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## CODOH Ups the Ante for the Anti-Defamation League Massive Quarter Million Dollar Reward Offer

Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust has launched the most daring initiative to publicize the case for Holocaust revisionism ever attempted in America.

CODOH's latest campus advertisement couples the twin issues of the revisionist scholarly challenge to the Holocaust legends together with the taboo against addressing them by offering a quarter of a million dollars to the individual who successfully arranges a debate on the Holocaust on a major television network in prime time between a team from CODOH and one from the Anti-Defamation League.

Never before has the Anti-Defamation League been subjected to so audacious a public defiance of its role as censor of revisionist ideas and blacklister of revisionist thinkers. Never before has ADL been challenged to public debate on the specific issues of the Holocaust, that it has decreed are non-debatable. Never before has the ADL been called to account for its relationship to groups like the Jewish Defense League, whose physical intimidation of revisionists such as filmmaker David Cole has long complemented the ADL's daintier modes of thought control.

The new **Campus Project advertisement** (see p. 4) did not arise in a vacuum, nor is it intended as mere sensation-mongering. The decision to confront the ADL head to head, by making its nationwide efforts to block publicizing Holocaust revisionism a central issue on campuses across America, comes in response to the ADL's ongoing efforts to prevent publication of CODOH's paid ads wherever they are submitted, by threatening undergraduate editors, faculty advisors, and (often the most timorous of all) university presidents with the tired and false "anti-Semitism"

canard. And it responds to the real reason the ADL is in such terror of CODOH's Campus Project ads: this latest, mega-reward offer supplies, like its predecessors, the Website address of CODOH's vast Internet archive of revisionist scholar-ship and comment, CODOHWeb ([www.codoh.com](http://www.codoh.com)).

In the June 1998 issue of its bulletin *ADL on the FRONTLINE*, America's most successful thought police cited Smith's Report No. 50 (January 1998) in boastful confirmation of our charge that they were blocking too many of our ads and op-ed articles on campuses across America ("Holocaust Denier Admits ADL's Success").

The ADL didn't gloat for long, however. This August, in two separate postings to its Website, the ADL lamented several of CODOH's campus ads. The League blasted the ad that offered the "Forty-Six Unanswered Questions about the Nazi Gas Chambers" free on CODOHWeb as a "stealth ad"--CODOH had failed to signal that it was promoting "Holocaust denial" material. "The Revisionist Controversy: Ignore the Thought Police-Read the Evidence-Judge for Yourself," that like-wise guided readers to CODOHWeb, had the swooning thought police reaching for the smelling salts-but not before they x'ed out key parts of CODOHWeb's on-line address.

The ADL, it appears, still doesn't trust even visitors to its own Website not to--well, ignore the thought police. (And the ADL doesn't seem to know that, for even the most callow reader on the Internet, it's a snap to figure that the five letters in the address ADL x'ed out might just be

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Bradley R. Smith

## NOTEBOOK

While the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) has always been a bother, and more than a bother, it never occurred to me to try to go head-to-head with it. The ADL has played the major role in limiting CODOH's access to the campus press. It's a corrupting, censorious influence on public dialogue generally, not just with respect to revisionism. Still, it is an organization of such size, wealth, and influence that the idea that I could challenge it head on, effectively, did not occur to me. It did, however, occur to someone else.

I don't have the personal resources to make a \$250,000 offer, or any offer whatever, but one supporter has. She's willing to put her modest wealth on the line. For eight years her word has been her bond. She wants to see the debate happen. She doesn't think she will, but she wants to. She believes that if we can open this one can of worms that the ADL has been sitting on for half a century (there's an ugly image for you) to a focused national television audience for ninety minutes, that it could be the most productive revisionist milestone reached in America in the last twenty years.

There are endless ways to write such an ad. It's not a science; it's an art. If it works, it's good art; if not, not. Good art in this case will be finding some (now) unknown individual to convince a TV network to sell such a program to its advertisers.

