is too faint or weak to solve those problems! So they continue to get worse and worse.

"Your country is desolate, *your cities are burned with fire*: your land,

STRANGERS [or Gentiles] DEVOUR IT IN YOUR PRESENCE, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers" (vv. 6-7). These are prophecies for the time we live in today. Our booklet *The Ezekiel Watchman* explains these and other related prophecies in some detail.

A Real Solution

Sadly, police working to restore their reputation have a much higher mountain to climb than they may understand. Embracing such "solutions" as monitoring traffic stops by race will only exacerbate their troubles. (Imagine what civil liberties groups will do when they get hold of those statistics, and how police may try to appease.)

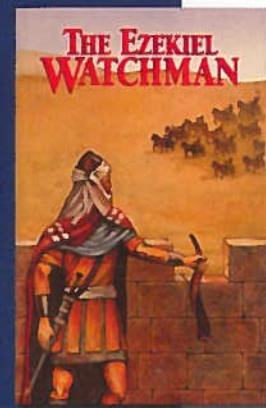
Watch for anti-police sentiment to continue its increase, both in volume and extent. Stories highlighting police corruption and brutality, stories covering anti-police demonstrations and race-related riots—stories that seem like mere sidelights to major international developments of prophetic importance—will begin to overwhelm the news in the nations of Israel!

Ultimately, it will take the strong hand of God to restore law and order to the land. He will rebuke those who took up the sword for their petty causes (Isa. 2:4). Once that peace is firmly established, people will begin to realize the tremendous benefits of a civilization founded upon the perfect law of God. "And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for OUT OF ZION SHALL GO FORTH THE LAW, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem" (v. 3). ♦

Written in 1992 after riots in Los Angeles, *The Ezekiel Watchman* discusses prophecies that still make it advance news!

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Face-off *from page 24*

Samuel Berger, President Clinton's adviser for national security affairs, recently said that the U.S. attaches *great importance* to developing its ties with Beijing and supports a prosperous, stable and strong China. He also remarked that he felt the best way to protect America's interests and promote democratic change in China is by "continuing a policy of principled, purposeful engagement with China's leaders and people."

On March 29, Mr. Berger visited China to meet with Chinese Vice-Premier Qian Qichen. In the meeting he remarked that "the U.S. government does *not* support the 'Taiwan independence'...or Taiwan's entry into any international organizations that require statehood" (*Xinhua News Agency*, March 29).

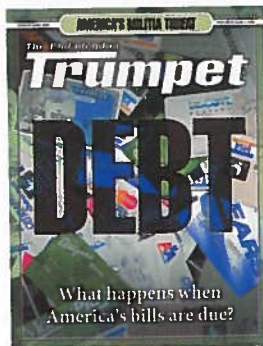
How can the U.S. government expect China to respect them if they stab a faithful partner like Taiwan in the back? Truly, America's Communist "lovers" will double-cross them in due time!

The *Plain Truth* of February 1978 reinforced this observation: "Within the framework of Oriental ethics, a yielding to [China's] demands for scuttling Taiwan—though it would serve [China's] purposes—would also earn [China's] CONTEMPT. Abandoning an ally, even though it be Taiwan, would be a demeaning LOSS OF FACE for the United States before the Chinese."

The Chinese have said their struggle is "final and to the death." Many believe it is impossible for China and Taiwan to settle their formidable differences peaceably, through negotiations. Therefore, in the absence of diplomatic or political solutions, China will likely take Taiwan BY FORCE—relatively sure that Washington will not interfere.

The U.S. is "losing face" over the China-Taiwan dilemma. Moreover, the Chinese are making every effort to "save face" on this issue, because they know that a reunion with Taiwan would signify the final severance of Taiwan's U.S. ties, which have restrained China's communist ambitions for decades.

Yes, a major conflict is looming in Southeast Asia. Every indication is that Washington's affinity with China will continue, until a once powerful America eventually betrays Taiwan and its democracy-loving people. ♦



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He Was Right!

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE *TRUMPET* magazine titled "He Was Right." I have read it through and find it very interesting. What the *Plain Truth* talked about—today these very things are happening.

Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

MANY THANKS FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE of the *Trumpet*, which I find most comprehensive concerning prophecy. I find all the articles truly amazing and frightfully accurate.

Johor, Malaysia

AS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE WORLD-wide Church, it is such a pleasure to hear the truth again as heard on your television program. I have missed the format and prophecies in the old *Plain Truth* magazines. I see your magazine the *Trumpet* is so similar to the old *Plain Truth* that I want to subscribe to it. I am so glad to see this work goes on.

Dallas, Tex.

AFTER READING YOUR "PEACEKEEPING UNdone" article, I decided to send you my similar views. In the spring of 1945 the UN delegation was active in setting up the UN Charter, and I was in full favor of their attempt to set up a peacekeeping organization. This favorable opinion continued until the day that our U.S. delegate proposed that the name of God be eliminated from the charter. His proposal was voted upon and passed! Since that time in 1945, I have had no faith in the accomplishments or actions of the UN.

Cañon City, Colo.

WITH GREAT INTEREST I HAVE READ THE articles on Germans, though I am rather skeptical and suspicious of many magazines. I am very grateful to you for warning about the Germans. I am sure Germans will dominate in Europe! It is not prediction, but keen observation. They are our neighbor—we well know their history and also know their mentality, as well as the latest facts. They have used the USA and the Allies like a cuckoo using nests of other birds. In proper time they will betray you.

