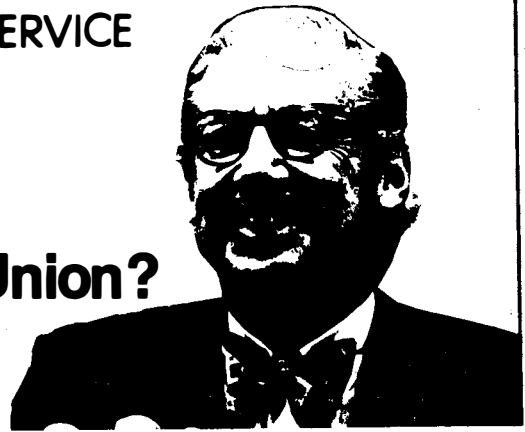


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Who Is Joseph Rauh, Jr. — And Why Is He Wrecking Your Union?



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Look at some of the nastier Wall Street-ordered counterinsurgency conducted against the U.S. labor movement over the last 20 years, and you will find Joseph Rauh, Jr., the Washington lawyer and self-proclaimed civil libertarian, right in the middle of things. From the wrecking operation against the Teamsters union begun in the 1950s, to the bloody coup against the Tony Boyle leadership of the United Mineworkers (UMW) in the early 1970s, to the current hatchet job against the United Steelworkers Union via the campaign of Institute for Policy Studies creation Ed "The Fed" Sadlowski, Joe Rauh has played a crucial role in every operation.

Rauh does not fight "clean." Among people familiar with his various "jobs," he has gained the reputation of a cold-blooded killer, a butcher who will let nothing stand in the way of his objective.

"There have been three major acts of violence internal to the labor movement over the last ten years," a highly placed USWA official recently told the U.S. Labor Party, "and they all involve Joe Rauh. There's been the killing of Walter Reuther (the former UAW President and Wall Street operative who died in a suspicious private plane crash in 1970 — Ed), there's been the killing of Jock Yablonski (the leader of the so-called miners' insurgency — Ed.), and there's been the recent shooting in the back of a Sadlowski campaign worker in Houston...I'm very alarmed about Rauh's recent statment (over a Pittsburgh radio station — Ed.) that he thinks the Sadlowski campaign will be "tainted with violence'."

Who Is Joe Rauh?

For more than 40 years, Joe Rauh has held essentially one position in the Atlanticist power structure — his head buried deep in the asses of various members of the Wall Street cabal. He exists solely to carry out their orders, to heed their beck and call.

Rauh has, through his 40 years of slinking through the legal profession and various Fabian political circles, well equipped himself to carry out his master's bidding. A Wall Street towel with a briefcase, Rauh has established a wide range of connections. He plugs into various levels of the Rockefeller-controlled sections of the FBI, the Justice Department, and the labor Department; to both private and public intelligence agencies, including the CIA and the Institute for Policy Studies, and their operations in both political parties; to the Wall Street-controlled press sewers; to agents within the labor movement, especially the centerpiece of this operation, the leadership circles of the United Autoworkers Union (UAW); to Wall Street controlled circles of the legal profession, including the National Lawyers Guild; and finally, to the pool of Wall Street-controlled liberals collected in the Americans for Democratic Action(ADA), an organization which he helped found and still leads.

Rauh's unique mix of connections makes him a **walking interface** — a human body through which several critical Wall Street intelligence operations overlap and hence can be plugged into each other.

This then defines Rauh's function: through his various "connections," he is able to plug Wall Street's orders into the various "arms and legs" needed to carry them out. Joe Rauh, the "man with all the connections," is himself but a connection between Wall Street and various levels of its domestic operations.

How to Succeed...

Joe Rauh has spent more tha 40 years kissing ass and building up his connections.

The son of a shirt manufacturer, Rauh made his way into Harvard Law School in the middle of the 1930s. At the time, the school was a hotbed of Fabian legal quacks, and there Joe Rauh received an indoctrination in Anglo-American fascist legal theory.

Young Joseph affixed himself to the ass of leading Fabian jurist Felix Frankfurter, an "expert" in administrative law and the man who to this day Joe Rauh calls his "mentor." It was from Frankfurter, at the time a legal apologist for and architect of Roosevelt's consciously Fascist- and Nazi-modeled New Deal programs, that Rauh received instruction in the "role of the working masses in society." Like his British counterparts, Frankfurter in various "legal-philosophical" writings proclaimed that the downtrodden and abused masses were incapable of self-government and must be made — "for the good of society" — to submit to a government by a super-efficient managerial elite ruling through a benevolent corporatist police state.

