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Was Rothbard a Holocaust denier? 🤔🤔🧵

Rothbard promoted Holocaust deniers Barnes and Martin while at Cato:

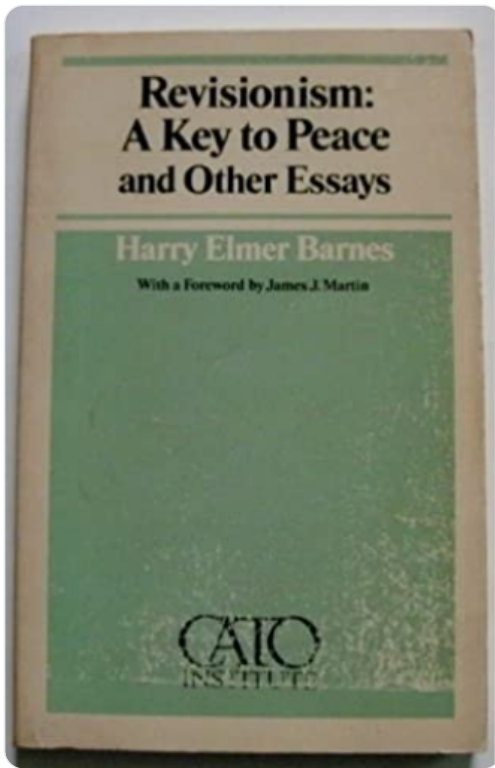
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Yes, that's what Rothbard got purged for.

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for their activities after 1939 made by anybody fit to remain outside a mental hospital, it is almost alarmingly easy to demonstrate that the atrocities of the Allies in the same period were more numerous as to victims and were carried out for the most part by methods more brutal and painful than **alleged extermination** in

gas ovens.
To look for a moment at the Communist atrocities, between

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I knew people who worked for CATO at the time, & were sympathetic to Rothbard. They told me the real reason, but didn't want to air dirty laundry in public.

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Holocaust denial [\[edit \]](#)

From 1979, Martin began to associate with the Institute for Historical Review (IHR), a Holocaust denial group, writing for the IHR journal, *The Journal of Historical Review*. Brian Doherty notes in *Radicals for Capitalism*: "Martin, in his attempt to adjust standard historical understandings of war and war guilt, shifted into questioning the veracity of standard anti-German atrocity stories, including the standard details of the Holocaust", calls it an "unfortunate shading over into Hitler apologetics", and that Martin stated as early as 1976 "I don't believe that the evidence of a planned extermination of the entire Jewish population of Europe is holding up."^[5]

The courageous author [Rassinier] lays the chief blame for misrepresentation on those whom we must call the swindlers of the crematoria, the Israeli politicians who derive billions of marks from nonexistent, mythical and imaginary cadavers, whose numbers have been reckoned in an unusually distorted and dishonest manner.^[29]

In 1964, Barnes and Rassinier met and became friends.^[27] As a result, Barnes translated Rassinier's book *The Drama Of the European Jews* into English; it was published by an antisemitic publishing house named Liberty Bell.^[27]

Using Rassinier as his source, Barnes claimed that Germany was the victim of aggression in both 1914 and 1939, and that the Holocaust was just propaganda to justify a war of aggression against Germany in the latter case.^[29] Barnes thought that World War II had ended in disaster for the West, because Germany was divided and the United States locked into the Cold War. Barnes thought that this was a terrible outcome, as he asserted that Germany never wanted war.^[30] Barnes claimed that, in order to justify the "horrors and evils of the Second World War", the Allies made the Nazis the "scapegoat" for their own misdeeds.^[30]

Barnes said there were two false claims made about World War II; namely, that Germany started the war in 1939, and that they conducted the Holocaust.^[30] In Barnes' opinion:

Rothbard about Jews: [@jpjir1961](https://muse.jhu.edu/article/804147)

Rothbard's background as a secular Jew from New York did not prevent him from espousing antisemitism. According to one of his former students, Rothbard privately preached "rational anti-Semitism," which means to "Jews as a class of people. I can't tell you how many times, in early correspondence, there were references to "those fucking kikes." Following the common libertarian argument that the state was rooted in violence and coercion, Rothbard told Barnes that he "favored the absolute destruction of the state of Israel." According to Rothbard, while "bellyaching about the 6 million of nouseum, the Israelis have gloried in genocide, the cancerous continual series of conquests and sneak attack and blitzkrieg of which Hitler was constantly accused by these same Zionists." Rothbard believed "the Zionist emphasis on the 6 million is particularly meretricious in view of the fact that the Zionist policy was that they would rather see Jewish refugees in Europe die there than have them leave Europe (during World War II)"^[29]

29. Roy Childs to Sheldon, September 17, 1982, box 20, Childs Papers. For one example where Rothbard referred to Jews as "kikes" and "cocksuckers," see, Rothbard to Childs, June 18, 1969, box 17, Childs Papers. Rothbard to Barnes, June 19, 1967, box 1, Martin Papers. Rothbard published an only slightly softened version of these views in "War Guilt in the Middle East," *Left and Right* 3, no. 3 (1967): 20–30. Rothbard's views were a textbook case of what Lipstadt labeled "genocide inversion," in which the role of perpetrator and victim are reversed. See Lipstadt, *Antisemitism*, 146–151.

Rothbard about Hitler: "Hitler was put in the wrong in the eyes of Europe and the world, when he was eminently in the right"



Review of The Origins of the Second World War | Murray N. Rothbard

[From a memo to Mr. Kenneth Templeton at the William Volker Fund, April 18, 1962.]It is not often that one is privileged to review a book of monumental import, a truly significant "breakthrough" from...

