



## Agents of Subversion How Foundations have Undermined America

In his book, *The Servile State*, Hilaire Belloc predicted that the monopoly capitalism of the Carnegies and the Rockefellers would some day join hands with the collectivism of Marx and Dewey to form a new *servile civilization*. Were this to happen, it would not be unlikely that the servile state could lead one day to one-world government and the virtual imprisonment of mankind in a socialist empire.

### AN INVISIBLE GOVERNMENT

The alarming coalition of Rockefeller, Carnegie and Marx is the engaging subject of Phil Kent's new book, *Foundations of Betrayal: How the Liberal Super-Rich Undermine America*. His book explains the obvious question as to *why wealthy people use their money to apparently undermine their own fortunes*. The paradoxical combination of wealth and social revolution, at first reading, seems to strike at the very roots of historical understanding. When one thinks of foundations, such as Carnegie and Rockefeller, one naturally thinks of philanthropy and charitable organizations helping the poor and the downtrodden. In his 1889 book, *The Gospel of Wealth*, Andrew Carnegie emphasized that philanthropic businessmen and women should try to eradicate poverty in a capitalistic society. This is in stark contrast to the major theories of Communism, which evokes scenes of barricades and violent revolution.

There are two important answers to author Kent's basic question. As he points out, there is a *new world order of foundations* that exists primarily to subvert the very institutions that have enabled their largesse. This thinking evokes a parable from 19<sup>th</sup> century German political economist Friedrich List's 1841 book, *The National System of Political Economy*. The parable noted that it was a *very common clever device when anyone who has attained the summit of greatness, kicks away the ladder by which he has climbed up, in order to deprive others of the means of climbing up*. It is for this reason that the superrich often favor big government. They can then control entry onto the playing field thereby limiting their competition at its source. Kent also believes that foundations function as an *invisible government* whose intent is to form a one-world government with the United Nations as the focal point.

The second answer refers to the hijacking of a foundation by its own heirs. For example, the later generations of Ford

Foundation trustees have adopted the liberal spirit of the changing times and now reflect social and economic mores that would have put them at strict odds with their forebears. To them America has always been the *evil empire*, and its very roots must be destroyed.

Another good example is the Heinz Foundation. Originally established by Vira and Howard Heinz to support American values, it received new and radical direction when Teresa Heinz Kerry inherited its control with the accidental death of her first husband, Senator John Heinz in 1991. With the able assistance of her second husband, Senator John Kerry, she has pushed their grant-making radically to the left, particularly favoring radical environmental and social justice groups.

### FROM GRAMSCI'S PLAYBOOK

Foundations being the agents of subversion did not just happen. It has been the result of a long and gradual historical process that traces its origins back to the formation of the Carnegie Foundation in 1908. From their start, the Carnegie trustees were intent on finding a way to change the course of American history in order to recreate American society in a more progressive way. Their first impulse was to encourage a long and expensive war (W.W.I) in Europe because history had taught them that war was a great instrument of social change. Through their agents in the State Department they used every power they had to draw the United States into a protracted European conflict. After the war broke out, they shifted their demonic attentions to education as an even better vehicle by which they could drive home their socialist message.

To change the country through its educational system, the Carnegie trustees enlisted the assistance of the Rockefeller Foundation. They proposed that education be divided into two parts with Rockefeller handling domestic education and Carnegie exerting its influence on international education. The two Foundations also decided that the key to success lay in the revision of American history. After some initial resistance among established history professors, they decided to *build their own stable of historians*.

They approached the Guggenheim Foundation, which specializes in fellowships, and asked them to underwrite their handpicked doctoral candidates who would reconstruct American history in a manner more acceptable to their socialist mindset. The

initial group of twenty historians ultimately became the nucleus of the American Historical Association. By the end of the 1920's, the endowment granted to the American Historical Association \$400,000 for a study of our history, pointing to what this country could look forward to in the future.

Since then the Carnegie and Rockefeller Foundations have zealously produced textbooks which promoted the socialist pedagogy of ideologues, such as John Dewey, who would turn the classroom into a social engineering laboratory. Also encouraged were programs of dubious academic merit such as African-American, feminist and more recently homosexuality and transgender studies. With the usual Marxist targets in their crosshairs, namely the family, Christianity and private property, it is apparent that the Foundations are using the Gramsci playbook to recreate American society.

