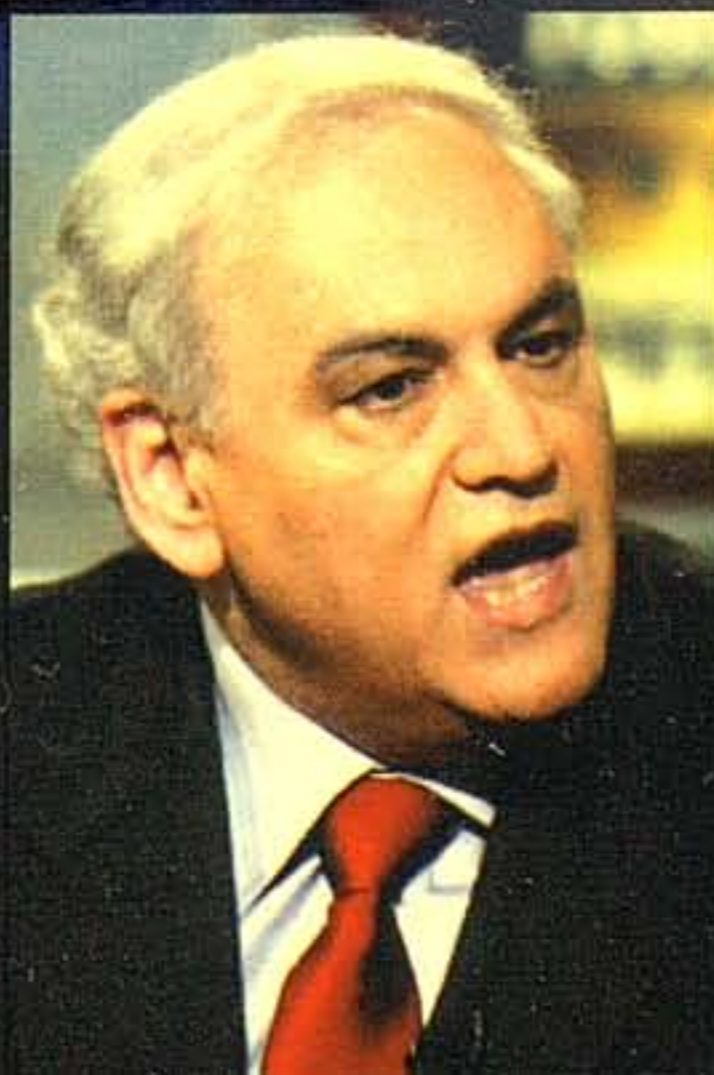


# THE HIGH PRIESTS OF WAR

*The Secret History of How America's  
"Neo-Conservative" Trotskyites Came  
to Power and Orchestrated the War  
Against Iraq as the First Step in  
Their Drive for Global Empire*

BY MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER



*Finally—the uncensored story of the neo-conservative power network that dragged America into war against Iraq . . .*

—Brought to you by the author who unmasked the long-hidden role of Israel's intelligence division—the Mossad—alongside the CIA and the Meyer Lansky crime syndicate, in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy . . .

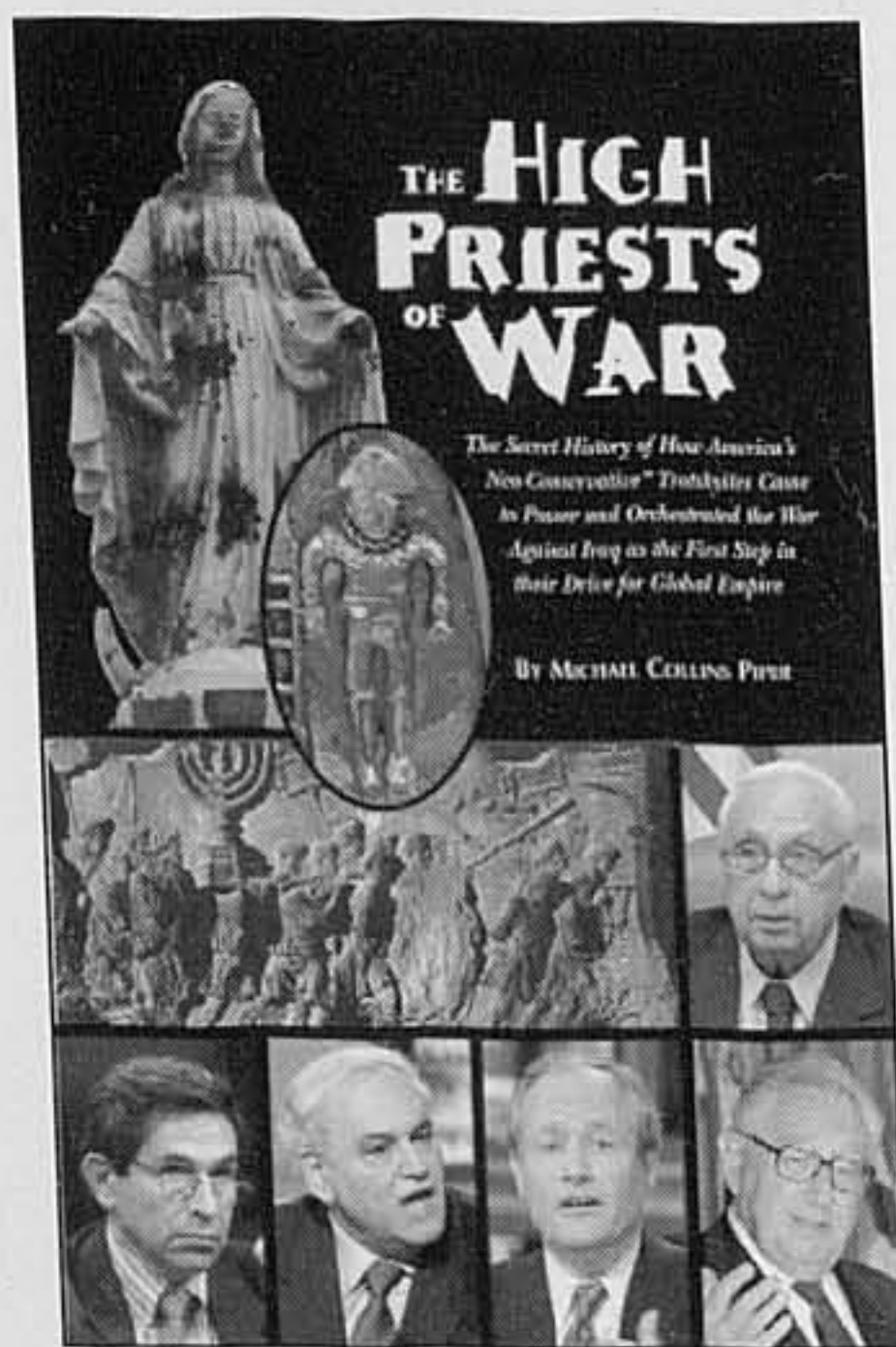
In 1994 Michael Collins Piper stirred up immense controversy with the release of his book, *Final Judgment: The Missing Link in the JFK Assassination Conspiracy*, marshaling vast evidence—theretofore ignored or suppressed—pointing toward the complicity of Israel's spy agency in the crime of the century. Since that time *Final Judgment* has emerged as a veritable underground best-seller, with some 35,000 copies in print and now newly-released in a giant 768-page sixth edition.

Although nobody anywhere has been able to refute Piper's thesis, preferring instead to call him names, *Final Judgment* remains the unchallenged "last word" on the JFK assassination conspiracy.

Now, in *The High Priests of War*, Piper has come forth with what is indisputably the first full-length exposition of the little-known history of the neo-conservative warmongers inside the Bush administration who orchestrated the war against Iraq. *Project Censored* called this the most censored story of 2003. Not any more.

Guaranteed: Nowhere else will you find such an authoritative and comprehensive work detailing the "who, what, when, where, why and how" of the history behind the intrigue that led up to the war against Iraq and the debacle that has followed. The tragedy of Iraq is just beginning.