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Rothbard about Holocaust denier Harry Elmer Barnes:

"a cause for which Harry fought and suffered all of his life: the cause of peace and justice and historical truth."



Harry Elmer Barnes, RIP | Murray N. Rothbard

All persons leave an irreplaceable gap when they die; but this gap is truly enormous in the case of Harry Barnes, for in so many ways he was the Last of the Romans. More specifically, he was the last...

<https://mises.org/library/harry-elmer-barnes-rip>

Awful piece by Rothbard. The revisionism and errors/lies would deserve a thread of their own. He certainly doesn't express any concern about Nazi rule over more territories and what it implied for, e.g., the Jewish minorities. Notice the conclusion, too:



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"fervent commitment to individual liberty" 🤖

To sum up, A.J.P. Taylor's *The Origins of the Second World War* is a great work, a memorable and path-breaking work, of enormous importance in providing, at last, a Revisionist history of the causes of 1939. It has also the corollary merit, in passing, of providing important ammunition for Cold War Book revisionism as well. If there were to be further National Book Foundation programs, I would unhesitatingly recommend it for NBF distribution. What is needed now is a follow-up to this path-breaking volume, a follow-up which, with more exhaustive thoroughness and documentation, will complement Taylor by providing the definitive account of the origins of 1939. [Let us hope that the promised book by David Hoggan will perform this job.](#)

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[Murray N. Rothbard](#)

Murray N. Rothbard made major contributions to economics, history, political philosophy, and legal theory. He combined Austrian economics with a fervent commitment to individual liberty.

David Hoggan? Yes, yet another Holocaust denier..

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David_L._Hoggan

David L. Hoggan

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For the footballer, see [David Hoggan \(footballer\)](#).

David Leslie Hoggan (March 23, 1923 – August 7, 1988) was an [American](#) author of *The Forced War: When Peaceful Revision Failed* and other works in the [German](#) and [English languages](#). He was antisemitic, maintained a close association with various [neo-Nazi groups](#), chose a publishing house run by an unregenerate Nazi, and engaged in [Holocaust denial](#).

Holocaust denial [edit]

In following years, author Lucy Dawidowicz wrote that Hoggan maintained a close association with various neo-Nazi and [Holocaust denial](#) groups.^[32] In 1969 a short book was published called *The Myth of the Six Million*, denying the Holocaust. The book listed no author, but the work was by Hoggan, though published without his permission.^[33] This should not be confused with his earlier book of 1965 called *The Myth of the New History*, on America's wars. *The Myth of the Six Million* was published by the Noontide Press, a small Los Angeles-based publisher specializing in explicitly antisemitic literature owned and operated by Willis Carto. Hoggan sued Carto in 1969 for publishing the book (written in 1960) without his permission; the case was settled out of court in 1973.^[33]

The Myth of the Six Million was one of the first books, if not the first book, in the English language to promote [Holocaust denial](#).^[32] In *The Myth of the Six Million*, Hoggan argued that all of the evidence for the Holocaust was manufactured after the war as a way of trying to justify what Hoggan called a war of aggression against Germany.^[34] *The Myth of the Six Million* was published with a foreword by "E.L. Anderson", which was apparently a pseudonym for Carto.^[35] As part of *The Myth of the Six Million*, there was an appendix comprising five articles first published in *The American Mercury*.^[35] The five articles were "Zionist Fraud" by Harry Elmer Barnes, "The Elusive Six Million" by Austin App, "Was Anne Frank's Diary a Hoax" by Teresa Hendry, "Paul Rassinier: Historical Revisionist" by Herbert C. Roseman, "The Jews that Aren't" by Leo Heiman, and a favorable review of Paul Rassinier's work by Barnes.^{[35][36]}

Note that Hoggan, Rothbard, and Gary North all worked together at the Volker Fund...

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Volker_Fund

... Gary North, of course, being also a Holocaust denier, among other lovely opinions of his...



World War II Revisionism and Vietnam

"In spite of numerous criticisms, the Viet-Nam program has been cited both by official and by unofficial sources as a..."

<https://reason.com/1976/02/01/world-war-ii-revisionism-and-v/>

Probably the most far-out materials on World War II revisionism have been the seemingly scholarly studies of the supposed execution of 6 million Jews by Hitler. The anonymous author of *The Myth of the Six Million* (whose writing style and use of footnotes internal to the text resembles Hoggan's *The Myth of the "New History"* to a remarkable extent) has presented a solid case against the Establishment's favorite horror story—the supposed moral justification for our entry into the War. (*The Myth of the Six Million*. [Hollywood: New Christian Crusade Church, 1969]) The untranslated books by the former Buchenwald inmate, Prof. Paul Rassinier, have seriously challenged the story: *Le Mensonge d'Ulysse* (1949), *Ulysse trahi par les Siens* (1960), *Le Veritable Procès Eichmann* (1962), and *Le Drame des Juifs European* (1964). A recent and very inexpensive book in magazine form, *Did Six Million Really Die?*, appeared in 1973, written by Richard Harwood. (Surrey, England: Historical Review Press) One thing is certain: 6 million executions or not, we did not intervene when the Soviet Union executed millions of kulaks—the private owners of small farms, prior to their expropriation and liquidation by Stalin in the late 1920's and early 1930's. The kulaks, unfortunately for them, had no supporters writing editorials in the *New York Times*.

