

Satanic-pagan cults launch war on West

by Mark Burdman

On March 18, U.S. authorities arrested a top Trieste, Italy freemason, Alexandro Moncini, for involvement in satanic sacrifice and sex-abuse rituals involving children, Italy's *La Repubblica* newspaper revealed on March 29.

U.S. authorities have tapes of Moncini speaking several times over the telephone to an individual named Anthony Crowley, head of what *La Repubblica* calls "the pornography front" in the United States. Moncini was heard, on these phone calls, asking for young girls, in one case saying, "Not the one in Brazil, we couldn't bring her up to the end, to the death of the person." U.S. authorities have evidence that Moncini was involved in "satanic rites . . . with sexual undertones, which should have ended with the sacrifice of the designated victims." He was also found with child-pornography videos, possession of which violates U.S. law. He is charged under the Child Protection Act, and could face 30 years in prison and a fine of about \$1 million.

La Repubblica reports that Moncini is a member of the illegal Propaganda-2 lodge, a leading member of the Rotary Club, and the head of the World Association of Automobile Clubs. He is also the head of the Italian branch of the Automobile Club, ACI, and has the concession in Europe for selling material of Goodyear Corporation, including tires, parts for cars, etc.

The arrest intersects an extraordinary international mobilization in the first months of 1988 by gnostic sects and cults, openly seeking to subvert both the political-social process and the military and intelligence services of Western nations. These groups literally believe themselves to be the armies of "the Antichrist."

Among the coordinating agencies behind this mobilization are the Ordo Templi Orientis (OTO); Wicca; the Gnostic Church; the psychoanalytic networks associated with the late gnostic psychoanalyst Carl Gustav Jung; important elements of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry; and factions of the Socialist International.

The leading circles of these groups are well-connected to the intelligence services of the East bloc. As it builds toward the June 1988 celebrations of the "1000th anniversary of the

Christianization of Russia," the Russian Orthodox Church, in alliance with the upper echelons of the Soviet military, aims at strengthening gnosticism worldwide, as the core belief-structure of a new Russian ("Third and Final Rome") empire.

The Beltane conspiracy

● On Feb. 24, the Panamanian daily *La Prensa* published an apparently arcane attack on American presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche as the "detractor of Basilides," in the context of a diatribe against what the author purported to be LaRouche's connections to General Noriega. Basilides is one of the most important 2nd-century A.D. gnostic philosophers, a disciple of the Simon Magus who was the enemy of Jesus Christ and the Apostles. The authoritative book, *Occult Theocracy*, describes Basilides as among the "Heresics of the worst Kind that ever defiled and disgraced the Christian Name." Today, Basilides is worshiped by the Gnostic Church, the OTO and the Jungians; C.G. Jung himself used the name "Basilides" as a pseudonym for his first book, in 1915, *Seven Sermons to the Dead*. European experts on gnosticism report that there are 3 million true-believing gnostics in South and Central America, mainly affiliated to the Anthropological Gnostic Church based in Mexico, for whom the name "Basilides" carries a strong emotional cathexis. Since *La Prensa* is the leading anti-Noriega paper, this article points to the real motives of those coordinating the "Noriega is a drug trafficker" psychological warfare.

● During the last weekend of February, the Socialist Party's Turati Club in Turin, Italy, sponsored a conference on theme of "The Great Mother" ("Magna Mater"). Besides presentations invoking the revival of anti-Christian "Great Mother" pagan cults and mythologies, the conference included panel discussions of satanism. The conference was conceived by its planners as an open challenge to Pope John Paul II and the Roman Catholic Church. Turin is known in magical-satanist circles as one of the three points, together with London and San Francisco, on the "black magic triangle," and the Vatican is already involved in intensive efforts to prevent a conference on "the Devil," planned for Turin later in this year. The Italian daily *Il Giornale*'s coverage of the Club Turati event was entitled, "The Great Mother in the Land of Satan."

● In the northeast of Great Britain, the anti-child-abuse organization, Childwatch, put out an alert, published in the March 14 London *Daily Telegraph* and *Daily Express*, that children were being abused by adults in satanic/black magic initiation rituals, in a "far-ranging situation involving black magic all over the country." According to the *Telegraph*, Childwatch founder Dianne Core had passed on information to police "about the ordeal of three boys, aged 8 to 11, who were forced to eat excrement, drink blood and urine, and were drugged, tied to a cross and subjected to indecent acts." Mrs. Core warned that this was a "national problem." She

further told the press that her organization feared the perverted practices could now be reaching a peak, in preparation for the satanic Beltane spring ritual on April 30. Beltane is a Celtic term for what is known in German as "Walpurgisnacht." In any language, among such circles, it is the day that is supposed to be "Satan's birthday."

