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EDITORIAL

THE GOLDWATER PHENOMENON

Not since Senator Joseph McCarthy challenged the Communist-Liberal machine in U.S.A. has one man been the object of a concerted campaign of vilification and outright misrepresentation as has been Senator Barry Goldwater. However, there is a very real difference obvious to the experienced observer in the effects of the two campaigns. McCarthy was systematically destroyed, while Goldwater increasingly throws the enemy into confusion as he goes from strength to strength. The frantic efforts of the left-wing in the Republican Party to find someone to "head" off Goldwater and stop him getting the Party's nomination for the Presidency is symptomatic of the panic, often bordering on the ludicrous, which is setting in amongst the groups which for so long have dictated the terms of the play in the merry game of American politics.

EISENHOWER AND TAFT

The Conservatives in American politics were taught a bitter lesson in the 1952 Presidential nomination campaign. The weight of the "progressive liberal" element in the Republican Party was thrown behind the nomination of Eisenhower, the glamour General whose real history in furthering the advance of Communism was comparatively unknown then by the general public. "I Like Ike" was a slogan, which outdid anything dreamt up to promote the Beatles. The result was the election of Eisenhower and the defeat of Senator Robert Taft, the Conservative of high principle who refused to fight a dirty campaign when all the innuendoes and misrepresentations were being used to discredit him. With Eisenhower in the White House there proceeded a process of steady infiltration* of those elements which were later on to leave McCarthy high and dry, bereft of any support when he needed it most.

A LESSON TAKEN TO HEART

Whether the bitter lesson learnt by the Conservatives will result in a movement strong enough to defeat Communism in America remains to be seen. There are many problems facing those who will not concede victory to the Communists at any price. There are indications that the U.S.A. could be thrown into a cauldron of civil war over the race question, which has been deliberately promoted for that purpose. However, here again there are heartening indications that the plans of the left wing could go awry. The emergence of Governor Wallace as a serious contender for Democratic Party nomination has shocked the supporters of President Johnson. Governor Wallace is campaigning on the one issue—segregation. It is against a background of no-compromise with basic Conservative principles that the Goldwater campaign has been fought. Undoubtedly there is a mood prevalent amongst a large section of the American people that this is their last chance, and if they are defeated it could put the Conservative cause back until a sufficient passage of time elapses to enable regeneration from com-

* *The Politician*, by Robert Welch, tells the story of the Eisenhower administration. Obtainable from The Heritage Bookshop, Box 1226L, G.P.O., Melbourne.

plete serfdom to re-establishing the basic principles of liberty.

GOLDWATER'S PRINCIPLES

Those that seek to belittle Goldwater have often referred to him as more of a "preacher" than a politician. However, they are very careful not to tell us what it is that Goldwater preaches about. He has in simple readable language gone about re-stating the basic principles, which must be observed if the individual is to live in a free society. In his book *The Conscience of a Conservative* he states, "Surely the first obligation of a political thinker is to understand the nature of man. The Conservative does not claim special powers of perception . . . The first thing he has learnt about man is that each member of the species is a unique creature. Man's most sacred possession is his individual soul—which has an immortal side, but also a mortal one . . . *Only a philosophy that takes into account the essential differences between men, and, accordingly, makes provision for developing the different potentialities of each man can claim to be in accord with nature.*" Such a statement is hardly likely to endear the holder of such views to the propounders of the popular theory that all men are equal, whether black, white or brindle, that culture and beliefs make no difference to such equality, neither should hereditary factors or a man's status attained by the amount of work and natural talent he has brought to bear, play any part in determining political realities.

