

# "HELLO ADOLF"

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is an imaginative personal correspondence of a staff writer to Adolf Hitler. The latter's reply is fictitious also. All references to persons living or dead are purely intentional. This material is written solely by the author, and is not the policy or in any way connected with the publication.)

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Highland Park, Ill.

Dear Adolf,  
Many thanks for the interesting letter of last week. I'm glad to hear that everything is going so well. The recent renomination of Roosevelt by the Democrats probably affected you. His renomination must have been quite a blow, and I hope you took it standing up. His foreign policy doesn't exactly coincide with Nazi schemes and aspirations.

My, my, I certainly enjoyed your speech from Berlin last week. The evil forebodings you forecast for Britain sounded terrific, but I doubt if it instilled any fear in their hearts. One thing I like about you Adolf, you're so modest in your speeches and take the blame for everything. The recent Berlin speech would have been improved if you had soft-pedaled talk concerning past continental victories, and not Bronx cheered friend Churchill so much. The American people don't appreciate such boasts and razzings... you must think more of your reputation on this continent, Adolf.

Well, so far the blighty Englishmen have been stubborn. That is one of their numerous innate qualities. You'll probably find many more inherent characteristics as you push the British defensive. Seriously Hit, the present situation over there reminds me of the predicament our nation was confronted with in the Revolutionary war. We crushed much larger nations and made our peace terms... simply because we were fighting for our homes... and freedom. Britain is in a vaguely similar position currently. Having lost the battle of France, they are backed against the wall and are fighting for their homes... and freedom.

Yes sir, Adolf, England is going to be a tough nut to crack. It'll take more than a few thousand tons of Krupp bombs to force the English to submit. It will take a complete moral conviction and thorough annihilation of the Isles. I was just wondering... what will you have after you lay England to waste? Well, I suppose you'll be morally satisfied... and that's what counts. We all have our vices. I think yours is blowing fellow humans to bits. Mine is smoking cigarettes... not smoking cities. Often times I

think you have contracted a disease-like mania the symptoms of which include the desire for complete world domination. About 25 years ago, another fellow had a disease analogous with yours. He died of it some years later.

Bye the bye, how are your stars this week? People say that the stars tell you just what to do, and when to do it. Sometimes I think the good Lord didn't place the stars in the heavens for use as Blitzkrieg timers. Stars are one way to soothe your conscience and guide your destiny, Adolf. But winter skies, which will be here soon, should be rather clouded.

Incidentally Hit, I'm glad to see the censors aren't using ink on our mail so much anymore. Recently received a letter from a friend there, and only 73 out of the 76 lines were deleted. Please congratulate postoffice officials, or are you trying to conserve ink?

—AN AMERICAN.

Munich, den 14. Juli, 1940  
Dear American:

I don't want to be indignant, but your letter slightly offended me. Maybe I am a bit presumptuous, but you seemed to infer quite a few things that are detrimental to my integrity. Your statement that there are "not many churches in Germany" is absolutely ridiculous. Please refer to a back issue of Facts in Review, and you'll readily see how totally erroneous your statement is. Our culture has been uplifted and ameliorated since the Nazi regime began.

Delighted to hear my speech was terrific. Being stupendous is part of my makeup... you've probably noticed that in my extraordinary campaigns on neighboring countries. The so-called "evil forebodings" I forecast for Britain were not prognostications, but plain facts. If Churchill would only pay a little attention to my presages in lieu of digging ditches in the countryside, he might have time to save his country.

But, if he did relent, he probably wouldn't accept my peace terms, so I might just as well finish the campaign: It should prove relishable... especially for my men. After all, Goebbels pounded hate into their heads for nearly seven years. I couldn't back down now. It would be like taking the mouse away from the cat.

Oh yes, the Englishmen are stubborn, but bombs and fire will loosen them up considerably. My only worry is food. I possess all the ammunition and men I could possible want. With the conquering of France and Poland, I now have a little more food... but not enough for the defeated peoples. I suppose they will have to starve, because my men must be fed. There would be no famine if Herr Churchill would give up. If he did admit utter defeat and thus save millions of lives, I would have partial control of his vast resources

and then maybe grab some spoils in the Western Hemisphere. I have fairly good footholds in South America at the moment, but the constant interference of Hull and Roosevelt are worrying me. My colleagues say that we are losing many would-be Nazis in South American republics due to the United States good will expeditions. Roosevelt does differ with my foreign policy very much. Many of my American agents attempted unsuccessfully to discourage "third terms." The man who grades the White House is one of my arch-enemies... but one more of them won't make much difference.