Gliwice, Poland

I WRITE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF the latest issue of the *Trumpet* magazine for February. All the articles are simply AWESOME! The relevancy of the subjects in our present day is so precisely appropriate. Thank you for being so honest and so forthright.

Suva, Fiji

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BROADCAST AND the *Trumpet*. I used to watch Mr. Armstrong's program, and then it was no longer available in our viewing area. Then, years later, I "stumbled" across your program one Sunday morning. I immediately recognized your program as the "lost" broadcast I enjoyed years before. It was like finding an old friend!

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Killing in the Name of God

How can the “very religious” be so violent?

IN THE BEAUTIFUL GREEN HILLS OF SOUTHWESTERN UGANDA, Africa, just south of the equator, is a once peaceful little village named Kanungu. In that sleepy spot and surrounding villages, at least 924 members of a doomsday religious cult, the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God, were brutally and systematically murdered. Many died in a horrific gasoline-fueled fire on March 17 which burned about 530 followers and their children beyond recognition behind their nailed-shut church doors.

The still-rising body count in Uganda is believed to be the largest mass murder in history—excluding acts of genocide—surpassing South America’s 1978 Jonestown, Guyana, mass murder/suicide which claimed 913 lives.

International arrest warrants have now been issued for six Ugandan cult leaders suspected of committing the carnage, including Credonia Mwerinde, the cult’s “programmer” and the real power behind the movement, who claimed to be in contact with the Virgin Mary through visions.

The murders apparently began after the world did not end on December 31, 1999, as the leaders predicted, and their disgruntled followers started demanding the return of their possessions and money they had surrendered upon joining the cult. As Uganda’s vice president put it, the leaders were “diabolic, malevolent criminals masquerading as holy and religious people.”

Any sensible, sane person must ask, how can a group claim to be religious and then commit horrifying crimes while supposedly acting “in the name of God”?

Yet, we should not be surprised. Killing one another “in the name of God” is nothing new to the marred and scarred history of mankind. The religious Crusades and Inquisition of the Middle Ages, as well as the World War II Nazi blood-fest of the Jewish Holocaust, now silently attest to the intolerance and brutality engendered by religious hatred and hatred of religion.

One would suppose that being “very religious” instead of atheistic would DECREASE the slaughter rate. However, just the opposite is true. Man’s inhumanity to man has been INCREASED by human religion! History bears out that many times religion has been the CAUSE of war and mass death, not the SOLUTION that it should be!

Part of the reason for this contradiction is that mankind has never been able to differentiate between “true believers” and the mentally-ill “messiahs” who have tainted religious history since the beginning. Mankind has followed leaders who were NOT following the TRUE God! If it were otherwise, millions upon millions of people would not have been annihilated in the name of God.

Instead of mankind being made into the image of God as God intended (Gen. 1:26), mankind has created “god” in its

own image. That is because the human race has LOST the TRUE KNOWLEDGE of the supreme authority who lovingly created the brotherhood of mankind.

Mankind has been completely MISLED by its *irrational* religious bias instituted on the faulty foundation of EMOTION rather than knowledge. Humanly devised religions based upon hatred of others are absolutely IGNORANT of *true* religion and so DECEIVED that reason will not prevail—nor will deluded zealots be hindered from their carnage.

It has been this way since the first coming of Jesus Christ, whom God *allowed* to be violently butchered by envious men FILLED WITH RELIGIOUS HATRED. It has been so since Cain slew Abel as a result of religious hatred in the very first murder of another human being. It has been so since the first man and woman *chose* GODLESS SELF-DECEPTION by producing their own educational systems, their own governments and religions.

All of this murder in the name of religion has been, and *will be*, motivated by Satan the devil, who is the lying, murderous god of this world (Gen. 3:1-7; John 8:44; II Cor. 4:4).

The biblical prophecies of Revelation 13, 15, 16 and 17, along with chapter 7 of the book of Daniel, describe an end-time politico-economic “beast” which will be guided by a great *false* church professing to be Christian. That universal church, appropriating the name of Christ but actually built upon the foundation of Satan’s Babylonian Mystery Religion (Rev. 17:5-6), will be “DRUNKEN WITH THE BLOOD OF THE SAINTS, AND WITH THE BLOOD OF THE MARTYRS OF JESUS.”

The Apostle John was inspired to write in Revelation about the immediate future of *today’s* world when a “religious” government will MURDER some of God’s true people after they are accused of religious heresy. They will be killed “in the name of God” because “the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you [God’s people] will think that he doeth God service” (John 16:2).

Satan is presently working this society into a FRENZY of religious hatred and hatred of religion. He knows he has only a short time left and he is full of blood-drenched WRATH! (Rev. 12:12). Violence TOWARD religions and BY religions are the sure signs of satanic religion wearing a thinly veiled guise of false piety and self-righteousness. Satan’s religions are filled with hatred, malice and violence toward mankind because that is the nature of Satan (Ezek. 28:16).

In contrast, God’s true Church OBEYS the Ten Commandments, and His “very elect” love mankind as themselves and will someday teach them God’s TRUE ways of selfless love and peace (I John 5:3; Matt. 22:36-40). We must look to the “fruits” to see if a church is of God or of Satan. You can be certain that if violence toward mankind is done or advocated by a church, IT IS NOT THE TRUE CHURCH OF GOD!



RELIGIOUS VICTIM A woman grieves at the site of Uganda’s mass suicide.

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