POLITICAL PRINCIPLES ENUNCIATED

Goldwater obviously disagrees and this is why he is systematically smeared. On the realities of Government and political organization he is equally realistic. ". . . Individual liberty depends on decentralized government . . . Throughout history, government has proved to be the chief instrument for thwarting man's liberty. Government represents power in the hands of some men to control and regulate the lives of other men. And power, as Lord Acton said, *corrupts* men. 'Absolute power,' he added, 'corrupts absolutely.' " That he would restrict government as it operates today Goldwater makes clear. "State power, considered in the abstract, need not restrict freedom: but absolute state

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FLUORIDATION, COMMUNISM AND BIG BUSINESS

Although we have never been numbered amongst those who see the policy of fluoridating public water supplies as simply "a Communist plot", we have on occasions drawn attention to the fact that the philosophy underlying mass medication is similar to that of the Communist philosophy, and that it is not surprising therefore to find that in most countries where the fluoridation issue is being debated, the Communists have officially endorsed fluoridation. The fact that recent reports from Russia suggest that Soviet scientists and authorities have turned against fluoridation merely raises the question of whether the Communists have decided that while fluoridation may be a good thing, from the Communists' viewpoint, in the "capitalist" nations, it is undesirable in Russia. After all, while Communists welcome (some authorities claim, and encourage) the breakdown of sexual morality in the non-Communist nations, Russia has become noted for its return to Victorian standards concerning sex and family life.

However, closer investigations concerning the history of fluoridation brings to light some significant facts which raise the question of the role of the top Communist agent Alger Hiss in promoting not only fluoridation, but also the controversial "mental health" campaign. In 1948 the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace published a pamphlet, which attempted to explain the role of the World Health Organization, one of UNO's specialized international agencies. The World Health Organization's programme was to include "not only the more conventional fields of activity, but also mental health, housing, nutrition, economic or working conditions and administrative and social techniques affecting public health". The preface to this all-embracing programme was written by Alger Hiss. As one of the key architects of UNO, and its first Secretary-General, Hiss had been closely associated with the World Health Organization. In his preface to the Carnegie Foundation's pamphlet, he had explained that "WHO came into formal existence in February" (1948) and that the "first WHO Assembly would convene in June, 1948".

Now it is significant that just before the WHO Assembly, in May, Mr. Oscar Ewing, a pioneer promoter of fluoridation, and at that time American Federal Security Administrator, called a National Health Assembly where he launched a comprehensive ten-year health campaign which put forward proposals clearly designed to promote socialized medicine in the U.S.A. Ewing's proposals for a national health plan bore a marked resemblance to those put forward to the international proposals endorsed by the Communist agent Alger Hiss. Ewing's plan was defeated, but the WHO plan made progress. In June 1951, one of Ewing's departments, the Public Health Service, convened another Health Assembly. Represented were State and local dental directors, health department officials, social workers and others. It should be observed here that several American authorities, like Herbert Philbrick, on Communist infiltration, have claimed that Communist influence in the U.S. Public Health Service has been very considerable.

The purpose of the 1951 Assembly was how "to put fluoridation". One of the top officials present. Dr. Leonard Scheele, the Surgeon-General, opened the proceedings by stating that he "had just come back from the World Health Assembly". After explaining that initially the American Delegation found "great resistance within the WHO . . . to dental problems", Dr. Scheele went on to say that "A year ago at the Geneva WHO Assembly, we made our first progress, we turned in a resolution, and fortunately it was passed . . . funds will now rise to the grand level of seven and a half million dollars. Obviously, one of the biggest things facing us is the capitalization of a national programme of water fluoridation."

The history of fluoridation reveals that three men, Alger Hiss, Oscar Ewing and Dr. Scheele, played a key role in getting the fluoridation campaign under way. Alger Hiss was a Communist and a traitor, Oscar Ewing not only attempted to initiate socialized medicine in the U.S.A., but was a former attorney for ALCOA, the Aluminium Corporation of America, which as early as 1950 was publicly advertising fluorides for sale, while Dr. Scheele later became president of a large pharmaceutical firm selling fluorides. The tremendous international campaign to promote fluoridation, the large sums of money spent on this promotion, the unscrupulous tactics used against professional opponents, is clearly an example of bureaucrats, national and international, some of them Communists, joining forces with Big Business to drive the individual further along the road to the complete totalitarian State.

The following letter published in the *Melbourne Age*, 18/6/64, will be of interest to our Victorian readers.

