

British doctor calls for quarantine of AIDS victims; liberal media howl

by Mark Burdman

The British Health Department has put forward a proposal urging very tough measures to deal with AIDS, including quarantine for AIDS victims, creation of "public alarm" over AIDS, and treatment of the AIDS disease in a manner similar to the way smallpox was treated earlier.

Under the headline, "Isolation urged to halt further spread of AIDS," the *Daily Telegraph* of London reports that these plans for "drastic measures" were sent to British Chief Medical Officer Donald Acheson, by Dr. Adrian Rogers, a general practitioner in Exeter, who "believes much tougher action is needed against AIDS until a cure is found," especially as 100 people a week are now becoming infected in Britain alone.

Excerpts from his report to Acheson are quoted:

"Sensible people will consider that AIDS is not unlike leprosy and that until the limits of transmission are known or a cure found, carriers and victims should be carefully isolated.

"To date, there has been no public discussion about isolation or quarantine of AIDS carriers, neither about recrimination of homosexuality or criminalization of drug addiction.

"In view of the extent of the epidemic, they deserve detailed and serious consideration. Such measures may still prove effective."

Dr. Rogers advises employers to begin asking employees about their sexual practices: "Employees in high risk groups for AIDS are likely to prove a liability. Those who employ AIDS carriers or victims will experience disruption of their workforce as the disease spreads."

The *Telegraph* then paraphrases: Dr. Rogers "said he did not want to create a scare over AIDS, but he did want to raise public anxiety because that was the only way of creating a climate of opinion to support action to halt the spread of the disease."

His report to Acheson is quoted: "A few years ago, whenever a case of smallpox arose, the patient was promptly taken into isolation and everybody thought that was right.

"Smallpox has now been eradicated and we need a similar attitude toward AIDS if that is also to be wiped out. . . .

"Now is the time to raise public alarm so that individuals can modify their behavior to minimize risk of infection.

"Massive public concern will unfortunately incur some unnecessary anxiety, but only massive public concern will set back the permissive tide sufficiently to prevent spread."

Press panics over PANIC

Dr. Rogers' recommendations to the British medical establishment are those implicit in California's Proposition 64, which has been the target of hostile editorializing by British press in recent weeks. Proposition 64, sponsored by the Prevent AIDS Now Initiative Committee (PANIC) led by associates of Lyndon LaRouche, would have AIDS declared a "communicable disease," and the condition of infection a "communicable condition," implicitly requiring measures of quarantine and prevention. It will be voted on in November.

On Aug. 30, London's *Observer* ran a lead international news story under the headline, "Wild man of the Right leads drive for AIDS apartheid." The article spews venom at LaRouche. Author William Scobie, writing from Los Angeles, is obliged to admit that Proposition 64 is very likely to win.

"The vote will be the broadest test yet of public policy on the epidemic. Its passage could encourage other states to take similar action." (Indeed, it could encourage Britain!)

After paragraphs quoting unnamed California health officials and Governor George Deukmejian's adviser on AIDS, Bruce Decker, denouncing Proposition 64 as "hateful and absurd" and as "raising the spectre of concentration camps for AIDS patients," Scobie notes: "Despite its condemnation by almost every top political and medical leader in California, the measure seems likely to be passed. LaRouche supporters had no difficulty in gathering 683,576 signatures to put the initiative on the ballot—over 70 per cent more than needed to qualify." Decker and friends, Scobie reports, are trying to

raise \$5 million to defeat Proposition 64.

After denouncing LaRouche and associates for "conspiracy theories," such as that "the International Monetary Fund [causes] the AIDS epidemic," Scobie is obliged to admit that AIDS has killed, or is killing, many prominent Americans. He quotes Robert Peterson of the *Hollywood Reporter*: "I'd say 30 per cent of the obituaries we're printing now are of guys who've died of AIDS, but don't admit it even in death. They cite cancer, pneumonia, or give no cause at all—but they're all single men between 25 and 50. People read between the lines." Among cited victims are former football star Jerry Smith, lawyer Roy Cohn, fashion designer Perry Ellis, etc.

