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Dear Hal-- Am hard pressed for time to write as I'd like, and am terribly worn out tonight from unusually strenuous day...so please regard this as no more than interim note. --du Berrier rather quaint, in a way: a sort of embittered monarchist. What he had to say was nonsense, surely, but he at least refrained from using the cruder Right tactics (such as character-assassination-by-inuendo) to deliver his remarks (though he does not refrain from doing so, I find, in his Newsletters). What gave me a chill, though, was the audience. No mistaking what group sponsored this appearance: Candyman (and women), all. And I went away remembering my brief stint as a mercenary journalist...and regretting it very much.

--Enclosed is further note on hapless Beckham...I didn't know he was wanted for grand larceny in N.O. As for my being charitable in describing this fellow, I'll take your word for it. People here seem to regard him as a buffoon. (Incidentally, I've seen & heard him a few times on TV--when he was fighting extradition to N.O.--and can assure you he does not speak, so far as I know, with a German accent! You could call it (his speaking voice), rather, 'limestone hillbilly.')

All luck with your California trip--

Walt 9/30/68

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Mr. Du Berrier, 61, a native of Flasher, N. D., publishes a monthly foreign affairs letter from Paris. He is an associate editor of American Opinion magazine.



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He spoke at the Dundee Kiwanis Club luncheon Monday at the Blackstone Hotel. He is to speak tonight at 8 at the First Federal Savings and Loan Building community room under the sponsorship of the Omaha TRAIN Committee.

The American Opinion magazine is published by the John Birch Society, which also supports TRAIN Committees.

Mr. Du Berrier said he does not think the election of Richard Nixon as President, will change this country's Vietnam policy.

"Mr. Nixon thinks there is a left-of-center trend in the country. He has forgotten that he came to national notice as the prosecutor of Alger Hiss. Not once have I heard Mr. Nixon mention victory in connection with the war in Vietnam."

"Mr. Nixon and Vice-President Hubert Humphrey are really riding the same Vietnam plank," Mr. Du Berrier said.

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## Principles of OMAHA TRAIN COMMITTEE

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We pledge allegiance to the Constitution of the United States of America; we believe that the Constitutional Republic which it established is the most nearly perfect form of government yet devised.

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We believe that it is the solemn duty of every American to protect our heritage of freedom. We are determined that the legacy of liberty which we ourselves inherited will be defended and extended, so that it may serve as an inspiration for freedom-loving people everywhere.

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We believe that collectivism in any form, and especially Communism, its most terrible form, are always and inevitably destructive of freedom and liberty.

We oppose the surrender of American sovereignty to any supra-national agency, alliance, or association, as contrary to our purpose of preserving the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution.

We pledge to inaugurate educational efforts examining the purposes and conduct of U.S. foreign policy, and, where necessary, to recommend and initiate positive programs in pursuance of the principles listed above.

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I agree to endorse the principles and the program of the OMAHA TRAIN Committee. I understand that this is an ad hoc committee formed to restore traditional American principles to the conduct of United States' foreign policy. I further understand that a letterhead in the name of the Committee will be prepared, to include my name and at least twenty other residents of this area, but that no statements or endorsements will ever be issued in my name at any time without my prior written approval.

The activities of the OMAHA TRAIN Committee will be ONLY:

1. To urge Congress, through a Petition and letter-writing program, to stop all aid and trade with our Communist enemies.
2. To give moral support to our men in the Armed Forces and to demand that our goal in Vietnam be victory over the forces of Communism.
3. To help inform our fellow citizens on these and other issues of U.S. foreign policy, through the distribution of literature, the formation of study programs, and the sponsorship of educational meetings.

The above Committee will promote the Petition prepared by The Review Of The News, and will furnish factual information in support of its principles from various reputable national organizations such as the American Legion, Mothers of Servicemen, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Daughters of the American Revolution, The John Birch Society, the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and others.

I do not necessarily subscribe to or endorse any of the objectives of the above organizations other than those which may coincide with the stated objectives of the OMAHA TRAIN Committee.

Sincerely,

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