

WHO PICKS REPORTERS TO TELL CIA STORY? column by Westbrook Pegler

Re Richard and Gladys Harkness and their story about the CIA

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SO ARROGANT are these supporters of this organized interference into the affairs of other countries

available to advise leaders of pro-(Naguib and Nasser!) when the time seemed ripe for a palace coup, and they indicated how such devious matters were best arranged."

So, for any people naive enough to think that the phrase "free world" means countries where the people choose their own governments are now informed how the CIA choose governments for other countries, being specialists in "palace coups" and "how such devious matters were best arranged"!

In the same spirit of boastful admissions of how CIA overthrows and sets up new governments the authors write:

"Another CIA - influenced triumph was the successful overthrow, in Iran on the summer of 1953, of old, Mossadegh and the return to power of this country's friend, Shah Mohammed Riza Pahlavi."

For any Americans who shudder at the thought of having that homicidal king of Iran as their "friend" we hasten to explain that when the author's speak of "this country's

friend" they mean that the Shah took his country's oil and gave it over to Standard Oil of New Jersey and Anglo-Iranian Oil. And finally the authors also show that it was CIA which sparked the overthrow of the recognized regime in Guatemala, that we furnished the arms and leadership from outside Guatemala for the invasion which put the junta headed by dictator Castillo in power. And for any who might think that there are any limits to the sponsorship of force and violence in other countries by CIA, the author quotes a speech by Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana:

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And still the Administration in Washington has the gall to try any effort by peasants in some colonial country to get ownership of the land they till as proof that it is the Soviet Union which is subverting foreign countries!

tries that they taunt the Daily Worker for not knowing even a small part of how much interference abroad is actually being organized by our government. "Grasping at a wisp of evidence," the Harknesses write, "the Communist newspaper the New York Daily Worker singled out for attack a \$100,000,000 fund voted by Congress in the Mutual Security Act of 1951." This fund was to be used to arm "selected persons" and organize "military formations" to overthrow governments with which we maintain diplomatic relations. So the Harknesses in the State Dept give us not a wisp of evidence, but bushels of evidence that subversion, force and violence, and the overthrow of governments which don't meet Standard Oil specifications is the regular business of our government through the agency headed by Allen Dulles.