PREMIER'S REPLY ON FLUORIDATION

Sir,

Mr. B. J. McKinlay (16/6/64) needs to be informed of the Premier's intentions regarding proposed legislation on fluoridation. In the City Hall, Ballarat, on June 6, I asked Mr. Bolte the following questions:

"Can you guarantee that in any referendum of ratepayers, both sides of the question will be fairly put? If your answer is Yes, how will this be done? If your answer is No, how can you in all fairness provide the necessary legislative machinery to protect water authorities?"

Mr. Bolte replied that the procedure would be as follows:

A water authority decides to fluoridate. The authority will then consult its ratepayers by referendum. The vote in favour could be much more than 51 per cent to permit fluoridation.

Mr. Bolte stated that he would bear in mind the matters in the above questions when the legislation is being framed.

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FASCISM IN CANADA AND AUSTRALIA

By D. WATTS

It is a sad thing that the fascist tactics used in attempts to suppress the Christian Action Movement in Canada should occasion no surprise. They are used in almost every part of the world by non-governmental groups, sometimes with the blessing of governments, to protect communist infiltration.

I have always maintained that it was incorrect to place communism and fascism or Nazism in opposite categories for, with all their differences, their fundamental principles are the same. On this account the communist methods of insinuation and smear and the fascist method of bullying are anything but incompatible.

The mis-classification allows communists to dub all vigorous anti-communist argument and action fascism or Nazism, so that those who use fascist methods to deprive anti-communist organizations of freedom of speech and the right of lawful assembly are blinded to the fact that they are being, unwittingly, in the aid of communism, more fascist than are those whom they accuse of being fascists.

Certainly this unacknowledged fascism has not the military character of Nazism: but it has the mass-dictatorship character of both communism and fascism. In both ideologies violence has virtue. The fascist trend shows itself in the growing popularity of organized, offensive demonstrations such as paved the way for the establishment of a Nazi government in Germany and a fascist government in Italy. In the international sphere a combination of communist infiltration and Nazi bullying is displayed in attempts at dictatorial interference by outsiders in the domestic policies of nations—provided those nations appear to be small and weak enough to be bullied.

STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS LEAD TO RIOTS

Sydney University students recently gave an exhibition of fascist mentality and incipient fascist action. It is worth mentioning here because it exemplifies a way of thinking and behaving which is not different from that of the Canadian fascists and which, it is to be feared, is ushering in an era of Commo-Fascist world government.

The students organized a demonstration outside the U.S. Embassy. Some were dressed as Negroes and others as members of the Ku Klux Klan. A cross was burnt. The students chanted "Civil Rights now" and "Go Home Yank".

Whether the members of the Embassy be integrationists or segregationists, they must have felt the demonstration to be thoroughly offensive; and offensive it was apparently intended to be. An offensive demonstration is not, as the students claimed, a peaceful demonstration. No one would think his neighbour was giving a peaceful demonstration if he called names and made insulting gestures, though he threw no bricks. Offensive demonstrations are the seed of mob violence and, at their wildest, are always on the edge of riot.

DEMOCRATIC PROCEDURES DISCOUNTED TODAY

The democratic procedures of free discussion and a fair consideration of all circumstances and all sides of a problem before coming to a decision are fast giving way, even in democratic strongholds, to fascist-like bullying of authorities by means of physical demonstrations and material pressures.

A couple of gems from letters written by self-defensive students would be both funny and pathetic did they not reflect an ugly development in modern politics. In one letter signed by five students appeared the plaintive statement: "Many of us had a sincere desire to protest against the filibustering of the Civil Rights Bill in the American Senate." In another letter was a declaration in the same vein: "My motives and actions, and those of most students taking part . . . were aimed at bringing to public notice the 'un-American' activities of Southern Senators in abusing a minority's right of free speech."

It did not enter the young heads of the students that it is an insufferable piece of impertinence for Australians to try to dictate to the American people how they should run their own internal affairs; that it is for Americans to decide what is "un-American", and arrogance for Australians or other aliens to take Americans to task for what they do in America, on the ground that it is un-American.