### BUSINESS AS USUAL

By the early '50s, it had become obvious that something was wrong with the American educational system. Schools had seemingly abandoned the teaching of the basic principles upon which the nation had been founded. In the midst of a chilling Cold War atmosphere, it was Congressman Eugene Cox's sub-committee that started a probe into Foundations to see which ones were undermining America's basic institutions.

The first case involved Communist Alger Hiss, President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Hiss had worked for the State Department in 1936 and was an advisor to President Franklin Roosevelt at the Yalta Conference in 1945. In 1948 during the hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Hiss was accused of being a member of the Communist party and of passing State Department documents to a Soviet agent, Whittaker Chambers. Hiss was eventually convicted on two counts of perjury on January 21, 1950, after Chambers exposed Hiss's role in the State Department.

Unfortunately the Cox Committee was short-lived due to the chairman's untimely death. His final report did charge that a *Moscow-directed, Communist plot existed to infiltrate American foundations and to use their funds for Communist purposes*. A Committee member, Congressman B. Carroll Reece then introduced House Resolution 217 to continue the investigation into these tax-exempt Foundations. The Reece Committee was authorized to conduct *complete investigation and study of educational and philanthropic foundations...to see if they were...using their resources for un-American and subversive activities*. From the beginning, the Reece Committee was hampered by a lack of adequate appropriations and cooperation from the Executive branch and Foundation officials. The internal dissent and the disruptive tactics of the ranking minority member, Wayne L. Hays, often prevented the committee from doing its work.

But Reece was not without some success. According to John O'Donnell's December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1954 column in the New York Daily News the Reece Committee had uncovered *the incredible fact that the huge fortunes piled up by such industrial giants as John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie, and Henry Ford were*

*being used to destroy or discredit the free-enterprise system which gave them birth*. Despite this revelation, the Foundations have continued to do business as usual.

### AN APOCALYPTIC SITUATION

Since the Reece Committee, subversive foundations have branched out into several other significant venues. Kent's book makes it crystal clear that the environment movement has become the latest battleground in undermining the American capitalist structure. While saving or protecting the environment is a noble cause, the socialist mentality that now controls the movement through such Foundations as the Sierra Club and Greenpeace is not intent on merely protecting the environment but fomenting an apocalyptic situation where people will demand that American business virtually shuts down. The Foundations are modern revolutionaries that care little for health care or social welfare but yearn for a return to a pagan world where nature is god and populations would be reduced to primitive life styles.

The unrealistic and false claim of man-made-global warming has become the most potent weapon in their arsenal of deceptions. The theory patently ignores the history of global climate change, which has shown to be a natural phenomenon that happens in cyclical fashion every 800-1500 years. The claims of this bogus science rest mainly on computer models, which bear little relation to reality. Former Vice-President Al Gore's award-winning documentary, An Inconvenient Truth, which highlighted all the false claims of man-made global warming, is nothing more than *junk science*. It was nothing more than a naive and dangerous continuation of the egregiously false propositions in his 1991 book, *The Earth in the Balance*. The Ford Foundation has also been funneling millions of dollars into other smaller foundations, such as the Environmental Defense Foundation, the Rainforest Alliance and Friends of the Earth.

### THE DEATH OF THE ETHNIC NEIGHBORHOOD

Until Henry Ford's death in 1947, the Ford Foundation was just a hollow shell that bequeathed occasional grants in Detroit to the family's favorite charities. Since then it has risen to enormous stature in the world of subversive foundations. The "new" Ford Foundation trustees decided to strengthen democratic values, reduce poverty and injustice, promote international cooperation, and advance human achievement. In 1954 a Republican Congress enacted this reformulated program, which made downtown development possible at the expense of low-income ethnic neighborhoods. The following year Ford accelerated its involvement in the inner city by financing urban renewal projects for the expansion of downtowns at the expense of low-income neighborhoods.

