

## #2 observations

approached. Then I thought I'd better say a few words about Christmas but not just follow the same words that excellent and good as they are are said a thousand times. So I remarked that this condition was due to the condition of our world which is in Satan's power and yet that we can have great joy as we remember the birth of Christ. Then I went on to speak of other matters and put this very rough presentation aside when all I really needed was only about two pages for the letter. I took it to McCarty and said, Please look it over, and indicate anything if you think would be really good for the receipt letter, and anything that would definitely be out.

The next day I saw McCarty and asked how the letter was. He said, I have marked what I think should be first and second and third. Quite as I might have expected the first two pages were not as good as at all as what he said to do. He said these first two pages would be alright for a letter to be included with Murray's Christmas letter. The other he marked he thought would do for one, two or three, I worked over these parts and expanded these slightly a bit and then cut them down to the right size and got a receipt letter for him.

Just as I was about ready to give him the receipt letter I got a phone call from him. He said, I would like those first two pages for Dr. Murray's Christmas letter. Knowing the general feeling toward Hitler and toward Germany I had never thought those pages would really be used. They had only been to me a rough draft to make a general start for this letter. I said I'm bogged down with work right now. When do you want it? A week from now? No, he said, I just talked to Jack on the phone. He did not have anything in mind. He said to write a brief letter and like to include this with it for the Christmas letter. I'd like today. I said, I'm afraid that's impossible. Well, he said, do what you can. I went on with the task I had before me. In glancing over the pages I thought they don't seem