How could young people, not yet capable of independent thought, realize the insolence of their attitude when it has come to be the one generally adopted in the world at large; when the Afro-Asian bloc is allowed to strengthen its attempts at a communist style of ideological intrusion with threats of military aggression; when the British Government, comforted by a servile press, submits to being bullied by barbaric demonstrators into taking the stand that the white race must go along resistless with a change, the shape of which is determined by backward people who can understand the principles of communism and fascism, but not those of democracy; when the U.S. set herself up to dictate the policies of peoples not under her government of protection while certain American authorities have openly condoned and even encouraged aggressive demonstrations in order to gain popular approval for the suppression of private and group freedom and the abrogation of State rights? Civilization is gradually retreating before the Right of Might; and offensive, aggressive demonstrations are weapons of Might, not of civilization.

COMMUNISTS-FASCISTS FEAR WINDS OF CHANGE

The treatment with which the C.A.M. met in Canada was to the Commo-Fascist formula. Communists will stop at nothing to destroy opposition; but although no doubt they were active in inciting the intimidation and misrepresentation, the bullying seemed to come from a group larger than one would expect the Canadian communist group to be. Probably the explanation is that the political winds are showing signs of changing in America. Leftists have had it all their own way for a quarter of a century,

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power always does. The *legitimate* functions of government are actually conducive to freedom. Maintaining internal order, keeping foreign foes at bay, administering justice, removing obstacles to the free interchange of goods—the exercise of these powers makes it possible for men to follow their chosen pursuits with maximum freedom. But note that the very instrument by which these desirable ends are achieved *can* be the instrument for achieving undesirable ends—that government can, instead of extending freedom, restrict freedom. And note, secondly, that the 'can' quickly becomes 'will' the moment the holders of government power are left to their own devices. This is because of the corrupting influence of power, the natural tendency of men who possess *some* power to take unto themselves *more* power. The tendency leads eventually to the acquisition of *all* power—whether in the hands of one or many makes little difference to the freedom of those left on the outside."

THE CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE

The rise of the New Dealers to power saw a systematic attack on the Constitution take place, principally through the packing of the Supreme Court with left wing nominees of the Roosevelt-Truman era. Goldwater typifies the resurgence of thought, which has taken place in America to evaluate the true function of the Constitution. "The framers of the Constitution had learned the lesson. They were not only students of history, but also victims of it: they knew from vivid, personal experience that freedom depends on effective restraints against the accumulation of power in a single authority. And that is what the Constitution is: *a system of restraints against the natural tendency of government to expand in the direction of absolutism*. We all know the main components of the system. The first is the limitation of the Federal Government's authority to specific, delegated powers. The second, a corollary of the first, is the reservation to the States and the people of all power not delegated to the Federal Government. The third is a careful division of the Federal Government's power among three separate branches. The fourth is a prohibition against impetuous alteration of the system—namely, Article V's tortuous, but wise, amendment procedures."

OUR TASK

The Goldwater phenomenon could not have taken place if there had not been a grass roots movement composed of dedicated people concerned to translate into action the knowledge gained from regular meetings with people of like mind and purpose. The newspapers have testified grudgingly to this dedication of Goldwater's supporters. Before any of us can be effective we must do our homework. In every electorate in Australia there are people who are capable of making their impact on the Government. A grass roots movement is under way through the auspices of the Australian League of Rights. Any who would care to take part can obtain further information by writing to the League at Box 1052J, G.P.O., Melbourne.

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so that very likely by now it seems to them outrageous, even morally wrong, for an effective opposition to challenge them. Particularly they would not like to see this happen anywhere in North America when there is a Presidential election in the offing, for the closeness of Canada to the U.S. is more than geographical.

The C.A.M., by itself, surely would not invite desperate attempts to suppress it, but as part of a general movement it would be feared. Winds that blow to the left, to the left, always to the left, are the breath of Fate; but when they change and begin to blow to the right the erstwhile fatalists betray the fact that it was the direction, not the winds, that inspired their doctrine of non-resistance.

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