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When I chose the name "Christian Anti-Communism Crusade" for the organization, created in 1953 to combat Communism and promote Christianity, I had no premonition that within a few years the name would be a source of criticism and controversy. That, nevertheless, is what happened.

The criticism reached its crescendo in 1961-62 when a sincere and generous friend offered to donate \$100,000 if the word "Christian" was dropped from the Crusade name. I understood his motive, but did not accept his offer. He remains a cherished friend and recently told me that he now considers his offer was a mistake.

The criticism came from a wide spectrum of opponents and friends. These include:

1) The Communists and their allies.

I expected their criticism, and considered it a tribute to the success of the Crusade ministry and message.

2) The fanatical devotees of the positive who believed that it was wrong to be negative, and objected to the term, "anti-Communism."

I have often been confronted with the challenging question, "We know what you are against, but what are you for?"

Frankly, I considered the question to be infantile. Our home in Sydney is directly opposite to a fire station, and I find the question comparable to asking the fire-fighters: "I know what you are against, but what are you for?"

I do not think it necessary or desirable that those devoted to preventing destructive fires should also be required to stress their devotion to neighborhood beautification.

The question is also comparable to asking the staff of a hospital cancer ward, "we know what you are against, what are you for?"

The Communists have murdered millions. Their Marxist doctrines demand that the middle-class owners of property "must be swept out of the way and made impossible." This was the formula for class extermination, or classicide, that later led Pol Pot to murder millions of the citizens of Cambodia.

The reason why freedom-loving humanitarians should be against mass murder should be self-evident.

3) Those who believed that the word "Christian" inferred that all other religious groups were excluded from the fight against Communism.

It was charged that the inclusion of the word "Christian" in the Crusade name implied the exclusion of the Jews and members of other religions from the battle against Communism. Some regarded it as a mask for anti-Semitism.

Those who thought this were victims of a delusion. Freedom flourishes in those societies that permit individuals to associate freely and to support specific organizations and chosen objectives. Free enterprise should prevail in the ideological realm as well as in the economic sphere. Where there is no choice, there is no freedom.

A society in which all organizations and activities are either compulsory or prohibited consists of slaves.

Anti-Semitism

My father was born in to a Jewish family, but became a Christian while a teenager. He migrated from Austria to Australia, raised a family of eleven children, and was a devout Christian until his death at the age of 87. He was proud of his Jewish heritage, and always referred to the Jews as "God's Chosen People."

The use of the word "Christian" was not a mask for anti-Semitism. That charge was completely false, but a lie, which is believed, is as influential as if it were true.

I remain grateful for the understanding and support which the Crusade has received from many Jewish friends who are devout anti-Communists.

What are You For?

To answer the question, "What are you for?" I submit this partial list of programs and objectives which the Crusade supports by word and deed.

The truth that will make and keep men free
 The love that never fails
 The peace that passes all understanding
 The joy unspeakable and full of glory
 The faith that conquers death

With St Paul we say, we are "not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." (Romans 1:16)

In our ministry, we have stressed the positive. From the orphanages of India to the halls of the United States Congress, our verbal message has been accompanied by deeds that demonstrate love.

Our model has been the Good Samaritan, and we have been guided by the words of the apostle James, "If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, 'depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled;' notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body, what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works is dead, being alone." (James 2:15)

Love in Action

I continue to be inspired by the life of a colleague who has spent years in "the valley of the shadow of death," and I consider it a special privilege that the Crusade has been able to help at critical moments.

His name is John Morey, and I first met him, his wife Bev., and their toddling son Peter, when they visited our son John and his wife Rosalie in 1966. He was a keen Christian and was serving as advance man for an Australian evangelist. At that time, he appeared to be in fine health.

I was surprised when I learned that he was condemned to die very soon. He had been diagnosed as being afflicted with the dreaded Bright's Disease in which the kidneys die and cause great pain and early death. Prior to death the tissues of the body become filled with fluid causing a slow and painful demise. It was incurable.

John's condition proceeded according to the prognosis. In the following months he was admitted to hospital for dialysis which was partially successful in removing the fluid, but an unusual complication arose. The nerves of his hands and feet developed neuropathy so that they became partially paralyzed.

Death loomed and the decision was made to attempt a kidney transplant. At that time this was rare in Australia. This strategy was successful, and aided by immune-suppressing drugs, his body accepted the new kidney and functioned well. Unfortunately, the neuropathy of his hands and feet did not recover, causing John to walk as though he was wearing the rubber flippers worn by surf life-savers. It is not surprising that the students at a school where he later taught, nicknamed him "flipper."

Practical Christianity

At that time, John and Bev had no income, and the Crusade was privileged to help financially until John was able to resume an active life. Since then, his life has been a succession of successful surgeries and medical miracles. His life history could be used as a medical textbook. Despite this, his Christian faith has remained radiant, his sense of humor delightful, and his achievements remarkable. He became an educator, a professional photographer, and Christian leader, and a world traveler.

