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While Walter Duranty as the Moscow correspondent for The New York Times was contributing to disinformation on a monstrous scale, in 1932-33 the genocidal man-made famine (Holodomor) raged in Soviet Ukraine, orchestrated by Joseph Stalin and his government. Millions died and the United States recognized the Soviet Union diplomatically giving it entry into the League of Nations. All was covered up, except for a few journalists who could get the truth out. Walter Duranty besmirched their reputations becoming the authority on the Soviet Union.

Walter Duranty received the prestigious journalism Pulitzer Prize for his 1931 articles in 1932 on Stalin's Collectivization Program, which led to the Holodomor and the murder of millions.

The Pulitzer Committee states, that it awards its prize on "excellence in journalism, capturing events accurately as they occur". Giving a Pulitzer Prize to an opportunistic journalist, who falsified the truth and lied to the American public does not meet the standards of the Pulitzer Committee

Pulitzer Committee's decision not to rescind Duranty's prize, claiming that there was "no evidence of deliberate deception" is without credibility. In the light of all the documentation that has surfaced since, and The New York Times discrediting Duranty's reporting, we ask you to finally do the right thing, and stand on the principles of the Pulitzer Prize. Revoke the prize and show to the world that there is honor in apologizing and correcting a falsehood!