

The Assassination Plot Against LaRouche

The unfolding anatomy of a terrorist activation

Using the city of Detroit as a paradigm, U.S. Labor Party counterintelligence expert Paul Goldstein outlines in the following article how a terrorist apparatus was developed through a variety of liberal funding conduits, and deployed to assassinate U.S. Labor Party Chairman Lyndon H. LaRouche. Goldstein's article originally appeared in New Solidarity July 21.

At this moment, U.S. Labor Party headquarters in New York City has in its possession corroborated evidence of a nationwide plot to assassinate the party's Presidential candidate, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

The evidence indicates that this plot is the opening foray of the European-style terrorist wave which has long been predicted for the United States by London's "terrorism experts." But the timing of this wave of terror confirms that it is a counteroffensive to prevent the U.S. from joining the Grand Design policies emerging out of the Bremen and Bonn summits — policies which were formulated nearly three and a half years ago by Lyndon LaRouche in his widely circulated International Development Bank (IDB) proposal. It is precisely because of LaRouche's IDB and its impact on the Bonn Summit that the political forces associated with the Black Guelph-British oligarchy, including the Zionist Lobby's B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, the Second International-run United Auto Workers of America, the terrorist-supporting National Lawyers Guild, and, such left-wing countergangs as the self-styled "Communist Labor Party," are aiming to eliminate LaRouche.

Security officials of various governments and private agencies have been presented with the material that follows, and have generally concurred with the U.S. Labor Party's evaluation that such a terrorist deployment is underway on three levels:

On the first level, a nationwide pattern of intensive surveillance of LaRouche's activities has been ongoing since as early as July 6, 1978. This surveillance has involved "street" elements associated with anarchist, Maoist, and black nationalist cults under the control of the Anti-Defamation League, the United Auto Workers and the Washington, D.C.-based Institute for Policy Studies.

On the second level, a top-down pressure campaign has been launched to isolate LaRouche from key supporters within particular industrial, corporate, and related political networks.

On the third level, known terrorist networks have set into motion — either to perpetrate the actual assassination, or to act as the "cover" for an operation conducted by professional "hit teams."

Prior to July 6, personnel from the U.S. Labor Party's Executive Protection section began to pick up evidence

of surveillance on party Chairman LaRouche. Although there were no indications that an assassination operation was underway at that time, the personnel initiated an investigation and systematically gridded every incident of surveillance.

On July 6, at 3:00 pm, the first surveillance was spotted as LaRouche was returning from a meeting with banking officials in New York City. The surveillance vehicle was a blue Chevrolet van bearing Michigan license plates. Inside the van there were two men and one woman.

Five days later, at Chicago's O'Hare Airport, a man wearing either binoculars or a telescopic camera was seen surveilling USLP security personnel about one hour prior to LaRouche's arrival in Chicago. Police could not identify the individual in question and by the time USLP personnel attempted to reach the suspect he had disappeared.

On July 14, two days before LaRouche was to stop in Detroit, a USLP security officer was followed to the hotel where reservations were being made for the candidate. The individual following the security officer was a white, 50-55 year old male with a German-Jewish accent, who asked a series of questions about LaRouche. When queried about his interest in LaRouche, the person left, only to be spotted again tailing the security officer.

By the time LaRouche arrived in Detroit, another surveillance car was spotted following the LaRouche entourage from the airport. The car tailing LaRouche was a 1959 Plymouth Valiant with a middle aged white driving.

On Sunday, July 16, the day of LaRouche's public appearance at Detroit's Veterans' Memorial Hall, two vehicles arrived at the hall five minutes apart. The first car, a 1978 Chrysler LeBaron bearing Michigan license plates entered the driveway of Veterans' Hall and parked horizontally, deliberately blocking the entrance. Upon investigation, the license plates were found to be registered to a 1969 Ford two-door sedan, not the Chrysler. A black man in his early twenties wearing sneakers and ragged clothes emerged from the car and ran as fast as he could to an unknown destination.

A second vehicle, a battered blue and white Ford van with unidentifiable license plates, then pulled up into the exit portion of the same driveway, blocking it. A uniformed Detroit police officer requested that the driver remove the vehicle. The driver, a light-skinned black in his early twenties refused, at which point the police officer was forced to draw his revolver compelling the individual to leave the exit area.

Fortunately, due to a slight delay at the hotel, the LaRouche arrival was forestalled for 10-15 minutes, and the two cars were unable to block the candidate's vehicle from safely entering the hall's driveway.

This use of cars and vans to trap the target's car in the street conforms exactly to the characteristic modus operandi of terrorist hits like the kidnapping of West German industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer and former Italian Premier Aldo Moro. Every professional security official contacted fully agrees with this evaluation of this last incident.

The final episode that took place in Detroit occurred on Monday, July 17: after a meeting at a restaurant, three large vans tailed the car carrying LaRouche.