John has written a brief report of the medical and surgical miracles which have held death at bay for over 30 years. He begins:

"I had a healthy childhood, growing through my teenage years to 6 feet, 2 inches. This lanky frame enabled me to have much success under the baskets in basketball. I was very proud to be selected in the South Australian State under 18 team.

"Entering the Adelaide Teacher's College, a routine medical examination indicated I had Nephritis. For several weeks this was not communicated to me by my doctors at the Royal Adelaide Hospital. When I discovered my diagnosis—written in the corner of a form I happened to read—I hastened into the city to research the details in a store that sells medical textbooks. It was a gloomy picture. I walked out of the shop into the harsh sunlight of reality, feeling that the bottom had dropped out of the bucket of my life."

(John's report of his numerous bout with death, will be published in our November newsletter.)

WHY COMMUNISM CONTINUES TO GROW IN THE USA

Following the collapse of the Soviet and the termination of the annual subsidy which the U.S. Communist Party was receiving from the Russian Communists, many expected that the U.S. Communist Party would wither and die.

The reverse is true. The U.S. Communist Party is demonstrating increasing activity and unprecedented growth. Why?

The answer is to be found in both the philosophy and the practical programs of the Communists.

The Philosophy

The Communist philosophy, known as Dialectical Materialism, grants total flexibility to those designing Communist programs. It teaches that progress, which is inevitable, takes place by a series of advances towards, and retreats from, the ultimate objectives. This is comparable to the process by which a hammer drives a nail. Retreat is as necessary as advance.

The Programs

This translates into the practical formula, "Find out what people want, promise it to them, go to work to get it for them temporarily so that you can win their support and ultimately gain power." Once power has been gained, programs to promote ultimate objectives can be imposed.

Every edition of the U.S. Communist Party newspaper, *People's Weekly World*, reveals how this formula is applied in practice. The Communists see themselves as Social Scientists harnessing and utilizing "Social Forces." A "Social Force" is an emotion shared by a number of people that motivates a specific course of action. The Communists rush to support that action and thereby ingratiate themselves with the participants in the program.

I have before me the August 23, 1997 edition of the U.S. Communist newspaper. It reveals the "Social Forces" which the Communists are currently attempting to exploit. These include:

- 1) Industrial strikes. Great attention is devoted to the successful Teamster strike against United Parcel Service.
- 2) The fear of nuclear conflict.
- 3) Immigrant rights.
- 4) Youthful idealism and rebellion. They accuse the United States of attempting to starve the Cuban people into surrender so that they can be exploited.
- 5) Alleged police brutality.
- 6) Child poverty.
- 7) Popular music and poetry.

Communism seeks to come to power by deception and to remain in power by force. The best protection against deception is knowledge. Those who will not learn the lessons of the past are condemned to repeat them.

THE PARTING MESSAGE OF PRINCESS DIANA

Along with millions, I watched on television the Memorial Service for Princess Diana.

I was deeply moved when the Prime Minister of England, Tony Blair, read the message of the love chapter of the Bible, Corinthians 13.

"Love suffereth long and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil,

"Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

"Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things."

What a wonderful world this would be if love replaced cruelty, envy, boasting, pride, selfishness, evil conduct, cynicism and hate.

The tragic unexpected death of Princess Diana calls to mind this stanza from the classical poem, "Elegy Written in a Country Church-Yard," by Thomas Gray:

"The boast of heraldry, the pomp of pow'r
And all that beauty, all that wealth e'er gave,
Awaits alike th' inevitable hour.
The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

Each of us confronts the inescapable fact that every hour of life is the hour of potential death. To be able to say with St. Paul, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain," is the greatest happiness possible.

As the poet, Dorthea Day says:

"I have no fear, though strait the gate,
He cleared from punishment the scroll.
Christ is the Master of my fate,
Christ is the Captain of my soul"

"Cold Warrior" Remembers

The July 12 edition of the Australian Magazine, News Weekly, has published the following review of "Beating the Unbeatable Foe."

Beating the Unbeatable Foe: One Man's Victory over Communism, Leviathan and the Last Enemy
by Fred Schwarz
Regnery

Reviewed by Paul Christopher

Autobiographies and memoirs of anti-Communists now constitute a new form of history – the personal historiography of the Cold War. Fred Schwarz's autobiography *Beating the Unbeatable Foe* is a unique contribution to this burgeoning literature.

The Cold War is often misleadingly described as a "simple" conflict between two opposing forces – it would not have lasted so long if this was an accurate description. The Cold War was an extremely complex form of political conflict – with a covert and overt enemy and many bewildering shades in between.

Anti-Communism necessarily assumed many forms, in trade unions, cultural organisations, universities, and despite the claims of their opponents, anti-communists were forces to struggle often to their personal financial disadvantage. Of singular international importance was the role of Christian anti-communist organizations. Unique amongst these was Australian doctor Fred Schwarz's Christian Anti-Communism Crusade."

One of the intriguing paradoxes of the Cold War is the as yet unwritten record of treason in the West. Anti-Communists were often forced to counter their communist enemies whilst being undermined by their national friends and allies. Schwarz therefore had to fight on two fronts – the progressive left-liberal hegemony and their covert allies, the communists.

