

National News

Police say killer was devil cultist

Los Angeles area police have acknowledged that suspected "serial killer" Richard Ramirez, the so-called West Coast "Night Stalker" apprehended on Aug. 31, was probably a Satanist who was inspired to murder by rock music lyrics.

Los Angeles KABC-TV reporter Wayne Satz has disclosed that the suspect performed Satanic rituals at many of his murder scenes, and had been influenced by rock groups "Heavy Metal" and "AC-DC"—which apparently stands for "Anti-Christ/Devil's Child." The lyrics to one AC-DC song, titled "Night Prowler," bear a striking resemblance to Ramirez's *modus operandi*.

A common link at many of the murder sights, said Satz, was a five-pointed star suspended in a circle, a symbol of devil worship, that had been scrawled on walls. Satz also said that Ramirez had apparently tried to gouge out his victims' eyes.

Complaint filed against FBI agent

Formal complaints were filed by Campaigner Publications against FBI Special Agent David S. Higgins on Sept. 4 with FBI headquarters in Washington, D.C. and also with the Alexandria, Va. FBI field office. The complaint charges that Higgins conducted himself in an "abusive" and "unprofessional" manner when on Sept. 3 he burst into the Leesburg, Va. offices of Campaigner, an organization which distributes publications associated with former presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche.

The complaint asks that Higgins be disciplined under applicable FBI procedures.

Affidavits concerning Higgins' conduct were also filed in federal court in New York today, in the case *LaRouche v. Webster*, and attorneys for LaRouche asked the court to be allowed to take Higgins' deposition.

In a discussion with a Campaigner attor-

ney Sept. 5, Higgins claimed that he had been sent to the publisher's office by the FBI office in Newark, N.J. Higgins insisted: "I didn't know what I was getting into. . . . I didn't know this was a political organization. Apparently these organizations are affiliated in some way with a guy named 'LaRawsh'—he appears to be some kind of local political leader."

Higgins had no problem pronouncing *EIR* founder LaRouche's name correctly as he yelled: "What is LaRouche afraid of? What has LaRouche got to hide?" during his intrusion into Campaigner's offices.

OSI witness says testimony distorted

One of the key witnesses in the Justice Department Office of Special Investigations' (OSI)

Rudolph now says the "Nazi-hunting" unit distorted her testimony and, in her view, was "not really after the truth."

Rudolf, against whom formal charges were never brought, was hounded by OSI investigators earlier this year to such an extent that he voluntarily returned to his native West Germany. He was accused of committing "war crimes" while employed in Nazi Germany's unmanned rocket program.

Now, according to the *Christian Science Monitor*, one of the key witnesses in the OSI case against Rudolph, Hanne-Lore Banasch, has charged that her initial testimony was changed in translation and that investigative work by the Justice Department's Nazi-hunting unit was "very sloppy and erroneous. . . . Based on all this, I cannot help but believe they were not after the truth but only wanted to find someone guilty and after 40 years."

The *Monitor* report also quotes charges against the OSI by Gen. John Bruce Medaris, former head of the U.S. missile program on which Rudolph worked, and Dr. Fred Winterberg, a prominent nuclear physicist. Medaris, in an open letter to President Reagan, asked that the office itself be put under investigation for its unconstitutional treat-

ment of Rudolph. Winterberg, as *EIR* has documented, established that the bulk of the "evidence" compiled by the Justice Department unit in fact came from East bloc sources—and was not only therefore unreliable, but coherent with Soviet interest in sabotaging U.S. weapons programs.

State Dept. 'diplomacy by malnutrition'

At a public meeting which he convened on Sept. 6, Sen. John Melcher (D-Mont.) accused the State Department of "using food needs as a club" in its dealings with other nations—"diplomacy by malnutrition," he termed it. Melcher invited spokesmen from the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Kenya, Zambia, Guinea, and Senegal to document State Department interference in the expeditious shipment of food to their nations.

The State Department policy consisted of a requirement that U.S. food shipments—both humanitarian and commercial—be made to private interests instead of government agencies—even though no private interests expressed the desire nor had the capacity to process such shipments. This has held up delivery, created food shortages, and encouraged recipient-countries to look

Pablo Pablo, deputy administrator of the National Food Authority of the Philippines, declared that State Department pressure held up wheat and rice shipments, aggravated a food shortage, and drove up consumer prices. Other nations expressed fear that the policy would put grain in the hands of speculators.

Mamadi Diane, president of AMEX International which arranges grain purchases by Liberia, Kenya, Guinea, Zambia, and Senegal, declared that he did not believe any of the countries he represents will agree to privatization of grain shipment delivery.

