

## Public Opinion Questionnaire E

The following statements refer to opinions regarding a number of social groups and issues, about which some people agree and others disagree. Please mark each statement in the left-hand margin according to your agreement or disagreement, as follows:

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| <p>— 1. The many political parties tend to confuse national issues, add to the expense of elections, and raise unnecessary agitation. For this and other reasons, it would be best if all political parties except the two major ones were abolished.</p> <p>— 2. If there are enough Negroes who want to attend dances at a local dance hall featuring a colored band, a good way to arrange this would be to have one all-Negro night, and then the whites could dance in, peace the rest of the time.</p> <p>— 3. Patriotism and loyalty are the first and most important requirements of a good citizen.</p> <p>— 4. Certain religious sects whose beliefs do not permit them to salute the flag should be forced to conform to such a patriotic action, or else be abolished.</p> <p>— 5. The Negroes would solve many of their social problems by not being so irresponsible, lazy, and ignorant.</p> <p>— 6. Any group or social movement which contains many foreigners should be watched with suspicion and, whenever possible, be investigated b the FBI.</p> <p>— 7. There will always be superior and inferior nations in the world an in the interests of all concerned, it is best that the superior ones be control of world affairs.</p> <p>— 8. Negro musicians are sometimes as good as white musicians at swing music and jazz, but it is a mistake to have mixed Negro-white band</p> | <p>— 9. Although women are necessary now in the armed forces and in industry, they should be returned to their proper place in the home as soon as the war ends.</p> <p>— 10. Minor forms of military training, obedience, and discipline, such as drill, marching and simple commands, should be made a part of the elementary school educational program.</p> <p>— 11. It would be a mistake to have Negroes for foremen and leaders over whites.</p> <p>— 12. The main threat to basic American institutions during this century h come from the infiltration of foreign ideas, doctrines, and agitators</p> <p>— 13. Present treatment of conscientious objectors, draft-evaders, and enemy aliens is too lenient and mollycoddling. If a person won't fight for his country, he deserves a lot worse than just a prison or a work camp.</p> <p>— 14. Negroes may have a part to play in white civilization, but it is best to keep them in their own districts and schools and to prevent too much intermixing with whites.</p> <p>— 15. One main difficulty with allowing the entire population to participate fully in government affairs (voting, jobs, etc.) is that such a large percentage is innately deficient and incapable.</p> <p>— 16. Manual labor and menial jobs seem to fit the Negro mentality and ability better than more skilled or responsible work.</p> |
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- 17. It is a mistake to allow any Japanese to leave internment camps and enter the army where they would be free to commit sabotage.
- 18. In view of the present national emergency, it is highly important to limit responsible government jobs to native, white, Christian Americans.
- 19. In a community of 1,000 whites and 50 Negroes, a drunken Negro shoots and kills an officer who is trying to arrest him. The white population should immediately drive all the Negroes out of town.
- 20. European refugees may be in need, but it would be a big mistake to lower our immigration quotas and allow them to flood the country.
- 21. The many faults, and the general inability to get along, of the Oklahomans ("Okies"), who have recently flooded California, prove that we ought to send them back where they came from as soon as conditions permit.
- 22. The people who raise all the talk about putting Negroes on the same level as whites and giving them the same privileges are mostly radical agitators trying to stir up conflicts.
- 23. It has become clear that the Germans and Japanese are racially war-minded and power-seeking, and the only guarantee of future peace is to wipe out most of them and to keep the rest under careful control.
- 24. A large-scale system of sterilization would be one good way of breeding out criminals and other undesirable elements in our society and so raise its general standards and living conditions.
- 25. An occasional lynching in the South is a good thing because there is a large percentage of Negroes in many communities and they need a scare once in a while to prevent them from starting riots and disturbances.
- 26. Mexico can never advance to the standards of living and civilization of the U.S., due mainly to the innate dirtiness, laziness, and general backwardness of Mexicans.
- 27. Filipinos are all right in their place, but they carry it too far when they dress lavishly, buy good cars, and go around with white girls.
- 28. It would be best to limit Negroes to grammar and trade school education since more schooling just gives them ambitions and desires which they are unable to fulfill in white competition.
- 29. Zootsuiters demonstrate that inferior groups, when they are given too much freedom and money, just misuse their privileges and create disturbances.
- 30. The most vicious, irresponsible, and racketeering unions are, in most cases, those having largely foreigners for leaders.
- 31. There is something inherently primitive and uncivilized in the Negro, as shown in his music and his extreme aggressiveness.
- 32. We are spending too much money for the pampering of criminals and the insane, and for the education of inherently incapable people.
- 33. There will always be wars because, for one thing, there will always be races who ruthlessly try to grab more than their share.
- 34. Most Negroes would become officious, overbearing, and disagreeable if not kept in their place.