Gary North was also an associate of Ron Paul btw. So Ron Paul, Rothbard, and the "Mises" Institute all somehow chose to ignore all of this 🤪 (this Taliban lunatic and his popularity among the [#paleocretrins](#) crowd would also deserve a thread of his own..)



Gary North

Gary North

https://en.liberpedia.org/Gary_North

The question eventually must be raised: Is it a criminal offense to take the name of the Lord in vain? When people curse their parents, it unquestionably is a capital crime (Ex. 21:17). The son or daughter is under the lawful jurisdiction of the family. The integrity of the family must be maintained by the threat of death. Clearly, cursing God (blasphemy) is a comparable crime, and is therefore a capital crime (Lev. 24:16).

— Gary North, *The Sinal Strategy: Economics and the Ten Commandments*, 1986 [1] ¹

² In Defense of Stoning

Consider the mode of execution. The Old Testament specifies stoning as the proper mode in most cases (Lev. 20:2; Deut. 17:5). In the case of the sabbath-breaking gatherer of sticks, the whole congregation stoned him to death (Num. 15:36). Presumably, the phrase "whole congregation" refers to representatives of the twelve tribes, and not millions of people. Even the killer ox is to be stoned to death (Ex. 21:29). Witnesses of the capital crime are to cast the first stones (Deut. 17:7; Acts 7:58). But the whole community is to be involved. Adult males of the city are all to participate (Deut. 21:21). If the city is too populous, then it would appear to be legitimate to select representatives, but only because of the logistical problem.

Why stoning? There are many reasons. *First*, the implements of execution are available to everyone at virtually no cost.

— Gary North, *The Sinal Strategy: Economics and the Ten Commandments*, 1986 [2] ²

³ The long-term goal of Christians in politics should be to gain exclusive control over the franchise. Those who refuse to submit publicly to the eternal sanctions of God by submitting to His Church's public marks of the covenant - baptism and holy communion - must be denied citizenship, just as they were in ancient Israel. The way to achieve this political goal is through successful mass evangelism followed by constitutional revision.

— Gary North, *Political Polytheism: The Myth of Pluralism*, 1989 [3] ³

Everyone talks about religious liberty, but no one believes it. So let us be blunt about it: we must use the doctrine of religious liberty to gain independence for Christian schools until we train up a generation of people who know that there is no religious neutrality, no neutral law, no neutral education, and no neutral civil government. Then they will get busy in constructing a Bible-based social, political, and religious order which finally denies the religious liberty of the enemies of God. Murder, abortion, and pornography will be illegal. God's law will be enforced. It will take time. A minority religion cannot do this. Theocracy must flow from the hearts of a majority of citizens, just as compulsory education came only after most people had their children in schools of some sort.

— Gary North, "The Intellectual Schizophrenia of the New Christian Right", *Christianity and Civilization: The Failure of the American Baptist Culture* 1 (Spring 1982), p. 25 [4] ⁴

⁵ The death penalty is God's required means of enforcing earthly restitution for certain crimes, irrespective of the opinion of any victim. ¹² The convicted criminal is to be transferred from the civil court to God's heavenly court. The means of this transfer is execution.

¹² Murder (Ex. 21:12), bestiality (Ex. 22:19), passing children through Molech's fire (Lev. 18:21; 20:2); homosexual acts (Lev. 20:13), wizardry (Lev. 20:27), and blasphemy (Lev. 24:16).

— Gary North, *Leviticus: An Economic Commentary*, 1994 [5] ⁵

Holocaust denier Mark Weber embraced Rothbard as one of their own:

<https://web.archive.org/web/20140114192714/https://vho.org/GB/Journals/JHR/15/3/Weber33f.html>

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mark_Weber

to the end Rothbard remained an eloquent enemy of the establishment, battling both its liberal and neo-conservative wings. (One of his last published articles was a *Washington Post* essay blasting Newt Gingrich and the Republican Party's "Contract With America.") He was consistently scornful of the conservative intellectual establishment, accusing *National Review* chief William Buckley of having "purged the conservative movement of the genuine right." Ironically, his anti-government, anti-war views brought him into a tactical alliance with the New Left during the Vietnam War.

Rothbard embraced historical revisionism in all its facets, including taboo issues of the Second World War. He was a colleague of Harry Elmer Barnes, whose last published work, "Pearl Harbor After a Quarter Century," appeared in a journal co-edited by Rothbard. He also contributed an essay to the magnificent anthology, *Harry Elmer Barnes: Learned Crusader*.

While not religious, Rothbard had great sympathy and respect for Christianity, particularly Roman Catholicism, which he regarded as largely responsible for creating and preserving Western culture. He detested the dismissive attitude toward religion, Western culture and traditional morality of many fellow libertarians.

Mark Weber

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For the member of the North Dakota Senate, see Mark Weber (politician).

Mark Edward Weber (born October 9, 1951) is an American **Holocaust denier**^{[1][2][3]} who is the director of the **Institute for Historical Review**,^{[4][5]} a United States, California-based **Holocaust denial** organization.^{[6][7]} Weber has been associated with the IHR since the 1980s. In 1992 he became editor-in-chief of the IHR's pseudoscientific *Journal of Historical Review*. Weber was subsequently named the institute's Director in 1995.^[8]