A similarly incoherent attack on LaRouche and PANIC was published as the second-lead item of the London *Economist's* "American Survey" section, in its Aug. 23 edition, entitled, "AIDS: San Francisco Recoils." The article notes that, "Mr. Lyndon LaRouche, the purveyor of conspiracies, is hawking his theories on AIDS around California, the state that has done most to face up to the truth of this modern scourge. He has succeeded in collecting far more than the number of signatures needed to get his Proposition 64 on the ballot, and is prepared to spend millions of dollars to win votes for it in November."

The *Economist* is most disturbed that this will disrupt some ostensible *modus vivendi* that has been worked out in California, between the homosexual community and public-health officials. The article also conjures up nasty images: "Television advertisements between now and November are expected to batter the Californian public with images of deadly hamburgers, infected mosquitoes, the innocent menaced by the homosexual peril in their midst. . . ."

After all this, however, the *Economist* suddenly shoots itself in the foot: "But the San Francisco health authorities are faced with a new development: the epidemic is slowly making its way into the lives of heterosexuals. . . . The prospect frightens the health authorities. Heterosexuals cannot be cared for or, more important, educated with the ease that homosexuals can be; there is not the same network of friends, for a start." The solution, the *Economist* concludes, quoting a doctor about how he would spend money on dealing with AIDS: "I would spend it on condoms."

On Aug. 20, another British journal, London's *Daily Mail*, had panicked over PANIC, under the headline, "Don't 'jail' AIDS victims, say film stars," bylined Los Angeles. It favorably reported on the Hollywood committee against PANIC formed by Bob Hope, Elizabeth Taylor, Gene Kelly, Shirley MacLaine, Barbra Streisand, and assorted others who all banded together, said the *Mail*, to fight a referendum "proposed by extreme Right-Wing followers of shadowy presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche," which, if passed, "the stars fear . . . could result in the virtual imprisonment of over 300,000 Californians."

The *Mail* exemplifies that British Establishment faction, which most fears the implications of the PANIC initiative. Its chairman, Lord Rothermere, is tied to the Royal Family. His daughter has married Lord Ogilvy, son of Angus Ogilvy, a member of the Royal Family through marriage to Princess Alexandra.

The 'globalists'

The *Economist*, a mouthpiece of the Rothschilds and other banking families, has been central, for decades, in the entity known as "The Trust," the East-West joint stock company which ran the Bolshevik Revolution and which, more recently, has sponsored the "Age of Aquarius"/"New Age" counterculture movement internationally. The *Economist's* editorial board, over the past years, has been closely involved with the London and Oxford-based "Anglo-Soviet Roundtable," and with the board of directors of Kissinger Associates.

These journals are linked to British liberal "globalist" (e.g., "world federalist") circles, around families like the Huxleys, Russells, and Toynbees, which created the rock-sex-drug counterculture in the post-World War II period. It is that counterculture which is most directly threatened by the LaRouche-backed Proposition 64 in California.

Also, the *Observer* and *Economist* are among those publications which have backed the policies of austerity and deindustrialization, the so-called "post-industrial age" policies of the past two decades. It is precisely these policies that have created the conditions for the spread of AIDS.

Their fear, quite plainly, is that there will be growing support, within Britain itself, for an initiative comparable to Proposition 64—and if Dr. Rogers' recommendation to the British health authorities is any indication, there will be. Throughout the summer, AIDS statistics in Britain have grown more and more alarming. The epidemic spreading, out of control, in the United Kingdom, and in key areas of the Commonwealth. The London *Times* is one among the British dailies that has covered Pasteur Institute revelations about insects found carrying AIDS.

The fear must extend to the Royal Household. According to revelations published in the United States and West Germany, Prince Charles' butler, Stephen Barry, is now dying of AIDS. Barry served Prince Charles, in numerous vital capacities, for several years. Earlier revelations, in the German press some months ago, are that the Prince's valet had contracted AIDS.

In fact, interest in the LaRouche-backed PANIC initiative, was first broadcast in a British Broadcasting Corporation feature on LaRouche, carried on July 23, the same day as the wedding of Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson. Viewer response to the show was particularly positive, on the question of LaRouche's recommendations for dealing with AIDS, and his charges of coverup against the health authorities.