

Ans by card

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Hal,

I've just ~~read~~ suffered through Mr. John Kaplan's Sunday Times "review" (attack?) on Frame UP.

Not being an intellectual my first response was one of immediate action rather than considered opinion. In other words, I had the distinct desire to cuff Mr. Kaplan in the mouth.

If I really do evidence personal vindictiveness towards the New York Times its not, as Flip Wilson would say, "the devil that makes me do it". The fault lies with the New York Times and huielings the likes of this gentleman, who "reviews" according to the Times pre-determined policies.

I just cannot believe this backs put down of your book represents anything other than that. There is a method to this mans misrepresentations and distortions that goes beyond ignorance.

Are you aware a book with the same title, "Frame UP", was published in 1967 by W. W. Norton Co. of New York? The author is Curt Gentry. The book, to quote from the dust jacket, relates "the arrest, trial, and conviction of two radical labor leaders, Tom Mooney and Warren Billings, for the Preparedness

Day Parade bombing of July 22, 1916 that resulted in the deaths of 10 persons and maiming of 40 others. 'Frame UP' tells for the first time the whole story of what happened behind the scenes in the Mooney - Billings case --- a fully documented account of political intrigue, official corruption, and thwarted justice -- "

If this means difficulties, I'm sorry, but I thought it best you heard of it first from a friend.

I have both the dust jacket and book if you would care to see them.

Sincerely

Bob A.