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Re: The Christian Coalition and 'Good Will'

From: clark@canby.mn.frontiercomm.net
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> Date: 19 Aug 97 09:36:21 EDT
> From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
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> >Date: Mon, 18 Aug 1997 16:46:35 -0700
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> >Subject: The Christian Coalition and good will toward man

> This crap is scary!

> BTW, you all should know that any TV station which broadcasts any
> program advocating violence against any group is in violation of
> FCC regulations and subject to having its charter revoked. If any
> station in your area carries The 700 Club, I suggest you make a call
> to the station manager and point this out.

> It wouldn't hurt to also write a letter of protest to the FCC.

> Advocating murder has no place on TV.

> Robertson wants to be the next Hitler, and don't think "it can't
> happen here." It could.

> Bob

Hi, everybody,

Count me among those boringly nonparanoid folks
who doubt that it could happen here. And in the highly
unlikely event that it does, rest assured that Pat Robertson
won't be the guy in charge of it.

Robertson is a nutball who has many weird beliefs, none
of which -- Bob's hysterical advice notwithstanding --
ought to drive us to phone, fax, or post office in an
effort to deny the man his First Amendment rights,
even to express hateful opinions about ufologists.
Remember, it was not that long ago that the
debunkers at CSICOP wanted the FCC to hassle
networks that run pro-anomaly/paranormal TV
programming.

Those who want to know just how crazy Crazy Pat
is might want to turn to Michael Lind's "Rev.
Robertson's Grand International Conspiracy Theory"
in the February 2, 1995, issue of The New York
Review of Books. Reviewing Robertson's book
The New World Order -- not, I ought to warn
fellow pro rasslin' fans, about Hollywood Hulk

Hogan and his villainous crew; it would be a better book if it were -- Lind finds that Crazy Pat has lifted, and simply updated, traditional themes from anti-Semitic conspiracy lore, except this time the Jews are (fatuously and tastelessly, in view of this century's sad history) euphemistically referred to as "Germans."

In real life Crazy Pat, who in the 1980s looked as if he had some real muscle to flex in the political arena, has the sort of public approval numbers that make Newt Gingrich appear a beloved statesman by comparison. Consequently, he has in effect crawled back under the rock from which he slithered originally. If any ufologists get stoned to death, it's more likely to be from abuse of substances than from rocks hurled by a Crazy Pat freakozoid.

The best way to deal with guys like this is to laugh at them. The worst way is the one Bob advocates.

Jerry Clark

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