In the United States, a document entitled, "The Beltane Conspiracy" is circulating among faithful of the so-called "Old Religion," i.e., witchcraft and paganism. The document calls for a full mobilization of "Witches, New Age types, rock musicians," and other pagans and gnostics, during 1988, to celebrate, in a very public way, the various special days commemorated in this milieu. Their "conspiracy timetable" includes: Ombløc (also known as Candlemas, Feb. 1), Eostar, Beltane ("The traditional time for festival, a time for the fires and music and maypoles and orgies and so forth"), and Midsummer.

This is couched as a *political* mobilization, to counter, "in the names of the Goddess," what are called "Christian Reconstructionists" in the United States, who have special influence in the Republican Party. The document begins: "We are facing, in 1988, perhaps the greatest threat to the Old Religion and to human liberty this country has ever seen."

OTO, Crowley, and child sacrifice

Meanwhile, one informed source has told this reporter, that the ritual practices reported in northern England, are ultimately traceable to the Ordo Templi Orientis, and to its international network, often operating through various satanic "sub-groups" linked to the OTO, with names like "Scorpio," "Devil Fish," and others. This source warns that the OTO has access to, or members in, elite circles in many countries. It has 48 branches in the United States alone, with the head offices centered in upstate New York, and in Hollywood, Fairfax, and Berkeley, California. There are also OTO offices in West Germany (in West Berlin, Aachen, and Stuttgart), Australia, Canada, the Caribbean (Guadalupe), France, New Zealand, Norway, and Yugoslavia.

(In the case of Yugoslavia, it may be more than coincidence that reports have begun to filter into the West, about a spreading "suicide cult" among young adults, who dress up in strange black costumes, and who kill themselves in an apparently ritualistic way. The March 23 West Berlin daily *Tagesspiegel* reports this as reaching "epidemic" proportions.)

OTO is described in the book, *Occult Theocracy*, written by the Lady Queensborough/Edith Starr Miller: "Apart from its secret phallic doctrine, the OTO seeks to unite with a revival of Gnosticism, the study of the Jewish Cabala, Esoteric Lamaism, and Indian Yogism. It seeks to extract from their combined doctrines the practical application of Eastern Sorcery and Western Witchcraft, wherein medicine and hypnotism occupy a place of prime importance, serving purely

materialistic ends." The motto of OTO is "Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law." One of the historical figures revered by OTO is Basilides.

The seminal figure in the history of OTO, Aleister Crowley, believed himself to "The Beast," or the Antichrist. Writing under the name, "The Master Therion," he produced a book entitled, *Magick*, which states:

"It would be unwise to condemn as irrational the practice of those savages who tear the heart and liver from an adversary, and devour them while yet warm. In any case, it was the theory of the ancient Magicians, that any living being is a storehouse of energy varying in quantity according to the size and health of the animal, and in quality according to its mental and moral character. At the death of the animal this energy is liberated suddenly.

"The animal should therefore be killed within the Circle, or the Triangle, as the case may be, so that its energy cannot escape. An animal should be selected whose nature accords with that of the ceremony—thus, by sacrificing a female lamb one would not obtain any appreciable quantity of the fierce energy useful to a Magician who was invoking Mars. In such a case, a ram would be more suitable. And this ram should be virgin—the whole potential of its original total energy should not have been diminished in any way. For the highest spiritual working, one must accordingly choose that victim which contains the greatest and purest force. A male child of perfect innocence and high intelligence is the most satisfactory and suitable victim."

Crowley biographer Colin Wilson reports that no English publisher would dare touch the book, "perhaps because Crowley recommended sacrificing a male child to achieve the best magical results, and added a footnote to the effect that he himself had done so about a hundred and fifty times a year between 1912 and 1928."

The security threat

Investigators warn that networks linked to OTO have penetrated NATO and U.S. military circles. Much attention focuses on the case of one Michael Aquino, head of the "Church of Set," and self-professed "Second Beast," who had been involved in a child-abuse ring targeting the Presidio Army Base in California. According to one knowledgeable source, Aquino, a Lieutenant-Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, "has intelligence connections, top security clearance. He was formerly attached to NATO. Twelve members of the Church of Set are acknowledged to be in U.S. intelligence."

On Nov. 3, 1987, the *San Francisco Chronicle* reported, under the heading, "Satanist Link to Child Abuse in Pentagon," that Aquino's practices were receiving de facto protection at high levels of the Pentagon, under the argument that his "church" is tolerable under the U.S. Constitution. Reports have also come from Washington of penetration of the military by the Church of Satan, the New American Church, and the Council of Witches.