

Editorial

The FBI: America's KGB

When Kenneth Lanning, the FBI's spokesman on satanic crime, tells Americans that more deaths can be laid to the door of Christians than of Satanists, it is clear that there is something badly wrong with the U.S. federal law enforcement service. The experience of Lyndon LaRouche and his imprisoned associates bears this out, but there are countless other Americans who have also been the victim of FBI sting operations and worse.

The FBI has a track record of trying to instigate criminal activity in order to frame up people who have been targeted for prosecution for political reasons. Where the victim resists the FBI provocation, as in the case of Sen. Harrison Williams, the color of criminal activity is created, which, these days, appears sufficient to railroad through conviction.

Similar miscarriages of justice have obtained in the LaRouche case. The FBI is now engaged in outright political warfare against LaRouche associates. Using a network of agents or informants in banks and state government agencies, the FBI has interfered in transactions between political supporters and LaRouche organizers in order to get checks stopped, to pressure the contributor to cut support, or to otherwise intimidate the individual out of political association with LaRouche's associates.

In some instances this has amounted to terror tactics on the part of the FBI against contributors.

Similar kinds of intimidation have been used by FBI agents in order to develop grounds for the RICO indictments handed down in the Chicago commodities market. Here, individual commodities brokers were threatened with personal bankruptcy for themselves and their families, unless they assisted the FBI effort to incriminate chosen targets.

The FBI is more concerned with "white-collar crime," which is a code-phrase for an "enemies list" operation, than with arresting the violent criminals who already exist in abundance.

Another method which the FBI has used for insuring "cooperation" began with J. Edgar Hoover's famous blackmail files. Public figures and members of

Congress, are sexually compromised, in order to force their compliance or minimally their acquiescence in police-state measures.

The FBI has repeatedly intervened to prevent state and local law enforcement agents from stopping real crime. Lanning's protection of self-avowed Satanists is only one instance. For example, in 1984 the Miami Florida Police Department began reporting drug deals to the FBI which involved the protected Contra networks. They had information that drug deals were being used to finance weapons sales for forces being deployed against the Nicaraguan government. Needless to say, the FBI never moved on this information, and instead a coverup was put in place.

Things have only gotten worse since Assistant Director of the FBI Oliver "Buck" Revell has taken *de facto* charge of the shop, following Judge Webster's move to the CIA. Revell has been one of the most active members of the "Get LaRouche" task force, and this is only symptomatic of his ruthless abuse of justice and endorsement of KGB police-state methods, which he has increasingly applied in the United States.

The miscarriages of justice and FBI persecution of LaRouche and his associates, are only exemplary of the tactics increasingly being applied to every sector of the population. This should be borne in mind in reviewing the LaRouche case, or the case of anti-abortion activists, where civil disobedience has been classed by the courts as racketeering, and protesters have been fined under civil RICO actions. Equally horrifying is the intimidation suffered by female anti-abortion protesters who have been subjected to physical torture and sexual degradation at the hands of their captors.

The bravery of these principled men and women is unquestioned, but similar police-state methods are being applied to commodities brokers or members of the "military industrial complex," targeting individuals who may not have the moral fortitude to resist, certainly not unless a large and vocal section of American citizens makes it unmistakably clear that they will not tolerate the conversion of the United States into a police state.