

Editorial

Enter the 1,000-year Reich?

While intelligence "experts" such as Henry Kissinger put out the line that the Soviet Union is in the throes of a "succession crisis," that will bring it to the negotiating table, there is quite a different process dominating that country. We refer in particular to the preparations for the celebration of the 1,000th year anniversary of the "Christianization" of Russia—preparations for celebrating the real 1,000-year Reich.

Nor is it simply the rule of the Russian oligarchs over their own people which is being celebrated. The leaders in the Kremlin, the church, and the military are well aware that, if current Western behavior continues, they will be exercising *world* power by that date.

We are rapidly approaching the point at which President Reagan—not to mention the current heads of state in Europe—is doomed to become the *last* President of the United States, leaving the Soviet Union the unchallenged ruler of the world.

A quick survey of the world situation more than substantiates this somber judgment.

In Western Europe, the Soviet Union is exercising dominant political power, to the point that the only solidly pro-American regime, the West German Kohl government, is threatened with collapse. Already, Willy Brandt has taken up the task of running diplomacy with Moscow, for all intents and purposes ignoring the official government in Bonn.

It might appear that this is a dramatic reversal from the situation that prevailed when President Reagan was in Europe early in May. The President clearly created a breach in the Soviet momentum with his German trip, particularly with his speech at Hambach Castle; but in no way did his administration follow up this opening, with concrete commitments to a joint Strategic Defense Initiative, or other tangible offers.

There is an equally dismal picture in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, where the Soviets have been given a free hand to deploy separatist-terrorist groups against one another, in a manner typical of the Byzantine Empire. Yet none of the nations in these areas is able to

turn to the United States, since the United States is still standing squarely behind the foremost executioner of nations, the International Monetary Fund.

If anything, Ibero-America is a more dismal scene from the standpoint of U.S. interests. Henry Kissinger and U.S. support for the IMF have done everything possible to hand the continent over to the Russians, who are posturing like mad against the IMF.

But the most alarming, abysmal situation is in Washington, D.C. itself, where the combined legislatures of the United States have carried out the orders of the IMF and the KGB to the point of dismantling the defenses of the country!

We do not exaggerate in the least. As was stated by a small group of patriots during the Senate debate on the MX missile May 23, the United States has lost its nerve in front of the most determined Soviet challenge.

To read about this vote in the press, is to learn about one more "compromise" on the part of an administration that has defined itself as committed to rebuilding the nation's defenses, above all else. That does not define the singularity of this situation. What happened, when the Senate, and the President, acquiesced to a cut in the MX missile program to 50 missiles maximum, was a signal of surrender to the Soviets.

There is not a senator among them who does not know that the Soviet Union has throw-weight and ICBMs many times greater than the United States. Nor is there a senator who doesn't realize that the Soviets are far ahead of the United States in their program for strategic defense. Yet, it is as if they don't care. The very representatives of our national government appear to have forgotten that the principles on which our country was based, are worth fighting for.

It is impossible not to see the self-satisfaction spreading in the Kremlin. With each new step in dismantling U.S. defenses, their objective comes nearer. Unless republican citizens step forward soon to change the direction of government, the 1,000-year Reich is close indeed.