It must be written in such a way that, in the political context of this age, the press will run it. And it has to be a text that will make a difference, as a text in and of itself, when students and others read it. We worked for thirty days (and nights) on the text. I did well over 20 drafts. It may not look like it. It's not supposed to. We worked very quietly, almost secretly. We felt we were working on a big idea.

We didn't want anyone to get wind of what we were doing, particularly the ADL.

When we finished developing the text as you see it reproduced in this issue of SR, and decided on the first six newspapers to send it to, we got a big surprise. While we had been working away secretly to up the ante on the ADL, the ADL had been making its own decision to raise the stakes for the Campus Project, Smith, and CODOHWeb. They published a broadside against us on their own Web site. It's not a piece in an ADL newsletter aimed only at ADL supporters. It's not a column in a Jewish newspaper for Jewish readers. It's not a few words in an interview given to a college or local newspaper denouncing a specific CODOH ad in a specific place. The ADL has decided that it is not enough to do mailings to thousands-sands of college presidents and student-dent editors urging them to censor CODOH ads.

The ADL, with its \$30- 40 million annual budget, decided the game is slipping away from them. Now it needs to go "head-to-head" against CODOH and Smith, and it has to do so in the widest public forum available to it—the World Wide Web. Another dead giveaway about the growing influence of the Campus Project is the ADL's unwillingness to address the existence and content of CODOHWeb itself. That's where our power is. It's not the text of the ads that has forced the ADL out of its hole, but the simple expedient of placing the Internet address of

CODOHWeb at the end of each ad--<www.codoh.com>. It's no longer a matter of offering readers only leaflets and letters to the editor, both of which remain very useful. It's the vast repository of revisionist research and discussion free(!) to anyone who signs on to CODOHWeb that has brought ADL to up the ante.

So the ADL upped the ante on us before we upped the ante on the ADL. They beat us to it, but what a sweet irony there is in that! CODOH has everything to win and nothing to lose in this face-off. ADL has nothing it can win and everything to lose, the first being sole access to its own readers. On the Web, ADL is forced, by the nature of the medium, to begin to share its audience with us! Anyone anywhere in the world who reads the ADL page about CODOH can tap in our name on their computer and be with us in about one minute. The revisionist tail has begun to wag the bloated exterminationist cur.

The \$250,000 Offer will be on the desk of the advertising managers of five student newspapers by the time you have this issue of SR in your hands.

**The fax-by-email program** that we are going to use to broadcast press releases and other materials, and that I announced in the last issue of SR was ready to go, has not gone yet. There was a bottleneck some-place and it took me too long to admit what it was. The bottleneck was me. I had time, several times over, to start working out the program, but I never had time to finish working it out. By the time I would get back to it I had forgotten what it was I had worked out.

Richard Widmann, CODOHWeb's managing editor, suggested we identify someone who is computer savvy and ask him to take on the job. He suggested John Weir, who has been providing an extensive Internet clipping service for a wide variety of interested Web sites, including CODOHWeb. I called Weir and sounded him out. He saw the value of



the project immediately. He's already working at it. I smell success. I expect that within days we will be using press releases, sent by email but re-received as faxes, to help tie together the Campus Project, CODOHWeb, Smith's Report, and the media generally.

Received a letter from a reader asking **why I do not have a "stock account,"** a way to accept donations of stock. He wrote that he has some that he would like to donate, and that he is certain there are others who would prefer to contribute stock than cash to the project. It had never occurred to me. My level of sophistication with regard to business is not all I would like it to be. I contacted another SR reader who knows about these things and asked him if it's a good idea. "Of course it's a good idea," he said. He also said it is easy to do, so after I close out this issue of SR--I'll do it.

Attended a luncheon given by **Russ Granata** on the occasion of his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. Russ is responsible for

Carlo Mattogno's fastidious work being published in English. Now Russ is planning to set up his own site on the World Wide Web, which, in addition to publishing new documents on revisionism, will include the first-ever Holocaust revisionist on-line bookstore, drawing on materials from every available source. A daunting project, perhaps, but Russ got a good dose of daunting during the Pacific war when his carrier, the U.S.S. San Jacinto, drew the attention of Japanese kamikaze. Now, half a century later, ruddy cheeked and energetic, he doesn't appear daunted by much.

