

Rev. Sun Myun Moon

Thank you for the lengthy report on Sun Myun Moon and his groups (Feb. 15) by Laurence Stern and William R. MacKaye.

A comparison springs to my mind between the Unification Church and a group in the post World War II era known as Moral Re-armament, and still going I believe under the name of "Up With People." The only glaring difference between the two movements (though there may be others) seems to be one of method. MRA used the more indirect but none too subtle secular musical format, while the Unification Church seems to use direct preaching and political placard carrying.

But there are many similarities: both are well financed, anti-Communist, pro-Facist, exploitive of young people in search of meaning and purpose, and, in my opinion, aimed at gaining power (this above all.)

I was sickened by Mr. Moon's bid for favor, first by proclaiming President Nixon as a leader by divine right, and second by his saccharine embrace



of Mr. Nixon when he visited the White House.

I wonder if you would care to compare these two movements in any more depth, or to comment upon the success of such movements which seem to rush in to fill the depressive vacuum left by our present economic, social and political situation.

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