

Deny Nazis publicity

Now the prospect of another possible attempted Nazi march or demonstration in Skokie looms on the horizon.

If it does indeed develop, it is devoutly to be hoped that the matter is handled in a manner which shows we learned something from the last time. Specifically, and your Sunday, March

8, issue already gives grounds for pessimism on this score, it is to be hoped that the media give extremely minimal coverage.

It is to be hoped that village officials have nothing to say to city media, minicam carriers, and so forth. It is to be hoped that they place no obstacles in the way of any contemplated shenanigans - exorbitantly high bonds, dubious contentions about special situations, and the like.

It is to be hoped that Jewish groups maintain their cool (easier for me to say than for them to do); it is to be hoped that Christian groups do likewise. It is to be hoped (though in the village we have no control over this) that national militant groups opposing the Nazis do not come to town.

Then, if there is some sort of rally, or demonstration, it is to be hoped that no one at all turn out for the affair, that there be no counter-demonstration, and that the few odd-balls play to an empty house.

All of this is probably too much to hope. But if we do it that way, we won't have a replay of last time, the Nazis will not get what they want, perhaps no film company will even contemplate a "Skokie II."

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