Dr. Schwarz was not an intellectual, although his book *You Can Trust the Communists (to be Communists)* was published in many languages. He was primarily a political evangelist whose mission was to expose and counter communism.

This was an advantage in his work. Plain speaking, courageous and persistent, he founded and funded anti-communist organizations in British Guiana, Japan, Thailand, the Philippines, Italy, Korea and wrote and published almost ceaselessly to expose the Soviet propaganda machine. On a comic lever, the book contains transcripts of television and interviews featuring "debates" between Schwarz, liberal commentators, and a galaxy of "useful" (or

useless) idiots.

The media transcripts are priceless records of the depths to which ritualistic liberalism can descend. A particularly virulent form of left liberalism referred to by Schwarz was exemplified by US Senator Fulbright who manipulated neutralist elements in key US institutions to isolate and neutralize the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade. At the same time, Senator Fulbright told a leading Australian journalist in 1967 that he did not care if all countries in South East Asia became Communist.

It is a measure of Schwarz's indirect and direct influence that three activists trained by his organization were later to join President Reagan's staff. The author of Reagan's famous "evil empire" speech was a writer who had attended Schwarz's anti-communist training school.

Schwarz's Christian optimism provided him with intense energy and insight. In 1968 he wrote, "Communism is suffering from an internal hemorrhage that will progressively weaken it so that if the free world can survive the next few years the future is radiant with hope."

Schwarz did not predict the timing of the collapse of the evil empire but his work was based on the premise that the Soviet union could be confronted and countered. To do so, required a special kind of personal courage and honor.

Tribute should therefore be paid to Schwarz's personal character and personal courage; despite almost ceaseless calumny, slander and libel he was an inveterate debater and clashed with communist spokesmen in public meetings, radio and television throughout the world for over five decades.

Clearly, from the calibre of the communist propagandists pitted against him, the Kremlin and its intelligence services must have assessed Schwarz as a most relentless adversary and one who was incapable of compromising his deepest convictions.

In his well earned retirement, Fred Schwarz can look back – and be proud of – an honorable and worthy life. He can be proud that he played a worthy role in a complex and protracted conflict which few of his contemporaries understood.

In the words of the song, "he did it his way," this book explains his way, but it is the measure of Dr. Schwarz that he was concerned with his way – the anti-communist struggle from a purely spiritual perspective.

The overnight collapse of the Soviet empire demonstrates that Schwarz's assessment of the spiritual vacuum which lay at the heart of communism was essentially correct.

I am grateful to the reviewer, but his assumption that I have retired is incorrect. Since Communism is such a "Lively Communist Corpse," I am continuing to fight the good fight with all my might.

THE LIVELY COMMUNIST CORPSE - U.S.A. and Worldwide

This article published in the August 16 edition of the U.S. Communist newspaper, People's Weekly World, demonstrates clearly that, despite the demise of the Soviet Union, the Communists have surrendered neither their global affiliations nor aspirations.

CPUSA Calls for International Solidarity in UPS Strike

In a letter dated August 14 addressed to Communist Parties around the world, the Communist Party USA described the UPS strike as the latest milestone in the growing upsurge of the U.S. working class. Here is the entire text of the letter.

Dear Comrades,

"The strike by 186,000 workers of the United Parcel Service (UPS) company which began August 4, 1997, is the latest milestone in the growing upsurge of the U.S. working class.

"The cause of the strike is simple and clear, the expressed desire by UPS to maximize its profits. The main issues in the strike revolve around that point.

"First is the issue of part-time workers. Sixty percent of UPS workers are part-time. Their wages are approximately 50 percent of full-time workers—a threat to full-time workers that keeps part-time workers in sub-standard conditions.

"The second issue is worker pensions. UPS seeks to abolish union control of the billion-dollar fund, place it under UPS control and to use the money for its own investment purposes. These funds exceed \$1 billion dollars.

"The third issue is safety, underscored by the fact that package sorters must handle 1,000 packages, some weighing as much as 75 kilograms, an hour.

"A substantial part of UPS income comes from its extremely-profitable operations whose tentacles

reach around the world, making the present strike a struggle that concerns all workers.

"Support actions, including calling strikes, and other expressions of solidarity with the UPS strikers will help shorten this strike. Statements, press releases, messages of support to the Teamsters Union, demonstrations at and delegations to UPS offices in your country would be very helpful. If you could let us know what actions take place, we would publish them in People's Weekly World.

"Although UPS has launched a massive propaganda campaign in an effort to force President Clinton to invoke federal labor law to break the strike, UPS workers enjoy the support of an overwhelming majority of the public.

"This support is a demonstration of the anger of U.S. working people against the slaughter of jobs and declining living standards suffered by more that three quarters of the working class in recent years.

"The impact of downsizing, speedup, part-time and temporary jobs have fueled an awakening of the class consciousness of tens of millions who see the strike as an opportunity to express their collective anger at the profiteering of UPS and of Corporate America in general.

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National Committee, CPUSA