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To Death.

I have begun to pack my bags. When finished, I shall button my top button, then incline an ear, to await 'that knock' at the door.

This is thievery. You are rude and offensive. I just got here, just a second ago. ...and all of this would sit so much better if, as I fall, I could, in some vortex, see all "Their" faces, as *they* fall.

You're a jerk. Don't rush me.

I belong to those happy yet unhappy beings born to love. I cannot hate. I cannot hate a single human being. Hate is nothing but an inferiority complex. I looked always only for the beautiful, the goodness in men, and that was my downfall. Doing favours can become a plague.

—from the writings of Walther Funk, ex-*Reichsbank* Minister, Spandau Prison, ca. 1953

It's strange, having written so much "Hitler" material. Hitler, or Hitler-related. WW2, Greatest Gen triumphs, the darkness inherent in Man. Loose lips, all that. I've written roughly 1500 poems. Over 500 of them, have seen print (or cyber equivalent). Amazing, how much has a shoepolish-caste to it. Even poems about random, human pain.

My first comprehensive work in this matter, *Und ihr Habt Doch Gesiegt (You Have Finally Won)*, continues to do well after 2 years on the market. I commented on this to a friend, who lit up and said, "Oh, yeah! Hitler sells!" Of course, as a poet, I'd hope he also makes a point, but as with Christ or Lincoln, I suppose the point is whatever you wish. For myself, I see a lot of selfdeification in any demagogue or dictator, and being a narcissist—one who insists we are, all of us, narcissists—I find the semidivine detachment factor, absorbing. When I write about anything using AH or his NSDAP as a springboard, it's amazing, the dehumanization that automatically sets in. As if clangalang marching bands are windup toys. All of humanity. Marionettes and kewpies, who are just kind of "there".

I refuse to believe no one else thinks these things; my humble, it's probably what keeps egos intact. And my poetry really, even the "Cheeky Checker" twists of one-liners, is me telling others they are no better than Adolf—no better, because we as a species aren't much beyond the Neanderthal imagery of Kubrick and Arthur C. Clarke's. Ultimately, we're a swirl ice cream of Personal and Possessive. I would call that "Self". And I would suspect that Self to be rife with machinations. The only difference between you, me, our neighbor and Hitler, is that *our* strutting Self, our dim or petty connivances, our dismissing or depersonalizing for penny ante reasons or for but a day or two, are a pale shadow of those who achieve the ultimate goals of the semidivine on a really broad

scale...so, we're back to God being a Blue Meanie, aren't we, because We as God, inevitably are filled with harm. Most of us, the vast majority of us, are simply down at a lower level, a kid brother or sister to Hitler. A short pants runt no more lordly in our damaging, than the *Katzenjammer Kids*. Runny-nosed brats more mouth than bayonet. We're still pretty cruel, nonfriend. And we're ohso-skilled at rationalizing it.

I took the best of my remains of castles and jack-boots, anything I thought might benefit and I've compiled it, a kind of "command performance" of Nazism. But, don't think of it that way. Think of it as the dance of a spoiled brat who couldn't begin to conquer the world. A lead spitball, instead of a bullet. A Teutonic howl of "Me, too!"

I am "Gunther". Someone's child. I can beat up your honor student.

CEE in homeroom, Columbine High School, April 20th, 1999

Young Goodman Hitler

Hopeful is but wishing
Hope
A need making want in aeries, then
Keeping a stiff upper lip
Shoepolish moustache in waiting
For this want to become demand

Hope is but desired, butterfly Mud makes its way in sweat The Was Hitler

German for "Dops"?

The whole reason Hitler
Was made Chancellor in the first place
Was because it was only like some
Postmaster General position, anyway
You know
Piddly
Chancelling stamps 'n stuff
They never thought he'd try it with people

Wine-Colored Blut Flag

Show her banner of Italia's Fascisti
"What's that?"
Show him the Rising Sun
"Japan. So?"
Show them that borne of Himalayan priests
and watch the clockwork dollies
Ideology

Good King Adolf Hitler-Bud

Indeed!

I'm sure he looked down on the Feast of Stephen! But, if you think he did it because He "waah!" ed about himself, Feeling lost inside, hollow, feeling sad You're readin' your tea leaves backwards 'Dolf must've really, actually, honestly, Really Thought himself God, or He would not have played the role With such relish Like we all do But most of us Aren't committed enough To utter Salesmanship Of total One-Upmanship That is, To stand free upon a mountain of bodies And call it a mountain

Hitler Wins, and Reopens St. Basil's Cathedral

I'm so happy This irritates you so very, very Beriberi much It hurts you to say This Is True What matters it, That I personally buy into nothing except Me? I know you aren't buying, either, not this Godstuff, neither But you have to say it It's my world, now Others will Make you say it I handed them their chance Their hard chance Of Make I happy I dancin' Praise God!

