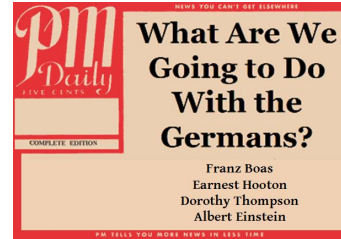


Breed war strain out of Germans

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The following suggestions are offered by a physiological anthropologist who has spent many years in the study of race, nationality, and the relation of individual biology to behavior. However, these suggestions represent no consensus of anthropological opinion; they have not been submitted to any group and have been endorsed by no one. The author, himself, is not fully confident of the practicability of the measures outlined. He merely presents them to discussion.

Basic postulates

(1) The behavior of a nation arises from the mass of its population and not from leaders or restricted social classes. National culture, national psychology, national ideals are at once the products of the aggregate of biological units of the population and the influences which tend to select for survival and to exaggerate those biological types of men which most readily conform to national behavioral patterns. Both cultural environment and heredity interact to produce in nations stable and persistent modes of behavior.

(2) Substantial ameliorations of national behavior cannot be effected solely by external efforts to change the national culture, form of government, ideologies, religion, education, economics. Biological measures for the bettering of the physical, mental, and moral quality of individual human units must also be applied to insure permanent improvement.

(3) To break the vicious cycle of interaction between a militaristic state and the predatory tendencies of its citizens, the former must be destroyed and the latter neutralized or breed out. Since the state is the mechanism for the operation of group aggressions, its destruction must effectually frustrate such aggressions and at the same time makes it easier to deal with the cultural and biological quality of the population by individuals.

Application to post-war Germany

General Objective

To destroy German nationalism and aggressive ideology while retaining and perpetuating desirable German biological and sociological capacities.

Measures

(1) Execute or imprison for life all leaders of the Nazi party; permanently exile all professional army officers.

(2) For a period of 20 years or more utilise the bulk of the present German army as rehabilitation labour units in devastated areas of the Allied Nations in Europe and elsewhere. These labourers should not be treated as prisoners of war or convicts but as paid employees (supervised and restricted as to movement from the area of their work). They might be allowed the privilege of naturalisation upon evidence of good behaviour. The single men should be permitted to marry only women of the country of their abode or naturalisation.

The families of the men already married should remain in Germany for a period of years, but might eventually be permitted to join the fathers. The latter should not be allowed to return to Germany. The objects of this measure include reduction of the birth rate of "pure" Germans, neutralisation of German aggressiveness by outbreeding, and denationalisation of indoctrinated individuals.

(3) Break up the German Reich into several states (probably its original component states), permitting each, after a suitable interval of supervision and government by the Allied Nations, to choose its own form of non-Fascist government. The object of this measure is to destroy the national framework of unified German aggression.

(4) During the period of supervision and occupation of the several states by armies and civilian staffs of the Allied Nations, encourage members of these groups to intermarry with the German women and to settle there permanently. During this period encourage also the immigration and settlement in the German states of non-German nationals, especially males.

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Insane Asylums For Nazi Leaders

The late Louis Brandeis, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, was a great philosopher and a great lawyer. He was a great man in every sense of the word. He was a great man in every sense of the word.



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What we must remember about Germany is that Hitler has been in power for not more than one year. It will be ten years at the most. The generation that is still a whole generation in Germany that has grown up and worked both under the rule of Hitler and under the rule of the Weimar Republic is now in its prime.

As far as internal affairs are concerned, the more we know about the German people, the better we shall be able to deal with them. The more we know about the German people, the better we shall be able to deal with them.

As for the present ruling class, they ought to be eliminated. We ought to strengthen that element and we ought to bring them into line with the rest of the people. We ought to do this in a way that will be to the benefit of the German people.

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By Dorothy Thompson:

Kill Nazism, Then Use Golden Rule

Dorothy Thompson, distinguished foreign correspondent and news analyst, speaks of Germany and the Nazis from her first-hand knowledge. She writes: "I have known the Nazis since they came to power in 1933. I have seen them in their own country and in the territories they have conquered."



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Professor Albert Einstein is world famous as an author of the Theory of Relativity. Although one of Germany's most distinguished scientists, he joined the ranks of the anti-Nazi forces in 1933 when the Nazis confiscated his property. He found refuge in Belgium and England for a time and then came to the United States in 1935. He is now an American citizen. Professor Einstein has given a study of the time and efforts to help people.



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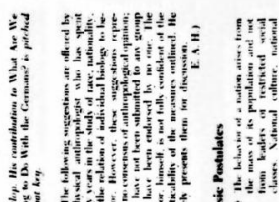
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