Whatever happens in the years ahead, Michael Collins Piper's *The High Priests of War* will almost assuredly remain not just the "first word" on—but also the "final judgment" of—the neo-conservatives and the burgeoning threat of world holocaust they've unleashed through their needless no-win war against Iraq.



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## ABOUT THE COVER . . .

At the top left is an image of a statue of the Virgin Mary which an Israeli army tank fired upon on March 14, 2002, shattering the nose and slicing off the hands. The hated statue stood high above the Roman Catholic Holy Family Hospital and Orphanage in Jerusalem adjacent to a Vatican flag. The Israelis fired on the statue at close range. It was not an accident. It was an act of hatred.

And hatred likewise is expressed in the violent image of the hanging of Haman, taken from a Jewish religious artifact. One of the first of many enemies of the Jewish people, Haman's assassination by execution is celebrated on the holiday of Purim, which—just coincidentally, it is said—marked the onslaught of the war against Iraq, a point noted in Jewish newspapers that referred to Saddam Hussein as a modern-day Haman.

At middle-level left is a relief from Rome's Arch of Titus, recalling the sacking of Jerusalem by the Romans and the triumphant seizure of the Jewish temple's menorah.

The fall of Jerusalem—one of the great disasters of Jewish history—was another of the endless series of events marking the conflict of the Middle East that is still being fought out today.

At mid-level right is Ariel Sharon, the brutal Israeli caesar whose hard-line policies against the Christian and Muslim Palestinian Arabs are highly popular among his fellow countrymen and much admired by most American Jewish leaders and their allies in the neo-conservative movement, despite significant grass-roots Jewish opposition notwithstanding.

Sharon's goal of achieving "Greater Israel" is part and parcel of the neo-conservative agenda and the ultimate in hate and imperialism.

At the bottom, from left to right, are Paul Wolfowitz, Richard Perle, William Kristol and Henry Kissinger, perhaps the most powerful figures in the neo-conservative network that orchestrated the tragic U.S. war against Iraq. The neo-conservative High Priests of War dream of establishing a world empire and intend to use America's young people as the cannon fodder to accomplish their goal.

That is hate—and we *must* fight hate.

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The work of John Sugg at atlanta.creativeloafing.com is a "must" for anyone interested in the intrigues of the powers-that-be.

