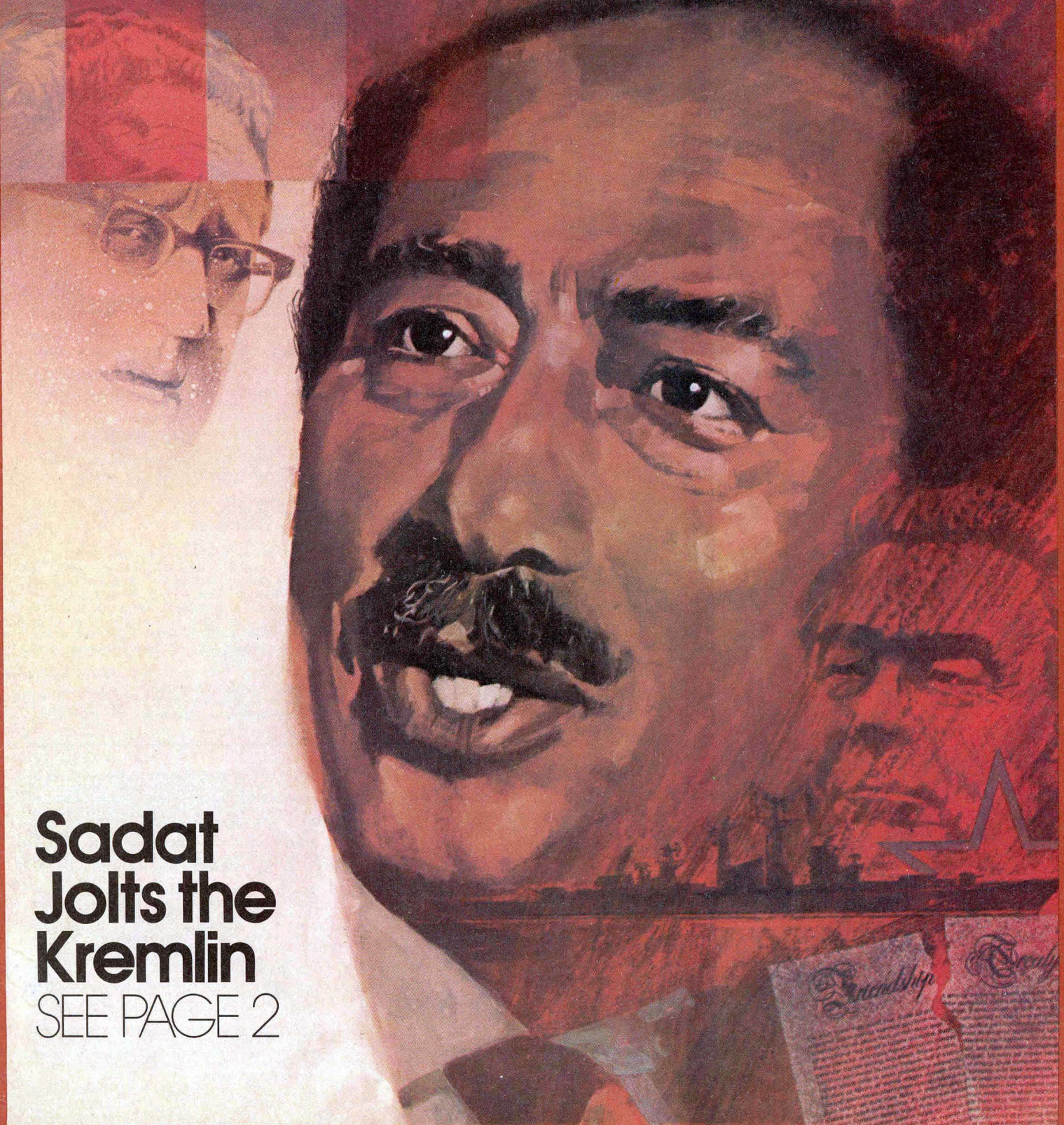


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Here in Rome the big news is the Italian political crisis. Combined with other events, this could lead to an explosive *world crisis* such as never shook this world before.