Rauh echoed Frankfurter's teachings in a paper written for the Harvard Law Review in the late 1940s entitled "Government By Directive: A Case History." The present structure of the Federal government is inefficient, Rauh writes. The powers of the elected Congress and President should be turned over to an appointed "think tank" cabinet.

Rauh picked up some other tricks of the trade from his mentor. Guile and dishonesty were the strong suit of Frankfurter, a zealous imitator of the British peerage. He taught Rauh to be a master of his deceit.

In 1938, Roosevelt promoted Frankfurter to the Supreme Court. Joe Rauh, already in Washington as law secretary to Justice Benjamin Cardozo, became Frankfurter's senior law secretary, and Frankfurter showed Rauh around the inner circles in Washington. Rauh told an interviewer for the New York Post in 1955, "There are plenty of guys like me still back in their hometowns practicing corporation law because nobody like Justice Frankfurter took them in hand and opened doors for them down here in Washington."

Rauh had already made it into the "big time." After marrying

his way into a St. Louis-Cincinnati investment and brokerage house family, the Harvard graduate was given a position in the late 1930s with the top Wall Street cabal law firm, Corcoran, Youngman and Rowe. As his first assignment Rauh was put on one of the firm's most prestigious accounts — handling the various legal hassles involved in aspects of the 1927 patent agreement between Rockefeller's standard Oil and the I.G. Farben chemical concern, which was already dictating the Nazi policy that was to result in the extermination of millions.

During World War II, Rauh, via his connections, was appointed "lend-lease assistant" to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, commander of the Allied forces in the Pacific. His experience in administrative law came in handy as he helped MacArthur set up the fascist structures of the post-war occupation government in Japan. In 1946 he was dispatched as a "special advisor" to U.S. forces in the Philippines, serving as the unofficial governor and deploying "special forces" to fight "communist subversion."

In the grand Fabian tradition of permeating the major parties, the Rockefellers established in 1947 the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) to break down traditional, constituency-based machines in both the Democratic and Republican Parties, and turn them into apparatus for corporatist policies at home and abroad. On the Democratic side of the operation, the people deployed included Averell Harriman, Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., James Warburg, Joseph Clark, Hubert Humphrey, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Walter Reuther of the UAW. Joe Rauh was also deployed to the leadership of this side of the operation.

Meanwhile, the Rockefellers and Goldman, Sachs were financing and directing the so-called Republican Advance Committee, which was first built around then New York Governor Thomas Dewey to push their schemes within the GOP. Later this campaign featured a propaganda blitz advertising Nelson Rockefeller as "another FDR."

(This takeover operation is thoroughly documented in a special reprint in NSIPS Weekly, Vol. III, No. 27, July 6, 1976 by Susan Kokinda titled, "The Fabian Conspiracy Against Congress and the Democratic Party.")

One of Rauh's early assignments as a coordinator for ADA operations was to eliminate the still powerful Communist influence within key trade-union circles. While Rauh managed to keep this seamy aspect of his operations out of the public view to protect his image as a "fair-minded liberal," it is well known in labor circles that Rauh all but ran the "red purge" of the Congress of Industrial Organizations. Sources report that Rauh had his hand in the writing and passage of a 1949 resolution which purged 11 unions from the CIO for allegedly being "Communist controlled." He therefore cleared the CIO of elements troublesome to fellow Fabian and ADA board member, UAW head Walter Reuther, who later appointed Rauh to be the UAW's legal counsel. To cover his anti-communist activities, Rauh later engaged in some well publicized legal defense of a few liberals and others who were accused by Sen. Joe McCarthy of being communists.

In the early 1960s, when the ADA was eclipsed to make way for the Institute for Policy Studies and its more radical-tinged brand of fascism, Rauh personally **interfaced** the transition. Rauh had started working with Arthur Waskow and Marcus Raskin, the Institute's founders, as early as the late 1950s, when they together started the "Liberal Project" to wreck Congress and popularly based urban Democratic machines. In 1962-63, Rauh helped cover up and defend the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, which was launched by the pre-Institute network of Marcus Raskin et al. to penetrate and attempt to subvert the Cuban Revolution. In 1964, Rauh joined Arthur Waskow and Institute stalwart Richard Barnet in forming the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party to destabilize Lyndon Johnson and constituency-based Democrats, particularly from the South.

