Review of *One World Renaissance*

by the Honorable A. P. Misra,
former Justice of the Supreme Court of India

The "One World Renaissance" is truly not rediscovery or new revelation of the truth. Glen recognizes that the world has been, is, and will always remain ONE. This book sweeps the cloud of dust of selfish, motivated men in authority who divide people and nations, creating factionalism in every form of activity. Glen has been audacious to state even that global terrorism is the outcome of all this behavior, and is the reason behind which the world looks to be divided against the unassailable truth that the world is one.

Glen is an astute thinker; his clairvoyance pictures the causes of fraction, moral degradation, environmental pollution and amassing of nuclear arsenals with positive suggestions on how to bring peace and unity on earth. He has been working towards this goal for many years with diligence, sincerity and dedication: working for a world parliament and promoting the Constitution for the Federation of the Earth through the World Constitution and Parliament Association, of which he is the soul. This book discloses his positive grounding for this vision.

Today science and technology are taking us to the sky and beyond. In contrast, lack of morality and ethics are drowning us in the abysmal morass. Glen has beautifully analyzed the reasons as to why human beings continue in disharmony, violence and chaos,
endangering the very existence of our species. In support he has referred to the views of various philosophers, scholars and men of wisdom. Theologian Gordon D Kaufman very strongly said;

*With our enormous technological power we may be bringing human history to a close. Before it is too late we must learn to develop politics of peace and interdependence rather one of self-protection and national Sovereignty.*

Glen also drew support from Einstein's theory of Special Relativity, showing that none of the fundamental aspects of the Cosmos (space, time, matter, motion and energy) could be understood separately. Each is part of an integrated whole. He also referred to recent Quantum theory, which negates the notion of fundamentally separate objects, including human consciousness. With elegance, he has widened the concept of ethics, from the commonly understood behavior of one towards others and society to also being an integral part of the cosmos, exhibiting all conceivable things to be only part of the whole.

Man is part of nature; how could he be separate from it? Nature's basic tendency is to Unite; only our mind divides. This is what ancient Indian Vedic *Advaita* philosophy speaks of: every thing in the universe, including all living creatures are only part of an inseparable whole. Both you and I are one. We may only differ in name. The first principle of the ethics is to realize that other is you and you are the other. Whitehead affirms.

*Every actual entity is present in every other actual entity.*
Glen interestingly similarly records that the first principle of ethics is to realize that the other is you and you are the other. Swami Vivekananda described Universe as Sea and every thing within it are waves of that Sea. How can one separate waves from the Sea?

Nature displays Unity in Diversity. Day and night birth and death, black and white. Man's body consists of multiple diverse functioning organs but each functions in unison showing Unity. Today, the global political scenario is in contrast to the above. In the name of patriotism and national gain, and irrespective of injuries to others, people are dividing the earth, creating conflicts and wars; big powers with massive nuclear arsenals dominating the smaller nations and finally with Veto power, dismantling the very fabric of democracy. Each is in contradiction to peace.

After World War I, the League of Nations was formed and failed. After World War II, great hope and aspiration came in the U.N.O., which is also crumbling such expectation. It has failed to redress the onslaught on smaller nations by big powers. Continuous mounting of nuclear threats by big nations forces smaller nations to align with one or other for their protection, further dividing people and the nations. Can peace come with this? Under U.N. Charter, the Security Council has to decide which country is aggressor. But could ever such decision be taken against countries with Veto power? The author draws support from number of great thinkers. Benjamin Barber says,
Unless we globalize democracy, the rule of public enforceable law for every one on earth, it is unlikely that we will survive much longer on this planet.

From 16th century till this date, this book traces the opinions and views of philosophers: thinkers expressing explicitly that world problem could only be solved by World Federation of nations, with enforceable world laws with one Parliament. As Glen records, Mahatma Gandhi in 1942 got the following resolution passed by the Indian National Congress.

The Committee is of the opinion that the future peace, security and ordered progress of the World demand a World federation of free nations and on no other basis can the problem of the modern world would be solved . . . for the prevention of aggression and exploitation by one nation over another . . . and for pooling of the world resources for the common good of all.

What this book speaks is no more in the realm of philosophers’ imaginative concepts. It has started taking shape gradually world over. Similar concepts for a World Parliament, with enforceable international laws, has been resolved year after year since 2000 AD by World’s Chief Justices’ Conference at the City Montessori School of Lucknow, India. This school was winner of 2002 UNESCO award for peace education and also by the Heavenly Culture World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL), an organization registered with Foreign Ministry of Republic of Korea. A seed grows only on fertile land; it would not grow in desert. Today, for achieving this positive objective proper groundings are being prepared, fighting against strong negative forces. The day is not too long when world will see peace and joy, when a golden age will dawn on earth.
When 27 countries of Europe could have a common parliament, with 16 countries having common currency (Euro), why not other continents following for the World Parliament with a common currency? In support of this, see what past, great men have said.

Noble Laureate Jan Tin Bergen said;

*Mankind's problem can no longer be solved by national government; what is needed is a World Government. This can best be achieved by strengthening the UNO.*

H.E. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam former President of India on a visit to Tanzania said;

*There is an urgent need . . . . to work for the democratization in the functioning of the United Nation and that there should be no Veto Power.*

Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru said while strongly preaching for World Parliament,

*Either the world will Unite or Perish.*

Dr. S. Radha Krishnan former President of India said;

*There will be one Central authority to which the instruments of coercion will be surrendered . . . . and a fraction of the sovereignty of Independent nation States will have to give up for the security of the whole World.*

World leaders have been trying for peace since after World War I, but every effort is failing. It is a high time to change our thought, revolutionize changes in the present system to bring peace on earth.

I congratulate Glen T. Martin for his learned, practical and divine thought for world unity and peace. It is absorbing reading, with hope
and aspiration, concerning how our fragmented and cracking world disorder could be harmonized into an integrated world order. This book is for philosophers, for students of peace education, for research scholars and for person's in authority, and finally for those seeking hope for peace and happiness on earth.

Jus. A.P. Misra