

Parallel struggles

Reprinted below is a flyer that was found on Jan. 11 on the bulletin board outside of the Street of Deans at Lewis and Clark College. Beneath the flyer is the Jewish Legal Society's response.

"Jews responsible for child abductions" new study finds!

Jewish sacrifice rituals have been recently linked to the disappearance of thousands of little children in America.

A surprising link between the dates of missing children reports and the dates of Jew high holidays has been reported. Apparently, there is a dramatic increase in the number of missing children reported in the days leading up to a Jewish holiday. It is suspected that these innocent children are abducted by roving gangs of Jews and then sacrificed in their satanic Jew rituals. Incidentally, the Jews of today are not the same Jews from Biblical times. Today's Jews are actually descendants from a mongrel society from southern Russia called "Khazars." Millions of white and black Christian children are unaccounted for and these Jews are thought to be the culprits. Jews often use the blood of Christian children as an ingredient in Kosher food. This serves as further proof of the evil of the Jew!

He hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without wisdom—Job

The Jews have made a solemn promise to those who were lost to hateful actions, never to allow hatred to be met with silence. And so we are forced to respond to this absurdity.

The faceless author of this proclamation has reintroduced the "Blood Libel" legend: the accusation that Jews kill Christian children and use their blood for religious rituals. Unfortunately, we are unable to laugh at such a ridiculous proposition because the "Blood Libel" is a very real part of Western culture. It surfaced in 1st century Greek literature; it appears in song ("Child Ballad, 155") and in story (Chaucer's "The Prioress's Tale").

The libel has led to the torture of Jews to obtain confessions, to the burning of Jewish villages in the Middle Ages, to the Inquisition and expulsion of Jews from Spain in 1492. In Russia, as late as 1913, Jews were dragged out of their homes and executed on the charge that they had slain children to fulfill their religious needs. In the 1930s, Nazi Germany revived the libel as a propaganda piece, laying the foundation for Hitler's "Final Solution." Silence is never the proper approach to the extermination of innocent people. History has forced us to correct this

misinformation. From the moment Moses descended from Mount Sinai, the prohibition against murder has been the highest law of the Jewish people. We do not kill children for our religious practices.

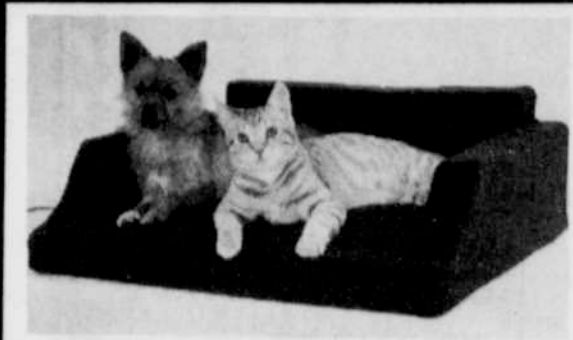
In addition, the author makes the claim that "Jews are actually descendants from a mongrel society from southern Russia called 'Khazars.'" This claim is a physical impossibility. The Babylonian and Roman Empires forcibly exiled Jews from their homeland. This Diaspora has spread Jewish people throughout the world. Even if every Jew did descend from southern Russia, why would this be important?

Finally, the author contends that "Jews often use the blood of Christian children as an ingredient in Kosher food." The Kosher laws strictly forbid the presence of any blood in Kosher food. The author's pronouncements have no basis in Jewish belief or practice; they have no basis in fact.

Hatred is a sickness that spreads rapidly. Hatred is not confined to the Jewish people, its pain has been felt by all peoples whose preferences are "different." It has consumed the dreams of too many beautiful people. It is our responsibility to create a pathway of kindness for ourselves and our children. Let us begin the task.

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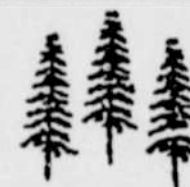
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