Two Case Histories

Joe Rauh has always tried to sell himself as a "friend of labor," a man who wanted to see union members and labor leaders get a fair shake. At least, that is what he has told the gullible labor leaders of the AFL-CIO and Teamsters. For publication, he has likened some of the 1950 McClellan Committee hearings against organized labor to "McCarthyite witchhunts."

Rauh is an inveterate liar. He let slip how he really thinks in an interview with author Victor Lasky. Asked what he thought about the illegal and unconstitutional conduct of the late Bobby Kennedy in his witchhunts against the Teamster leaders, especially Jimmy Hoffa, civil libertarian Rauh replied, "Bobby Kennedy was trying to be a fair investigator. Any abuses (of the Constitution — Ed.) he committed were not due to his vindictiveness but to his lack of experience. If it sometimes led to abuse of witnesses, it sometimes led to witnesses like Hoffa getting away with murder. The technique of questioning is art and Bobby wasn't experienced at it. He did not know how to go for the jugular ..."

We present below two case studies of how Wall Street vampire Rauh has gone for the jugular of the American labor movement.

The Mineworkers Scenario

In the mid 1960s, Wall Street made the decision to "capture" the United Mineworkers union. The old-line leadership of Tony Boyle with its numerous local constituency ties, represented one of the bastions of traditional unionism. Further, as such it would not be able to force the miners to cooperate with the bankers' plans for labor-intensive coal gassification projects, even at that time already appearing on the drawing boards of such think tanks as the Brookings Institution. Boyle therefore had to be eliminated and replaced with a synthetic leadership whom Wall Street could trust.

To accomplish this operation, several Wall Street networks were simultaneously activated. First, the responsibility for the field operation and penetrations of the union was handed over to Marcus Raskin's Institute for Policy Studies. VISTA and Peace Corps operatives were supplied as cannon fodder for the initial phases of the IPS operation with appropriate clearances from government agencies. In addition, personnel were imported from Institute operations including Ralph Nader's various groups.

Second, Rockefeller-linked networks inside the Justice and Labor Departments were activated to begin "investigations" and other harassment operations against the UMW leadership, similar to those now ongoing against the leadership of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT). Key personnel in these departments were told to expect a "dirty fight," and to be prepared to cover for certain "indiscretions" possibly including murder.

Liberal support layers were activated, including the various cesspool-like "leftist lawyers" organizations of which the current National Lawyers Guild is the most significant example. Rauh's ADA was also set into motion to circulate stories against the UMW leadership throughout the nation's liberal swamp. The Wall Street press sewers, including IPS left journalists and Kathryn Graham's Washington Post, were ordered to take a sudden interest in the coal fields. And finally, the UAW leadership and its staff of brainwashers and assorted thugs were sent in to do support work for the operation.

Rauh's role was twofold. First he was given direct responsibility for controlling the "outside" liberal and trade-union layers in the initial phases of the operation. Second and most important, because of his connections he was able to serve as an interface between all the different networks being deployed. At no point did Rauh make independent decisions about how the operation was carried out, except on a limited scale. He merely coordinated the implementation of orders given to him, transmitting information, etc. through his various "contacts."

In the early stages, Rauh used his reputation as a "liberal do good lawyer" to give voice to statements and press releases he cranked out charging UMW President Boyle with blocking "union democracy" and colluding with the coal company operators to misuse union pension and other benefit fund monies. Rauh also used the VISTA-Peace Corps-SDS cannon fodder to help give wide circulation to his slanders. Simultaneously, he provided damaging "researched" information on UMW leaders to the Justice Department for appropriate "action." This information, in turn, found its way to the Wall Street press conduits, especially the Washington Post.

But the Wall Street-IPS "insurgents" still needed some warm miner bodies that they could hype into a "movement." As we have documented elsewhere (see NSIPS Special Report "How the Institute for Policy Studies Took Over the United Mineworkers Union, Vol. III, No. 27, July 6, 1976), Rauh helped put the IPS crew onto the campaign of small-time union honcho Jock Yablonski. Once they found their man, all systems were activated in an effort to put him over the top.

It was Joe Rauh who first brought up violence as a major issue in the Yablonski campaign, even going so far as to hint at one point that his candidate "might wind up getting eliminated." He drafted a series of letters to then Secretary of Labor George Schultz demanding an investigation and that Yablonski be given protection from "Boyle thugs who have already attempted to murder him." Schultz refused, claiming that there was "no evidence" of any attempt by Boyle or anyone else to threaten Yablonski's life.

Even Yablonski began to suspect that there was something strange about his campaign — no miners supported him. He wanted out, saying that he was not about to let himself get humiliated. Joe Rauh, however, told him he could not leave, that he, Rauh, would carry on the campaign without him if he did. Yablonski was "convinced" to stay.

