

Editorial

The beast is on a rampage

Appeasement does not prevent war. Practiced toward carnivorous beasts like a Hitler or a Marshal Ogarkov, it accelerates the onset of war. That is why Neville Chamberlain is the most famous British prime minister: He kissed Hitler's foot, said "peace in our time"—and Hitler went on a rampage he was only then willing to risk. At Munich, war became certain.

Viewing the West from the windows of the Kremlin, the imperial Russian beast is now preparing to risk as much. The military junta there sees appeasers controlling the adversary power, and is preparing a rampage. The pull-out from the Olympics, without a shred of pretext, is only a bellwether. The United States did not "provoke" such action, as one might argue that Russia's invasion of Afghanistan provoked the U.S. pull-out in 1980. Carnivores do not require provocation.

EIR's followers know what we have said on this score, with absolute clarity since the shoot-down of the Korean airliner last September. The Soviet Union is going for a strategically decisive face-down of the West as early as this year or next, the "instinctive" Russian response to the policy dominating the West: appeasement.

In Europe, they see only terrified little men in their path; they also see the reason for Europe's terror: Henry Kissinger runs Ronald Reagan, and Walter Mondale is Neville Chamberlain reincarnate.

Prime Minister Andreotti of Italy, whom they threatened last month with "a new Pompeii," kissed Chernenko's foot, attacked U.S. missile deployment, and returned to Rome promising "new Soviet peace initiatives" soon; Genscher of Germany, whom they threaten with a surgical invasion, kisses any Soviet foot he can find, attacks U.S. beam-weapons development, and praises Kissinger's plan for U.S.-European "decoupling"—he will visit Moscow to "persuade" the Soviets to come to the Olympics. Maggie Thatcher speaks daily of "positive contacts" and imminent "new negotiations." Prime Minister Papandreou announced that Greece will no longer spend money for NATO, and then praised the Soviets as saviors against U.S. imperialism in Africa. The Dutch and Danish governments are preparing to ban U.S. missiles from their territory.

Chernenko, now hosting Poland's Jaruzelski, has responded as we said he would: "Appeals for contacts and negotiations are being heard," but every such offer from the West is a "premeditated fraud."

Don't blame the suicidal Europeans. In extenuation of their timidity, they have no protection against the Russian beast; Henry Kissinger, without a single repudiating remark from Reagan, has proposed that the United States not defend their nations. Appeasement runs rampant.

The marshals' leers must have grown obscene when they heard poor, deceived Ronald Reagan deliver his most recent "anti-communist" tirade on Cuba, Nicaragua, and the PLO. The meaning of such "anti-communism" is that Kissinger, who regularly kisses another part of Russian anatomy, is the President's ventriloquist. Reagan says nothing, and probably knows little, of the worst Soviet provocations in Berlin in 20 years, of their conducting the largest naval maneuvers in history, of Ibero-American nations verging on bloody social upheaval due to IMF lending conditionalities, nor of the pending destruction of the U.S. banking system. The Russians alone have several means to pull off this "monetary Pearl Harbor."

Walter Mondale? His campaign has been based on wrecking the defense budget and in particular, the beam-weapons program, ever since KGB official Fyodor Burlatskii wrote that it was a "*casus belli*" last year. In May 9's *Red Star*, Ogarkov responded to such submission: "Work on these weapons is going on in many countries, for example, the United States. . . . Their creation is a reality in the immediate future, and to ignore that even now would be a serious mistake." The more you crawl, the less you get.

We may already be past Munich. Regardless, survival now absolutely depends on LaRouche's policy. Launch an emergency defense mobilization with Roosevelt's economic drive of 1939-43 as the model, going way beyond our present "industrial defense base" and crashing through with laser and related industrial applications and defensive systems. In this way we may still be able to *prevent* the war which appeasement would make inevitable.