The U.S. Labor Party has documented evidence, including material released to the party under the Freedom of Information Act, showing that LaRouche has been under the threat of assassination since 1974. The initial attempt was conducted by British intelligence-controlled "left CIA" networks including elements of the Institute for Policy Studies (IPS), the Communist Party USA, and certain Warsaw Pact intelligence agencies contaminated by Britain's Secret Intelligence Service.

In the summer of 1977, at the same time that West German banker Jürgen Ponto was murdered by members of the Baader-Meinhof gang, the Labor Party was informed by members of American and European intelligence agencies that the Baader-Meinhof had a "hit list" which included LaRouche along with several other major political and financial figures. Countermeasures and broad publication of the Labor Party's evidence of British intelligence control of the Baader-Meinhof protected LaRouche at that time. A less well-protected Hanns-Martin Schleyer was killed by the Baader-Meinhof later that fall.

The Labor Party has determined that now several of the same left-cover groups which were involved in the 1974 operations, plus British-controlled U.S. rightist groups like the Ku Klux Klan and Robert DePugh's Minutemen, have been mobilized for possible assassination attempts.

It should also not be excluded that special "hit teams"

Francis M. Watson Caught In Plot Against LaRouche

This statement was released on July 20 by the U.S. Labor Party's security division in New York.

The U.S. Labor Party has caught known intelligence operative Francis M. Watson of the Rockford College Institute red-handed in preparations against USLP National Chairman and 1980 presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche. According to a highly informed source in the U.S. business community, Watson is traveling around the country meeting with banking, corporate and other officials briefing them that the USLP is a terrorist organization.

This particular operation conforms precisely with a recently escalating pattern of incidents within the business community designed to discredit LaRouche and isolate the Labor Party leader from his political supporters. The modus operandi is to create a climate of opinion within U.S. leadership layers that LaRouche and the USLP are involved in violent activity; if an assassination is carried out, there will then be an attempt to explain it away as part of the violent atmosphere around the organization.

Watson has authored a 24-page report published and circulated through the Heritage Foundation. The report is a compendium of past slanders and attacks on the USLP taken mainly from the Institute for Policy Studies-CounterSpy publications and the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*. This report has been funnelled into congressional offices in Washington, D.C. as part of the operation. It was published in June 1978 under the Heritage Foundation political science series No. 7, *The Institution Analysis*. The Heritage Foundation is a conservative think tank located in Washington, D.C. through which many well-intentioned conservatives express their political views.

However, many of the individuals on the Heritage

Foundation's board of directors, and the editorial board of the foundation's Policy Review journal are British intelligence operatives and members of the London based International Institute for Strategic Studies. This makes the fact of British control of Watson's operation more than clear. A careful gridding and cross-referencing of the recent activities of Heritage Foundation personalities, such as Mr. Watson, points to their involvement in the British directed attempt to stop LaRouche and the USLP from implementing the Bremen and Bonn Summit programs for a new world monetary system which LaRouche proposed three years ago.

This sabotage operation began prior to July 1 on the eve of the Bremen Summit, when key London-allied New York investment banks realized what policies would emerge from the Bremen and Bonn summits. The British are taking steps to eliminate LaRouche from the international political arena because they understand the integral relationship between LaRouche's activities in Europe over the past 18 months, and the decision by European banking, industrial and government circles to move at Bonn and Bremen for a program that will destroy the City of London's political and financial control over world monetary policies.

It should be noted in this connection that the recent activities of Henry Kissinger in Chicago, George Meyers of Standard Oil of Indiana, Lord Dennis Greenhill of British Petroleum and others are part of the same deployment against LaRouche. The Labor Party calls upon all businessmen, bankers, corporate and trade union officials to come forward with information concerning the activities of these men and individuals like Watson who are not only out to assassinate LaRouche, but to destroy the vital interests of the United States.

of Israeli intelligence (Shin Beth) circles would execute the operation. The motivation of Israeli Shin Beth, or factions within it, for attempting to murder LaRouche should be seen in the context of the role which the Zionist Lobby networks in Israel and the U.S. play for the British aristocracy in the latter's attempt to disrupt the Grand Design policies by triggering another Mideast war. It is known that certain top-level businessmen connected to the B'nai B'rith have requested Israeli intelligence to deploy special squads to the U.S. to "handle" so-called "anti-semitic" groups and individuals

In coordination with this activation, individuals with whom LaRouche was to meet have been contacted and pressured into cancelling their meetings. People have been told, for instance, that "LaRouche has no political base." This is purely an attempt to give the "cover of credibility" to any assassination: "LaRouche was isolated and knocked off by some nut group with whom he had political differences."