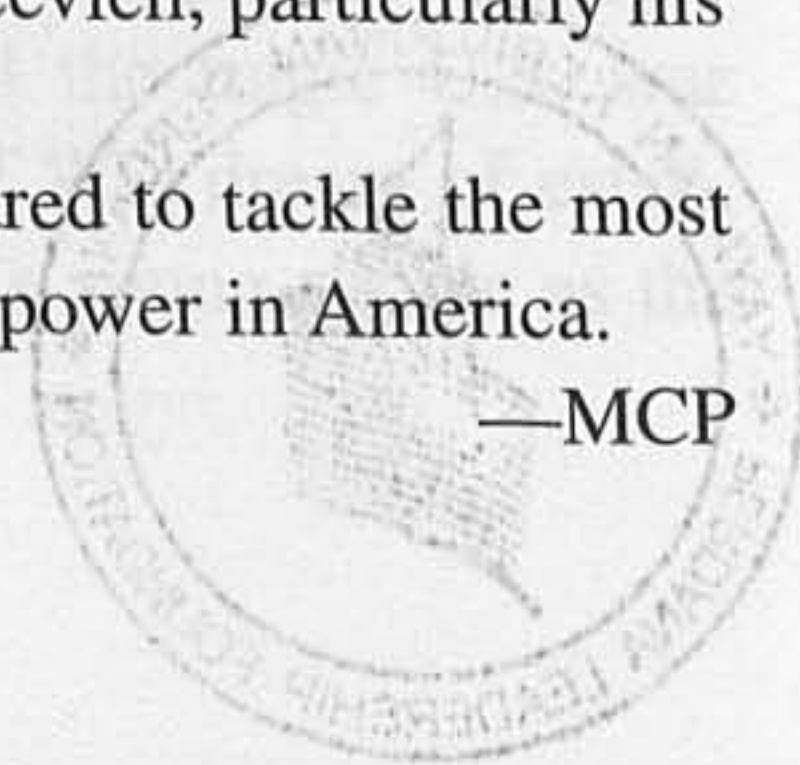
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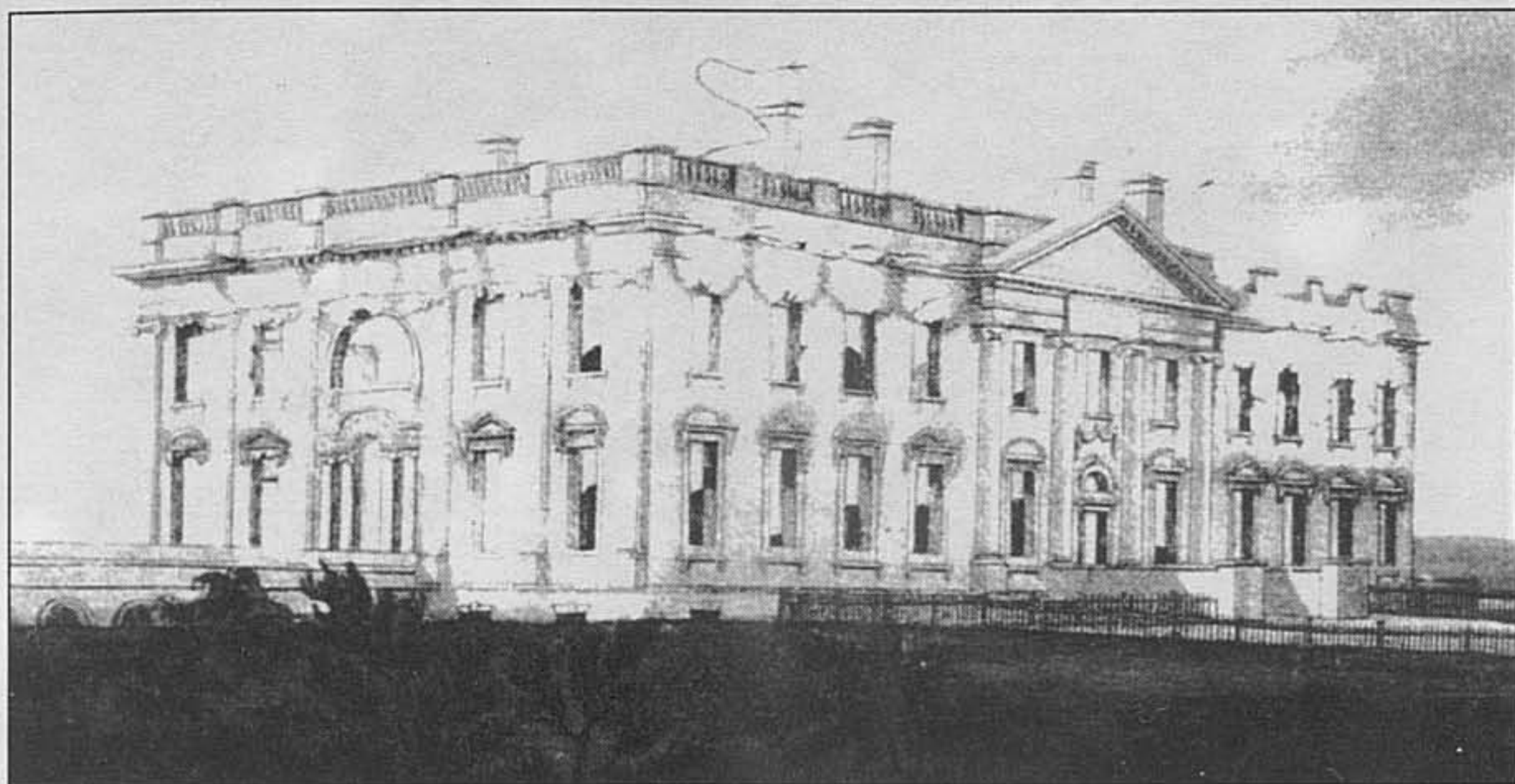
Thanks to those and many others who have dared to tackle the most masterful intriguers ever to assume such immense power in America.

