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Editor's Introduction

If you detect the occasional irreverent phrase in this edition, my excuse is the surrealism induced by writing about nutters. My son commences his annual army duty in Israel in a few days, and here I am producing a report on people who are firmly convinced that Jews run the world. "Why do Jews have to fight for Israel's survival if we are so all-powerful?" I'd like to ask them. (Why, for that matter, are there security guards in front of every synagogue and Jewish school in Melbourne?) The tragedy is, however, that in their madness, these haters invariably will find some reason that makes sense to them and to similarly deluded people. Their obsession is what makes them dangerous.

Okay, on with the show....

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It's All Greek To Me

Phoebus is a journal dedicated to Greek culture, published quarterly by the Hellenic Association "Phoebus" Inc in Melbourne. Why its December 2002 issue, recently spotted by one of our readers in a Carlton bookshop, should include two ugly racist items is beyond my comprehension.

The first of these is an unsigned letter from "a simple housewife from Sydney" reprinted from a periodical called Hard Evidence, and in turn copied from an American website, The Rense Report, publisher of New Age quack medical remedies and conspiracy-theory material. Our simple Sydney housewife (isn't that an oxymoron?) informs us that she is an Israeli-born Jew, but not a Zionist (G-d forbid). Amongst other insights, simple Sarah reveals that Israel is contriving a Third World War, the Mossad was involved in the Bali and 11 September bombings, and 'we Jews' (our simpleton included) have taught the world that Moslems are evil. Then, the most shocking revelation of all, Bin Laden is Jewish and living in Israel. Oy vey, just wait until Ma and Pa Bin Laden find out; they'll cut him out of the will!

Another letter, this one purportedly from 'Asterios Voulanas' (who doesn't have a listed telephone number; I checked) of Darwin, who asserts "Zionist Jews have a stranglehold on all aspects of popular culture". Much to my relief, however, this isn't due to a conspiracy. Nope, merely sharp investment in "opportunities that others would have seen as insignificant and unworthy of serious consideration. Films and jazz music...could probably be compared to pornographic internet sites today. It was the realm of deviants and weirdos". Oh, those clever but evil Jewish perverts!

All of this dribble would be laughable, except for one thing. Why is it being printed in an ostensibly serious journal about Hellenic culture?

Sydney Forum Challenges The New World Order

On the weekend of August 30-31 2003, Sydney will host a meeting of individuals so far to the right they've turned the corner (or perhaps gone around the bend). This forum is courageously taking on the New World Order supposedly responsible for Australian involvement in the Iraq conflict.

The forum's advertising literature asks, "Where next will Australians be sent to die for oil, for Israeli Zionism and for American multinational capitalism?" It also claims that these so-called "bloody foreign adventures" permit erosion of Australian civil liberties, national identity and personal security, in the guise of counter-terrorism. It finally contends that the 'system' refuses to listen to ordinary Australians and uses party dictatorship and legislative authoritarianism to rule over them. Sounds like a fun weekend.

Forum speakers include the following usual suspects:

A Syrian Social-Nationalist Party representative, "not well-known to Australians as a player in the politics of Lebanon, Syria and Iraq, but vehemently opposed to Zionism and New World Order imperialism". Sounds like a good career move for an upwardly mobile National-Socialist, sorry Social-Nationalist, flunky.

Dr. Jim Saleam, leader of extreme right-wing group National Action. Saleam has served time in prison for fraud and for the 1989 shotgun attack on the home of the African National Congress representative in Australia. Dr Jim runs the Rallying Point Information Service, whose objective is to provide bedtime reading for "Australian Nationalist - and other patriotic - readers" eg 'The Asianisation of Australia' and 'National Socialism and Race'.

Mr. Ron Owen, former publisher of gun magazine Lock Stock and Barrel, and national president of the Firearms Owners Association of Australia.

Mr. Welf Herfurth, Forum Chairman, is president of the One Nation Party, Riverstone NSW branch. Herr Herfurth has also been a keynote speaker for the Australian League of Rights and organiser for the Australian Friends of Europe. He was a former executive member of Germany's ultra-right National Democratic Party, whose leader Udo Voigt was invited to address this forum, but was refused a visa on public interest grounds.

Freedom Fighter Fred's Further Adventures In Fantasyland

Dr. Fredrick Toben, founder of the Adelaide Institute, Australia's leading Holocaust-denying organisation, recently addressed other true believers at the American Free Press/Barnes Review Fourth Annual Conference in Washington D.C. The good doctor related how he is "operating under a gag order from Australia, and is not allowed to talk about the gas chambers or about the six million number on which the Holocaust fraud rests." Amongst other sad ramblings (as Toben himself has stated on his website, "you have to doubt your own sanity"), he announced that Israeli death squads have been authorised to enter friendly countries and assassinate opponents in a move that "raises the prospect of political killings in Australia, which is in the grip of a Zionist dictatorship." And let's not forget Toben's scoop, his website breathlessly revealing that the Mossad may have killed British scientist Dr David Kelly.

