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30 years on; it's still interesting, still important



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TREASON

THIS MAN is wanted for treasonous activities against the United States:

1. Betraying the Constitution (which he swore to uphold): He is turning the sovereignty of the U. S. over to the communist controlled United Nations. He is betraying our friends (Cuba, Katanga, Portugal) and befriending our enemies (Russia, Yugoslavia, Poland).
2. He has been WRONG on innumerable issues affecting the security of the U. S. (United Nations-Berlin wall-Missile removal-Cuba-Wheat deals-Test Ban Treaty, etc.)

3. He has been lax in enforcing Communist Registration laws.
4. He has given support and encouragement to the Communist inspired racial riots.
5. He has illegally invaded a sovereign State with federal troops.
6. He has consistently appointed Anti-Christians to Federal office: Upholds the Supreme Court in its Anti-Christian rulings. Aliens and known Communists abound in Federal offices.
7. He has been caught in fantastic LIES to the American people (including personal ones like his previous marriage and divorce).

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Searchlight again

In the Daniel Brandt essay in this issue there is a section on the scandal in the United States resulting from the discovery that the Jewish organisation, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), has been found to be collecting data on hundreds of political groups, both right and left, and trading data with agencies of the U.S. state, such as the FBI. The best summary so far of this story to date – and a list of the groups being spied on – is to be found in the *Covert Action Quarterly*, no. 45, Summer 1993.

There is no ADL in the U.K. that I am aware of: its nearest equivalent is *Searchlight*, which, while tiny in comparison, is doing the same sort of thing. But what a contrast between the attention and seriousness given to the ADL spying story in the U.S. where it has been reported coast to coast, and the total lack of interest shown by our major media in the developing critique of *Searchlight*.

Since the last issue of *Lobster*, a number of publications have commented on the Larry O'Hara/Green Anarchist pamphlet attacking *Searchlight*, *A Lie Too Far* (see *Lobster* 25 p. 21 for details).

Class War 60 (September '93) commented on the pamphlet's allegations that 'none of this is news to us; as long ago as 1985 *Class War* was temporarily expelled from Anti-Fascist Action after Gerry Gable, *Searchlight's* editor, spread lies that we were Nazis.'

Freedom (18 September) commented in its review of the pamphlet that '*Searchlight's* links to the (secret) state are – or should be – well known'; and commented that Larry O'Hara had been 'the victim of a sustained, and even more absurd smear campaign over the past year or so'.

Outlook (July 1993) reviewing *A Lie too Far*, asked 'Who else is *Searchlight* destabilising, and for whose benefit?'

Here and Now 14 (October '93) discussed the dispute, carried a long, detailed chronology of events surrounding the O'Hara/*Searchlight* conflict, and a very interesting (5 page)

It had to happen. Larry O'Hara, who for more than two years has been slandering anti-fascists and accusing *Searchlight* of being the centre of a web of intelligence intrigue, in league with British intelligence, Mossad and probably the Salvation Army, has found his way into the arms of the very same MI5 he is always going on about.

Searchlight first ran into this now very paranoid "researcher" back in 1988. Since then he has found his way into the political arms of Patrick Harrington, the state's best friend on the far right, Steven John Brady, the Ulster Loyalist terrorist admirer and former vice führer of the National Front, and, word has it, a range of other nazis, racists and extreme right-wingers from Western Goals to the Revolutionary Conservative Caucus. When I described him in my column as an errand boy for Patrick Harrington, the Press Complaints Commission held that this was fair comment.

Not satisfied with attacking *Searchlight*, its editor and Andrew Bell, a television producer and my co-author on *The Other Face of Terror*, he is now making forays into America and Australia. His targets are never nazis, always anti-fascists. ①

So along comes Morris Riley, failed author and, in his own words, a Special Intelligence Service operator. O'Hara sends him a copy of his unreadable booklet *A Lie Too Far* and asks him for information on anti-fascist moles working inside nazi groups. ②

Riley, almost but not quite as potty as

O'Hara, responds as favourably as he can, but as he knows next to nothing he invents. The reason his books do not get into print is because most of the material he writes, at the behest of his intelligence masters, is so libelous that no lawyer would pass it. The letter to O'Hara reflects this inability to tell truth from fiction. ③

Gerry Gable is accused of being in some kind of plot with the KGB to kill Lyndon LaRouche's people in Paris some years ago. In making this accusation he grossly libels an academic and writer by saying that Gerry had paid this man to attend a LaRouche gathering to gain information on the organisation. *Searchlight* actually sent somebody to a World Anti Communist League conference abroad. No attempt was made to kill anyone and the conference had no connection with LaRouche. ④