In this context, the name of Henry Kissinger has repeatedly surfaced. Kissinger, the British oligarchs' instrument, was recently in Chicago at the same time as LaRouche and is known to have met with key corporate and banking officials to "gently" dissuade them from meeting with LaRouche. It is the same Henry Kissinger who collaborates with Max Fisher, a Zionist Lobby agent operating in Detroit through the New Detroit and B'nai B'rith. Fisher, in turn, knows the terrorist and assassination apparatus in the Detroit area quite well.

This point is vital! If any trade unionist, industrialist, scientist, engineer, or corporate executive has been so telephoned or told directly to "stay away from LaRouche," then he or she must understand that this call is part of an attempt to isolate and murder LaRouche.

The following are the details of the conspiracy as it is now known; this information has been forwarded to relevant law enforcement and intelligence agencies.

Upon a carefully conducted investigation with the aid of private security agencies, the individuals first spotted in New York City were later traced to be connected with the Labor-Community Interfaith Coalition Against the Nazis.

This umbrella organization, which houses such groups as the National Lawyers Guild, the "Communist Labor Party," the Jewish Community Council and is headed by an ex-UAW official from Local 600, has been involved in a series of contrived violent "left" versus "right" confrontations in Detroit. Several persons were either stabbed or beaten as a result of these incidents. Additionally, the investigation so far has turned up a bookstore called the Ableman's Bookstore, which intersects the above individuals and organizations. Some of the key figures are members of the Detroit Common Council and radical lawyers directly connected to the terrorist CounterSpy organization now going under the name Repression Information Project. The Lawyers Guild collaborates with the Committee to Stop Government Spying, a self-styled liberal group designed to impede law enforcement.

CounterSpy, an organization set up to help dismantle the CIA's anti-terror capability, was the prime vehicle for profiling and carrying out the assassination of Richard Welch, the CIA Station Chief in Athens in 1975.

The RIP and its CounterSpy predecessor had published a pamphlet called the *NCLC: Brownshirts of the 70s* with a prominent picture of NCLC chairman Lyndon LaRouche with a swastika superimposed on the cover. Since that time, three publications have been widely distributed throughout these left countergang networks, with one entire publication dedicated to the *NCLC: America's Largest Political Intelligence Army*. It is known that the RIP-CounterSpy group has set up a monitoring operation across the country on the USLP.

In Seattle, the Left Bank Bookstore run by an avowed terrorist and George Jackson Brigade supporter, Paul Zinsel, whose daughter is currently in the Weatherunderground organization, has formed over a year ago the "Coalition to Stop the USLP," which has not only attempted physical assaults against members of the USLP but has threatened Lyndon LaRouche personally. Recently, Zinsel sent a fundraising letter to the liberal-left community citing the Coalition to Stop the USLP as one of his political activities — activities which fall under the heading of "anti-Nazi activity."

The connections to the right-wing or ostensibly the conservative side of this profiling and monitoring operation is channelled through the John Birch Society, Richard Viguerie's operation and the Heritage Foundation. In June 1978, the Heritage Foundation published a 24-page compendium of black propaganda against the USLP and specifically targeting LaRouche with most of the 34 footnotes coming from the CounterSpy, Repression Information Project and assorted left-right publications including the Washington Post and New York Times slanders.

A full circle is then drawn back to the Detroit side of the operation.

Why Detroit was chosen as the battleground for carrying out the assassination is explainable in the following terms. Since the 1967 riots, Detroit has been turned into one of the most vicious examples of what British-inspired counterinsurgency methods organized through corrupted banking, corporate and union organizations can do against the population and its industrial base. Out of the riots emerged a series of organizations which incorporated this apparatus that housed many of the aforementioned institutions, namely New Detroit.

New Detroit was the front for key banking circles, the United Auto Workers, the B'nai B'rith-Anti-Defamation League, and industrial concerns including the Ford Motor Company, which was gulled into the operation.

By 1969, a group of black workers with legal assistance from a black lawyer named Ken Cockrel formed the League of Revolutionary Black Workers which was itself formed out of the various "wildcat strike" committees that originated in the auto plants. The funding for this came from New Detroit, the Central Methodist Church, and other "liberal" contributors. These committees were known as the Dodge Revolutionary Union Movement (DRUM), Eldon Gear and Axle RUM (ELRUM) and so forth.

Along with Cockrel, the key individuals in the League were John Watson, Mike Hamlin, and General G. Baker. Watson later traveled to Italy under the auspices of the

Rabinowitz Foundation which funds CounterSpy-IPS and "laundered" through such pro-terrorist organizations as Lotta Continua. Lotta Continua serves today as one of the key recruiting grounds for the homicidal Red Brigades. Mike Hamlin later split with the League of Revolutionary Black Workers to form another pseudo-organization called the Black Workers Congress which joined hands with an avowed terrorist organization, the Nov. 4th Coalition which planned the attempt to turn the July 4, 1976 Bicentennial celebration into a terrorist spectacle. The other figure is General G. Baker, a young hoodlum from Highland Park, Michigan who formed a "Communist League" cell at the Chrysler Jefferson plant in 1970 and who is now the upfront "organizer" of the "Communist Labor Party."

