

THOUSANDS OF GERMANS JOIN HITLER'S 'CAUSE'

Movement Started in Beer Garden Wins Support of Throngs.

This is the fifth installment of the life story of Adolf Hitler, German Fascist leader, written by Guy V. Miller, foreign editor of The Pittsburgh Press, a Scripps-Howard newspaper.

Hitler, born of Austrian-Bohemian parents, spent his childhood in Lambach and Vienna. There he first showed that his heart was with Germany. He moved to Munich and served with German troops in the World war. He returned to Munich after the armistice, disillusioned and penniless.

A glass of beer started him on his spectacular career. In a beer garden he made a speech that gave him his start with the Nationalist party.

BY GUY V. MILLER

Hitler went to work immediately. His first task was to attract more people to the meetings. Over glasses of beer, he and his comrades discussed ways and means of doing this.

The party treasury held two marks, the members had no money. Then Hitler thought of an economical way to attract attention. He and the other members would write letters to all the people they knew, inviting them to attend the meetings.

The next day eighty letters were sent out. That night two dozen people attended the meeting and Hitler spoke. With his natural-born gift of oratory he swayed them to tears and when the meeting ended, the party had added a dozen recruits.

By means of the letters and Hitler's speeches, the party grew by leaps and bounds.

Attract Great Crowds

Within a few weeks it was necessary to hire a large hall to hold the crowds. Audiences of a thousand were not uncommon.

As his fame increased, so did Hitler's power. He now was the undisputed dictator of the party, drafting its program to suit his personal beliefs and prejudices.

His speeches were filled with jibes at the expense of the republic and of his hated foes, the Jews. "Democracy fundamentally is Jewish, not German," he told his spell-bound audiences.

Or again he would tell them: "If you fail to see your name mentioned in the Jewish press in the morning, you made no good use of your time yesterday."

Enjoys Rough Debate

By now, the membership of the party reached into the thousands. There were branches throughout Bavaria. As Hitler's followers grew, the Socialists sat up and took notice.

Hundreds of them attended his meetings only to heckle him. But the Austrian born speaker thrived on criticism. He enjoyed rough and tumble debate and at such meetings, usually put his hecklers to rout.

In 1931 Hitler decided to reorganize and rename the party. He dropped the six original members and changed the name to the Nationalist-Socialist party.

At the same time Hitler decided to adopt a flag and an emblem. He chose the swastika, always the symbol of thoroughbred Germanism. The flag was red with a white circle containing the swastika.

Forms Storm Troops

Along with the flag and emblem, Hitler organized his "storm troops." The brown uniform immediately attracted thousands of war veterans and young boys. With them came officers of the old army to drill and lead the detachments.

By 1923, Hitler's party was large and powerful enough to attract Berlin's attention. He had nearly ten thousand "storm troops," all well disciplined and devoted faithfully to their leader.

President Ebert and his associates watched Hitler's rise with troubled eyes. They knew Bavaria was ready to revolt, and secede from the reich. Hundreds of die-hard monarchists were pouring into the state, to join hands with the Fascists. Among them was General Erich von Ludendorff, chief of staff of the German armies during the World war.

Friends With Von Ludendorff

Von Ludendorff and Hitler speedily became friends. The former held the same political beliefs as did the Fascists and he frequently bolstered their cause by appearing at mass meetings and speaking.

"Germany has won the war," the general used to shout, "but has been

Dry Family Poses



Their eyes are turned White House-ward. William D. Upshaw, the Prohibition party's nominee for the presidency, is shown here with his family in a specially posed picture taken at their home in Asheville, N. C. Seated with the candidate is Mrs. Upshaw; in the background are their daughters, Margaret, 19 (left), and Charlotte, 15.

prevented from having her claims verified by a conspiracy of Socialists, Jews, Catholics, and Free Masons."

Then Von Ludendorff and Hitler put their heads together and began to plot. With the Fascists' aid, the general said, he could drive the French out of the Ruhr and the Bolsheviks out of Russia.

Hitler listened eagerly. He remembered Mussolini's successful march on Rome at the head of his black-shirted legions. Perhaps it could be duplicated in Germany.

And while the two conspirators plotted, Berlin watched apprehensively, aware of what was coming. Ebert and Stresemann, then chancellor, anxiously kept one eye on the Reichswehr, Germany's regular army.

The officers were monarchists at heart, but if the soldiers remained true to the republic, Hitler and Von Ludendorff would fail.

(To Be Continued)

HOME LOAN BANK BILL CELEBRATION PLANNED

Dinner in Honor of Passage to Be on Sept. 8 at Claypool.

