

Glenn Tells It Like It Is

InstaPundit dares to state the (morally) obvious: that the United States should not be 'neutral' between right and wrong in the Middle East.

As he says himself:

Well, that's why I don't like writing about the Palestinian issue – if you tell the truth, which is that these guys are enemies of civilization, in the grip of a psychotic death cult that will probably lead to their destruction, then you sound shrill.

I also don't write about it much because the Palestinians, fundamentally, are the cannon fodder of other people who don't like the United States, and the real way to resolve this problem is to deal with those other people. And so it's those other people who get the bulk of my attention.

But the amount of pious crap spouted about the Palestinians is so vast that every once in a while I do feel the need to cut through it by pointing out the facts.

Indeed.

And he does so with concise precision. Glenn Reynolds' Instapundit is an effective force for good in the world.

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Cannon Fodder...

Agreed. Cannon Fodder. Unfortunately as this so aptly points out, the cannon fodder are not the main problem, because it would be much easier to pinpoint solutions to the problem if they weren't.

Which brings up the point. If they (unnamed because of the obvious) are the cannon fodder, then who, what, where are the cannons? That too is obvious but what is behind it is usually ignored in the news.

1) Usually there is a rich man hidden well behind the cannon paying

the bill. Saudi wealth and other such sources ? 2) Usually there is an ideologue with an ax to grind who stands forward to light the taper, and then runs. Osama and the like? 3) Usually there are the bystanders (various ax grinders, or would that be organ grinders with pet monkeys) who root vociferously for the cannon shooters and the cannon fodder so long as the cannon does not appear to point at them. What they forget is that cannon(s) easily swivel to any point on the compass and are not beholden to kind words or the cheering section.

Watch out for the financiers, they are the lowest and sneakiest of the bunch and they like to hide their money trail. They look for leaders of lost causes and angry young men to finance and to do their evil dirty work. Who might they be?

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