It's not my intention to *report* the news, but EXPLAIN WHAT IT MEANS, WHERE IT MAY LEAD, and how it may shake up your life! News reporters and newscasters may report the news. But they cannot explain it! They do not know what is prophesied.

Here, first, are the briefest highlights of the explosive situation at the moment.

In Rome violence is mounting. Communists are now predicting a win in the forthcoming national election. It's the struggle between communism and capitalism.

In big print on the cover of *Newsweek*, on newsstands here recently, was the question: "ITALY ON THE BRINK?" with the picture and inside cover story of Communist leader Enrico Berlinguer.

Put this together with the Communist uprisings in Spain, Portugal, and other European countries and you have a more EXPLOSIVE situation than is realized!

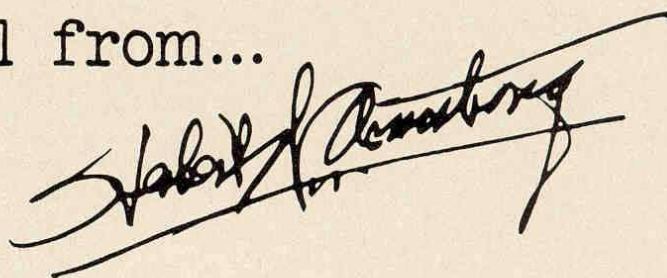
Put all this together with the mounting troubles within the Roman Catholic Church — and put this together with BIBLICAL PROPHECY — and the stage is all set for the greatest crisis of troubles in the history of this world.

Within the Roman Catholic Church, more and more priests and nuns are defying the church's traditional authority and are marrying. An ever-increasing number of lay Catholics in America and Europe are defying the church edict on marital sex relations.

The Vatican must know that unless this drift away from church authority is broken by sharp and drastic action, disintegration threatens the largest church or religion in the world.

Biblical prophecy indicates the strong possibility right now of a sudden, sensational, world-shaking, drastic move by Pope Paul or the possibility of his abdication and the emergence of a new pope of iron will who will propose what the nations of Europe have all wanted, but

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have been unable to bring about — a politically united Europe.

The political leaders of Europe have been *unable* to bring this political union about. But an offer from the pope to use the power of his office to join the nations together in a resurrection of the "Holy Roman Empire" would bring it about.

If antireligion communism wins political dominance of Europe as the present trend indicates, that would just about sound the death knell of Roman Catholicism in Europe.

This unprecedented situation now calls for sudden and drastic action. It would mean a *common currency* for a union of ten nations in Europe. It could mean *one* military force, which would be as strong as the armed forces of the U.S.A. or the U.S.S.R. — or maybe even stronger.

The loss of Europe's faith in America to protect her from the Soviet Union is another trend leading directly to such an eventuality as I have described.

Sooner or later such a European union will take place. I have predicted this for 43 years!

It will astound and dumbfound the whole world when it happens. The time is now RIPE!

All over the world, terrorism and violence are mounting.

Headlines in a recent English-language Rome newspaper: "TERRORISM WAVE HITS U.S. PROPERTY IN GREECE." "P.L.A. MOVES INTO BEIRUT BUFFER ZONE, DIVIDES FOES." "INDIA, BANGLADESH, ACCUSE EACH OTHER OF BORDER ATTACKS." "WEST BANK TENSION RISES IN FOURTH DAY OF ARAB RIOTS," etc. — all on the front page.

As I have repeatedly said recently, the governments of nations are being overthrown at the rate of one a month around the world.

Put all this together with Secretary of State Kissinger's new "domino theory" of Europe: He sees the possibility of one European nation after another toppling and going communist. If this begins to happen, we can expect an eventual aggressive reaction from the right. The stage seems set for this tremendous event.

But what does all of this mean to us? It means IT MAY BE MUCH LATER THAN WE THINK! It means our work may be finished *WHEN* this happens! □