

National News

O'Reilly challenges Mondale machine

Patrick O'Reilly is leading a slate of over 25 LaRouche Democrats filing for major offices in Minnesota in the Democratic Farmer-Labor Party (DFL) primary to be held on Sept. 1. A family farmer in the state's 2nd Congressional District, O'Reilly is one of eight candidates backed by the National Democratic Policy Committee (NDPC) who are running for office throughout the state's eight congressional districts.

O'Reilly, who won 38% of the vote in a previous congressional bid in 1982, is challenging incumbent Republican Congressman Vin E. Weber who, when called upon at a recent town meeting to adopt the six-point LaRouche program to stop farm foreclosures and save the nation's food supply through a new low-interest monetary system backed by gold, replied: "I support a gold standard, but I have no idea how to implement it."

Baltimore Sun editor harbors LSD lab

A high-level protector of the dope lobby in the press has been caught red-handed in Baltimore.

Capping a six-month investigation into LSD distribution in the state of Maryland, Montgomery county and state police have broken what is believed to be the largest LSD manufacturing and distribution ring in the state. Arrested in the case was Jeffrey Patrick Lemmon who lives at the home of his father, John M. Lemmon, the managing editor of *The Evening Sun*.

The local chapter of the National Anti-Drug Coalition (NADC) had fingered John Lemmon as running a protection racket for Dope, Inc. as early as 1982, when Lemmon directed a harassment and slander campaign against NADC leader and former Democratic congressional candidate Debra Freeman. Freeman was leading a citizens' effort

to implement Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche's "Operation Street Sweep" to wipe out drugs.

Lemmon employed the services of FBI stringer and *Evening Sun* reporter Mark Arax to terrorize contributors to Freeman's congressional bid. Later, Lemmon ran a lead editorial in *The Evening Sun* pledging to prevent Freeman from ever seeking public office again. He proceeded to heavily promote the political aspirations of U.S. Rep. Barbara A. Mikulski, who is today a national official of the Mondale presidential campaign.

According to Sgt. Ronald Ricucci of the Montgomery county narcotics squad, not only were large quantities of LSD, heroin, liquid LSD, marijuana, and drug paraphernalia seized at the Towson home of *The Evening Sun's* managing editor, but also housed there was a large-scale LSD laboratory. Although no charges were brought against the elder Lemmon, it is hard to believe that he was unaware that a major drug ring was being run out of his home.

Carter-Mondale revisited: Lance banking scams

Just as Mondale is stirring up the bad taste of the Carter administration with his appointment of Bert Lance as his presidential campaign chief, new allegations have surfaced regarding Lance's involvement in loans from Tennessee banks currently under federal grand jury investigation.

The investigation is aimed at the fallen \$3 billion banking empire of bankrupt financiers Jake and C. H. Butcher, Jr., whose banks loaned about \$3.2 million to Lance and two of his companies from December 1980 to July 1982.

Government documents last year called the Butcher loans to Lance "friendly" and questioned "the sufficiency of the collateral and Lance's intention or ability to repay" the loans. According to a report in the *Knoxville Journal* on July 19, the grand jury probe has subpoenaed records of the "friendly" loans to Bert Lance and his two companies.

Lance resigned as President Jimmy

Carter's budget director in 1977 after questions were raised about his banking practices. He was indicted in 1979 on 22 counts of bank fraud, but a jury acquitted him on nine counts and the others were either dismissed or dropped.

Lance, who became a close friend of Jake Butcher after both lost Democratic primary bids to become governors of their home states in 1974, helped Butcher gain political and business connections to bring the 1982 World's Fair to Knoxville, the paper said.

U.S. retakes lead in world laser development

Fusion scientists at the California Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory test fired 8 of the 10 beams of the \$176 million Nova laser facility in the third week of June. Nova is designed to demonstrate that laser fusion energy generation can work. The successful test firing delivered a total light pulse of 57 trillion watts within a billionth of a second.

Nova will replace the Japanese Gekko XII laser fusion system at Osaka University as the world's most powerful laser when it becomes fully operational at the end of this year.

Nova is designed to demonstrate that the fuel-pellet compressions needed to generate far more fusion energy than input laser energy can be achieved. Once the path to high-gain inertial confinement fusion (ICF) has been demonstrated, larger laser and more efficient particle accelerator systems can be built.

Dr. John Nuckolls, Livermore associate director for physics, reported in the fall of 1983 that the latest engineering studies indicate that ICF could generate electricity for as little as half the cost of existing fossil and nuclear-fission power plants.