I had expected to see a lot of old friends there, libertarians and revisionists from ten years ago when I was still in Los Angeles. As it happens, Russ has his own life and when I arrived at his hilltop house I didn't know anyone other than him. I found a rambling house from which I could see across all of Los Angeles, including South Central where I grew up, to the San Bernardino Mountains on the east side of the basin. I found a brick patio covered by an arbor and under it

tables where German men and women were drinking wine and champagne, eating, laughing and telling stories and singing Italian and German songs to the accompaniment of a live accordionist. At length the talk turned to politics.

America came under the gun for having no leaders. I argued against the idea that Americans need great leaders. America stands on the ideal of liberty, not on a tradition of being led. This great, even exalted ideal is what makes us a beacon of light for every other people on earth—though not for their leaders. Our leaders have always betrayed our one great ideal: Lincoln, Roosevelt, Wilson, and Roosevelt again, and all the wee people with the big guns who have followed. They have not only betrayed the ideal of liberty for Americans but for all the peoples against which they have pitied Americans.

Liberty doesn't need a great leader to light its path. To paraphrase American radical A.J. Muste--there is no path to liberty. Liberty *is* the path.

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"CODOH," or that a simple Web search for the name "Bradley Smith" will take the ADL reader to our site and present him with a cornucopia of revisionist information--exactly what the ADL does not want. It was an earlier reward ad, -the \$50,000 promised to the first person to arrange the prime time, major network presentation of the David Cole video on Auschwitz that really had the ADL hopping. They called it "a bait and switch" tactic: "Smith must know his money is safe because no TV network would broadcast such a video...Smith is trying to entice college students and others to his web site where he peddles his barely disguised anti-Semitism."

We wonder how ads that beckon the Campus Project, CODOHWeb, *Smith's Report*, and the media generally to CODOHWeb in letters as big and black as we can make them are a bait and switch ploy. But CODOH makes no apologies for using--insofar as we are able--whatever P.T. Barnum tactics it takes to get America and the rest of the world to notice that a powerful critique of Holocaust dogma now exists--and that the dogma's defenders have had no better answer to that critique than censorship and suppression.

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It's been a good summer for the ADL. In June it commenced to agitate for withdrawal of non-profit status from the Institute of Historical Re-view. In July the ADL made the editors of DC Comics' *Superman* apologize for an issue in which Jews, which the Man of Steel tried to rescue, had not been labeled clearly enough as Jews (we recall that making sure Jews were properly labeled as Jews was also a concern of the Nazis). In August the ADL's iron thumb helped tip the golden scales in the great Swiss bank heist.

Yet after every summer comes a fall. The new thrust of the Campus Project is designed to make the ADL the prey, not the predator. The text of the new, arresting, and information-packed advertisement was carefully worked out by Smith in close consultation with the woman who chooses to be known as Mrs. P., and whose financial support has made the reward offer possible. The size of the offer commands interest and makes it more newsworthy than even the previous \$50,000 Reward ad, which made headlines on and off campus in the fall of 1997 (see SR 49 & 50).



**THERE IS NO LIBERTY WITHOUT  
FREE SPEECH AND OPEN DEBATE**

## \$250,000 Offer

Every historical controversy can be debated on national television except one—the Jewish holocaust story. Why? Who benefits? Open debate, nothing else, will expose the facts behind this taboo.