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Toben publicised his latest book "Fight or Flight: the Personal Face of Revisionism", whose front cover features Toben together with Rabbi David Weiss from the Neturei Karta, a small group of fanatical Jews hostile to Israel and Zionism. NK members believe that Zionism violates Jewish law, and have a long history of backing political figures denouncing the Jewish state. Sadly, NK has even explained the Holocaust as "G-d's punishment for the Jewish settlement of Palestine." Hmm, Weiss believes the Holocaust is divine punishment; Toben says it didn't happen. Politics certainly does make for strange bedfellows.

Toben's website recently featured Radio Islam's appeal for a "New Kind of Resistance Against the Occupation of Palestine." This involved 'exposing' the Holocaust which is apparently Israel's main propaganda weapon. Historical Revisionism is described as "the nuclear weapon of the poor" which can contribute to the liberation of Palestine.

Toben claims to have been in Jordan during the Iraqi war, supposedly offering himself as a human shield, and addressed a protest gathering against U.S. aggression in Iraq. An appreciative audience heard Toben state that the coalition attack of 'the cowards' is a racist attack upon Iraq by the Anglo-Americans, who in turn are controlled by the Zionists. "The tragedy in Iraq deflects from the Palestinian tragedy, and peace will only come to the Middle East with the dismantling of the Zionist, apartheid, racist state of Israel," he commented. The Lebanese, Christians, Baha'is, Kurds, Iranian opposition etc will be pleased to hear it.

The News Report

This extremist e-mail newsletter edited by Neil Baird, former One Nation party treasurer in N.S.W., features material by like-minded truth-seekers such as Jeremy Lee (Australian League of Rights) John Bennett (Australian Civil Liberties Union) and Geoffrey Muirden (Adelaide Institute and A.C.L.U.).

Baird likes to pepper articles with editorial comment to illustrate The News Report's maxim "In a time of universal deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act" (borrowed from George Orwell, currently turning in his grave). Examples of Baird's revolutionary zeal include such profundities as: "As it was in the third Reich of Hitler's Germany, so it is in the fourth Reich of Zionist run and owned corporatist America." Explaining why we invaded Iraq, Baird states it was because Israel told America, the UK and Australia to do so. "All the rest are plausible reasons given to a gullible world", he added sagely. He has also stated that America is Israel's colony and that Zionist Jews "call the shots". I am still waiting for Baird to reveal the hold that Israel has over the US, thus enabling it to exert this sinister total control. Stay tuned.

The News Report regularly features material written by American lawyer Edgar J Steele, a self-professed antisemite and racist, and apparently a film critic. One recent item described Steele's adverse reaction to "Matrix Reloaded" because all but a couple of the movie's heroes were black, while the villains and stupid people were white. "This movie is really an allegory for what America has become, as blacks are glorified at the expense of whites far out of proportion to reality. No amount of propaganda will make blacks the intellectually superior beings depicted", he opined. I wonder if Steele thought "101 Dalmatians" was a post-modern parable promoting black and white mixing.

Marian Kaluski Rides Again

Marian Kaluski is former editor of the Polish Weekly, self-proclaimed chairman of the Polish Anti-Defamation League, Chairman of Australians Against the Occupation of Palestine, and representative of the Polish-Australian Historical Society. He is not to be confused with Killer Kowalski. Kowalski was a Polish-American wrestler and patented inventor of the clawhold; Kaluski is a man bent on a greater mission.

Mr Kaluski is re-distributing his opinion article entitled "American-Israeli Terrorism", which contends "the creation of the Jewish state in Palestine in 1948 through the holocaust of the Palestinians is the fourth biggest crime against humanity committed in the 20th century." Well, I've searched assiduously, but none of my 1948 yearbooks list that particular holocaust. However I'm still looking....

Kaluski further states that "if the U.S. government supports the idea of collective punishment, then what stops President George Bush giving the Israeli government the green light to establish Israeli death camps, in which they will be free to gas and burn corpses of the Palestinian people on a massive scale?" Que?

Kaluski has a history of criticising supposed Jewish anti-Polish racism. He has referred to what he regards as the brutal cruelty of Jews, and attacked the Torah, which he considers "full of racial hatred and murder to a degree that we now call genocide." This biblical scholar's other obsessions include Ariel Sharon's alleged racially motivated murders, and the literature constituting the "Jewish Holocaust Industry", described by the genteel Mr Kaluski as "further Jewish garbage". Freud would have a field day.

Courage To Care Exhibition Vandalised

Neo-Nazis broke into the Liverpool Regional Museum in NSW in the early hours of Sunday, 3rd August. They painted obscenities, and Holocaust-denial, anti-semitic and anti-refugee graffiti on the Courage to Care exhibition (Courage to Care honours ordinary men and women who risked their lives to save Jews during the Holocaust). The vandals were apparently members of White Pride, a local offshoot of Stormfront, a US white nationalist organisation.

NSW Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship, Mr. John Hatzistergos MLC described the attack as "disgusting" and "an affront to those who risked their lives to save Jews and...to those who perished in the Holocaust". Police have begun their investigation, and there has been widespread media coverage of the incident. The ADC praised the prompt response by NSW authorities.

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