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The Right-Wing Groups Restate Old Themes, Fears

Any belief that the ultra-right in America has anything useful to contribute to the dialogue over current issues and problems is soon dispelled by a trip to the New England Rally for God, Family and Country in Boston.

The annual get-together is sponsored by members of the John Birch Society and other rightist organizations. The usual party line was disseminated this year.

Those attending heard the Viet Nam action called "a phony war." in which the American military is being deliberately denied victory by disloyal forces in the U.S. government. One speaker, Major Arch E. Roberts, said the American effort is being directed by the

United Nations under the command of a Soviet military leader.

Birch leader Revilo P. Oliver told the delegates that the goal of the civil rights movement is extermination of the white race

Oklahoman Glenn O. Young contended that the Warren Commission report on the assassination of President Kennedy was a coverup for a Communist plot. The Rev. Francis Fenton of Bridgeport assailed the U.N. as "a Godless monstrosity that is undoubtedly the principal instrument of the Soviet apparatus for world domination."

Why is the "truth," according to the ultra-right, being hidden from the American people by the communications media? Robert S. Addickes of California, who was credited with having made a study of the subject, had the "answer" for his incredibly naive audience. Journalists, he said, cannot editorialize unless they belong to the American Newspaper Guild. And the guild, he added, is on the U.S. attorney general's list of subversive organizations.

Between bouts of such unmitigated nonsense, the delegates could visit numerous exhibits, where they could buy Rhodesian flags and propaganda, learn how the federal income tax can be abolished, watch young extremists walk back and forth over a U.N. flag and buy a recording about the fluoridation plot.

All this—and the hot weather,