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6547R – SDS

Guest: M.G. Lowman and Joseph Dumbacher

Morphew: Introduction...of Cincinnati, Ohio, executive secretary of Circuit Riders, Inc....you've brought a guest along with you today, would you mind introducing him?

Dumbacher: Well, this is one of the real, happy experiences and one of the things by which I'm very proud. I want to present as my guest, Joseph Dumbacher, a graduate of Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio, currently president of the Cincinnati chapter of Young Americans for Freedom, and a great patriot, who for us acted as a counterspy in the proCommunist and leftwing student movement.

Morphew: It's a real pleasure to have you with us, could you tell us exactly what you did?

Dumbacher: Well, I'd just like to add that it is a pleasure to speak before you audience, and I infiltrated the June 1963 convention of the Students for a Democratic Society.

Morphew: As chairman of YAF, this would presumably put you well on the conservative side of the political spectrum, SDS by contrast is at the far left, what induced you to seek admission to their national convention?

Dumbacher: Well, I became very interested in an organization which they were working through, the National Student Association, and I brought this to the attention of Circuit Riders and specifically, Mr. Lowman, who managed to place me in this convention of the Students for a Democratic Society, at which time I found out just how far left they are.

Morphew: To Lowman...you are one of the world's foremost experts on Communist techniques...how much good did it do to have someone one why you rely to be in attendance for this convention?

Lowman: Well, we were able to confirm the suspicions of other infiltrators that this organization was leaving the little superficial lunch counter demonstrations and heading this whole group by a switch throwing into the radical violent revolution movement in the United States.

Morphew: How useful has this information been?

Lowman: I can't tell you the extent of how useful it has been, but I would say certain persons in employ of our federal government have spent many hours on the full twenty pounds of Communist booklets and pamphlets and socialist and militant socialist booklets and propaganda materials that Joseph Dumbacher brought back to us. It really brought to the attention of many persons the seriousness of this prior to that date loosely organized thing that operated like a bucket of skyrockets into which somebody had thrown a torch going off in every direction. At this convention, they found themselves and their direction which was straight to the left, as far left as you could go.

Morphew: To Dumbacher...this convention, where was it held?

Dumbacher: This convention was held at Camp Gulliver at Pine Hill, New York, that's about 80 miles north of New York City.

Morphew: About how many attended?

Dumbacher: Oh, a few more than a hundred.

Morphew: Were these the key people in the nationwide organization of SDS?

Dumbacher: I would say, yes, they were the key people. They were also observers of other organizations of the far out left, and these people controlled pretty much the convention and what has taken place up til now.

Morphew: You attended this convention in 1963, why wait until 1965 to tell your story?

Dumbacher: I brought the information back from the Students for a Democratic Society meeting and I turned my notes and the information, the twenty pounds of Communist literature, over to Mr. Lowman, the next day I talked to our good Uncle Sam, giving him the information, and Mr. Lowman just allowed me to take the adhesive off of my mouth on this tour through the South.

Lowman: I would like to add a whole lot more to that. The reason the wraps, so to speak, have been taken off of Joe Dumbacher now at this late date is that the Students for a Democratic Society and the groups with which it works wittingly, unwittingly, or half-

wittedly, have become such a serious security threat that what they're doing is front page news about seven days a week in every important media communications with the American people. So, the necessity of being quiet to pursue the thing underground further was no longer necessary. It became more advisable and helpful to now confirm the suspicions of many patriots and thousands of students that this is one of the most infamous operations that has ever approached the United States. It involves the fields of sedition and fighting physically against the United States in South Vietnam.

Morphew: What has SDS been doing recently?

Lowman: Well, the thing they've been doing recently has been that they are exploiting other organizations. They are using many fronts.

Morphew: To Dumbacher...what is your impression of their current activities?

Dumbacher: Well, SDS has shown their revolutionary attitudes by their recent demonstrations in planning of the Easter and the November Thanksgiving demonstrations and the October 16th demonstrations they've had. This is all the anti-Vietnam. Now, I would like to add more on this subject of the Vietnam demonstrations. They have gone as far to assist in recruiting persons for fighting alongside of Vietcong against the invaders of South Vietnam, and of course you know that the United States soldiers are the invaders. They have called for fighting against being drafted or dodging the draft by methods such as homosexuality and they have been the ones who have assisted in the Berkley demonstrations and the stopping of troop trains, et cetera and so on. They have done so many of these things.

Morphew: So even though SDS is a relatively small organization its activities are certainly out of proportion to its numbers

Dumbacher: Yes, but they have grown a great deal in the last two years. They reached three thousand or so in membership, but then they reached many, many thousands as they have shown by the demonstrations that they've put on.

Lowman: Well, there's another feature that I might enlarge upon. There are more than 3,000 members. This is a convenience to them. This is a deception. There are many persons on individual campuses where there is no recognized chapter, where the administration wouldn't recognize them and operate. They belong as individual members by the dozens to the headquarter chapter.

Morphew: What about the support they are receiving from the faculties of these various colleges?

Lowman: Well, we can be specific about the University of Cincinnati. The left wing student movement in Cincinnati is operated principally by two young instructors, they're getting advanced degrees, you know, and teaching part time and this is the dangerous thing in many campuses. These instructors are coming in without any previous record,

you know, public record of Communist or pro-Communist affiliation, and they wind up as the leader within a matter of months. They are the leadership concealed, and then very quickly openly, the leadership of the anti-U.S. and pro-Chinese mainland Communist, Vietcong position....

Morphew: To Dumbacher... I believe that many adults are inclined to dismiss any youth movement as due to the impulsiveness of youth and there's a great deal of sentiment along the line of let them alone, they'll grow up one day...do you think these people have any awareness of what they are doing, are they purposeful in their actions or is this a lark for them?

Dumbacher: No, this is not a lark, and yes, it is very purposeful. These students understand exactly what they are doing and they have been trained very well in the idea of being a revolutionary and they brought this forward many, many times during the convention. No, I think these persons are very well informed. They know what's going on and they haven't fallen off what they would call the deep end, but our adults today who see this going on, many of them are very apathetic. They could do something to expose this, but they do not care, and I think that this is one of the problems that we face today. Apathy today will kill us tomorrow.