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## “*BAD PLACES*” . . .

“The list of possible Bad Places does not begin with haunted houses and end with haunted hotels; there have been horror stories written about haunted railroad stations, automobiles, meadows, office buildings. The list is endless, and probably all of it goes back to the caveman who had to move out of his hole in the rock because he heard what sounded like voices back there in the shadows. Whether they were actual voices or the voices of the wind is a question we still ask ourselves on dark nights.”

—HORROR MASTER STEPHEN KING

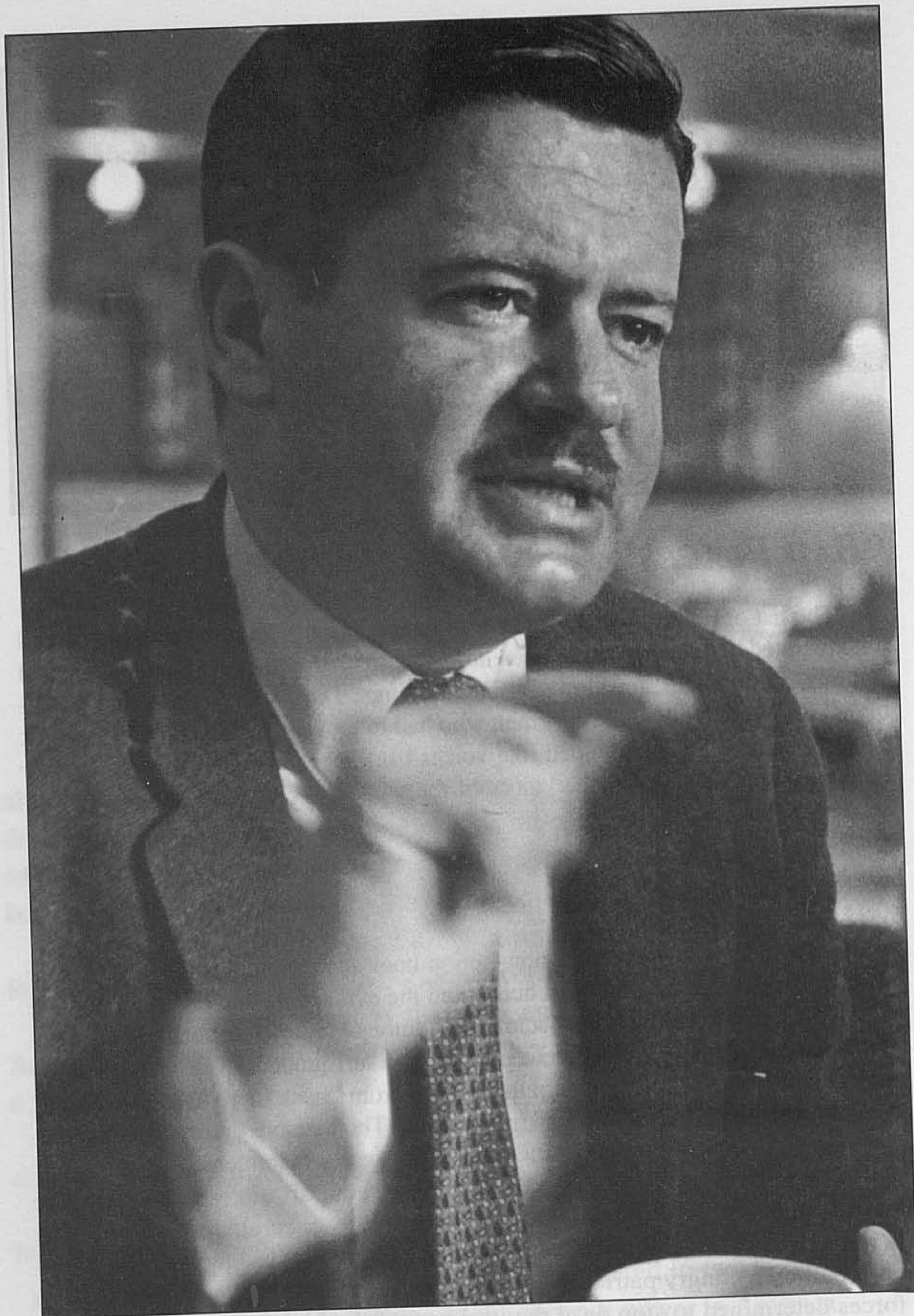
*The High Priests of War* is a non-fiction book that resembles a Gothic horror novel, a classic tale of a haunted house and the evil spirits that dwell within, the story of a wealthy young king—scion of a famous family—ensconced in a stately palace and endowed with great powers, yet surrounded, even possessed, by malevolent demonic forces manipulating him from “back there in the shadows.”