To this end **Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH)** offers **\$250,000** to the one individual instrumental in arranging a 90-minute debate on National Network Television, in prime time, between CODOH (Bradley R. Smith, Dir.), and the

### ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE (ADL)

**Issues to be debated:** (1) Were “gas chambers” used during WWII by Germans to kill millions of Jews as part of a program of “genocide?” (2) Did key “eyewitness” survivors give false testimony about “gas chambers?” (3) Is the *Diary of Anne Frank* an authentic personal diary or a “literary” concoction? (4) Are mainline Jewish organizations like the **ADL** committed to the censorship of revisionist theory on the Jewish holocaust? (5) Should the **ADL** and other mainline Jewish organizations respond with a “suspicious silence” when a sister organization encourages violence against revisionists? (6) Should a documentary film maker be made the target of violence by the **Jewish Defense League** (or any other “league”), as was David Cole, the Jewish writer and director of CODOH’s video on Auschwitz, *David Cole Interviews Dr. Franciszek Piper* (called “The Video of the Century”), for exposing on film the fraud of the Auschwitz gas chamber?

**Marcy Kaptur (D)**, U.S. Congresswoman, Ohio writes: “Mr. Cole has obviously invested a great deal in researching his subject and I admire his tenacious curiosity. Again, I thank you for sharing this documentary with myself and other Members of Congress.” **Yehuda Bauer, professor of Holocaust Studies, Hebrew University (Tel Aviv)**, writes: “A powerful, dangerous video...”

The **Jewish Defense League** writes (in a “Wanted” ad for Mr. Cole, on the Internet, which includes Cole’s photograph): “An evil monster like this does not deserve to live.... We must get rid of this monster.... There needs to be ... the elimination of the Holocaust deniers. JDL wants to know the location of ... David Cole. Anyone giving us his correct address will receive a monetary reward.”

The FBI has termed the JDL a “terrorist organization.”

The **Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith** refuses to publicly condemn the **Jewish Defense League**, for this language of hate. The reason is clear. The **ADL**, by proxy, is “using” this threat of violence against a Jewish scholar in its own struggle to help censor open debate on the Holocaust controversy. This betrays our First Amendment and runs contrary to Article 19 of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Who benefits from such censorship? Americans?

Over the past decades there have been thousands—if not *tens of thousands*—of hours of one-sided Holocaust allegations broadcast to the American people. Is it not fair that those of us who are not anti-German bigots, who no longer believe the gas chamber stories but do believe in intellectual freedom, should be given 90 minutes—**only 90 minutes!**—to debate the Anti-Defamation League over the suppression and censorship of holocaust revisionism?

If interested in earning **\$250,000** you will find details at

**www.codoh.com**

Offer good through 31 December 1998

The reward aspect draws attention to the ad copy, which bristles with historical revisionist questions for debate and references to ADL’s censorship and bullying. And, not least of all, it points a potentially huge audience of college students and others to CODOHWeb, where the ad and the details of the Offer are found—along with a mountain of revisionist scholarship, in text and images, on links to revisionist sites like IHR’s, Arthur Butz’s Ernst Zuendel’s, Achmed Rami, the Adelaide Institute, and more!

The debate? We don’t know if it will happen, but we do know there’s nobody with more clout when it comes to bullying media, including ABC, NBC, CBS, and CNN, than ADL Director Abe Foxman and his not-so-merry men. But we will assemble a topnotch team of internationally known revisionists for our prime-time opportunity, should it come—and Mrs. P. will happily part with the quarter mil if it comes with an unprecedented opportunity to state the case for Holocaust revision and the case against censorship and repression freely, in prime time, as much of the nation watches and listens.

For all the Anti-Defamation League’s recent triumphs (including its successes in keeping our ads off this and that campus), Bradley Smith, CODOH, and above all CODOHWeb, its concern over the Campus Project has continued to grow. Now, in the blindness of its hubris and its pettish anger, the ADL has bumbled haplessly into our “Web.” It will be interesting to see how campus journalists react to the Anti-Defamation League’s efforts to stop publication of an ad that calls for a debate with the Anti-Defamation League.

It will be refreshing to open a public controversy in which it is not the cringing comic book editors, not the unctuous university presidents or the compliant gnomes of Zurich and Geneva, but the Big Brothers of the “Defamation” League, are the quarry.