The Logical Fallacy of Norman Vincent Peale

The Nazi children's story Hitler, Friend of Children The lil' goil Ate-ing cakes at kindly Fuehrer's Palacial digs Then trips off with, "I thank you very much!" As the photo op crowd Even in a picture book Gathers 'round; To imagine 'Dolf, in that moment Pulling out his trusty Parabellum Gunning kid down in mountain lane, If We Here Don't just freak and fingershake We "UHUHUH!!, Ba-Hawww!!"-it, like this is Outtakes from *Kids in the Hall*, Yet I tell you truly, the photo op crowd Much as you'll dispute this Would not have disputed this, They would have found beauty in what Hitler did Real smiles on plastic faces "Ya Gotta Belieeeeeve, Bolie!" Some do My dear one believes, *en example* I could come running in the house, screaming That someone had chased after me with A butcher knife Dear One would say, "Well, it's summertime, hon! A lot of people are cooking out, right now!"

I titled it, "I trace" I titled it, "Horace"

I think of piles of cornrows
Of Wehrmacht cannon and tanks
Coal-scuttle stomp-marching
Rolling out the blitzkrieg,
Having a barrel o' fun
A goofy gamepiece, on the move
Wheels turning, UNDERDOG cartoon
Zoopzoopzoop, carpetwash, over fields and humans
Rolling, paintbrush broad, a tech process
Machine with dim machinations
Like the way a Roomba cleans the floor

I wrote a story
About a Roomba of God's
Which vacuums up humanity,
If you believe in a God of Hatred,
I think that already happened

They Are Hitler

Royal Purple of Orange

A crossing guard
Not a crossing guard
Not any older than you
"Orange Belt"
Pompous rumpus
Hurrying you on, iron SA
You wish you had a black belt
So to kick his Axis
But then, they'd make you cry
In front of a counselor

Fasces List (true believer)

To see her venerate Venerate the flag It's not a sick fantasy, that's not What comes to mind Not some naked thing of OmniSelf; Church It's church Veneration is an holy thing She bloods the flag with spirit of her lips She greets it with an holy kiss "Here be my God" There is worship, here There is blood oath, here She loves the flag She believes, and there is no deformity This is a pledge to die, if need be So, of course I don't think perversities, Sex never scared me

Ecco i "Ciberatori" Ecco i "Liberatori"

Freedom's gonna burn down your Rome It's gonna burn down your barley field It's gonna burn down your house Your concepts Your relationships with others When march-step becomes only a Slender or muscle leg Basted, buttered and With or without nuts You've lost purpose To be free through your work is to be Defined By Purpose You've lost your purpose Freedom killed you Overspilled you Freedom burned down the radio star It really ate your biscuit

A Chinese woodcut poster ("National Unity")

Read like you'd read PEANUTS,

- 1) Cannon bristle, ostensibly for defense
- 2) German soldiers who are probably meant To be Chinese soldiers who look like Germans Pretending to be Chinese, Salute
- 3) There's one dead man,
- 4) And the cannon bristle again, Ostensibly for defense

Sort of a downer, Debbie It's certainly no kneeslapper I like the ones with Linus, myself His theology makes ya think

Soviet National Anthem (for the paradoxists)

(Instrumental) BLEEEAAAH!!

Bud-da BLAST gast-a GALE Bud-Da GHEE Gast-a GALE (repeat)
WAAAH!!, Bled-I-yeddaBLEEAAH, Mai Lin
AAAAH!!, Bled-I-let-a-YES, Mai Lin
HE BE DA WHEY BAY DA GAY DOODY WAAAAAAY,
WHUUUH!!, Not know WHEY Wii-Whine
WHEY do not know dat DEY Wii-Whine
BLASTmaster goot un-daDEE Mach-de-ROOT
(repeat All twice/
Hate Reagan)

(Vocal): Hi HAIL Blast-a GALE bud-da-GHEE gast-a gale

Loaves and Vichy's

You got ripped off on the Black Market Rather easily It's not like you could make certain you paid With a postal money order Then pull the eBay Legal Dept. out of your ass, The Black Market Was a food-based crack pitcher You wanted noodles, you got soap Wanted bread, got soap Candy? Soap. Maybe you got something worthwhile Gnawing on it, Templeton, Waiting for the day the jackboots'd go away The possibility of arrest and execution You got executed for dealing on the Black Market Rather easily It's not like you could scream so the Camera-phones Saw you Then pull Anderson Cooper out of his own ass

Orange You Glad I'm Not a Nazi?

