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THE READER'S DIGEST

glass tables and chairs and draped with glass textiles; equipped with windows which permit light to enter but none to escape — thereby maintaining privacy in a sunlit room. He envisions piping and plumbing fixtures made of glass; automobiles insulated with glass wool and running on roads paved with glass blocks. He dreams of a malleable glass which can be worked on machine-shop lathes.

Says Corning's veteran research chief, Dr. E. C. Sullivan: "In glass not even the easy things have been done. And help is needed from those who like to do the hard thing. Tomorrow's better world lies just beyond today's frontiers of research. To young technologists, to workers in science generally, I suggest the field of glass research as attractive, exciting, and worthy of any scientist's devotion."



"Official" Document Factory

PECULIAR TO the Nazis is a bureau in the Gestapo which contains the finest setup for the falsification of documents that has ever existed. Handwriting wizards and ace chemists are able to produce, reproduce, or falsify almost any document that Hitler wants to spread before the world. For example, a letter is stolen from an enemy of the regime, the authenticity of which he cannot deny. An entire paragraph in the letter is made to vanish; then an expert forger writes a fresh paragraph including statements necessary to prove the original author's guilt. The man is presented with the letter, which he admits is his; then in the midst of it he is startled to read lines not there before.

For the falsification of typewritten documents the bureau has every make of typewriter in the world. A Gestapo expert checks the type of machine used;

then lines are chemically expunged and new ones inserted. Examination by experts would require days to detect the true from the false.

No doubt exists that letters from Ambassadors Bullitt and Kennedy, supposedly taken from the Polish archives after the fall of Warsaw, were thus "improved." These Gestapo operators could produce a letter in President Roosevelt's handwriting which even he would believe to be authentic. The bureau has collected specimen handwriting of every important person in Europe, Asia and the Americas; also perfect imitations of office blanks and letterheads used in the embassies, consular and government offices of practically all nations. There is little that these experts cannot imitate, from state documents to well-nigh perfect coinage of foreign money.

—Wythe Williams in Greenwich (Conn.) *Time*

Paris

Condensed

THE SOLDIER stands face with his girl, on her waist, under the officer holds his arms. The soldier kisses unashamedly. The officer girl with his eyes. None speaks at all.

"The French are a talker."

On the crowded platform a word is heard. What say now that has not before? What has come not awaited?

*"We shall breed a new hardness, cruelty, violence, leading masses. Or shall found a new Reich last for a thousand years."*

*"The superman will be treacherous, masterful. It will be uniform, with arms and fall rhythmically, or cry hoarsely, rhythmically,"*

DOROTHY THOMPSON, brilliant radio commentator, went to March to inspect the trouble spots in eastern Europe. With a veteran news sense, she reached before the invasion of the Lowlands in her widely syndicated *Record*, gave her readers interpretation of fateful events.

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