*[It is your generosity alone that fuels the Campus Project and CODOHWeb. There’s nowhere else for us to turn.]*



## WORLDSCOPE

**Dr. Frederick Toben and his associates at the Adelaide Institute** pulled off (it seems we revisionists always need to put it that way) a very successful conference in their home base of Adelaide, Australia August 7-9. The numerous revisionists able to attend in person, or who participated by telephone, or who were unable to attend or call but whose work was presented or discussed, constitute a who's who of international revisionism. Professor **Arthur Butz**, whose Website report on the conference provided some of the information in this Worldscope, made it Down Under, while **Robert Faurisson** did not. Professor Faurisson was barred from entering Australia due to "bad character," that is to say for his conviction under France's law making it a crime to contest the official version of the Holocaust. Butz assured the conference that, apart from his failure to be convicted under the Gayssot Law, his character is just as bad as Faurisson's.

One convict who did attend the conference was Switzerland's **Juergen Graf**, who delivered a paper on Majdanek, which has become a focal point of revisionist inquiry in recent years (as in CODOH's research and publicity on the false proof of a gas chamber in the form of a gas tight door from Majdanek exhibited at the USHMM). Graf and his publisher, **Gerhard Foerster**, a 78-year-old veteran of the *Wehrmacht*, were convicted in Switzerland in July of "racial discrimination" for contesting the Holocaust. Graf was sentenced to fifteen months in jail and a fine of \$5,500, while Foerster got a year's sentence and the identical fine.

Graf's Majdanek lecture was based on recent work by **Carlo Mattogno** as well as his own, much of it based on records from Majdanek and Auschwitz which Mattogno and Graf, toiling in the recently opened Moscow archives, have unearthed, translated, and analyzed with patient industry. The indefatigable and prolific Italian researcher recently published a booklength collection and analysis of documents from the files of the Auschwitz *Bauleitung*, which was responsible for the construction and maintenance of the crematoria. The Auschwitz legend nears its final interment...

**Fritz Berg**, the inspiration for CODOHWeb's Berg page on gas chambers, diesels, and typhus, shared via telephone some of his vast expertise as a researcher and an engineer on the practical mechanics of real world delousing and execution, and the impractical-and sometime loony—mechanics of the exterminationists.

One lecturer who aroused more than ordinary interest was **Dieter Brockschmidt**. A veteran of the Israeli Defense Forces and the son of an officially recognized "righteous Gentile" from the Second World War, Brockschmidt revealed personal knowledge of the falsity of the Oskar Schindler story as told in Schindler's List. According to Brockschmidt, whose father knew Schindler well in Cracow, the transfer of Schindler's Jews to a fac-

tory in the Sudetenland was the result, not of his personal charity, but of bribes that went to the notorious kapo, Marcel Goldberg, who compiled the list, and to Plaszow's notorious commandant, Amon Goeth.

Hats off to Fred Toben and his friends for bringing off so enjoyable and edifying a revisionist conclave!

Even though he was barred from corrupting impressionable Australians by his "bad character," **Robert Faurisson** spent a busy summer on behalf of revisionism. His latest initiative, researched and prepared with his usual meticulous care, is a challenge to UNESCO on the matter of Auschwitz. Since the UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization has officially declared the Auschwitz camp a world cultural property to be protected and preserved, Faurisson has drawn UNESCO's attention to the numerous violations of the authenticity and integrity of Auschwitz, above all the crude postwar alterations to the building that allegedly housed "gas chamber #1." Yet another cross for the Auschwitz Mafia to bear!

*[Dr. Faurisson's catalogue of postwar Auschwitz tampering, often on the testimony of anti-revisionist authorities, is a brilliant exercise in modern muckraking. For a modest donation (or an excessively generous one) we'll send you a copy of his seven-page letter to UNESCO.]*

## INTERNET ROUNDUP

### The CODOH Message Board

*Richard A. Widmann*

Last issue, we announced the launching of the CODOH Bulletin Board into cyberspace (SR 56). Those who cannot visit CODOHWeb for lack of access to the Internet may well wonder what he was talking about. The CODOH "BBS," or Bulletin Board, marks yet another first for revisionism. CODOH's drive for open debate on the Holocaust story has reached yet another level, as a free forum for contending views on the controversy now exists.