Weber was born in **Portland, Oregon**, in 1951. After graduating from Jesuit High School in 1969, he studied history in **Chicago** at the **University of Illinois**.^[5] He continued his studies for two semesters at the **University of Munich**, and, returning to **Oregon**, took a B.A. degree in history with high honors from **Portland State University**. In graduate school, he continued his study of history at **Indiana University**, receiving an M.A. degree in **modern European history** in 1977.^[9] Beginning in 1978 Weber became involved with the **National Alliance**, a far-right white supremacist organization. In 1979 Weber served as the editor of the group's magazine, the *National Vanguard*. Throughout the 1980s Weber functioned as the treasurer of the National Alliance's **Cosmotheist Church**. During this period Weber became more heavily involved with the IHR as well as collaborating with **Bradley Smith** and the **Committee for Open Debate on the Holocaust (CODOH)**.^[10]

In 2018, Weber was denied entry to the United Kingdom.^[11]

Another one: notice the only mention of "holocaust" is about something the US could do. Not something Nazi Germany did 😬 (again, the WWII revisionism here is awful on its own). Holocaust, Hungerplan, etc are mere "domestic programs", if not denied entirely



Revisionism for Our Time | Murray N. Rothbard

We are still, writes Murray Rothbard, suffering from the delusion of Woodrow Wilson: that "democracies" ipso facto will never embark on war, and that "dictatorships" are always prone to engage in war...

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This revisionism kinda needs Holocaust denier to work, don't it?

As soon as World War II was over (with its enormous consequent increase in statism, militarism, and socialism in the United States), the US and Britain felt they had to launch a Cold War to oust Russia from the dominance over Eastern Europe which it had obtained as a natural consequence of the joint defeat of Germany. How much longer is the United States to play with the fate of the American people, or even the human race itself, for the sake of imposing a solution of our own liking on Eastern Europe? And if we should wage a **holocaust** to "destroy communism," and there should (doubtfully) be any Americans remaining, how distinguishable from communism will the American system, in reality, be?

Now revisionism teaches us that this entire myth, so prevalent then and even now about Hitler, and about the Japanese, is a tissue of fallacies from beginning to end. Every plank in this nightmare evidence is either completely untrue or not entirely the truth. If people should learn this intellectual fraud about Hitler's Germany, then they will begin to ask questions, and searching questions, about the current World War III version of the same myth. Nothing would stop the current headlong flight to war faster, or more surely cause people to begin to reason about foreign affairs once again, after a long orgy of emotion and cliché.

"Revisionism has the general function of bringing historical truth to a public that had been drugged by wartime lies and propaganda."

We are still, in the last analysis, suffering from the delusion of Woodrow Wilson: that "democracies" ipso facto will never embark on war, and that "dictatorships" are always prone to engage in war. Much as we may and do abhor the domestic programs of most dictators (and certainly of the Nazis and Communists), this has no necessary relation to their foreign policies; indeed, many dictatorships have been passive and static in history, and, contrarily, many democracies have led in promoting and waging war. Revisionism may, once and for all, be able to destroy this Wilsonian myth.

More revisionism and implicit Holocaust denial: No reason at all to mention the Holocaust when ridiculing the idea of Nazi Germany being a threat to anyone, right?

The task of revisionism has been to penetrate beneath these superficialities and appearances to the stark realities underneath—realities which show, certainly in this century, the United States, Great Britain, and France—the three great “democracies”—to be worse than any other three countries in fomenting and waging aggressive war. Realization of this truth would be of incalculable importance on the current scene.

There are many other, more specific but also important, lessons that revisionism can teach us. The Cold War, as well as World Wars I and II, has been launched by the Western democracies so as to meddle in the affairs of Eastern Europe. The great power-factor about Eastern Europe is that the smaller nations there are fated to be under the dominance, friendly or otherwise, of Germany or Russia.

For the sake of completeness, here's 1 article from 1983 where Rothbard does seem to acknowledge the Holocaust.... or maybe he just needed to for his (valid) criticism of Gandhi?



The New Menace of Gandhism | Murray N. Rothbard

[Libertarian Forum (March 1983)] Wisdom has taught us to be calm and meek, To take one blow, and turn the other cheek; It is not written what a man shall do, If the rude catiff smite the other too!—Oliv...

<https://mises.org/library/new-menace-gandhism>

Note also that this was for Libertarian Forum, whereas the awful pro-Hitler piece above was an internal memo. Rothbard seems to be more antisemitic the more private the publication is. [@jpjr1961](#)

b. How Consistent was Gandhi?

In some ways, Gandhi was horrifyingly consistent on nonviolence, especially if the non-violence was supposed to be practiced by *other* people in other countries. Thus, after the first nationwide *pogrom* against the Jews in Germany, in December 1938, Gandhi counselled the Jews to react in a nonviolent manner: “if the Jews can summon to their aid soul-power that comes only from non-violence, Herr Hitler will bow before the courage which he will own is infinitely superior to that shown by his best stormtroopers.” And after the news of the **Holocaust** became known, Gandhi, in 1946, counselled retroactively.

The Jews should have offered themselves to the butcher’s knife. They should have thrown themselves into the sea from cliffs. ... It would have roused the world and the people of Germany. (Geoffrey Ashe, *Gandhi: A Study in Revolution*, London, 1968, p. 341)

Perhaps what the Jews lacked was little Bapu to give them their “training.”

After the fall of France, the Mahatma praised Petain for his courage to surrender, and on July 6, 1940, Bapu published an “Appeal to Every Briton” to follow Petain’s lead:

*needs Holocaust denial for it to work

Rothbard also endorsed Pat Buchanan for President...

<https://www.rothbard.it/articles/for-president-buchanan.pdf>



Pat Buchanan - Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pat_Buchanan#Accusations_of_a...

