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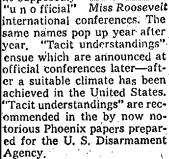
### Congress **CPYRGHT**

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Washington - How United states policy is made can be understood once you know the formula. It boils down to a few smooth techniques for manipu-

lating the Congress and molding opinion. They work some. thing like this. A group of

American intelle ctuals meet with Soviet officials at supposedly "u n o fficial"



U. S. conference participants return home and set about implementing the policies. Some of these delegates are always already members of the government. Others are linked to it through the Central Intelligence Agency.



## 'Manipulated,' Miss Roosevelt Says

Propaganda Job

to "condition" the public to accept the proposals. A typical device is the subsidized publication of a scholarly book advocating the measures already decided upon. The author may be an ex-State Department official or some specialist in psychological warfare. What is actually a skillful and carefully planned propaganda job is usually financed either by a foundation or by a government grant to a publishing house. (The Center for Inter-

national Studies at the Massac

chusetts Institute of Technoi-

CIA under Project Cenis.)

ogy has had such an arrange-

A lobby group is set up in Washington, D. C., to funnel expert witnesses to testify before congressional committees, plant assistants in congressional offices and cooperate with federal officials in cluded Dr. Louis B. Sohn and drafting bills for busy congressmen.

A surprising proportion of this key legislation is passed by the Congress. Some legislators are so busy being errand boys to their constituents they barely read the laws or documents to which they affix their signatures. In many to detect how seemingly isolated pieces of legislation when put together can change our form of government.

### Press Involved

With this pattern in mind, one might watch the development of a proposal that would actually place our news media She Accuses Intellectuals

lations program is instituted. The cover for this would be a projected disarmament agreement with Soviet Russia.

At the eighth Pugwash Conference, Sept. 11-16 1961. American and Soviet intellectuals agreed that a joint re-search group should consider these specific questions. One of the most significant per-haps was "development of international criminal law applicable directly to individuals violating the disarmament agreement or committing erimes against peace."

\* "scendental impordoo was a proposal for "limitation of propaganda diment for many years with the prected against other nations or

races."

A proposal for joint research on these questions was actually signed. The signatories for the Soviet Union were A. B. Topchief and F. M. Khvostov. For the United States, they in-Dr. Harrison Brown. Both Americans are on the Advisory Committee of the Peace Research Institute (PRI), now known as the Institute for Policy Studies. This tax-exempt? corporation in Washington has been conducting seminars in disarmament for congression-al assistants. Dr. Sohn, a procases they lack the background fessor of international law at Harvard, is also a consultant to the Disarmament Agency.

Larson's Testimony

Significantly, another step is the "selling" of the Pugwash type proposals to government officials not sufficiently in the know, On Aug. 16, 1961, Arthur Larson, vice president of PRI and a State Department consultant on United Nations matters, testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. In hearings on the Disarmament Agency, he outlined suggested topics for research. These included "Case Studies of the Role of Public Opinion in the Outbreak of Modern Wars" and "The Foreign Correspondents: A Study of Opinions, Attitudes, Recruitment and Social Composition."

Since then I have learned that the Disarmament Agency gave a grant to Bendix systems for a study on the subject of "Media Analysis in Inspection for Disarmament." Under Project Michelson, a major behavioral research project, the Defense Department gave a grant to Stanford University for "Propaganda Comparison, of Soviet-American Ideologies.'

#### Book Published

Then comes the time for the proposal to be made respectable to the public. A book has been published entitled "Propaganda — Towards Disarma-ment in the War of Words," by John B. Whitton and Arthur Larson. It is financed by grants from the tax-exempti Institute for International Or-; der, in New York City, of which the same Larson is a

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