Before one can fully grasp the importance of CODOH's recent achievement, a little background is necessary. As readers of this column know, one of the most important and valuable areas on the Internet is the World Wide Web (WWW). I worked personally with Bradley Smith to establish CODOH's Website in the fall of 1995. CODOHWeb has grown tremendously since that time and now offers a library of revisionist articles, photographs, and news stories.

Besides the WWW, arguably the most popular area on the Internet is called the "Usenet." The Usenet is comprised of tens of thousands of "newsgroups." News-groups are global bulletin boards which address every imaginable topic, from gossip to academic discussion, sports to personal ads, Holocaust mythology to Holocaust revisionism. The literally hundreds of thousands of conversations which are recorded for posterity are contributed to by any and all



are recorded for posterity are contributed to by any and all who choose to participate. The newsgroups are the Internet's discussion forums.

Anyone who can access the Internet can participate in the newsgroup discussions as long as they have a program called a "newsreader." Newsreaders allow you to subscribe at no cost to newsgroups so you can read newsgroup articles, as well as add, or post, your own. All major on-line services include newsreaders as part of their standard software.

The first newsgroup begun for the discussion of revisionism, pro and con, was *alt.revisionism*. *Alt.revisionism* had the potential to become a place for open discussion of revisionist topics and ideas. Unfortunately *alt.revisionism* did not live up to its promise. It has been and still is dominated by anti-revisionist zealots who will stoop to any level to halt the ever-increasing flow of revisionist truth. Many of these anti-revisionists are or at one time were associated with the Holocaust Remembrance Website, Nizkor.

Personal attacks have driven many defenders of revisionism from the newsgroup. The anti-revisionists choose to attack individuals rather than their ideas and typically are incapable of providing objective evidence of their position. Even though the air is thick with anti-revisionist hate, the group still averages over 200 messages per day, with a near 50-50 split between messages for revisionism and against revisionism. Most of those who post to *alt.revisionism* treat the forum as something akin to combat, rather than debate or discussion.

The failure of *alt.revisionism* to deliver a truly open discussion forum set CODOH to thinking. As early as 1996 Bradley was already considering how CODOH could host a bulletin board for the discussion of revisionism--a forum that could be monitored and run by CODOH associates. He envisioned a place for the discussion of revisionism which would be free of the slander and other vulgarities of *alt.revisionism*.

On June 28<sup>th</sup>, it happened. David Thomas, CODOH-Web's technical wunderkind, unveiled a CODOH Message Board which could be accessed directly from the CODOH Website. The rules and principles of the CODOH BBS were established by CODOH, not those who are committed to destroying revisionism. All comers are greeted by CODOH's rules for participation in the Bulletin Board and a statement by Bradley on the necessity of goodwill for real communication.

This past summer has shown that CODOH-Web's newest feature is its most popular. Net revisionists and anti-revisionists alike have dropped in to make their opinions heard. At times persons on both sides have crossed the line of goodwill and found their messages removed from the board. Typical name-calling includes such words as "liar," "idiot," and "Nazi." With the rules of good communication and civility now properly understood, both sides seem willing to come to the table.

Interesting discussions can be read that span the gamut of revisionist topics, from Friedrich Berg on diesel and cremation issues to unknown net revisionists and non-revisionists on the Dachau "gas chamber."

The ebb and flow of the discussion is both interesting



The shrunken head discovered at Buchenwald, maybe. There are many rumors about her origin. Some suggest the Amazon rain forest. Others argue she is a Berkeley precursor of the hippies. To me she resembles the photo of a lady who lived in the Transylvania town from which Elie Wiesel emerged. No matter--we must treat the photo with the respect it deserves.

and enlightening (and at times infuriating). Anti-revisionists are rarely willing to give up even the most outlandish Holocaust claims. One such zealot recently set out to resuscitate the shrunken head allegedly found at



Buchenwald. This discussion resulted in the posting of a photograph of the shrunken head of Buchenwald.

