

That terrible malediction which those people called down upon themselves and their posterity was registered in Heaven, has come down the corridors of the centuries, and has been literally fulfilled. Those people, since then, have been wanderers on the face of the earth, without a country and without a home. They have been despised and persecuted in all lands, and the end is not yet, because, as a nation and as a race, they have never asked that the self-imposed curse be lifted. If there is not a lesson here for all the rest of mankind that calls itself Christian, particularly for the distinguished professors and the eminent divines, I know not where it could be found.

During the nineteenth and part of the eighteenth century, when the higher critics in Germany were tearing the Bible into shreds, rich families everywhere sent their sons, even those intended for the ministry, to Germany, to finish their education. Many of these students came back to their respective countries with minds de-christianized, and the western world is now reaping the harvest of the seed thus sown. Some of these men tell us that Jesus Christ was a great and good man, perhaps the greatest that ever lived. But this is a most insidious doctrine, and is meant to catch the unwary. If Christ was not God—what He declared Himself to be—He was not even a truthful man; He was a proud, boastful man, and was not, therefore, a good man. The fact is that when the deity of Christ goes, then go the Bible, the Church and all the civilization that Christianity has produced in nineteen hundred years. The Christian virtues can have no permanency in fact when the authority of Him who inculcated them and gave them substance is denied. Therefore the struggle now on is actual warfare between Christ and Antichrist.

When I heard that the negotiations with Russia had fallen through I rejoiced with exceeding great joy. How we could ever hope to achieve success by allying ourselves with Antichrist passes all Christian comprehension. It is unfortunately true there are influential parties in Great Britain who worked for such an alliance, and that this beclouds the issue and makes the end more uncertain than it would otherwise be. However, I see the hand of God in the break-down of these negotiations. His arm is as potent now as it was when He led the Israelites unharmed through the Red Sea; and Jesus Christ has never failed those who trusted in Him.

Many millions of genuine Christians in Poland and in Germany may have to shed their blood in defence of the faith that is dearer to them than life itself. If so, that blood will be not only their own salvation,

but, in the end, the salvation of their countries as well.

As for Canada, it seems to me that our duty is clear. So far as my power to speak goes, I address myself to Great Britain in the words that Ruth spoke unto Naomi: "For whithersoever thou goest, there also shall I go. Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God, and in the land that receives thee dying, there also shall I die."

The Address was adopted.

The Senate adjourned until Monday, September 11, at 8 p.m.

THE SENATE

Monday, September 11, 1939.

The Senate met at 8 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

THE OUTBREAK OF WAR FURTHER DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: In order to bring the record up to date I desire to lay on the Table the following further emergency Orders in Council, passed in the last few days:

2512—regulating trading with the enemy and the treatment of enemy property.

2580—appointment of Mr. Oswald Mayrand as member, Censorship Co-ordination Committee.

2581—franking of correspondence for Censorship Co-ordination Committee.

2584—provision for members of Public Service who have been and may be called into active service.

2586—further regulations re trading with the enemy.

2590—amendment to regulations providing for the transfer of aircraft registered in Canada.

DECLARATION OF WAR FORMAL PROCLAMATION

Hon. RAOUL DANDURAND: Honourable senators will remember that at the last sitting of the House I stated that when the Speech from the Throne was approved by both Houses the Government would immediately take steps to issue a formal proclamation declaring the existence of a state of war between Canada and the German Reich.

Accordingly, on Saturday afternoon, a cablegram was sent to the Canadian High Commissioner in London, requesting him to hold himself in readiness to make a submission to the King.