The Fifth World Order Study Conference, with the difficulties which it encountered because of its championing of the Nikita Khrushchev program for peaceful coexistence, was defended on page 126 of the Report of the Division of Christian Life and Work headed by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, in whose division the Department of International Affairs operates. We are told:

"Over five hundred delegates, two-thirds laymen, were selected by their denominations and councils of churches. They were a highly representative cross-section of the communions in the National Council. They were in their own persons broadly representative of the interests and competence of the nation's Protestant-Orthodox community in international affairs."

Obviously, in an effort to offset the attack made upon this report by countless numbers of Protestants, the report continued, "The Conference was lauded by authorities in international relations who said that it made a major contribution to public opinion, to the United States, and to peace by bringing many crucial and controversial issues into the open for debate." In the subsequent nationwide program for peace, which was originally a part of the Fifth World Order Study Conference, since it was kickoff for the whole setup, 100 church leaders called upon President Eisenhower at the White House. He is reported to have said, "What you are doing is . . . to my mind, one of the finest things that you could possibly undertake." Every effort seems to be made to bolster up and to commend these church leaders for the stand which they took in regard to the recognition of Red China.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

It is in this same Division on Christian Life and Work that the Department of Social Welfare is found. Some idea of the far-reaching political ramifications and activities in relationship to Washington can be seen from the following paragraph (page 131):

"During the triennium the Department maintained the primary relationship for the Council with many agencies, conferences, and councils of the Federal government, including the White House Conference on Children and Youth, the White House Conference on Aging, the Conference on Homemaker Services, the Advisory Council on Public Assistance, the Advisory Council on Child Welfare Services, the President's Committee on Youth Fitness, the Housing and Home Finance Agency, the Bureau of Public Assistance, the Bureau of Old Age and Survivor's Insurance, the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped, and others. The director served on executive boards of the National Social Welfare Assembly, the National Housing Conference, the National Safety Council, the Council on Social Work Education, the American Immigration and Citizenship Council, the Family Service Association of America, the Council of National Organizations for Children and Youth, the National Committee on Aging, and other clearing house agencies."

(Photographed from Tulsa, Okla., *Sunday World,* December 18, 1960)

Are Churchmen Burying Us?

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF Churches is the nation's largest Christian organization. Its membership is made up of representatives from 33 Protestant and Orthodox denominations.

The Council met last week in San Francisco, and we are impelled to the conclusion that a more weak-kneed, ill-advised and faithless conclave it would be impossible to imagine.

As a result of actions taken by the Council we believe every American church member who hasn't the time or the inclination to read his daily newspaper, or assimilate the meaning of the things that are going on around him, ought *at this very moment* to commune with his preacher and the leadership of his church—not to seek guidance but to *offer* guidance!

Why do we feel so strongly on this?

Well, first we'll quote from an ASSOCIATED PRESS report on the Council meeting:

"The United States may soon have to subordinate its will to that of the United Nations. Citizens must be prepared to take it."

Now, let's quote from a resolution on the subject of U.S. subordination which was *adopted* by the Council membership:

"We believe citizens should prepare themselves for such eventuality. It would not then be an undue shock to public opinion, since people would have a more mature view, better able to interpret democracy at work on a world scale, with the benefit as well as the risk that the extension of democracy always entails."

There it is, in a nutshell—the United States in the process of being sold down the river by some of its highest, most respected churchmen.

We can scarcely believe it. We cannot understand by what process some of the finest brains in all of Christianity have become so confused, so soft, that they would subvert this nation to the will of the polyglot that makes up the United Nations. We are asked to surrender ourselves, our freedoms, our dreams, to the will of non-believers, to ignoramuses barely emerging from the Dark Ages, and to despots who speak loudly before the assemblage of nations we call the UN.

Surely the religious leaders of this nation cannot believe that to submit to United Nations omnipotence is the "mature" thing to do, or that the majority of the UN represents "democracy" at work.

Are 200 years of faith and work and hope to be sacrificed before the altar of nations who have been unable to duplicate the masterworks that are the possession of the people of the United States? What have we been fighting for? The things we have achieved through our work and prayers—are they no longer considered important enough to preserve? Is it no longer fashionable to be free and American? Is it no longer Christian to hold fast to the sovereignty of one home, one nation, one GOD?

To the National Council of Churches, we direct a sincere question:

Is the "Brotherhood of Man," in "One World," within the capacity of human beings to achieve?

Let us, for GOD'S sake, be realists!

(Photographed from Tulsa, Okla., *World* of December 24, 1960 in section, "The Voice of a Free People"

The Urge to Speak Out

Thank God for a newspaper with the intestinal fortitude to speak out as you did in your recent editorial, "Are Churchmen Burying Us?"

Every man, woman and child belonging to any church should read it. I am of the opinion that there are many church pastors who should also read it.

When we as church people see the wool being pulled over our eyes it is time to rise up against things that we and our forefathers have fought against for 200 years and more!

SCOTT E. JOHNSON.
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Actions Speak Louder

Not knowing to whom we are indebted for that inimitable editorial on the church council it is difficult to express strongly enough our approbation.

Actions speak louder than words; therefore, suffice it to say that months ago we changed our church membership of many years from an affiliate of the National Council of Churches to a church where the Bible alone is "God's spokesman."

You ask, "Is the brotherhood of man in One World within the capacity of human beings to achieve?" The answer is NO! But it is within the capacity of God. . . .