You want validation so much You'll develop a skill to trap it Validation is, though, vampiric A mist Seeks as it wants Feeds as it likes Remaining only if pleasing Itself That's right "Validation", has a Self

By all means, tell your little jokes No one's going to die with you

The Face of Compromised Intellectuality

Keynote address
Learn to speak as if to one person
Alone
That's why you, personally
Are so good at it
You've iced it
Post-Secondary Hitler
He's the audience
The audient
He needs to hear this lonesome shit
Or, needed to

the green, green grass of Nuremberg

there is beauty in the girl, her wild horse vision vistas of horizon bolted for, so to catch there is beauty too in the young woman, too her own vision duty and care of a life sought, so to live and yes there is probably beauty in the old woman call it "wisdom" "spiritual insight" "fullness of soul" said life, well lived but she is still an old woman and despite the cries of all who smile for some semblance of justice in this world, for her I can only be sad

I wish all the chat rooms had one throat

Old war poster
THE INDIES MUST BE FREE
Indigenous denizen
Meant to be every Native native in the
Eastern Hemisphere
Chained to a boulder
Which our Allied troops must smash

I see a black cheerleader on old vid at an Old Ole Miss game
Strutting in sequined Reb Flag T&A,
While I'm reading
Toffee-nosed snots on bulletin boards:
"Nice try, person not-as-smart-as-me
Let me help you learn
To be ME in a different skin
All tapdance education bracketed as
My Exact Facet"

Posters, with their brie, would Jeer SS-hard at a black cheerleader's pain Munching their crackers and Kant With all the Indies chained to a rock

The Skokie Postulate

Bill Maher, Franken, Jane Anne, Clooney
I think, "Why are these people still alive?"
Rush, Bill-O, Bachman, The Nooge
I think, "Why are they still alive?!"
Newsflash: Father Charles Coughlin
Died old, in bed
As did Emma Goldman
As did Eugene Debs
And no one stood by with a bayonet
Protecting them from bayonets
We ralph on freedom of speech, today
But from 1776,
You really could say any goddammed thing, here
And never get killed

TAM Hitler

Tomb of the Sullied Memory of the Tomb of The Unknown Soldier

"Ya monstuh-walkin'! Ya monstuh-walkin'!"
"UHUHUH!! Bahawww!!!"
They threw both my buddies out for catcalling
The Marine guard
Having watched his training
Days before and
Being as they are citizens of
Our Fair and Decent Land
(therefore asses),
Well...

It was a day at The Tomb
Most will frown back upon
No one was happy
They threw them both out, both my friends
And not without a struggle
Me, they threw out for my wearing
My swastika armband
I, however, went quietly,
Since I'd done nothing wrong

Cody Jarrett in the Making

All this mystic heraldry Perfect absorption-yet-believable The knight never cries Not to a geek like Me (no two wussies being exactly alike so's one knows how other men got their nakedness wrong) Likewise, the Aryan short sword Which looks like a cheap piece of crap From a basement Christian concern Nobody would ever thrust this thing into someone's Abdomen That's just silly Like saying a human being Could outrun a horse Or some secretaries type over 400 words a Minute No, no, not these days, nope, nope No man cries No one dies No can Make anyone Heraldry is my pornography #SIGH# And I just float off

Gonna Pound That Sass Right Out of You

I could watch Unkie Sam Pound his lug wrench Wrenched into the skull Of a Sino citizen, And I could lift holy hands to YHWH That no one tore Thomas Jefferson to bits That no one told me what to do Who wasn't telling me what to do From my earliest memory, I could let yellow peoples In that day and age Suffer in the oneness they prized so much, And I would sleep the sleep of babes And be always right And never be wrong or even incorrect And if I ended that thought Here, Soft children would curl faces in harmed disgust At surety of such an outdated Aesir, But as Thomas Merton might have told you I'd make the conscientious effort, I'd watch James Montgomery Sam See the wrench Wrench Life away "Awww! I'm tehh-lllihhn!" and giving the authorities Someone's IP address Is a grayed-out copy/paste of Same You You're the problem

"Hohenzollern", "Hohenzollern"

Makes me think of a dumb marbles game For yesterday's 8-year olds Balance the damned tray, drop the damned Marbles in, "Kaiser" I clearly defer to rolls And hot, fat sandwiches of mainly Steak Oinking them down while Playing a shit-stupid marbles game, "World War One" Conjures images of people moving like Barn swallows Gesticulating like menl' patients Because Time ruined how to make movie cameras "Hitler"? Someone being hit Could be a boxer Could be a classmate Could be Jennifer Lopez In a movie I wish ran faster But Someone being hit

Being hit

The last sentinel in the tower

The saddest part of my deal, being If angels were Flesh and ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA Here came one in the clouds Though she be the Christian version of Winged Victory (with cranium), I dig far best the idea of Blowing her ass to peatbog With a rocket launcher That's, like, the Ultimate heroism, to me Couldn't you imagine, Going Rambo on an angel with a Rocket launcher? That'd be celeb for Life That'd make the papers

