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Embezzlement charge to be nolled

By RICHARD P. ONDEK

A charge of larceny in the first degree, mainly because of the reluctance of Connecticut Renaissance Inc. to proceed with prosecution. however, David Golub, counsel for the court, told the state charged in place of a complaint made by Connecticut Renaissance Inc. to proceed with the state's attorney, commenting later on the matter, said he "was not happy with the disposition of the case but had been forced into it because of the reluctance of the state to proceed with the case."
Dear Sir,

The union's confrontation with the government had been going on for months. Written promises made by the country's leadership to improve working conditions had been broken as casually as if they had never been made.

Several days into the strike, a knock at the front door came around midnight. Two government agents demanded to see the head of the household, a local union official. When informed by the teen-aged baby sitter that neither he or his wife was home, the agents threatened to take the girl away unless she disclosed where the law breaker was.

When she tearfully explained that she was indeed being truthful about not knowing their whereabouts, she was directed to awaken the oldest child. Papers ordering his father to appear before a government judge were thereupon served to an eight year old boy. Similar nighttime visits coupled with harrassing phone calls took place around the country.

Within days the government had solidified its plans and intensified its efforts not only to crush the union, but to attack the family unit of its members through cruel but efficient economic force. Those who had been involved in the illegal union activity were largely military veterans and stalwart loyalists, but an example had to be made to other would be activists in all trades. The strikers and their families were denied not only food ration coupons and all supplemental income guaranteed by the state, but blacklisted from future employment. When the government decided to move, action had also been taken to evict the strikers and their families from their homes. Those living in housing owned by the state were evicted immediately, while others who had acquired private financing were, through government action, denied extensions of payments so that they too would forfeit their homes.

The jailings continued for months despite the fact that the union had apparently been broken. Military strikebreakers had been used even though the law of the land specifically prohibited such action.

The scenario above did not take place in Poland, but in the United States during the PATCO strike. It is still in progress. The hypocrisy of President Reagan's pre-Christmas speech, in which he condemned the attack upon Solidarity and the oppression and jailing of its leaders was particularly appalling to the 11,543 air traffic controllers in this country who had been blacklisted, arbitrarily denied food stamps and unemployment benefits, selectively denied extensions to FHA/VA mortgages, had adoptive children taken away, and seen their leadership selectively prosecuted. The blacklisting extends beyond government
jobs (which are not available) to private employers holding government contracts. Despite Mr. Reagan's statement to the contrary, two fired controllers who applied for openings in the Postal Service during the past two weeks in Chicago, Ill., and Pontiac, Michigan were told that Washington had cabled them not to hire fired controllers. It is particularly ironic and tragic that as a union leader during the McCarthy blacklistings, that Mr. Reagan had stated that to deny someone his profession is the cruelest thing which could be done to him.

Ordering military strikebreakers to man the scopes and most of the other action listed above (especially selective prosecution) is illegal. I assumed that the Watergate scandal affirmed the fact that no one is above the law, yet why does the Justice Department refuse to pursue these and many other apparent governmental violations of the law? Why are only union people being held accountable for an illegal act motivated by emotion, frustration at broken promises and disgraceful working conditions last August? Why are only union people still being taken away in chains and persecuted (some to the point of suicide) when governmental law breakers know no accountability or retribution? There is neither rhyme nor reason for pursuing people to the death. I'm certain than no one, irregardless of whether he agrees with the union's action of August 3, would find such vindictiveness from a former employer acceptable or humane.

Where then are the people who are rightfully taking to the streets about Poland when the same type of abuse of power is occurring at home -- where indeed?

Very truly,

[Signature]
David Skocik
PATCO Spokesman
Dover, Delaware
They play partisan politics the way a Cliburn plays the piano. They are

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hey play partisan politics the way John F. Kennedy plays the piano. They are such a proposal is to see a perfect example of social security are too often classic cases of political double-speak.

ECONOMIC WOES LAID ON PAST ADMINISTRATION

(Mr. LUNGUEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute, and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LUNGUEN. Mr. Speaker, as one listens to the 1-minute speeches, I think one has to be reminded of a country to make an effort at crossing cultural lines and enriching our personal knowledge as well as that of our Nation.

NO ALTRUISM SEEN IN SAUDI OIL POLICY

(Mr. SCHUMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute, and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, in defending its proposal to sell AWACS to Saudi Arabia, the administration has

NEW IDEAS FOR INCREASING FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

(Mr. COLEMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute, and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr Speaker, I think force increasingly conservation-minded energy consumers to develop alternate sources of fuel. The Saudis...
Embezzlement charge to be nolled

By RICHARD P. ONDEK

A charge of larceny in the first-degree, stemming from the alleged embezzlement by John A. Helms of $149,000 from the Westport program, primarily because of the reluctance of Connecticut Renaissance, Inc. to proceed with which resulted from a complaint made by the Westport program in 1979.

Embezzlement charge

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agreed to perform 500 hours of volunteer work for the program in lieu of the criminal case again against Miss Helms.

A third-year student at Columbia University, has

state’s attorney, commenting later on the matter, said he “was not happy with the Russell said that he would perform the hours as a bookkeeper, file all the paperwork and

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September 17, 1980

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Re: State of Connecticut vs Carole Helms

Dear Mr. Solomonson:

The Board of Directors of Connecticut Renaissance, Inc., has instructed me to communicate to you, the position of our Corporation with respect to the pending criminal charges against Carole Helms. A brief review of several facts is appropriate.

Connecticut Renaissance, Inc., is a non-profit Corporation which seeks to provide therapeutic services to those members of our community who have the misfortune to suffer from drug dependence. The clientele served by our program represents those individuals who in most instances do not have the means or ability to obtain private psychiatric or psychological care for their dependence. For many years, our program has served the community and State. In particular it should be noted, that our program is recognized by the Courts of this State as a viable agency for purposes of referral and treatment of individuals who are charged with the commission of crime; when the services of our program appear appropriate. In sum, we serve the Community and State by trying to salvage the lives of young men and women.

It is within the aforementioned context, that the embezzlement by Carole Helms must be viewed. Losses suffered by our Corporation due to Ms. Carole Helms' criminal acts total approximately $180,000. As a result of her behavior, taxes were not paid, creditors were not paid, and the entire image and goals of our therapeutic community severely damaged. As a direct result of the financial crisis created by her actions, Renaissance has been instructed by the State through its department of Ct. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council, to consider a merger with another Community Service Program. In addition to the monetary damage, there is inestimable damage to the reputation of the program.

With the aforementioned facts in mind, the Board's Resolution requests that the States Attorney's Office handling the criminal prosecution be advised of its most adamant desire to see that justice be performed. In this sense, the Board wishes to express the opinion, that justice in this matter requires that the
Victims (Renaissance) be made whole by way of restitution for the losses sustained as a result of the criminal acts of Carole Helms. Restitution to the victims of crimes has long been recognized as a desirable and morally important concept in criminal justice. We therefore hope that your office will endeavor to prosecute the case to the fullest extent of law, and the resources available to your office. We also request that your office seek to have the Court require the defendant to make full restitution for the losses sustained as a result of the defendant's criminal acts, and that said condition be considered at all stages of the criminal process.

Sincerely,

John R. Beatty
Executive Director
Connecticut Renaissance, Inc.

cc: David Estub
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An arbitrator looks at the air controllers

By Howard N. Meyer

Much has been said, in anger and in sorrow, in heat and on reflection, in sympathy and in displeasure, on many sides of the issue created by President Reagan’s...
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