

National News

Leaflet catalogues crimes of ADL

A leaflet exposing the role of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) as an arm of the international drug lobby and a witting asset of the Soviet KGB, was released in several million copies on Sept. 24 by the National Democratic Policy Committee (NDPC), a political action committee linked to jailed statesman Lyndon LaRouche.

Among the charges leveled against the ADL are that it is a financial and covert political support conduit for drug legalization advocates; that it is linked to the drug mafia, including to fugitive financier Robert Vesco, Medellín Cartel leader Carlos Lehder Rivas, and the late mob kingpin Meyer Lansky; that it supports Satanic cults through a nationwide campaign to block legislation that would increase penalties against Satanic-related crimes; that it is involved with brainwashing and mind-control groups including the American Family Foundation; and that it publicly supports the brutalization of pro-life activists.

In March 1986, a top ADL official, Irwin Suall, played a major role in a KGB-directed campaign to blame the assassination of Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme on associates of LaRouche. In August, Swedish newspapers revealed that a KGB official in Stockholm had known in advance of Palme's imminent murder, and that the ADL and Soviet accusations against LaRouche were part of the coverup of that crime, the leaflet reports.

New York conspiracy charges dismissed

New York State dropped charges Sept. 22 against the last five individuals it had indicted in a grand "conspiracy" case, initiated as part of the national "Get LaRouche" sweep in the spring of 1987. The five associates of Lyndon LaRouche—J. Philip Rubinstein,

Kathy Wolfe, Nancy Spannaus, Mark Calney, and Paul Gallagher—who originally faced numerous felony and misdemeanor counts, had already had their charges reduced to a single misdemeanor "conspiracy" count. The charges were dismissed by Justice Stephen Crane at the request of prosecutor Dawn Cardi.

Cardi attempted to place the blame for the decision to dismiss on Judge Crane's decision to sever four other LaRouche associates, who just completed trial, thus creating an impossible cost burden to the state. Of the four, one was acquitted and three were convicted on one or more counts.

"My only regrets are that Attorney General Robert Abrams's office was not forced to admit what political claptrap the whole indictment was," said Nancy Spannaus, one of the individuals whose indictment was dismissed and a candidate for U.S. Senate in Virginia, "and that the judge's ruling out of relevant political evidence offered by the defense, led to the convictions of three defendants on four counts. This was a totally political trial, which went so far as to argue that the 'conspiracy' involved actually producing and mailing out publications! By all rights, the state should not only be dismissing the charges, but admitting that the whole affair was a political prosecution ordered by the 'Get LaRouche' strike force."

Air Force Association stresses Soviet threat

The National Convention of the Air Force Association, the official civilian lobbying organization of the U.S. Air Force, passed a resolution on Sept. 20 calling on the President and other officials to release to the American public intelligence about the actual Soviet military threat.

The measure was motivated by one speaker who reported that he had attended a classified briefing in which the publicly available information on the rate of Soviet tank production was identified as "top secret." He ridiculed the "gumshoe babble you get when you talk to these security

types—'well, we reexamined the exigencies in the light of the possible contingencies and have adjusted our estimates to reflect the economic potentialities'"—and reported that every Air Force general he confronted with the problem concurred that the order to stop telling the truth about the magnitude of the Soviet threat has been the single most frustrating feature of the past two years.

"We know what the Soviets are doing, the Soviets know what they are doing, and know that we know it; the only people who don't know what is going on are the American public," the speaker said. Another official pointed out that it is the essence of the communist system that motivations are concealed, and all evaluations of Gorbachov are incompetent that fail to start from that premise and then look at the real rate of military buildup. The measure passed with loud acclamation.

Admiral calls glasnost an attempt to buy time

U.S. Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Carlisle A.H. Trost warned the Defense Orientation Conference Association, a group of defense contractors, meeting in San Diego, California, on Sept. 22 that Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachov's *glasnost* and arms control policies are an attempt to "buy time," and that the West should therefore be cautious in response.

According to the U.S. Army publication *Stars and Stripes* of Sept. 24, Admiral Trost focused his remarks on the subject of "naval arms control." "I sense a real danger that if the American people are not fully aware of the consequences, naval arms control might get caught in a whirlwind of compromise."

Trost noted that reductions in naval forces would seriously jeopardize U.S. security, while doing no more than ridding the Soviets of some obsolete submarines that would have to be decommissioned in the near future anyway. "It's no bargain when the Soviets rid themselves of excess baggage and the United States is left with a void in our ability to protect our vital interests," he said.