But the high priests of war exist in real life. The damage these neo-conservative war-mongers are doing to America and the world is immense.

If these neo-conservatives continue in their reign of ruin, we should not be surprised to see the White House end up looking once again as it did after being gutted by British torches in 1814: whether the consequence of a popular rebellion by angry patriotic Americans or the result of an attack by foreign forces determined to stop dead the intrigues of the high priests of war.

One thing is certain: *The time has come. Something has to be done . . .*

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*To the one and only*  
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—The fearless journalist who pioneered coverage of the strange intrigues of the neo-conservative warmongers long before they came to be acknowledged by the major media as front-line players on the global stage.

A valued friend and a memorable figure, a raconteur like no other, a bon vivant and a loving husband and proud father, Andrew was a mentor with a track record as an international correspondent few could match.

Andrew's first-on-the-scene reportage exposed the neo-conservatives as the genuine menace to world peace that they are.

—MICHAEL COLLINS PIPER

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## **A United States Senator Speaks Out: *Why Americans are really dying in Iraq . . .***

"With 760 dead in Iraq and over 3,000 maimed for life, home folks continue to argue why we are in Iraq—and how to get out . . . Even President Bush acknowledges that Saddam Hussein had nothing to do with 9-11. . . Of course there were no weapons of mass destruction. Israel's intelligence, Mossad, knows what's going on in Iraq. They are the best. They have to know. Israel's survival depends on knowing. Israel long since would have taken us to the weapons of mass destruction if there were any or if they had been removed. With Iraq no threat, why invade a sovereign country? The answer: President Bush's policy to secure Israel."

—U.S. Senator Ernest F. Hollings (D-S.C.)  
Writing in *The Charlotte Post and Courier*, May 6, 2004

(For making these forthright remarks, in a column in which he also specifically named several of the "high priests of war" described in this book, Sen. Hollings—a longtime friend of the U.S. military—was harshly denounced by the Anti-Defamation League and a host of politicians eager to curry favor with the Israeli lobby. Yet, just shortly before, a respected Jewish newspaper, *Forward*, stated that Israel had benefited from the Iraq war—"uniquely" it said—and that Israeli intelligence had provided information used by the Bush administration to justify the invasion of Iraq. See below for what *Forward* said.)

## **Leading Jewish Newspaper Explains: *Israel "uniquely benefited" from Iraq war . . .***

"On the eve of the war, Israel was a quiet but enthusiastic supporter of America's war plans. Saddam Hussein's military power, it was universally agreed, made him one of the Jewish state's most dangerous adversaries . . . His overthrow was seen as eliminating Israel's most serious existential threat : . . [and Israel] eagerly cooperated . . . sharing information on Iraqi capabilities and intentions . . . meant to help the American action . . . . But because Israel uniquely benefited from a war that is increasingly controversial in America and around the world, fears of speaking out have grown even stronger than they were before the war."

—The New York-based Jewish weekly *Forward*, April 16, 2004