

Well, last week I get married and this week there's a "peace" march. I sure hope that doesn't mean a damn thing.

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All you have to do is ask; I am perfectly willing to inform you that this is Dave Van Arnam, of 1730 Harrison Ave, Apt 353, Bronx, NY 10453. See how easy?

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STEVE STILES FOR TAFF! VOTE!

ON THAT PEACE MARCH... The Be-Ins and Fly-Ins and Sweep-Ins have been magnificent experiences; I will probably always regret missing the ones I have.

I have no such regret at missing the latest one, in which the newfound powers of the hippie communities have been turned loose in defense of one of the most pernicious religious beliefs in the history of man -- communism, which says one can deliberately, as a matter of announced policy, butcher men, women, and children with absolute moral impunity, as long as one lies about it enough and calls it all a "national" "liberation" "front." The "front" part is accurate enough; the rest is so much salad dressing for a very very rotten pile of tomatoes indeed.

Immediately bunches of people are going to descend upon me and say, "Look here, we're butchering men, women, and children too." To which I say, "No, we're fighting a war which we did not ask for; and just as in Korea (when the communists shamelessly massed their armies and invaded a peaceful country because Hairyass Truman told the world we wouldn't defend Korea), and in the Second World War, and in the First World War, and in the Civil War, and in the Revolutionary War, when you fight a war innocent people get killed.

The current anti-Viet war hysteria is cut of a piece with the anti-anti-communist hysteria that has gripped so much of our intelligentsia for the last few decades -- the notion that communism, one of the bloodiest phenomena in man's history, can somehow be "civilized," "pacified," if we just don't irritate the communists.

Roosevelt, poor old dotard, thought that, at the close of WWII. Stalin, he thought (and Truman after), simply wanted to "defend" himself. So why not let him have Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, the Ukraine, Romania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Greece -- too bad about that, Stalin, but Truman had second thoughts and decided you couldn't have Greece, or Iran either -- and North Korea... A little bit later we also let Mao have China on a platter, whereupon Red China took Tibet, which we let her have, and began fomenting wretched little "wars of national liberation" around her perimeter.

Now, why is it that the liberal mind is unable to focus on the terror and murder and bloody repressions of the communist regimes? Why do all the moral idiots, the Dr. Spocks, say, go out and march when we set off atomic weapons, but clam up and give you the fishy eye when you ask them where they were when Russia broke treaty and exploded her 100 Megaton bombs, and when China concocted hers and tested them?

When is someone going to organize a be-in at the Berlin Wall of Shame? In the streets of Budapest, where Russians slaughtered Freedom Fighters?

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How about a Be-In outside the walls of the Yugoslav prisons where Tito socks away the guys that try to speak of other ways of looking at life than that of communism? How about a Be-In in Havana, in memory of the frantic thousands machine-gunned in fishing boats, trying to escape with their lives from Castro's deadly little "paradise"? How about a Be-In in Venezuela, protesting the Castro-armed FALN, who have been amusing themselves for a decade now trying to bring down a stable, elected, peaceful, progressive government? How about a Be-in for Sinayevsky (sp?) and Daniel, completely choking the street in front of the Russian Embassy? How about a Be-In in Hanoi, protesting the terror-bombings of restaurants, market-places, ordinary streets, throughout South Viet Nam, which bombings kill hundreds of absolutely innocent bystanders -- with savage and total disregard of sex or age or, may I say, decency...

The careful observer will have noticed that every time in the past 30 years or so that the United States has attempted any action whatsoever that might in any way interfere with communism's attempt to take what it wishes to take, the Liberals give a twitch and start screaming that we're being beastly.

It's the U.S. that is scorned for testing atomic weapons, not Russia, not -- perish the thought! -- China.

It's the U.S. that is scorned for defending countries against communist aggression -- check back and see what the Liberals were screaming when Truman decided to aid Greece against communist guerrillas, the communist terrorists who were using in Greece precisely the same tactics used today by the Viet Cong in South Viet Nam. The technique, ladies and gentlemen, is murder.

Why is the U.S. the only country that's supposed to Change Its Ways -- when all signs indicate clearly that if we do, without assurances from the other side that can be trusted, we will soon cease to exist at all.

Where were the peace marchers when the news was revealed that Russia is escalating its armaments with a new complete line of missile defenses? No, they can't be bothered -- they're out marching, in protest against us moving our B52 base from Guam to Thailand, where another one of those stinking "national" "liberation" fronts is building up under direct support of China.

I wonder if anybody'll come out marching in protest that the Viet Cong has been using Cambodia as a rest-stop in its bloody campaigns -- you remember Cambodia, that's the place where the ruler says we're all immoral and everything for fighting communists? The place where denials issued constantly from Snooky, indignant that we shd suspect him of harboring Viet Cong?

The place where a "national" "liberation" front has just started up -- against dear old Snooky? Hey, all you "liberals" out there, I know Snooky's already come out and said he can handle it all himself, but what if he can't? What if he finally comes around, hat in hand, and asks for a few of those B52s to make a few rest stops over the jungles of Cambodia? Just suppose? As a hypothesis?

Will we fight for Snooky, who'se just found out you can't deal with the Communists after all...? If he asks? Real nicely? He's a leftist, you know -- all liberals shd support all leftists. Right? Lemme know, now. I wdn't want to be kept in suspense...   Hoping you are the sane...