Your newspapers print that U.S.S.R. and Germany are on good terms... so much rubbish. Confidentially, Joseph had no business to meddle in my Rumanian interests. As soon as my present campaign is completed, I intend to reprimand Herr Stalin for his outrageous act. My sentiments toward the Communist state are similar to a stale cake with the inside heavy and rotten, while the outside icing is tempting and delicious.

My astrologer predicts a fine future for the Reich. My suspicions of his relating the truth are never aroused, because everything he has augured has been precisely correct. Of course he would not dare say the future wasn't bright, for fear of the existing concentration camps. In short, I trust him implicitly... just as I trust my army and the star formations at Berchtesgaden. You mentioned that the coming winter skies will be cloudy... they will be no doubt, but a plane can always fly above them.

Thren ergebenen,  
ADOLF

## Wild Life Protected On the North Shore

That wild life on the North Shore is one of our most treasured assets was expressed in two different instances this week:

A young robin, unable to fly had fallen from its nest, located on a building at the corner of St. Johns and Central Aves. A passerby seeing the predicament of the bird called the fire department and in a few minutes the hook and ladder squad had replaced the youngster.

Another touching scene was witnessed on the Skokie highway when a mother pheasant with her brood of young ones attempted to cross the busy highway during the rush hour. Dozens of fast flying cars came to a full stop to allow the little family to proceed in safety.

## Dinner Dance Is Sponsored to Aid British War Relief

One of the truly important events of the summer will be the big benefit party to be given by the Evanston and North Shore units of the British War Relief society at the Edgewater Beach hotel on the night of Wednesday, July 31.

The benefit takes the form of a dinner dance—dinner to be served in the Marine Dining room of the hotel, with dancing on the Beach walk. The East lounge will be given over to games.

Proceeds of the party will go toward the purchase and equipment of a Plastic Surgery ambulance for which there is very great need. Such an ambulance is used chiefly for the purpose of rushing immediate aid to civilians who are wounded during bombings.

The price of the tickets include dinner as well as admission to the Beach walk. "Everyone who buys a ticket or tickets will have the as-

surance of a grand evening as well as the satisfaction of having given their bit to help some unknown unfortunate to face a life worth living," the sponsors declare.

Invitations and tickets are being issued now. The invitations bear an imposing list of patrons and patronesses.

Tickets may be purchased from Mrs. Allan Crawford, Tel. H. P. 1283.

## Junior Italian Club Doing Good Work

Two new members were chosen at the last meeting of the Junior Women's Italian Prosperity Club held July 18; they were Lena Azzi and Tina Vignocchi. The total number of members at present is sixty-eight.

A letter written by Nancy Sante sent to the President of the United States "To Keep America Out of War" was read at the meeting.

A party is being planned by the social chairman, Helen Minorini for the next meeting, August 15.

The new members that were initiated at this meeting were: Alice Antonetti, Mrs. Chas. Bianchini, Helen Gheradini, Rena Monfardini, Lucille Pignatari and Irene Santi.

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## Rev. B. B. Schlung In Bethany Pulpit Next Sunday

Rev. B. B. Schlung a minister of the Methodist Church for many years and a very good friend of Bethany Church will be the guest minister at the Bethany Evangelical Church on Sunday at the 11:00 A.M. worship service. Rev. Schlung needs no introduction in Bethany's Parish as he has spoken from its pulpit many times during the past 8 years. In addition to his work as a minister in the Methodist Church, Rev. Schlung for a number of years was very active in the work of the

Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society. In that capacity he formed many North Shore friendships. His many friends are invited to hear him next Sunday morning in Highland Park.

## Miller Schreiner Resigns American Legion Post

Miller Schreiner, Highland Park, tenth district commander of the American legion, resigned Friday night to emphasize his conviction that one year is enough in the commander's post. He was elected last year to a two-year term.

His resignation was submitted at a meeting of tenth district Legionnaires Friday night at Fox Lake. Douglas Gretchell, Grayslake, senior vice-commander, was automatically elevated to the commander's position.

Schreiner had frequently declared that he believed one-year terms for tenth district commander should be the rule. As a result of his action last night it is considered likely that tenth district members will incorporate in their by-laws the one-year rule.

Charles S. Prizer, Lake Bluff, who had been junior vice commander automatically was elevated to the position of senior vice commander to replace Gretchell. The Legionnaires elected A. C. Fuller, Waukegan, junior vice-commander. Fuller is chairman of the Americanism committee for the tenth district.

## St. Johns Avenue Being Widened This Week

This week workmen are busy widening St. Johns avenue from Laurel avenue north to the alley in the middle of the block. To do this the old 20-foot sidewalk is being cut down to 12 feet. This improvement will enable diagonal parking, thus making room for nearly twice as many cars. It also eliminates a bad and dangerous bottleneck.

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