Cockrel, who had top security clearance from the Air Force and who was most likely in Air Force intelligence, gained notoriety during the early 1970s. In 1971-72 Cockrel defended young black youths who had assassinated Detroit policemen ostensibly as a response to the special police squads known as STRESS (Stop The Robberies; Enjoy Safe Streets), a special "death squad" unit set up by Ford Foundation agent and now president of the Police Foundation Patrick Murphy. Murphy was brought to Detroit in 1970 to reorganize the police along the lines that New Detroit-LEAA programs demanded.

By 1972, Cockrel along with his girlfriend Sheila Murphy, a member of Saul Alinsky's West Side organization, were also running the "new left" side of the apparatus called the Motor City Labor League, an umbrella organization that contained several anti-war groups, but more significantly community control organizations that were running prison reform programs. During this period, Cockrel received a \$10,000 check from New Detroit to aid his terrorist endeavors.

One of the key individuals involved in this aspect of creating the terrorist operation was Les Biederman and his wife Bonnie, both currently members of the "Communist Labor Party" and the Anti-Nazi coalition. Biederman is a professor at Oakland Community College where he teaches in the Sociology department and in the past was the coordinator of the group Control, Conflict and Change (CCC). His sociology class and the CCC acted as a recruiting ground for many "exoffenders," who were released from Jackson State prison and local halfway houses, and then funnelled into the "Communist Labor Party."

Part of this halfway house network was the religious sect called the Baha'i House in Farmington, a Detroit suburb, where many of the former offenders and drug addicts were funnelled. According to police reports, this house was raided several times and large drug caches were found that linked the house to the major Latin American drug running operation. The Baha'i sect itself was a 19th century creation of Sir Richard Burton, the Colonial Office agent and translator of the "Arabian Nights" as one of the various British synthetic religions used for running covert intelligence operations.

In order to protect these networks from the crackdowns that were being carried out by legitimate police agencies, the UAW-ADL and its "new left-grassroots"

organizations ran Institute for Policy Studies and former CIA operative Justin Ravitz for the Detroit Records Court, the city municipal court. Ravitz, a supposedly avowed "Marxist-Leninist," won the election in 1972 with funding and backing from the UAW and ADL.

Ravitz and his chief cohort Ken Cockrel remain prominent in the political situation in Detroit. Cockrel in 1977 was elected to the Common Council with funding from Avern Cohn, a partner in Max Fisher's hired law firm. Avern Cohn is one of the top UAW-Democratic party operatives who have especially targeted the USLP and its supporters for political harassment and financial warfare. After a stint as Mayor Coleman Young's Treasurer for his reelection campaign, Cohn was placed on the Detroit Crime Commission to run a counteroperation against USLP organizing against the terror apparatus.

The other leading figure with connections to international terrorism is Hugh "Buck" Davis, a top National Lawyers Guild attorney and controller over the Communist Labor Party. Davis brags publicly about his terrorist connections in Mexico and France and proclaims openly his direct connections to the CounterSpy apparatus. Davis's law partner and another top NLG attorney, Ron Glotta, formed an electoral committee called "Lawyers for Baker."

"Lawyers for Baker" is a funding conduit for the campaign for election to the Michigan state legislature of General Baker, the nominal head of the "Communist Labor Party." Not accidentally the current head of the Anti-Defamation League, Lobenthal, gave a significant contribution to the General Baker's campaign for State Representative in 1976.

This is the same funding conduit used to channel money into the Labor-Community Interfaith Council Against the Nazis, which also gets a sizable amount of money from the Michigan UAW Community Action program. The Michigan Community Action Program is headed up by an individual named Sam Fishman, a close associate of Avern Cohn and Max Fisher.

It is this apparatus and network which has been carrying out the surveillance of LaRouche. It is this organized conspiracy of financiers, and their agents in the trade unions and "left" and "right" organizations which are conducting the blackmail and harassment campaign against corporate executives who seek to ally with the economic development program that came out of Bremen and Bonn. The same network now has UAW president Doug Fraser announcing a program of "class war" against the corporations at a press conference in Washington, D.D. on July 19. It is the same operation that the oligarchist forces — the Black Guelphs — have historically utilized to stop Neoplatonic city-building policies. This kind of manipulable rabble was used to destroy the prohumanist forces in France after the successful establishment of the American humanist republic in the late 18th century and is now being used as expendable instruments for destroying the city-building forces in the United States.

The U.S. Labor Party calls upon Congress, the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, corporate executives, and trade unions to demand an investigation into the plot to assassinate LaRouche.