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ROTHBARD-ROCKWELL

JANUARY 1992

<p>For President: Pat Buchanan by Murray N. Rothbard and Llewellyn H. Rockwell, Jr.</p> <p>In writing an article on strategy for this issue, one of us, demonstrating the crying need for a dynamic, exciting, charismatic leader to build a paleo movement, a right-wing populist movement to rouse the middle and working classes, to return American to a free and prosperous land of productive citizens enjoying their rights to person and property, ends with the cry: where is that leader? Where is that presidential candidate? As if our prayers were swiftly answered by Heaven, we now have that candidate and that leader: Patrick J. Buchanan.</p>	<p>sons to make the race. When Pat phoned him, without hesitation, Ron welcomed Pat's entry into the race, and pledged his support to the Buchanan effort. Unlike most libertarians, Ron Paul understands the real world of politics, and he realizes that in Pat Buchanan we have an unprecedented opportunity to forge a powerful paleo coalition, to create a new libertarian-conservative, Old Right movement that can grow, can become extraordinarily influential, and that can even take over the presidency within a short period of time. To libertarians: the opportunity is here.</p>	<p>THE by S At a Charles K</p>
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[Accusations of antisemitism and Holocaust denial](#) [edit]

In December 1991, a 40,000-word article by William F. Buckley Jr. was published in the *National Review* discussing antisemitism among conservative commentators focused largely on Buchanan; the article and many responses to it were collected in the book *In Search of Anti-Semitism* (1992). He wrote "I find it impossible to defend Pat Buchanan against the charge that what he did and said during the period under examination amounted to anti-Semitism,"^[a]^[b] but concluded: "If you ask, do I think Pat Buchanan is an anti-Semite, my answer is he is not one. But I think he's said some anti-Semitic things."^[b]

The Anti-Defamation League has described Buchanan as an "unrepentant bigot" who "repeatedly demonizes Jews and minorities and openly affiliates with white supremacists."^[c] In an article for *The Washington Post* in March 1992, conservative columnist Charles Krauthammer suggested: "The real problem with Buchanan... is not that his instincts are antisemitic but that they are, in various and distinct ways, fascist."^[d] "There's no doubt," said Krauthammer in 1989 when contacted for a *Salon* article, "he makes subliminal appeals to prejudice." He added: "The interesting thing is how he can say these things and still be considered a national figure."^[e] Buchanan denies assertions that he is an antisemite, and some of his fellow journalists, including Murray Rothbard,^[f] Jack Germond,^[g] Al Hunt and Mark Shields, have defended him against the charge.^[h]

...and worried about "anti-anti-semitism" (sic), while deriding Elie Wiesel as a "professional Holocaust survivor" (sic)



Pat Buchanan and the Menace of Anti-Anti-Semitism - LewRockwell

The Rothbard-Rockwell Report December 1990 I have it on good authority that Barbara Branden is spending a good portion of her time lately brooding about the rising menace of anti-Semitism." Poor Barb...

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Pat Buchanan and the Menace of **Anti-Anti-Semitism**

By Murray N. Rothbard

May 21, 2014

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The Rothbard-Rockwell Report

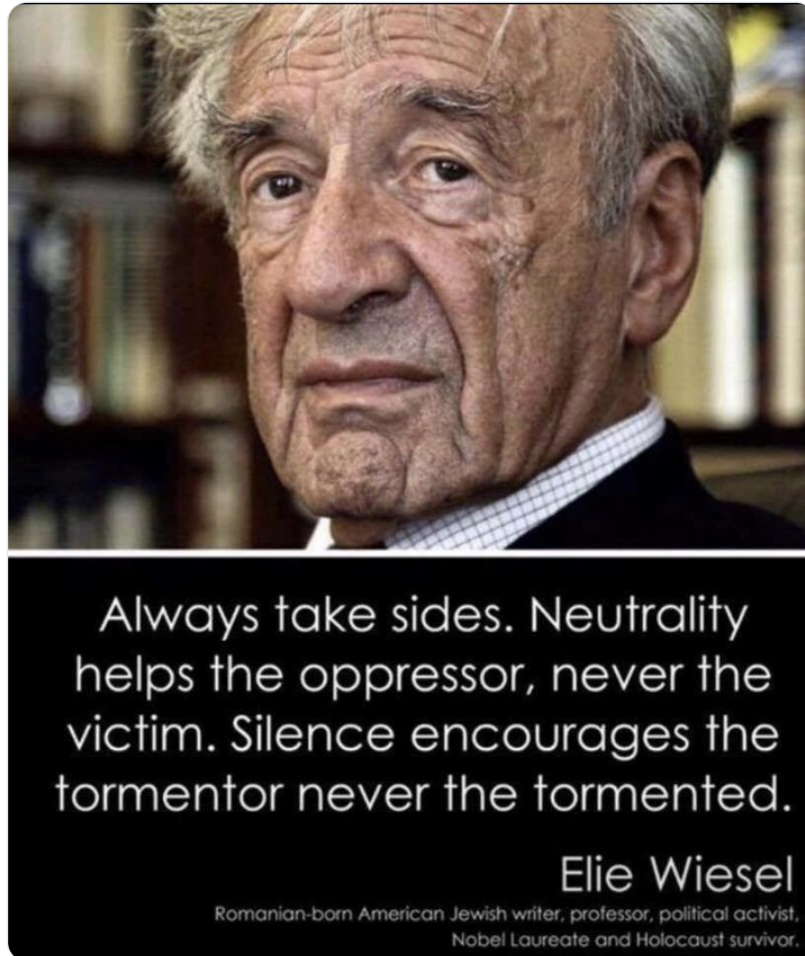
December 1990

I have it on good authority that Barbara Branden is spending a good portion of her time lately brooding about the rising menace of anti-Semitism." Poor Barbara; like all Randians, she is perpetually out of sync. There is indeed a menace in this area, Barbara, but it is precisely the opposite: the cruel despotism of Organized **Anti-Anti-Semitism**. Wielding the fearsome brand of "Anti-Semite" as a powerful weapon, the professional **Anti-Anti-Semite** is able, in this day and age, to wound and destroy anyone he disagrees with by implanting this label indelibly in the public mind. How can one argue against this claim, always made with hysteria and insufferable self-righteousness? To reply "I am not an anti-Semite" is as feeble and unconvincing as Richard Nixon's famous declaration that "I am not a crook."