Internet revisionists were quick to point out that revisionists have long known the photograph and have reproduced it themselves on numerous occasions (see Carlos Porter: *Made in Russia: The Holocaust*). Armed from the vast trove of revisionist intellectual weaponry on CODOH-Web, the net revisionists were able to argue Udo Walendy's thesis that the head was in fact of South American origin.

One attentive net-revisionist pointed out what seemingly is the most obvious problem with the "shrunken head of Buchenwald": "One might even say there must have been a hippie commune inside the Buchenwald enclosure.

The photograph, originally posted by a devoted anti-revisionist, turned out to be his undoing. Time and again on CODOH's Message Board, the "antis" have had to beat such quick retreats. Meanwhile, with each passing day, many new people become aware of the controversy that surrounds the Holocaust--and many new minds are drawn to CODOH through our discussion forum.

A few years ago Professor Deborah Lipstadt called for a refusal to debate the revisionists. Clearly, many in the anti-revisionist camp aren't heeding her: The debate is going on at full volume all around us. Revisionism is today's version of "the shot heard round the world." While it's aimed not at King George's redcoats, but rather at censors and Holocaust hatemongers and myth-makers of every stripe, we at CODOH are striving for the same things our patriot forefathers fought for: liberty and truth.

The CODOH Bulletin Board can be accessed at: <http://www.codoh.com/bbs>

## LETTERS

This morning I received your July issue of SR, which I read with the utmost interest and curiosity. On setting the newsletter aside after spending a half hour reading it, I noticed that my fingertips were all slightly blistered, and my eyes were smarting, the way they do when I am compelled to peel onions for our stews and soups and what not. This isn't the first time that the content of SR has produced these odd physiological reactions in me. My wife (who is a devout Catholic of Italian extraction) dubs this a form of "mild Revisionist stigmata." St. Bradley of Visalia? Sounds good!

Orest Slepokura, Ontario

*Be careful, of course, but it must be that other guy. I'm in Baja now.*

Have you been sending copies of your newsletters to the Saudi Arabian consulates around the country? I would put them all on my mailing list. Also those of Indonesia and other Moslem countries. Mail directly to their prime ministers as well. You might pick up the right person to gain bigger sponsors. Try the leading Arab and Moslem uni-

versities. The children of government officials attend them. They can gain the attention of their parents, who most likely will be interested in revisionism.

H.M., California

*Odd, I've sent special communications and materials to Arabs and other Muslims. I've never sent Smith's Report. I don't know why. One of many things I have overlooked. It would seem to be a good idea. I could probably come up with about 500 good addresses. In the end it would cost about two dollars just in printing and postage to send each newsletter.*

Keep on with the Arab connection. They are ready to accept the truth [revisionist theory] in this case because it shows Zionists to be deceivers, frauds, and extortionists. Don't get me wrong. I don't like what Arafat represents any more than I do what Zionism represents. But the Arab world has considerable wealth, as does the world of Zionism. I was going to suggest that you try to get the David Cole video aired on television in Arab countries (in translation, of course), but it occurs to me that if you could inspire one wealthy Arab to invest in a television station here in America and stand against the kind of Zionism that is produced by our entertainment and political institutions and is so prevalent in the public mind, it could effectively put both Arab issues and revisionism on a sounder footing.

John Zimmerman, Texas

*We are going to continue to develop Arab connections. We have something cooking right now. It's very tricky ground for most Americans to navigate, including me. I'll follow my nose here, which leads me toward those individuals and organizations that are on the side of liberty and away from those which are not--Arabs, Zionists, or others.*

I'm a Johnny-come-lately to the revisionist discussion. I have suspected for years that a segment of the Jewish population uses the Holocaust to further its own agenda and keep critics at bay. Now it appears that many of my suspicions are confirmed. The JDL reports that you have all but sunk into oblivion. Apparently not true. Just finished your "Rubadubdub" article. Good stuff. I think that after fifty years it's about time the truth be shouted from the housetops.

