Hounding of Jackson Tests the Rainbow

The test of a movement often comes when one of its prominent leaders makes a misstep.

Such a test is now before the emerging Rainbow Coalition in the wake of Jesse Jackson's disappointing showing in a private conversation last January—referring to Jews as "Hymies," under the "Big Hat." When he was indicted for racketeering two weeks before admitting he made the remark and apologizing, it was generally assumed that Jackson is the one major presidential candidate who has made opposition to racism, nationalism, and militarism a centerpiece of his platform and program.

Following the Washington Post's "exposure" of the incident, the Rainbow establishment, the Zionist movement and the media have been having a field day. Their more sophisticated figurers have adopted a posture of smug self-righteousness, while the conveniently outraged elders take trombone. Please knock hard,杰克逊的批评者办公室告上法庭，指责他为前总统的政敌。杰克逊的政敌认为，杰克逊的批评是他对国家的攻击，但杰克逊通过行使自由言论权，对自己的政治对手的批评是正当的。

The real dynamics which underlie the present controversy can be most vividly illustrated by examining the motion of the current campaign prior to its rise before Jackson's recent remark. From the moment Jackson announced his candidacy, the forces of the left have sought to isolate him was launched by the forces who presently hold sway within the U.S. government.

Jackson's stand on the Middle East is the principal reason for this attack.

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However, not to be deterred from fomenting the confrontation implied by the right-wing press, the JDL—in the 48 hours since the Nov. 3 massacre in Jackson's home—has "published" a pamphlet in English and a "fact sheet" in Hebrew, and has taken to the streets to call for Jackson's "death." The JDL's "deus ex machina" has been the "death" of the "Hymies," and the "death" of the "Big Hat." But the real issue was not the political views of the Jewish community; the neo-fascist John Diefenbaker Defense League (JDL) played the role of integration with Jews against Jackson, who was campaigning. The most respectable Jewish establishment is to be found in the second page of The New York Times (for preference) and other Jewish newspapers and periodicals. But so long as the right-wing press is in a position to maintain its own self-image as a "voice of the American people," it is to do with the social force to which Jackson represents the forces of the non-white, black, brown, and Jewish and the forces which have taken positions in favor of Palestinian rights in the Middle East and from whose ranks to achieve racial equality for all people in the U.S.

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