The shell game, then, is to say, first, that Pat is not necessarily anti-Semitic because he is critical of Israel, but that Rosenthal's proboscis tells him that Pat is an anti-Semite. Before writing his hate-Buchanan column, Rosenthal says that he consulted none other than **Elie Wiesel, the professional Holocaust survivor**, who pronounced the magic words: "Although I very rarely use the word antisemite" (Hah! That'll be the day!), opined Wiesel, "I feel there is something in him that is opposed to my people." Well, that's it: Who can quarrel with Wiesel's ineffable "feelings"? Between Wiesel's inner oracle and Rosenthal's nose, no one has much of a chance.

But can Elie Wiesel's mystical insight really be relied upon? After all, this is the selfsame Wiesel who, in the early 1980s, pronounced his feelings to be favorable to none other than the monster Ceausescu. Why? Because of Ceausescu's pro-Israel foreign policy, naturally. Any man who confers his blessings upon one of the most savage butchers in the past half century, is scarcely qualified to hurl anathemas at anyone, much less at Pat Buchanan.

Of course Rothbard wouldn't like Elie Wiesel. Of course.



In "The Irrepressible Rothbard", we find another rare mention of the Holocaust... about Waco: "holocaust of the Branch Davidians at Waco"



In "Guilt Sanctified" (same book) Rothbard is complaining about "Holocaust guilt", ironically, in a part called "On Resisting Evil". In another article (same book), he complains about accusations of "insensitivity", in quotes:

On Resisting Evil — 259

GUILT SANCTIFIED
July 1990

Earlier in this century, Left-Liberalism came to Americans preaching the alluring gospel of Liberation from Guilt. Americans, they boldly proclaimed, are repressed, inhibited, guilt-ridden for giving in to their natural desires and impulses. We come to preach you a joyous removal of guilt, hammered into you by repressed ministers and priests. We preach hedonism, the end of guilt, following your desires, and to put it in a common rebarbative phrase of the 1960s Sexual Revolution: "if it moves, fondle it." Sex, furthermore, is "only a drink of water," natural and harmless.

The era of guiltlessness under our Left-Liberal culture lasted, as I remember, about six months. Now, the entire culture is characterized by massive collective guilt, and if anyone fails to give due public lip-service to a long list of solemnly avowed guilts, he is literally driven from public life. Guilt is everywhere, all-pervasive, and brought to us by the same scoundrels who once promised us easy liberation. A brief rundown: guilt for centuries of slavery, guilt for the oppression and rape of women, **guilt for the Holocaust**, guilt for the existence of the handicapped, guilt for eating and killing animals, guilt for being fat, guilt for not recycling your garbage, guilt for "desecrating the Earth."

Meanwhile, since substantive issues are scarce, the big battle between Dinkins and Rudi during June has been over semantics. Our age is all too often a battle over the politics of language, and its Political Correctness, and the big issue now is what term to use in referring to the Crown Heights riot of blacks against Jews in the late summer of 1992. Jews call it a "pogrom," and then raise the question why Mayor Dinkins stood idly by while a pogrom raged in Brooklyn. Giuliani has now taken up the cry, and denounces the "pogrom" at every opportunity, especially when addressing Jewish groups. Dinkins, on the contrary, denies it was a "pogrom," a term, he says, that only refers to assaults against Jews organized by the government (as in Czarist Russia). Dinkins therefore maintains it was only a "riot." From a strictly linguistic viewpoint, Dinkins is probably right, but of course his position opens him up to the well-known charge of "insensitivity" to Jewish concerns, and, of course, always peeping just beneath the surface, to Hitler and the Holocaust. One Jewish reply on the linguistic front is that Crown Heights riot was a "*de facto*-pogrom," whatever that may be.

Talk of politics as the triumph of symbolism over substance! ■

More interesting for us in this volume is "Those Awards" from March 1994. Rothbard goes out of his way to criticize... Schindler's List, without even having seen it (!)

Since I am not a professional movie critic I am not obliged to see what I know in advance I will dislike, so I haven't seen either *Schindler's List* or *Philadelphia*. *Schindler's List* is a movie which has become not only Politically Incorrect but even taboo to be less than worshipful about, since it purports to enable us, for the umpteenth time, to Learn About The Holocaust (the latter term always capitalized to emphasize its solemnity and to assert its Absolute Uniqueness in the grisly world historical record of mass murder).