Melcher pointed to the fact that U.S. agricultural exports are nearly 30% below what they were in 1981 and that American farmers are plagued by falling prices and mounting costs. Afterward, he wondered

aloud why the State Department insisted upon privatized importation by poor, friendly countries, but imposed no such requirement on the Soviet Union.

Regan was financial backer of Carter

White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan personally contributed to the campaigns of leading liberal Democrats—including former President Jimmy Carter, *EIR* has learned.

Regan co-hosted a fundraising breakfast for ultra-liberal Congressman Bob Eckhardt, a Democrat from Texas, back in 1978. He also made personal contributions to the election campaigns of Carter and Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.).

In addition, the Merrill Lynch Political Action Committee, which Regan controlled during the time he headed Merrill Lynch, made 1980 contributions to such KGB assets as Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.); Rep. Tom Downey (D-N.Y.), Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.), and former Rep. Henry Reuss (D-Wisc.).

Atlanta center issues faulty AIDS guidelines

The Atlanta Center for Disease Control issued a set of guidelines for children with AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) which *EIR* Medicine columnist Dr. John Grauerholz has characterized as “incompetent and dangerous.”

The Center concluded that there is no reason to prevent young AIDS victims from attending public schools, based on its claim that there is no medical evidence that AIDS can be transmitted through casual contact in the classroom, school showers, day-care centers, gym, or elsewhere. Of the 12,599 reported cases of AIDS in the United States, 183 are children.

Dr. Grauerholz said that, contrary to widespread belief, AIDS is not a “homosex-

ual disease,” although, for various reasons, homosexuals are highly susceptible. Rather, it is a disease of “economic breakdown,” and, in consequence, it is possible that the disease could be transmitted in such locations as school to students and others who may be nutritionally or immunologically deficient because of poverty or medical reasons.

The guidelines are having their effect in poverty-ridden New York, where case-by-case decisions will be made on whether New York City schoolchildren with AIDS should attend regular classes. A special committee, made up of medical experts, an educator, and a parent representative, will evaluate the seven school-age children in the city known to have AIDS. In addition, Health Commissioner Dr. Davis Sencer said that teachers with AIDS who are healthy enough to teach should be permitted to do so. This is “consistent” with the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control, he said.

Young mostly agrees with Farrakhan

Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations under Jimmy Carter, interviewed by the *Baltimore Jewish Times* on Aug. 30, said he agrees with “ninetenths” of what Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan says. Farrakhan, who has made frequent anti-Semitic remarks, is on the receiving end of millions from Libyan dictator Muammar Qaddafi, and has also characterized himself as an admirer of Adolf Hitler.

Young calls Farrakhan a “legitimate player in the mainstream of black ideas” and says his POWER plan is “wonderful . . . because it would employ lots of people.”

Young insisted that he “has never heard him say anything against the Jews.” Asked how he would feel if the situation were reversed, and the Ku Klux Klan were advocating race hatred against blacks, Young replied, “I have always said that the Ku Klux Klan is made up of poor white people who are part of the mainstream of America’s social and political life, and they need to be helped, not hated.”

Briefly

● **GEORGE BALL**, dean of the Eastern Liberal Establishment, predicts a “second coming” of Henry A. Kissinger. At a meeting of the Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee on Sept. 5, a journalist asked Ball why Kissinger was insisting that the United States do nothing toward a Mideast peace settlement except cultivate an alliance with Syria. “It’s because of the second coming,” Ball replied. He said he has it “on the highest authority” that “in the second Reagan administration, there will be a second coming.” Kissinger wants to be the one to work out the terms for “peace.” Everything he is doing now is “tactics,” said Ball.

● **EIR CORRESPONDENT** Dolia Estevez-Pettingell filed suit against the U.S. Congress the first week in September, charging violation of First Amendment rights. She was arbitrarily denied press credentials to cover congressional proceedings from the Periodical Press Gallery. House Speaker Tip O’Neill (D-Mass.) and the Senate Rules Committee, headed by Charles Matthias (R-Md.), have oversight on these matters, and have remained silent.

● **ED KOCH**, mayor of New York, is weighing a proposal that the city seek repeal of the state law requiring a doctor’s prescription to buy hypodermic needles and syringes. The rationale is that this would allow heroin addicts to purchase sterilized needles, and therefore reduce their chances of acquiring AIDS. “By forcing addicts to use others’ needles and syringes, we are condemning large numbers of addicts to death from AIDS,” said Health Commissioner Dr. David Sencer, the sponsor of the plan. Sencer also proposed that drug-abuse treatment centers serve as “arrest-free zones” for addicts, where they would be able to trade in their dirty needles and syringes for sterile equipment.