Thank you for your courageous stand.

MR. AND MRS F. J. BONEWIT
550 N. Santa Fe

He's Very Much Pleased

Regarding the editorial, "Are Churchmen Burying Us?":

I was very much pleased with it. In fact, my first thought was that it was written by a fellow Baptist, since it states precisely what the Baptists have been preaching since the National Council of Churches and United Nations were founded.

I would like to take my hat off to you and pray that you will continue to blast such ungodly adoptions by any membership which is so blinded by the wiles of the devil. . . .

Tulsa GEORGE JAMES

More on the Council

I congratulate you. It is a hopeful sign when the press speaks out in matters that are frequently considered of church interest only. Why the opinions of the National Council of Churches are sometimes looked upon as a new God speaking great things is beyond comprehension. . . .

D. L. HINCHLEY
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About Our Churchmen

You are to be commended for your editorial on churchmen. They certainly are trying to bury us. . . .

This is one reason why we Southern Baptists don't belong to the National Council of Churches. . . . Who wants brotherhood with anti-Christs, anyway? I thank God for you and may he lead you on and bless your service. . . .

Pawnee MRS. HAZEL McGEE

(Photographed from Tulsa, Okla., *Sunday World* of December 25, 1960)

Church Members Should Act

IN AN ADJOINING COLUMN TODAY, "The Voice of a Free People" carries several letters commending the TULSA WORLD for its editorial condemnation of the resolution of the National Council of Churches suggesting that Americans *prepare* themselves for One-World rule under the aegis of the United Nations.

We are not so much interested in the commendation of our readers, which we appreciate, as we are in the elightened interest they show by their letters. They obviously and fully understand what the Council is up to. This is heartening, for only if free people act as individuals to speak out on issues inimical to their security, the goals of groups such as the National Council of Churches will surely not be achieved.

As we mentioned last week, the National Council of Churches is made up of members representing 33 Protestant and Orthodox denominations. It purports, quite spuriously, to represent something like 36,000,000 American church members. It probably cannot truthfully claim to represent 1/36th of this many church members. Yet, the very nature of its being gives to the National Council an aura of respectability and influence that is exceedingly dangerous.

The National Council claims to represent, by reason of his membership in a Protestant church, the writer of this editorial. Well, it doesn't. As a matter of fact, the vast army of church members in the United States either is unaware it is contributing to the upkeep of the National Council of Churches, or has never been handed an opportunity to make a choice one way or another.

It is on this point, we believe, that the rank and file members of churches can take a hand in slowing down the hasty march to Socialization and Communization that is so obviously the goal of many leaders in the National Council.

Here briefly, but by no means in total, are some of the publicized goals of the Council:

Diplomatic recognition of Red China; admission of Red China to the United Nations; co-existence with "the Communist nations"; avoidance of "the posture of general hostility" to the Communist nations; the use of military force only when "sanctioned" by the United Nations, where the veto is the predominant implement of the Soviet Union.

At present in Tulsa some church members are pushing for disaffiliation from the National Council of Churches. We think it would be a wise and properly vigilant move if the members of all churches affiliated with the Council would do the same, for nothing can spoil a rigged confidence game like a deflated money bag.

Americans who do not believe in what the National Council of Churches believes in—and they are legion—should not be expected to accede to its actions or contribute to its upkeep.

There is a simple solution, if church people everywhere will but act.

(Letters below are photographed from Tulsa, Okla., *Sunday World* of December 25, 1960, "The Voice of a Free People," and are the ones referred to in the article above.)

A Presbyterian Writes

I wish to thank you for the Sunday Editorial, "Are Churchmen Burying Us?" At last someone has spoken for the millions of us who are being betrayed by the Council of Churches. The National Council was organized in 1950 to represent the churches. Instead, it began to usurp the authority of the church and to dictate church policy.

If a vote were taken there is plenty of evidence that members of churches would overwhelmingly decide that all support should be withheld from the Council, which seems to have gone completely berserk in its deliberations. It is difficult to understand why the churches bow supinely to these pronouncements. It is time for church members to recognize that the Council of Churches, so-called, does not represent the churches.

The royalties from the Council's "revised version" of the Bible have made it more bold. They think they can create a new church in accordance with their own ideas. If this continues it will end in splinter groups without number.

Anyone who advocates that our Christian-founded nation surrender its sovereignty to a Godless United Nations Organization is a traitor and should be treated accordingly.

I am a member of John Knox Presbyterian church. I have studied the left-wing trends of church and state for many years . . . one reason for the apathy of the people is that they are not informed and seem to find it more comfortable not to be.

Tulsa MRS. H. K. H.

A Supporter Also Writes

"Are Churchmen Burying Us?" Thank God for this editorial, and thank God all churches are not represented by the National Council of Churches.

Springdale, Ark. JOHN B. CAMPBELL

A Surrender to Marx

I wish to thank you for your splendid editorial of Sunday, December 18, "Are Churchmen Burying Us?"

The resolution adopted by the National Council of Churches at San Francisco was shocking to say the least. And to repeat one of your sentences. "We can scarcely believe it."

It is most assuredly a surrender to the Marxist philosophy, a submission to the United Nations and One Worldism, which of course means the loss of our sovereign rights, four freedoms and our nation.

God grant that their efforts will meet with defeat.

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