It says something about the low standard of recruitment by British intelligence when they have to hire misfits like Morris Riley. His greatest achievement on their behalf, and this is from the horse's mouth, was when he was used to infiltrate Militant in the 1980s. He told Gerry and a colleague what he was doing and also gave them the name of the person running him. ⑤

A more sinister person whom Riley was close to was a man called Pat Jordan, who is now serving a very long sentence for being a spotter for IRA bombers. Jordan wrote to *Searchlight* from prison recently. *Searchlight* ignored his letter, having no interest in

critical discussion of anti-fascism and its role within the British left. At the end of that essay there is this statement:

'Larry O'Hara has been accused by *Searchlight* of being a fellow traveller of fascists. This is a lie concocted by Gerry Gable for reasons best known to himself. *Here and Now* supports Larry O'Hara's right to carry out his research wherever it may lead him, and condemns the use of intimidation and guilt by association to silence discussion.' On October 15 the *New Statesman and Society* published a piece by its deputy editor, Paul Anderson, which surveyed the dispute with *Searchlight* and took O'Hara's side.

Gerry Gable replied in the issue of 22 October, claimed to be bored with O'Hara (after smearing him for nearly a year!), but admitted he had dealings with the security services (unspecified).

October also saw Alexander Baron's curiously titled *Editors! Are You Being Fed A Load Of Bullshit? You Are If You Subscribe to Searchlight: A Documented Expose Of Gerry Gable's Error-prone, Lie-ridden, Mischief-making Magazine*. This is 25 A4 pages which does indeed document and expose *Searchlight* in the manner its title advertises. Alas, as well as 24 pages of solid, frequently fascinating research, Mr Baron has indulged himself in about a page's worth of personal insults and abuse worthy of *Searchlight* itself. Mr Baron's work should be approached with care by those of a sensitive, politically correct sensibility. At the end of a recent 'open letter' he has circulated, he describes himself as 'Libertarian, atheist, rationalist, anti-Zionist, Social Crediter and homophobe.' Be that as it may, this pamphlet is still excellent value at £1.50 from Anglo-Hebrew Publishing, BCM Mono, Box 2293, London WC1N 3XX.

The assault on Larry O'Hara continued in almost every issue of *Searchlight* from January through to September. It reached some kind of peak of absurdity and inaccuracy in August with another 'Ray Hill column', the relevant part of which is reproduced below. The numbers added to the text by me refer to the points below.

communicating with terrorists or their helpers, but I wonder what that was all about.

Riley's lack of ability as super spook became very apparent when he insisted on trying to foist an unusable programme idea on colleagues of Gerry in television. A free lunch always at the forefront of his mind, Riley went off, leaving his unlocked briefcase in their office. Gerry promptly opened it and copied Riley's rather interesting address book. Watch this space. ⑦

O'Hara cannot claim he does not know of Riley's SIS connections because Riley spells it out in his letter to him dated 13 July 1993. In the letter Riley says Gerry paid him money to do some spying on the far right. The purpose of the money was to lure him in because, knowing how loose-tongued he is, Gerry was trying to find out who was behind a smear campaign against *Searchlight* in 1982, similar to the one being run by Larry O'Hara and his playmates at present. ⑧

So there we go. Gerry is now working for MI5. Mossad and the KGB all at the same time. But we now know what Larry O'Hara is. Not just an errand boy for the nazis, now he has made it into the big time as an informant for an agent of the SIS. ⑨

I suppose it is ironic that Robin Ramsey, who runs one of the two *Lobster* magazines now doing the rounds and got his first real boost by using *Searchlight's* 1970s research in his magazine a few years ago, has now joined the O'Hara bandwagon in accusing *Searchlight* of having MI5 connections. ⑩

Notice, first, that it's called the Ray Hill column. Does Hill write it? If he does he has a remarkable knowledge of the early years of *Searchlight*.

1. 'His targets are never nazis'. Nazis? This is the core of the *Searchlight* ideology. The British right are all closet nazis; nazis never change; once a nazi always a nazi - childish simplification. *Lobster* has published about 20,000? 30,000? words by Larry O'Hara on the British neo-fascists, some (but not all) of whom affect a national socialist ideology; some (but not all) of whom are Jew haters.