Jake

I hated my friend's dog I hated my friend, you wanna know the truth, But his big dog, I could not abide And, one night After boring buddy had drunk his hot milk And sockie-feet whuffuffled off to bed, I stood there, as the big dog came into my room And we locked quiet stares And after a minute This hugeass mofo dog Lowered his head And backed slowly out of the room; When I threaten people, online I say, nonactionably, "Email me, we'll set a date, You can come knock at my door, and then, I'll kill you." And no one ever emails No matter how Cap bold or Hulk angry they were In their posts up to that point I know why I'd bet Jake could tell you why

Your Great-Grandaddy's Internet Your Great-Grandaddy's Internet

I recall, one night in 2000, I regaled a friend with talk Of flame wars between me and Others Shaking head at how they got out of hand, I told him what I had told Them I justified my position I understood him to be a damned Friend Which to me, ended any debate I told him how satisfying, this thing called "e-mail" Was, "I write out how I feel, what I think," I said. "I hit 'SEND', man! It's just like flushing the toilet!" "Ah, But...BUT!", he countered, and I Stared at him I had no idea what he meant I mean, I Did, But, it didn't make much sense

Bonus Paper Trax: 3 poems about those other than Hitler

Savin' the World Here, Boss (Davie, FL)

Well, it Was a runway Cobbled to crumbles In strong, vicious grass which could Stab someone to death His aerial map took us only so far I'd never believed trespassing laws were ever Enforced: Taken by red neck in white van To dirty clods of what had been **Jumppoints** Of the Greatest Generation's selfportrait Their masterwork, A world saved In order to become Disposable

Took up a rotten fistful of courage The security guard Wanted to know why we ran away I looked up, to Cadillac-whispers of the skies "You were chasing us."

An Idealized, Pastoral Britain (postwar)

Yes
That
That, only That and That alone
I don't want any begging of the Utopia
All humanity are addicts
It's Eden or nothing

The End of All Mad Time-Travelers

And it appeared 'top Monte Cassino Wrong morning, 1944
"AH!! AT LAST!! AND NOW TO...!!"
(mortar attack like you wouldn't Believe)

A Hard Place

Human creatures are big on massing against same. It's a primary reason I keep to myself. It's why I have a hard time condemning the man in Maurice Ogden's *The Hangman*. Ultimately, those who stick out necks, are slipping them into nooses. Sincere effort kills; it's a fact, look it up. It also generates few results, if you look at the tapestry of humanity. Abject cruelty, by religionist and humanist, Red or Rightist, the well-intended and shit-disturbers alike. Human creatures suck. You're all on freaky power trips. I'm glad I'm a force of nature. It's like being an automatic shift in a world of "sticks": what I feel, I slip into and out of with ease, and with a single step. You? Clunkety, rip-sound, rattleass, repeat. *Oops. Flooded it.*

This little shaver-me-lad, sees an endless human cycle: freakout, overcorrection, retaliation, battle—in our fair land, eventually, Court... and even then, what justice is meted, begins the pattern once more. Freakout. Overcorrection. Retaliation. Battle. It's therefore difficult to side with anyone, re: *anything*. It eventually turned me into a crusader for Self. For the Hitler within, that divine or semidivine thing that's causing any friction to begin with. Rather than crush The Other, I say spread The Good News of You. *Mmmm...Self...*

The story of Hitler and of our Second World War, make up a heraldry we'll be another century in discarding. It's too huge a story, larger people from bigger times that try as we might with the postmodern, we cannot reduce to the mundane. We cannot make Him and The Struggle, "like us". We can do it with Washington, we can do it with Crockett. Who cares, right, we're all people (?) But if we make 'Dolf just some joe with a plan, niggle too hard at the fight between sides, ca. 1939-45, we have two problems: we've 1) made the culmination of the horror of Self eating everything in sight, into a common thing, which 2) begs the question of whether Hitler might be You and Me. Our neighbor, minister. Our government. The planet.

Head's up, nonfriends: He's You. Hitler is you having achieved *Bruce Almighty*. He's what a run at the tables for the whole of the night, will bring. He's Ultimate Uncare. The rest of us don't outstrip the roulette wheel in quite the same style, no, we're much happier being McNichol and Sarandon in *Women of Valor*, smacking each other in turn for the amusement of the guards. My solution is *more* Self, not less. If your world isn't starting, try it again with more gas.

There would seem to be no known state of human beingness, which is "the correct form". This would mean there is no absolute "right". And, there! See? Like magic, Self's boomerang is again in your hand.

Except, it might be The Sword of Siegfried. Or a handheld video game. Try making Life about You. You'll sleep better.

—CEE, 1/15/12

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