

Another Real Cost of Prisons

As I understand history, WWII severely challenged America's military? IT WAS AMERICA'S INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX THAT ROLLED-UP ITS SLEEVES AND PROVIDED SUPERIOR WEAPONS MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR OUR MILITARY TO OVER-COME THE EXTREME DEFICIT UNDER WHICH WE BEGAN IN THE PACIFIC ARENA AND GO ON TO WIN ON BOTH FRONTS? (PACIFIC & EUROPE) WHEN THAT WAR(S) ENDED, OUR INDUSTRY WAS TOOK-UP FOR WEAPONS AND OTHER WAR-TIME PRODUCT. RETOOLING IS EXPENSIVE!

Following WWII, we elected A FIVE STAR GENERAL TO THE PRESIDENCY. OUR INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX CONTINUED PUMPING OUT WEAPONS. WE WERE POPULAR WORLDWIDE AS THE LIBERATING FORCE. WE FREED CIVILIAN PRISONERS OF THE FORMER OCCUPIERS. WE BENT OUR GOOD INFLUENCE TOWARD SELLING OUR PRODUCT TO THE WORLD. OUR PRODUCT: WAR! ... WEAPONS & SUCH. WE SPREAD CONFLICT ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE WORLD HAS CHANGED MUCH OVER THE LAST HALF CENTURY. SO HAS OUR ROLE IN OUR WARS. NO LONGER ARE WE THE "LIBERATORS". (IF WE EVER TRULY WERE?) NOW, WE TAKE CIVILIAN PRISONERS ... LOTS OF THEM ... AND WE ARE PROUD OF IT? WE MAKE AN INDUSTRY OF IT.

OUR SOLDIERS WHO TAKE THE PRISONERS CAN'T BE SPARED TO GUARD THESE PRISONERS. THAT TASK FALLS ON OUR HOME GUARD UNITS THAT HAVE BEEN MOBILIZED FOR DUTY. EXPERTS FROM OUR DEPARTMENT(S) OF CORRECTIONS ADVISE OUR MILITARY

in design and procedures to control all these prisoners, while our Guard Units are receiving their "speciality" in Prisoner Management, our experts are busily training the locals in how to keep all this machinery operating so that they can continue protecting our interests after our military pulls-out?

When our newly specialized Guard Units come home, they are promised a secure future for their service to their country: "Prisoner Control". The consequences inherent in this are obvious and bad enough for us... but?

When the human body's corrective/regenerative functions run wild, we call that cancer. We do not proudly display the malignant growths. And we do not purposely infect our loved ones and our neighbors with similar growths.

Why do we spread our societal disease?

P.S.

Utah prisoners need advocacy & support just like the rest of the nation. Maybe more so? We are the state that broke the moratorium against executions!

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