Various groups of the city interested in the home loan bank bill will hold a dinner celebrating its passage Sept. 8 at the Claypool, Dan W. Le Gore, president of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board, announced today.

Senators James E. Watson and Arthur R. Robinson and Congressman Louis Ludlow will be the honor guests.

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HITLER MOVES TO SAVE FIVE DOOMED NAZIS

Addresses Personal Plea to Von Papen; Act Is Open Defiance.

BY FREDERICK KUH
United Press Staff Correspondent

BERLIN, Aug. 23.—A "struggle against the government" to free five Fascist storm troopers, sentenced to be beheaded, was promised today by Adolf Hitler, National Socialist party leader.

A short time after he addressed a personal petition to the government of Chancellor Franz von Papen, asking that the death sentences be commuted. Hitler sent a pithy message to the five condemned men. The action was viewed as an open defiance of the Von Papen regime, and of the government's right to set up arbitrary courts to handle cases involving political terrorism.

Hitler's message read: "My comrades: In view of the monstrous and gory sentence that has been passed upon you, I feel that I am linked to you in unbounded loyalty. From this moment on your freedom is a question of our honor and a struggle against the government under which this has come to pass is our duty."

Hitler's sudden, decisive action followed a period of frenzied activity, in which Nazi storm troopers fairly screamed their indignation at the penalty.

Mobs of Hitler followers fought with steel-helmeted police in the streets of Beuthen, where the five were sentenced. They threatened an attack on the building in which the sentences were passed, and launched vindictive assaults against Jews and Socialists all over the city.

The court which passed sentence was one of those established by government decree, empowered to impose the death penalty on any person found guilty of political terrorism. There is no appeal. The government can commute the sentences, which caused Hitler first to address himself to the government.

Hitler left no doubt that if his five followers are executed, all chance of his resuming negotiations with Von Papen will be ended.

At Beuthen today, the atmosphere noticeably was less tense. Extra guards were placed at the prison holding the five condemned men.

It was understood the death sentences will not be carried out until defense attorneys have reached a decision on appeal for a new trial.

HERE IS A PROMISE OF A GOOD SEASON

Warner Brothers Give Some People a Chance to See Their Early Fall Menu Before General Release.

BY WALTER D. HICKMAN

ONE thing I like to do is to touch elbows with the new movie product before general release. And the best way to know what is going on in the studio is to see what is produced.

Warner Brothers are having a preview showing of their product for the early fall in a certain number of key cities, including Indianapolis. Many exhibitors and others have been invited by R. F. Cloud, manager of the Indianapolis office, to see some of the new product.

At the first session of the previews, I saw two pictures—George Arliss in "A Successful Calamity," directed by John Adolfi, and "Life Begins," with Loretta Young, Eric Linden, Aline MacMahon and some of the most wonderful babies I have ever seen.

"Life Begins" might as well be called "Hospital" or "Where the Babies Come." Just like they made a picture of "Grand Hotel" and "Union Depot."

In "Life Begins," you find a slice of hospital life—the department where expectant mothers go. "Mothers" of all kinds you will find there. A woman who takes a bottle of whisky with her and yells out that

she don't give a so and so and sings a song about "Frankie and Johnnie." Then watch the change when it happens.

Another woman who is brought in by a hard boiled police matron. Here is pathos that is human realism. Here is realism that is tremendous. I laughed and I cried.

Not going to go into detail about any of these new pictures but just to tell you that as far as Warner Brothers are concerned the future looks good with the Arliss picture and "Life Begins."

You ask about the Arliss picture? It is a honey. Smart. Ultra. Magnificent. Great. And that is some verdict.

Warner Brothers by invitation only are exhibiting their new product today at the Lyric.

The convention headquarters is at the Severin.

Indianapolis theaters today offer: "Congorilla" at the Apollo, "Horse Feathers" at the Indiana, "Speak Easily" at the Palace, and "The Crooner" at the Circle.

Probe U. S. Narcotic Cases
Alleged violations of narcotic, postal, motor theft and counterfeiting laws are being considered today by the federal grand jury.

LINKS ROBBERY SUSPECTS HELD

Two Men Arrested for Wolf Holdup Quiz.

Two men charged with vagrancy are held by police two under high bond as suspects in the robbery Aug. 16 of Arthur Wolf, insurance company official, at the Riverside golf course.

The prisoners are Stanley Kelley, 29, of 1238 Ashland avenue, and George E. Wilson, 22, Philadelphia. An automobile bearing Pennsylvania license plates, found in Wilson's possession, was seized and impounded.

Arrests were made Monday night, following several days' investigation by six detectives.

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