Despite obvious efforts by Labor Department and other to rig the elections, Yablonski was resoundingly defeated by the Boyle leadership in a November 1969 election for the UMW presidency, getting only slightly more than a third of the overall vote.

One month later, Yablonski and his wife and daughter were found murdered in their home. While Boyle and several of his associates were later convicted of conspiracy in the so-called Yablonski massacre, the murders could only have benefitted the IPS union wreckers. Having failed to successfully build an "insurgent" miners' movement the first time around, the IPS crew would now use the body of their "martyr" to get something off the ground.

As one highly placed Mineworkers source told NSIPS, "I can't say for sure who is responsible for the killing of Jock Yablonski. But if they arrested Joe Rauh they would probably be close to getting the right man."

Having received the orders for a second try at the takeover Rauh pulled out all stops. He took personal responsibility for creating the new Miners For Democracy insurgency movement and, with the help of the UAW leadership and the brainwashers at its Black Lakes facility, helped shape its leadership. This crew was then turned over to the IPS operations staff replete with a new heir to the Yablonski mantle, Arnold Miller.

Working with agents in the Labor Department, Rauh concocted an air-tight case to get an order for new elections in the Boyle-Yablonski race. The UMW leadership was placed under a state of siege; Labor Department operatives all but put the union into receivership; the press sewers cranked out reams of copy trying Boyle and the others for the Yablonski murder in the pages of the Washington Post and elsewhere, while continuing to publish stories about UMW corruption.

In this same period — lasting from January 1970 to December 1972 — Rauh's contacts in the Justice Department, including

lawyers Thomas Henderson and Charles Huff, conducted endless investigations. They served indictments against Boyle on several counts of illegal election practices for the 1969 election, for embezzlement, for misuse of pension funds, for breach of fiduciary duties, etc. For each of these staged indictments, there were headlines in the press. Occasionally and wherever appropriate, such stories had worked into them a statement or two by that well known civil libertarian Joseph Rauh, Jr.

This state of siege reached its peak during the rescheduled UMW Presidential elections in December 1972. This time around Rauh's contacts in the Labor Department took no chances: scores of their operatives were sent in to supervise the balloting and to count the votes. When they proclaimed Miners For Democracy candidate Arnold Miller the winner, no one dared challenge the results. Less than two years later, Tony Boyle, by then a physically and mentally broken man, was sent to jail for the murder of Jock Yablonski.

In his keynote speech at the UMW's next convention, Arnold Miller, the candidate IPS had installed in office, went on record in praise of the coal gassification schemes of Project Independence — because such plans "worked so well in Germany during World War II"!

The Steelworkers Scenario — The Sadlowski Campaign

With the successful completion of the UMW takeover in 1972 Wall Street made the decision to redeploy its forces into an on-going, but as yet small, wrecking operation in the United Steelworkers (USWA).

Although USWA head I.W. Abel who has in the past loyally served his Rockefeller masters, and even made the grade of membership in Rockefeller's supranational fascist planning apparatus, the Trilateral Commission, he is nevertheless a representative of a constituency-based union machine which cannot and will not go as far Rockefeller is now demanding — the elimination of seniority privileges and work rules, the last bit of protection left for the sped-up steel workforce. The Abel leadership clique had to be replaced with someone "who will play ball" — all the way to fascism. Ed Sadlowski, is Wall Street's chosen replacement. In Joe Rauh's Fabianspeak, "He'll bring liberal ideas and provide a new vision for the union."

Rauh, the walking interface, was ordered to play a conduit-coordination role for an overall IPS operation. As he did with the Miners for Democracy insurgency, he took over the coordination of the so-called "Sادلowski campaign" as its first phase of operation was nearing completion.

Prior to 1968 Ed Sadlowski, the Institute's hand-picked vehicle for the USWA takeover, was a previously unheard of staff assistant to Joe Germano, the 30-year union bureaucrat who ran the Abel machine in Union District 31, which encompasses the Gary-Chicago steel belt. Sadlowski, whose only distinguishing characteristics were a penchant for mod clothes and expensive tastes, had been brought into the IPS counterinsurgency machine in the area and placed under the personal stewardship of IPS Associate, Staughton Lynd and his cronies at Roosevelt University in Chicago.