## Excerpts from Public Opinion Questionnaire F

- 2. Although many people may scoff, it may yet be shown that astrology can explain a lot of things.
- 3. America is getting so far from the true American way of life that force may be necessary to restore it.
- 6. It is only natural and right that women be restricted in certain ways in which men have more freedom.
- 9. Too many people today are living in an unnatural, soft way; we should return to the fundamentals, to a more red-blooded, active way of life.
- 10. It is more than a remarkable coincidence that Japan had an earthquake on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 1944.
- 12. The modern church, with its many rules and hypocrisies, does not appeal to the deeply religious person; it appeals mainly to the childish, the insecure, and the uncritical.
- 14. After we finish off the Germans and Japs, we ought to concentrate on other enemies of the human race such as rats, snakes, and germs.
- 17. Familiarity breeds contempt.
- 19. One should avoid doing things in public which appear wrong to others, even though one knows that these things are really all right.
- 20. One of the main values of progressive education is that it gives the child great freedom in expressing those natural impulses and desires so often frowned upon by conventional middle-class society.
- 23. He is, indeed, contemptible who does not feel an undying love, gratitude, and respect for his parents.
- 24. Today everything is unstable; we should be prepared for a period of constant change, conflict, and upheaval.
- 28. Novels or stories that tell about what people think and feel are more interesting than those which contain mainly action, romance, and adventure.
- 30. Reports of atrocities in Europe have been greatly exaggerated for propaganda purposes.
- 31. Homosexuality is a particularly rotten form of delinquency and ought to be severely punished.
- 32. It is essential for learning or effective work that our teachers or bosses outline in detail what is to be done and exactly how to go about it.
- 35. There are some activities so flagrantly un-American that, when responsible officials won't take the proper steps, the wide-awake citizen should take the law into his own hands.
- 38. There is too much emphasis in college on intellectual and theoretical topics, not enough emphasis on practical matters and on the homely virtues of living.
- 39. Every person should have a deep faith in some supernatural force higher than himself to which he gives total allegiance and whose decisions he does not question.
- 42. No matter how they act on the surface, men are interested in women for only one reason.
- 43. Sciences like chemistry, physics, and medicine have carried men very far, but there are many important things that can never possibly be understood by the human mind.

- 46. The sexual orgies of the old Greeks and Romans are nursery school stuff compared to some of the goings-on in this country today, even in circles where people might least expect it.
- 47. No insult to our honor should ever go unpunished.
- 50. Obedience and respect for authority are the most important virtues children should learn.
- 53. There are some things too intimate or personal to talk about even with ones' closest friends.
- 55. Although leisure is a fine thing, it is good hard work that makes life interesting and worthwhile.
- 56. After the war, we may expect a crime wave; the control of gangsters and ruffians will become a major social problem.
- 58. What a man does is not so important so long as he does it well.
- 59. Human nature being what it is, there will always be war and conflict.
- 60. Which of the following are the most important for a person to have or to be? *Mark X the three most important.*

artistic and sensuous  
 popular, good personality  
 drive, determination, will power  
 broad, humanitarian social outlook  
 neatness and good manners  
 sensitivity and understanding

efficiency, practicality, thrift  
 intellectual and serious  
 emotional expressiveness, warmth, intimacy  
 kindness and charity

- 65. It is entirely possible that this series of wars and conflicts will be ended once and for all by a world-destroying earthquake, flood, or other catastrophe.
- 66. Books and movies ought not to deal so much with the sordid and seamy side of life; they ought to concentrate on themes that are entertaining or uplifting.
- 67. When you come right down to it, it's human nature never to do anything without an eye to one's own profit.
- 70. To a greater extent than most people realize, our lives are governed by plots hatched in secret by politicians.
- 73. Nowadays when so many different kinds of people move around so much and mix together so freely, a person has to be especially careful to protect himself against infection and disease.
- 74. What this country needs is fewer laws and agencies, and more courageous, tireless, devoted leaders whom the people can put their faith in.
- 75. Sex crimes, such as rape and attacks on children, deserve more than mere imprisonment; such criminals ought to be publicly whipped.
- 77. No sane, normal, decent person could ever think of hurting a close friend or relative.

## Public Opinion Questionnaire A

This is an investigation of general public opinion concerning Jewish people. The following are statements with which some people agree and others disagree. Please mark each one in the left margin, according to the amount of your agreement or disagreement, by using the following scale:

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| <p>___ 1. Jews seem to prefer the most luxurious, extravagant, and sensual way of living.</p> <p>___ 2. The Jews must be considered a bad influence on Christian culture and civilization.</p> <p>___ 3. In order to maintain a nice residential neighborhood it is best to prevent Jews from living in it.</p> <p>___ 4. A major fault of the Jews is their conceit, overbearing pride, and their idea that they are a chosen race.</p> <p>___ 5. One trouble with Jewish businessmen is that they stick together and connive, so that a Gentile doesn't have a fair chance in competition.</p> <p>___ 6. Colleges should adopt a quota system by which they limit the number of Jews in fields which have too many Jews now.</p> <p>___ 7. No matter how Americanized a Jew may seem to be, there is always something basically Jewish underneath, a loyalty to Jewry and a manner that is never totally changed.</p> <p>___ 8. Jewish power and control in money matters is far out of proportion to the number of Jews in the total population.</p> <p>___ 9. A step toward solving the Jewish problem would be to prevent Jews from getting into superior, profitable positions in society, for a while at least.</p> <p>___ 10. Districts containing many Jews always seem to be smelly, dirty, shabby, and unattractive.</p> | <p>___ 11. There are too many Jews in the various federal agencies and bureaus in Washington, and they have too much control over our national policies.</p> <p>___ 12. The Jewish problem is so general and deep that one often doubts that democratic methods can ever solve it.</p> <p>___ 13. There are a few exceptions, but in general Jews are pretty much alike.</p> <p>___ 14. Jews tend to lower the general standard of living by their willingness to do the most menial work and to live under standards that are far below average.</p> <p>___ 15. It is wrong for Jews and Gentiles to intermarry.</p> <p>___ 16. The Jews should not pry so much into Christian activities and organizations nor seek so much recognition and prestige from Christians.</p> <p>___ 17. Much resentment against Jews stems from their tending to keep apart and to exclude Gentiles from Jewish social life.</p> <p>___ 18. It is best that Jews should have their own fraternities and sororities, since they have their own particular interests and activities which they can best engage in together, just as Christians get along best in all-Christian fraternities.</p> |
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- 19. One thing that has hindered the Jews from establishing their own nation is the fact that they really have no culture of their own; instead, they tend to copy the things that are important to the native citizens of whatever country they are in.
- 20. The Jews should give up their un-Christian religion with all its strange customs (kosher diet, special holidays, etc.) and participate actively and sincerely in the Christian religion.
- 21. It is sometimes all right to ban Jews from certain apartment houses.
- 22. One big trouble with Jews is that they are never contented, but always try for the best jobs and the most money.
- 23. Jews tend to remain a foreign element in American society, to preserve their old social standards and to resist the American way of life.
- 24. Anyone who employs many people should be careful not to hire a large percentage of Jews.
- 25. Jews go too far in hiding their Jewishness, especially such extremes as changing their names, straightening noses, and imitating Christian manners and customs.
- 26. There is little doubt that Jewish pressure is largely responsible for the U. S. getting into the war with Germany.

## Public Opinion Questionnaire S

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- 1. The Jews should make sincere efforts to rid themselves of their conspicuous and irritating faults, if they really want to stop being persecuted.
- 2. War shows up the fact that the Jews make sacrifices for their country.
- 3. It would hurt the business of a large concern if it had too many Jewish employees.
- 4. There is something different and strange about Jews; one never knows what they are thinking or planning, nor what makes them tick.
- 5. Jews may have moral standards that they apply in their dealings with each other, but with Christians they are unscrupulous, ruthless, and undependable.
- 6. The best way to eliminate the Communist menace in this country is to control the Jewish element which guides it.
- 7. The trouble with letting Jews into a nice neighborhood is that they gradually give it a typical Jewish atmosphere.
- 8. The Jew's first loyalty is to Jewry rather than to his country.
- 9. In order to handle the Jewish problem, Gentiles must meet fire with fire and use the same ruthless tactics with the Jews that the Jews use with the Gentiles.

- 10. I can hardly imagine myself marrying a Jew.
- 11. Jews seem to have an aversion to plain hard work; they tend to be a parasitic element in society by finding easy, nonproductive jobs.
- 12. It is not wise for a Christian to be seen too much with Jews, as he might be taken for a Jew, or be looked down upon by his Christian friends.
- 13. One general fault of Jews is their overaggressiveness, a strong tendency always to display their Jewish looks, manners, and breeding.
- 14. There seems to be some revolutionary streak in the Jewish make-up as shown by the fact that there are so many Jewish Communists and agitators.
- 15. One of the first steps to be taken in cleaning up the movies and generally improving the situation in Hollywood is to put an end to Jewish domination there.
- 16. Jews should be more concerned with their personal appearance, and not be so dirty and smelly and unkempt.
- 17. The Jewish districts in most cities are results of the clannishness and stick-togetherness of Jews.
- 18. Most hotels should deny admittance to Jews, as a general rule.
- 19. The true Christian can never forgive the Jews for their crucifixion of Christ.
- 20. Jewish millionaires may do a certain amount to help their own people, but little of their money goes into worthwhile American causes.
- 21. Jewish leaders should encourage Jews to be more inconspicuous, to keep out of professions and activities already overcrowded with Jews, and to keep out of the public notice.
- 22. There is little hope of correcting the racial defects of the Jews, since these defects are simply in their blood.
- 23. The Jews keep too much to themselves, instead of taking the proper interest in community problems and good government.
- 24. It would be to the best interests of all if the Jews would form their own nation and keep more to themselves.
- 25. When Jews create large funds for educational or scientific research (Rosenwald, Heller, etc.) it is mainly due to a desire for fame and public notice rather than a really sincere scientific interest.
- 26. On the whole, the Jews have probably contributed less to American life than any other group.