Livermore scientists plan to test polarized fusion fuel with Nova. (Lining up the atomic spins—polarization—of fusion fuel can greatly improve the efficiency of ICF and thereby reduce even further the production costs of fusion energy.) A brute-force program to develop techniques for polariz-

ing fusion fuels in small spherical pellets is now being carried out under the direction of Livermore scientists.

While laser fusion is the primary objective of Nova, the very first Nova experiments will be directed toward demonstrating a laboratory scale x-ray laser. Plans are also in the works, once the laboratory x-ray laser is demonstrated, to utilize it for making three-dimensional, subatomic-scale pictures of living cells and other materials.

Amstutz 'like a fox guarding the henhouse'

U.S. farmers describe Undersecretary of Agriculture Daniel Amstutz, the man who really runs the USDA, "like a fox guarding the henhouse."

Amstutz was appointed in May 1983, a month before Henry Kissinger returned to government office. Amstutz and Kissinger belong to the same political network of companies and policies. From 1978 to 1983, Amstutz was a general partner of Goldman, Sachs, for whom he developed and directed commodity speculation activities. Henry Kissinger serves as a consultant for Goldman, Sachs.

Before working for Goldman, Sachs, Amstutz spent almost 25 years with Cargill, Inc., the Minneapolis-based international grain trading company, one of the top ten world food companies.

Amstutz is in charge of three critical agencies of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which allows him almost fingertip control over U.S. food supplies and exports. He is responsible for the Foreign Agriculture Service (export policy), the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (domestic acreage and production policy), and the Office of International Cooperation and Development.

In the last 15 months, while Amstutz has served at the USDA, the State and Agriculture departments cut \$59 million in loans to Guyana previously targeted to increase rice production, and cancelled a promised 62,000 tons of wheat to Bolivia. In June 1984, at

the World Food Council meeting in Ethiopia, Amstutz downplayed the need to ship vast quantities of emergency foods to Africa, and complained that "rapid population growth" contributed to the food crisis.

The unborn Senator and the undead Peccei

Senator "Stillborne" Pell (D-R.I.) exhumed Aurelio Peccei in a Senate floor speech on June 28 and placed into the *Congressional Record* Peccei's "Agenda for 6,000 Days." According to Pell, the Club of Rome founder completed the document just 12 hours before Peccei realized his own personal limits to growth. The deathbed legacy which Peccei left strikes new ground in the Club of Rome assault on Western civilization and speaks for itself:

"The greatest obstacle to embarking on the weighty missions humankind is called upon to perform in this period is the absolute ungovernability of society, as presently organized. . . . Human development has indeed been bewildering in its accumulation of scientific knowledge, technological proficiency, and industrial efficacy, even though these are matters that often proceed more or less anarchically, deepening the divisions among the different societies. . . . The system is anyhow almost ungovernable because of the fragmentation of the human community into some 160 states—big and small, old and new, powerful and weak, but all 'sovereign,' namely, self-righteous and self-concerned. . . .

"Thus, the sphere of active solidarity must be expanded from the national to the regional and the global realm. . . . The first move will probably have to be made by East and West. When they finally come to perceive that their armaments and scheming are cancelling each other out, they will be automatically induced to try to find ways of combining their power and capacity to steer the world in directions agreeable to them. . . . For all this to happen . . . the triggering device cannot but be a profound cultural evolution that the Club of Rome should show the way in promoting."

Briefly

● **RADIO MOSCOW** acclaimed the nomination of Fritz Mondale for President by the Democratic Party convention on July 19, and praised the Democratic Party program which "denounces President Reagan's attempt to achieve military superiority through the militarization of outer space."

● **THE KIDNAPPING** of world-class biathlon athlete Carrie Swenson may be the first terrorist incident to hit the Los Angeles Olympics, which *EIR* has warned may be the target of terrorism. Swenson was abducted while on a training run in Montana on July 15 by two men who were described as looking like "survivalists." A search party organized to find the athlete was fired upon by the kidnapers, who then fled.

● **SCHILLER** Institute representatives from West Germany, Elisabeth Bücken and Christoph Wolf, were guests on the most popular radio talk show in the region of southern Illinois and northern Indiana on July 16. On the live, two-hour call-in show, they denounced the Soviet Union's war drive threatening West Germany and the "decouplers" in the United States and Europe. Bücken also described the resistance movement in Europe against Hitler, noting that this is "what the significance of July 20, 1944 centers upon. If the attempt against Hitler had not been exposed by the Anglo-Americans around Dulles and McCloy, then the war would have ended sooner and millions of lives would have been saved."

● **BERKELEY**, California has given first-step approval to a measure which would give fringe benefits to live-in homosexual lovers of city employees. The law was drafted to benefit "gays" by extending health care coverage and other benefits now enjoyed by married spouses, and fits into a national pattern of measures to discourage nuclear family formation and population growth.