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GENOCIDE TREAT APATHY

It is scandalous that a filibuster should have prevented the U.S. Senate from ratifying the International Treaty against Genocide. Yet it should not be surprising. The treaty was unanimously adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1948 in response to the Holocaust and although it was endorsed by every American President from Truman through Nixon, the recent debate was the first time the issue had reached the floor of the Senate.

Opponents of the treaty, mostly Southerners, objected to ratification on the flimsy ground that the treaty would cause the U.S. to lose jurisdiction to international courts. What they really fear is that the U. S. will be taken to task by an international court for racism which is strange now that segregation in the U.S. is at least officially illegal.

But what is especially disturbing is public apathy toward the genocide treaty. Numerous American organizations have backed it yet there was no real outcry of support when the issue came up in the Senate. Although many Jewish organizations have spearheaded the drive for ratification, the Jewish community as a whole--perhaps concentrating on other issues considered of more pressing urgency--has not rallied in support of the treaty.

To some, the murder of six million Jews by Nazi Germany in World War II seems like an occurrence in ancient history. There has been no public outrage about the recent exposure that 100 persons guilty of Nazi crimes live in the United States. The immigration and Naturalization Service of the Justice Department is just beginning to move on the case of Valerian Trifa, an alleged member of the fascist Iron Guard in Rumania in 1941 and who is today a Bishop of the Orthodox Rumanian Episcopate in the U.S. For years Jewish groups have demanded that Trifa's status as a naturalized citizen be reviewed since there is a strong belief he lied in his application for immigration to the U.S.

The Holocaust should have taught us that we cannot be apathetic. Today there is evidence of other cases of genocide in the world. The Senate supporters of ratification have promised an educational campaign so that the treaty will be approved when it comes before the Senate again next year. The Jewish community has the duty to be more vocal in helping this campaign.

Rockefeller Capor

by ROBERT E. SEGAL

Much could be and has been written about the political potential in former New York Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller's significant

determination to organize and operate a National Commission On Critical Choices For Americans. Crouched on the threshold of our third century as the people of the United States, we could serve our nation and ourselves well by taking a fresh look at the tangle of problems confronting us.

However, we can dismiss speculation regarding the possible use of this new Rockefeller maneuver with a minimum of observations and move on fast to the burning, recurring question of what we should do to be saved. For it is now obvious that the Rockefeller Commission stands poor chance of getting much financial backing, if any, from the U. S., government despite the fact that Mr. Rockefeller was asked by President Nixon to under take the study. The Senate Appropriations Committee has quickly shot down an initial request of a million dollars for just the energy study projected as part of the report.

And so we know at once that it will be up to private foundations and wealthy individuals to come up with two to twenty million dollars the study needs. Meanwhile, we will have to acknowledge that Mr. Rockefeller has certainly assembled a creamy array of names for the job: five Senators, five Representatives; Saniel Boorstein, Nancy Hanks, John Knowles, Ed Louge, Clare Booth Luce, Dan Moynihan, Bill Paley, Edward Teller and others, topped off with such imposing ex officio members as Henry Kissinger, Gerald Ford, George Shultz, Mike Mansfield, Hugh Scott and Tip O'Neill. Quite a line-up!

Having dipped our flags in salute to this glamorous array, we should go on to wonder that the Rockefeller Commission will reveal that was not turned up by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, working through its Commission On The Year 2000 not long ago. Acknowledging that technology had advanced more rapidly in the 50 years just past than in the previous 5000, that learned group concluded that Americans' day-to-day life had been shaped in half a century of scientific progress by the automobile, airplane, telephone and television. The scholars doubted that the years from now until 2000 will bring radical changes. They may have flunked the test of finding an energy crisis on the way; but oil shortage or oil amplitude, it is the quality of our lives, the condition of our values that needed examination by the former Commission and must not be neglected by the Rockefeller or any other study group.

For now that we find ourselves bewildered and frightened in a new wasteland brought on by urban concentration, industrial dominance, and the indigestibility of mass transportation, it is the psychological and spiritual doubts and anxieties that plague us more than the need to huddle together to keep war because of what the Arabs and other oil manipulators are doing to us.

Of the upwards of 80 million men and women employed, a huge group is bored with the work and cheated in efforts to be an honest part of the decision-making process. Our nation records nine million alcoholics, a million barbituate addicts, and tens of thousands on heroin. Violence haunts us (my city had 136 homicides in 1973), our ecological wonders are threatened, and a food shortage looms right beyond the energy crisis.

Bless the Rockefeller Commissioners as they labor on these and scores of other issues. Bless them and ask them how we can escape the new wasteland, cease acting the roles of hollow men, recover moral control and give the proved values of the past a new chance in the hectic reality of the present.

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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Then Greenspun said:

We did suggest that Babcock was the Calendar Judge at the time and he should have either reassigned the case to Judge Tom O'Donnell, who originally heard the motion for a restraining order, or assigned it to another judge.

This is a bald faced lie. Babcock was not the Calendar Judge. As a matter of fact Judge Tom O'Donnell was Calendar Judge for the opening proceeding in the case. It was O'Donnell who signed an ex-parte (one-sided) Temporary Restraining Order in favor of Maheu to restrain Hughes directors from taking over the \$300,000,000 properties. This was on Dec. 5, 1970, a Saturday.

From Monday, Dec. 7 to Dec. 11, O'Donnell was confined to a California Clinic. District Judge William Morse was Calendar Judge those five days. Judge Morse, who had been attorney for Hughes on previous occasion, properly disqualified himself and assigned the case to Babcock. Maheu's attorneys could have made formal objection to the appointment of Babcock, but they never did, at the time.

Greenspun continues his fraudulent contention with:

We did not go into the history of who asked Babcock to keep the matter himself or how many ex-parte hearings were held in his chambers without notice to the other side.

Positive proof that Babcock was not Calendar Judge and took the case of his own volition, is seen in the blow-up at the bottom of this page--taken from the official files in the County Clerk's office. Babcock had no control over the calendar.

Babcock took no part of any ex-parte hearings. He issued only one or two ex-parte orders, perfectly proper and legal.

Greenspun raved on with:

It has always been our belief that the function of the press is to speak out against injustice on the part of any public official or organization be it the Bar Association or members of the Judiciary.

The function of an honest press is honest, unbiased reporting. When a newspaperman becomes personally involved in a circumstance he is barred from commenting on the proceedings. Not Greenspun.

Here is a man who glommed \$10,000,000 of Hughes cash, via Maheu, under most unusual and suspicious circumstances, a publisher who admitted under oath he was secretly working for Hughes, a newspaper owner who confessed he had prostituted his newspaper, that he had erred and sinned, points a finger at what he calls injustice by a public official. The public official in question received a clean bill of character from 249 members of the legal profession. Who are we to believe?

Now look how Greenspun has the gall to describe himself, with:

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