And yet anyone who tries to Learn About History by going to a Hollywood movie deserves to have his head examined. Did we really learn the true story of Moses by watching Charlton Heston, or by seeing the great Yul Brynner, as Pharaoh, say finally, in his Siberian accent, after being visited by the plagues, "Go, Moses, take your people and go"? Or did we learn the facts about the monster Cromwell by seeing Richard Harris in the hagiographical movie of the same name? And yet, we are supposed to sit respectfully and in awe, *as if we were in church*, for over three hours, to watch what is admittedly a fictionalized version of a novel, and to act as if this is new and shattering History we are imbibing! While Thomas Kenecally's novel was fiction loosely based on fact, the Spielberg movie is far more loosely grounded fiction based on the shaky foundation of a novel: fiction-squared,

66th Academy Awards

Article Talk

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The **66th Academy Awards** ceremony, organized by the *Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences* (AMPAS), honored films released in 1993 and took place on March 21, 1994, at the *Dorothy Chandler Pavilion* in Los Angeles beginning at 8:00 p.m. PST / 9:00 p.m. EST. During the ceremony, AMPAS presented *Academy Awards* (commonly referred to as Oscars) in 23 categories. The ceremony, televised in the United States by ABC, was produced by Gil Cates and directed by Jeff Margolis.^[R] Actress Whoopi Goldberg hosted the show for the first time.^[Q] Nearly a month earlier in a ceremony held at The Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills, California on February 26, the *Academy Awards for Technical Achievement* were presented by host Laura Dern.^[Q]

Schindler's List won seven awards, including Best Picture.^[R] Other winners included *Jurassic Park* and *The Piano* with three awards, *Philadelphia* with two, and *The Age of Innocence*, *Belle Époque*, *Defending Our Lives*, *The Fugitive*, *I Am a Promise: The Children of Stanton Elementary School*, *Mrs. Doubtfire*, *Schwarzfahrer*, and *The Wrong Trousers* with one. The telecast was watched by more than 46 million viewers in the United States.

Winners and nominees

The nominees for the 66th Academy Awards were announced on February 9, 1994, at the *Samuel Goldwyn Theater* in Beverly Hills, California, by Academy president Arthur Hiller, and actress Christine Lahti.^[7] *Schindler's List* led all nominees with twelve nominations; *The Piano* and *The Remains of the Day* tied for second with eight.^{[R][9]}

Between various despicable sarcasms about the importance of the Holocaust, Rothbard seems upset about a particular scene (again, of an award-winning movie which he didn't even bother to see, yet just *had* to rant against), while having some ideas of his own about how to run a KZ

admittedly a fictionalized version of a novel, and to act as if this is new and shattering History we are imbibing! While Thomas Kenecally's novel was fiction loosely based on fact, the Spielberg movie is far more loosely grounded fiction based on the shaky foundation of a novel: fiction-squared, so to speak. Also the idea that a German concentration camp commandant

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would shoot prisoners at random with a rifle, just for the sport, goes against everything we know about German military discipline or about the way any large concentration camp has to be run. These dramatic scenes in the movie, of course, have no grounding in historical fact whatever.

Apart from that, watching a concentration camp for three hours is not exactly my idea of a fun evening at the theater; anyone who enjoys watching concentration camps is better advised to watch the French film *Shoah*, which is a full nine-and-a-half hours long, to be topped off by Hans-Jürgen Syberberg's absurdist seven-hour German film, *Our Hitler*. Then, if your appetite for watching Nazis hasn't yet been slaked, you can segue to the fifteen-and-a-half hour German film *Heimat*. And then, maybe, as they say these days, we "can put it all behind us," and get on to other topics. Or is that too much to ask?

And yet, the only criticism of the film has come from reviewers who claim that the movie is not pro-Jewish or anti-Gentile *enough*, since the protagonist Oskar Schindler, a contractor who saved Jews in his employ, was a Gentile. At this point it is difficult to see how Schindler could have been made to be Jewish, since if he were he would undoubtedly have been an inmate of the camp rather than a contractor.

The idea that watching *Schindler's List* should be treated as a religious experience led to an amusing culture clash in Oakland, California (*L.A. Times*, January 21). In celebration of Martin Luther King Day, a group of black high school students in Oakland were shepherded to see a showing of the movie, presumably to Uplift them from their usual movie fare. The result: disaster. The kids acted the way they usually do in a movie: making noise, laughing and giggling in the wrong parts, generally not treating the picture with the reverence that the more elderly folk there thought it deserved.

Well, guess what...



Kraków-Plaszów concentration camp - Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Krak%C3%B3w-P%C5%82asz%C5%99



Amon Göth | Biography, Crimes, Trial, & Execution

Amon Göth, in full Amon Leopold Göth, Göth also spelled Goeth, (born December 11, 1908, Vienna, Austria—died September 13, 1946, Kraków, Poland), Austrian Nazi officer who was commandant of Plaszow ...

https://www.britannica.com/biography/Amon-Goth

<https://www.gradesaver.com/schindlers-list/study-guide/summary-scenes-15-to-18-plaszow>

Camp operation

Structure and function

The Kraków-Plaszów concentration camp was divided into multiple sections.^[5] There was a separate area for camp personnel, work facilities, male prisoners, female prisoners, and a further subdivision between Jews and non-Jews. Although separated, men and women still managed to have contact with one another.^[6] There was also a private barracks for the camp's Jewish police and their families.^[5] While the primary function of the camp was forced labor, the camp was also the site of mass murder of inmates as well as prisoners brought in from the outside.^[6] The main targets were the elderly and the sick. There were no gas chambers or crematoria, so mass murder was carried out by shootings.^[7]