T.M., California

*Rubadubdub is a piece I did on my efforts to get a handle on the Jewish soap story a few years ago. Nat Hentoff, a writer I was interested in, and who I consider to be generally one of the good guys, was one of the believers. I sent him Rubadubdub as my way to argue that the stories about Jews using the blood of Christian children to make matzo and Germans using Jewish fat to make hand soap are two faces of the same primitive story. Nat didn't respond. I sent the piece to 200 top writers and journalists in New York City--Nat's friends and professional associ-*



ates. I didn't hear from any of them. Last year Hentoff published a well-received book titled *Speaking Freely: A Memoir* (NY: Knopf). On page 253 he writes of his visit some years before to *The Museum of the Holocaust* (an unassuming competitor of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem). "... it was at this place—seeing the clothes, the books of the forever disappeared—that I felt closer to the dead. I stared at some bars of soap on the shelf, and I turned to the ancient attendant. He nodded. 'Jews,' he said. 'They used to be Jews.' I learned later there is a dispute—and not only among the so-called Holocaust revisionists—as to whether any Jews actually were made into soap. But the old Jew in the shabby museum believed it. So did I."

Nat is one of those Jews who find it incredible, and incredibly compromising, that some Christians in Eastern Europe continue to believe the Christian-children-made-into-matzo story. Believing the Jews-made-into-hand-soap story, however, has something to do with being loyal to Jewish tradition. When it comes to teaching old dogs new tricks, information means nothing.

You are unfavorably recognized by Rabbi Daniel Gordis in his *Does the World Need the Jews?* (1997). In his introduction he states that he does not understand how American Jews can allow Bradley Smith to run revisionist ads in campus newspapers "only 50 years after the gas chambers had ceased burning." Zyklon-B and fire, together in the gas chambers, is a ludicrous image. Carl Jung's hypothesis of the collective unconscious is the only good explanation for why these people keep referring to "gas ovens" and their kinsmen's incineration in conflagrations and infernos.

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## AT DEADLINE

**University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA).** The *Daily Bruin* has run a column (26 August) headlined "Propaganda Denies Holocaust Occurred." The columnist, Julianne Sohn, tells us that the flyer "serves as an advertisement for two groups of Holocaust and Historical Revisionists, the Committee or Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH) and the Institute for Historical Review (IHR)." Ms. Sohn is rather bewildered by the content of the flyer but tries to make the best of it, and comes out against the censorship of revisionism. I have been faxed the flyer. It's a no-holds-bared challenge to debate all received opinion on the holocaust story. Revisionism and intellectual freedom have found a champion on the UCLA campus. What's next? I don't know, but stay tuned—just in case.

**Boise State University (BSU).** As we wrap up this issue of *Smith's Report* we are able to report that our \$250,000 Offer has run in *The Arbiter* at Boise State University. *The Arbiter*, with 14,000 circulation, is by far the largest campus newspaper in Idaho.

Boise is the city where early in August businessman and political consultant Robert Boatman published an op-ed article in *The Idaho Statesman* (the state's biggest newspaper) that assailed the city's decision to build a memorial to Anne Frank. Boatman, a political consultant to Republican Congresswoman Helen Chenoweth, was fired. He refused to retract his criticisms of the Boise Anne Frank memorial, which he based on revisionist criticism of the authenticity of the diary—or is it diaries?

When I ran the almost-finished \$250,000 ad past my CODOH buddies, the inclusion of Anne Frank among the debating issues drew the most criticism. It was "off-target." I wasn't sure. It is and it isn't. Still, it's used, particularly politically, as one of the primary texts of the Holocaust story and it's become a taboo promoted by the ADL and the rest of the Lobby. Now that *The Arbiter* has run our \$250,000 Offer to debate, among other matters, the authenticity of *The Anne Frank Diary*, I wonder what the ADL thinks. Off-target—or on?

Thanks for all your help. With you we can do it. Without you—not a chance.



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