To accomplish their liberal agenda the Foundations formed alliances with many of these inner-city groups, many of which were founded by radical activists, such as Saul Alinsky, (1909-1972), who was originally part of or inspired by the civil rights, anti-war, and other movements of the 1960s and 1970s. Through his Chicago-based Industrial Areas Foundation in the 1950s and later his Woodlawn Organization, Alinsky worked tirelessly to organize

and empower people in low-income neighborhoods, especially Mexican-American neighborhoods. Another powerful urban group among black people was the Association of Community Organizations for Reform (ACORN), which agitated racial intolerance in over 50 cities throughout the sixties and seventies.

Ford used these urban liberal groups to encourage white flight from the ethnic neighborhoods in order to marginalize these ethnic bastions of political and economic power. The fact was not lost that most of these deracinated neighborhoods were the heart of the Catholic ethnic power base. This deliberate attack on American ethnicity and its religious underpinning was also an attack on Christian morality, the family, and private property, the very essence of American middle class life. Catholic urban deracination is the subject matter of Culture Wars Magazine publisher E. Michael Jones' book The Slaughter of the Cities.

### KINSEY'S GRAVEYARD LEGACY

E. Michael Jones is also profoundly aware of the decline of America's social mores. In his 1993 book, *Degenerate Moderns*, he explored the deep harm University of Indiana Professor Alfred Kinsey has inflicted on American sexual morality. Kinsey's devious impact on the sexual mores of the United States has been widely researched, especially by Dr. Judith Riesman's book *Kinsey; Crimes and Consequences* (2003). One of the little regarded facts of Kinsey's rise to secular prominence was his vital reliance on Foundations, especially the Ford Foundation, for his pioneer research. Without their strong financial backings, Kinsey would have achieved no more recognition than as a minor footnote in an obscure educational journal.

With the publication of his best selling books, *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male* in 1948 followed in 1953 by *Sexual Behavior in the Human Female*, Kinsey became an instant celebrity. However his legacy can be measured in broken lives, twisted souls, and serious addictions. The *Sexual Revolution*, which Kinsey helped to foment, has resulted in a graveyard full of illnesses, addictions and diseases. Since Kinsey's books first appeared, the country has suffered through vast increases in rape, child molestation, out-of-wedlock births, and an epidemic of venereal diseases.

Sex education is another facet of Kinsey's long-lasting influence. A course called *Sexual Attitude Restructuring* (SAR), offered in some Catholic institutions, urged a generation of participants to rethink the *restricting attitudes* of their faith and adopt free sexual expression. A SAR-based course was offered to

parishioners for 10 years in Milwaukee under Archbishop Rembert G. Weakland, who had to retire after admitting to a \$450,000 payment by the archdiocese to settle out of court with a young man with whom he had an *inappropriate* relationship.

Many have even linked Kinsey to the mounting scandal over lax discipline, dissent, broken vows and cover-up in the Roman Catholic clergy. Since the 1970s, Kinsey's anything-goes, morally-relativist sexual philosophy, once considered radical, is now mainstream, and has triumphed over traditional moral teaching in many Catholic institutions across the U.S. Perhaps Kinsey's most lasting legacy was the inspiration he provided for Hugh Hefner, whose *Playboy Empire* has been a lightning rod for sparking the sexual revolution and undermining America's traditional sexual morality. Hefner's *Playboy Foundation* has also been one of the leaders in sponsoring abortion rights.

### THE CHURCH'S DETERMINED ENEMIES

It is not surprising that the Foundations, especially Ford and Rockefeller, have targeted the Catholic Church as part of its subversive agenda of turning the country away from absolute truth and moral principles. One way they have attempted this has been through their financial support of groups, inimical to Catholic teachings, such as *Catholics for Free Choice* (CFFC). According to Catholic League president William Donohue *The Ford Foundation is the largest single donor in the U.S. to one of the nation's most virulently anti-Catholic organizations, Catholics for a Free Choice*. The CFFC is not just a critic of the Catholic Church, it is a determined enemy. For years it has condemned the teachings of the Catholic Church and attacked the Pope. Since 1982, Ford has poured over two million dollars into CFFC's coffers.

Catholics as well as all Americans should start looking at "Foundations" in a more critical light. Kent suggests several ways to do this through the 50 states' Attorneys-General, the court system and the establishment of more conservative think tanks, scholarship programs and advocacy groups which can meet these Foundations on the battlefield of ideas.



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