Personnel

Under Arnold Büscher, the camp's second commandant, prisoners did not experience any shootings or hangings.^[8] However, by 1943, the camp was notorious for its terrors.^[9] Amon Göth, an SS commandant from Vienna, was the camp commandant at this point. He was sadistic in his treatment and killing of prisoners.^[10] Witnesses say he would never start his breakfast without shooting at least one person.^[11] On Göth's first day as camp commandant, he killed two Jewish policemen and made every camp inmate watch.^[6] On 13 March 1943, he oversaw the liquidation of the nearby Kraków Ghetto, forcing those Jewish inhabitants deemed capable of work into the KL Plaszow camp. Those who were declared unfit for work were either sent to Auschwitz or shot on the spot. People were told to leave their children behind and that they would be cared for.^[12] In reality, they were all put in an orphanage and killed. Others snuck their children into the camp. If a prisoner tried to escape the camp, Göth shot 10 prisoners as a punishment.^[6] Göth would also release his Great Danes on prisoners if he did not like their expressions.^[13] He oversaw a staff that was mostly non-German.^[5] It consisted of 206 Ukrainian SS personnel from the Trawnik,^[14] 600 Germans of the SS-Totenkopfverbände (1943–1944), and a few SS women, including Gertrud Heise,^[14] Luise Danz and Alice Orłowski.^[15]



Major Nazi German concentration camps in occupied Poland (marked with squares)

Britannica article page for Amon Göth, Austrian Nazi officer. Includes Table of Contents, Fast Facts, More, Contributors, and Related Biographies.

Göth rose steadily through the SS ranks, earning a promotion to *untersturmführer* (equivalent to second lieutenant) in 1941 and joining Operation Reinhard, the Nazi campaign to kill the Jews of occupied Poland, in 1942. He was made commandant of Plaszow in February 1943 but remained active elsewhere, supervising the violent closings of the Kraków ghetto (March 1943), the Tarnów ghetto, and the Szebnie concentration camp (both in September 1943). His performance so pleased his superiors that he was promoted two ranks to *hauptsturmführer* (equivalent to army captain) in summer 1943.

In Plaszow, Göth had many prisoners killed as punishment for infractions, but he also killed randomly and capriciously. From the balcony of his villa, he took target practice with his rifle on prisoners as they moved about the camp. According to some reports, he had his Jewish dog handler executed because the dogs—Great Danes trained to kill prisoners on command—preferred the handler's company to his own. Göth also mixed corruption with cruelty, selling on the black market many of the rations intended to feed his prisoners.

Oskar Schindler's enamelware factory, staffed with Jewish slave labour, was moved adjacent to the Plaszow camp after the closing of the Kraków ghetto. Schindler adroitly cultivated Göth, carousing with him and his staff at parties and handing over large bribes to secure better treatment for the enamelware workers. Eventually Göth allowed Schindler's workers to move to a barracks outside the camp, where their chance for survival improved greatly.

Schindler's List by Steven Spielberg. Buy Study Guide button.

Scenes 15 to 18: Plaszow

Schindler's List Summary and Analysis of Scenes 15 to 18: Plaszow

Summary

The scene opens with Amon Goeth stepping outside onto his balcony shirtless and overlooking Plaszow work camp. The camera moves down to the ground where the Jewish policemen are calling roll. Just as one woman tells another that the worst is over, Goeth grabs his rifle on his balcony. He scans the ground for someone to kill, pauses on a girl tying her shoe, and shoots her in the head. The camera cuts to a woman sleeping topless in his bed. She looks exasperated and covers her face with a pillow. Goeth grabs his gun to

shoot again and this time finds a woman sitting on a staircase. Jews shriek and run in terror as they do their work; Goeth places the gun behind his neck and stretches.

What's the "not-agreeing with Holocaust denial" interpretation of praising a Holocaust denier for his dedication to "historical truth"?

Why would a non-Holocaust-denier look forward to a book about Nazi Germany by ... a Holocaust denier?

Why complain about "Holocaust guilt"?

Why would a non-Holocaust-denier hate a movie about the Holocaust without even seeing it... yet still go out of his way to defend the portrayed Nazis?

Would anyone claim that Nazi Germany was innocent of everything and "in the right" ... except for the Holocaust?

How would a non-Holocaust-denier square appeasing Nazi Germany with ... the Holocaust? (And don't get me started on Tracey-style blame-shifting...)

Why deride Holocaust victims raising Holocaust awareness?

Why worry about "anti-anti-semitism" more than about anti-semitism?

Rothbard shows no signs of having any knowledge at all about Hitler's plans either from Mein Kampf or from Zweites Buch



(Taylor, whose book he liked so much, neither, incidentally: "according to Kathleen Burk's biography of Taylor, he did not read Adolf Hitler's Mein Kampf until after writing the book."



Taylor himself revised his views after that:)



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/9mfrANMcJO4>

Obviously, besides Holocaust denial, no awareness of other genocide plans such as the Hungerplan... https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hunger_Plan

... of Einsatzgruppen (conveniently ignored, just like by Tracey)

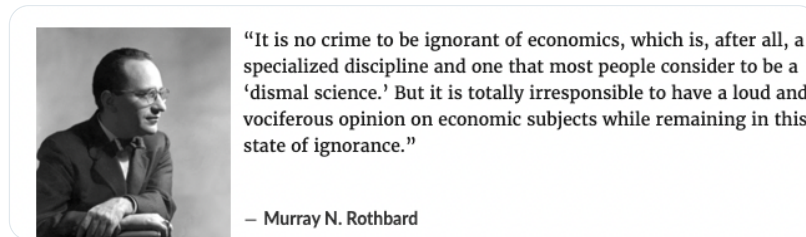


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In conclusion, it is no crime to be ignorant of history. But it is totally irresponsible to have a loud and vociferous opinion on historical subjects while remaining in this state of ignorance. And this goes doubly for Rothbard's followers, who have even less excuses (Internet).



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