2. 'Special Intelligence Service' - sic. Presumably he means Secret Intelligence Service. Stupid mistake or someone trying to be clever, pretending they don't actually know the other name of MI6?

3. 'At the behest of his intelligence masters' - there is no evidence that Morris has any intelligence masters and he - while flattered, perhaps - denies it.

4. 'plot with KGB etc' - Gable has simply misread or misrepresented Morris Riley's letter to O'Hara. (And how did he get it? Riley denies sending him a copy.) I have subsequently seen a copy and this just isn't there.

5. 'Pat Jordan' - actually Peter Jordan.

6. 'IRA' - actually INLA.

7. Hang onto your address books while Gable's about!

8. 'Riley spells it out in his letter' - no he doesn't. At one point Riley writes, 'SIS told me' to drop somebody. It's just Morris's shorthand. He meant an ex SIS officer he was then corresponding with. But since the Riley letter was stolen, Gerry Gable could hardly ring Morris up and check what he meant, could he?

9. I'm certain that Morris is not an SIS agent. He's an accountant who is interested in spooks.

10. 'Has now joined the O'Hara bandwagon'. Ho ho. It was in *Lobster* 11, seven years ago in 1986, that I said I thought *Searchlight* was being run at some level by MI5. Yes, I used some of *Searchlight's* material in *Lobster* 11, every bit of it, unlike *Searchlight*, fully sourced and acknowledged.

Whether or not you believe that *Searchlight* is being run by/with the help of the British secret state, as Larry O'Hara and I (and others) do, no magazine which publishes crap like this deserves to be taken seriously.

Errors, corrections, apologies

My apologies to Mr A. Baron. At the top of p. 24 of *Lobster* 25 I stated that Mr Baron 'has been circulating odd bits and pieces around the British far right for quite a while now'. It would have been more accurate to write that odd bits and pieces about Mr Baron have been circulating.

An account of some of his complicated dealings with the right and *Searchlight* are included in his August pamphlet, *Why do Rich Men Steal?* (Anglo-Hebrew Publishing, Box 2293, BCM Mono London WC1N 3XX, no price stated) Try this section on p. 11.

'After one of [publisher] Hancock's underlings had played a dirty trick on me I terminated our business arrangement. Hancock refused to repay me some money he owed me so I sued him in the County Court. Later, after I'd received a number of death threats, and a forged birth certificate had been distributed around the extreme right (purporting to prove my Jewish origins), I decided to teach him a further lesson and contacted Gerry Gable, the editor of the state-sponsored 'anti-fascist' magazine *Searchlight*, and suggested he plant a story about Hancock doing business with a Jewish porn merchant in the tabloid press. To this end I sent Gable some photographs of myself posing outside a synagogue.'

And so forth. (No wonder I got muddled....)

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In *Lobster* 25, (p. 11) I stated that some of the material for Julianne McKinney's mind control report had come from Harlan Girard. Ms McKinney denies this. Harlan Girard says it's true. I can't tell which of them is telling the truth (nor think it matters greatly). However, Ms McKinney is right to upbraid me for not checking with her before making the statement and for that I apologise.

Funny, I thought I remembered this.

In my little piece on p. 11, 'Enemies of the state', I referred to NUM President Arthur Scargill as 'smeared all over the media as recipient of a cheap mortgage (in some version a mortgage paid for by Moscow and/or Libya) which didn't exist. (It astonishes me that Terry Pattinson at the *Daily Mirror* and Roger Cook at Central TV, in particular, have stayed on in their jobs after fronting stories on this not only completely false but so obviously sourced back to the secret state.'

Ian Pollard, researcher for the Channel 4 documentary, *The Arthur Legend*, which examined the generation of these smears, wrote to correct me.

'The *Mirror* and Cook claimed that Scargill had corruptly used donations designed for striking miners to pay off his personal mortgage of £25,000. It was further claimed that the cash involved came from Libya and was brought here by Altaf Abbasi, before being taken in to the NUM. This was the claim. It was untrue. We know now, however, that money did come from the Libyans. There was no allegation that he was the recipient of a "cheap mortgage". There was no allegation that the Soviets paid off the mortgage. There was a claim that the USSR sent lots of dosh, which was true..... It later transpired that Arthur Scargill received a mortgage from the International Miners Organisation at the usual (preferential) NUM rates, which he paid back (accepted by all) but that wasn't part of the smear.'

Pollard further points out that Pattinson has subsequently been dismissed by the *Mirror* - but not for anything to do with this story.