The vehicle used to "capture" Sadlowski was Lynd's Calumet Community Project, a counterinsurgency effort aimed at "selling" anarchist ideas and slave-labor jobs programs to the steel communities around Gary, Ind. (The Calumet Project was the seed crystal for FASH, the independent truckers organization which was the backbone of 1973-74 Rockefeller efforts to stage a destabilization of the U.S. explicitly modeled after the CIA Chilean truckers' strike. This effort was aborted following its widespread exposure by the U.S. Labor Party).

Sادلowski once described himself as "a plain, ordinary steel worker." By late 1972, the point at which Rauh and the redeployed mineworkers wrecking operation enters the picture in force, Sadlowski is already a man with "Rockefeller

credentials." At one point or another he had publicly endorsed every Rockefeller program for the destruction of the labor movement — from corporatist productivity councils, to support of in-plant brainwashing through alcohol and drug programs, to support of slave-labor public works programs.

But Sadlowski had no human supporters. He had only the gaggle of IPS countergangs that flocked under orders from their controllers, to his cause.

Through the mobilization and coordination of the same networks used in the miners operation, Rauh attempted to turn Sadlowski into a "power." Wall Street media conduits were fed hype stories (occasionally authored by Rauh) on the dynamic new steel leader Ed Sadlowski; he found his way onto several television interview shows in the Gary-Chicago area. All this has caused Sadlowski to remark, "I couldn't get anywhere: then Joe Rauh entered my campaign. Everything took off-vroom!"

In February 1972 Sadlowski ran for District 31 head and lost to Abel man Evett by some 2,500 votes. The difference would have been much larger if it weren't for the massive vote fraud on Sadlowski's behalf. But New York Times scribbler A.H. Raskin wrote that Sadlowski "has begun to demolish the citadels of trade union aristocracy and shattered machine control."

Through his contacts in the Justice and Labor Departments, Rauh interceded the move to force an investigation and a new election based on "irregularities" allegedly committed by the Evett team.

Labor Department marshalls flooded the region. According to several reports, it was such individuals who were Ed Sadlowski's "most effective campaigners," harassing members of Evett's staff and intimidating workers who opposed "their candidate." It was around this time that Sadlowski picked up the nickname "Ed the Fed."

A new election was held in late 1974 and Sadlowski was proclaimed the winner. As was the case with the parallel Mineworkers' operation, no one challenged this obvious fraud.

But Sadlowski the synthetic leader still has no authentic, human followers. To give an appearance of a following, FBI-controlled Communist Party USA steel caucuses were activated Staughton Lynd joined one such caucus, RAFT, which operates in the Youngstown-Cleveland area. Rauh, meanwhile, has moved to personally defend a RAFT-type operation, filing a suit

on behalf of one of its candidates to overturn a local union election.

In Sadlowski's "base of operations", the Chicago Southworks steel complex, Sadlowski's principal campaign operations are the in-plant terror networks. Troublesome workers are singled out for brainwashing and harassment, with similar operations in place throughout the IPS-controlled District 31. Demonstrating the "left-right" interface of this operation, the Southworks alcoholism program was formerly (until his forced resignation) run by a Ustashi fascist Cass Tomasik, who used USWA commitment to finger "troublesome" workers for the treatment brainwashing.

July 4, the date of IPS planned nuclear terrorist provocation, found Sadlowski right in the thick of things. He was on the podium as the featured speaker of IPS' People's Bicentennial event in Washington, trying to give credibility to the aborted effort by the "left-wing" IPS terrorists.

But the gaggle of left and right wing IPS operatives that make up the Sadlowski campaign do not yet have the forces to place their "boy" in a high position of USWA leadership. No one is more aware of this than Joe Rauh. Borrowing from the Mineworkers script, he intends to "do what is necessary" to get things going. The recent murder in Houston referred to by the USWA official is just the beginning of what the IPS crew intends to be a bloody factional war.

Rauh told an interviewer last week that things were already in motion for the next phase of the Sadlowski operation: "We'll break up the old official family of I.W. Abel and his friends who misused the pension funds... I'm sure they will violate the Landrum-Griffin Act enough times for us to sue them ... We'll get good press coverage ... and support from the progressive unions who supported the mineworkers."

Sounds familiar?

There are hundreds of worms like Joe Rauh, Jr., in the Atlanticist woodwork, and rumors have abounded recently in cabal circles that this or that up and coming lawyer will soon take Rauh's place as a walking interface. This underscores the fact that the labor movement can never beat Rauh and his operations if it leaves the machinery intact and merely goes after the replaceable plug, Rauh. The way to win is to bring the networks that Rauh and his kind represent out into the light of day: expose the Institute for Policy Studies!

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