Trost further warned that seemingly peaceful overtures to the West by Gorbachov could actually be a ruse that would lead the United States and its NATO allies to negotiate themselves into a position of weakness, at a time when the Soviet economy is faltering under the weight of its huge military budget. Despite all talk of arms reduction, he stressed, the naval arms buildup goes on unabated, with the Soviet shipyards busily turning out new aircraft carriers and submarines. "Mr. Gorbachov may well be using his policy of openness, *glasnost*, in concert with reductions in military expenditures, to buy time and allay Western fears, in order to let *perestroika* put life back in the battered Soviet economy."

Psychiatric exams ordered for farmers

Farm publications are reporting on two cases in which farmers fighting in court to retain their property have been ordered by the judge to undergo psychiatric evaluations. (For another instance of Soviet-style use of psychiatry in the U.S. judicial system, see article, page 62.)

The most egregious case is that of Lawrence Keiswetter, reported in the Aug. 22 issue of *Acres USA*. Keiswetter, a Kansas farmer, was indicted by the Production Credit Association for "conversion" (selling property pledged as collateral) and fought the charge in federal district court, firing two lawyers for conflict of interest in the process. He ended up arguing *pro se* (on his own behalf) and was convicted. He appealed to the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver, and the conviction was overturned.

The case was retried in Kansas, and a new judge, Patrick Kelly, was assigned. Kelly immediately ordered Keiswetter to the Springfield, Missouri prison medical facility for evaluation. On June 14, he was sent there for a 45-day observation period. No one could visit or counsel him without FBI clearance.

On June 22, a wire was sent to inform

his wife that he had died of a heart attack.

According to *Acres*, "If you care to cross a lender or a judge, the price may be higher than expected. If you have health problems and you can't prevail in court, they will use poor food and abuse by the prison system to break you and/or carry out a calculated death sentence."

A second farmer, Carl Peters from Farwell, Minnesota, stood trial before Judge Paul Flora on a foreclosure action last spring. In the middle of the case, the judge took it away from the jury and ruled on behalf of the bank. Peters was evicted from his farm. He returned to court requesting a restraining order against the eviction. He was held in contempt and sent to Fergus Falls Mental Hospital for seven days for observation.

Kissinger to testify in Hersch libel trial

After a federal judge in Chicago threatened to issue a bench warrant against him, Henry Kissinger has apparently agreed to testify on Oct. 2, in the libel suit of former Indian Prime Minister Morarji Desai against writer Seymour Hersh. This will be the first time ever that Kissinger has been compelled to testify before a court.

The case involves a civil suit brought by Desai against Hersh, who charged in his biography of Kissinger, *The Price of Power*, that Desai had been on the CIA payroll and a key source within the Indian government providing scurrilous information that undermined Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, when Kissinger was President Nixon's national security adviser.

Apart from Hersh's book, the only other publication that dared reveal Kissinger's role in the plot against Gandhi is *Derivative Assassination: Who Killed Indira Gandhi?* written by the editors of *EIR*.

As one leading opponent of Henry Kissinger commented, "It appears that with events in China, and now the Gandhi story surfacing, Kissinger's teflon shield is becoming badly scratched."

Briefly

● **JIMMY CARTER** declared Sept. 26 that Gorbachov is the most important cause of change in the 1980s. "Gorbachov is the most popular person by far that I know about," Carter told the *San Francisco Examiner*.

● **FOOD FOR PEACE**, founded by Lyndon LaRouche, will host an international conference in Chicago Nov. 4-5 to explore implications of the severe food shortages threatening the planet, and discuss how to dramatically increase food production.

● **THE AMERICAN** Psychiatric Association has voted to oppose the readmission of the official Soviet psychiatric association into the World Psychiatric Association, on the grounds that "the abuse of psychiatry for political purposes in the U.S.S.R. has not ended."

● **THE GALILEO LAUNCH** scheduled for Oct. 12 aboard the Space Shuttle Atlantis, which is one of a series of planetary missions that has a plutonium isotope with a heat conversion system as its energy source, was approved by the White House on Sept. 22.

● **ALAN GREENSPAN**, the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, will go to Moscow on Oct. 7-11, as methods are being considered in Moscow to "soak up" the huge "excess" of rubles in the Soviet economy relative to goods, the London *Financial Times* reported Sept. 26.

● **PETER BUFFETT**, the 31-year-old son of takeover specialist and *Washington Post* co-owner Warren Buffett, bought a new home in Milwaukee which could turn that city into "a landmark of the New Age. The Buffets plan to play host to musical performances and benefits for causes such as protecting the environment and combatting homelessness," according to the Sept. 25 *Wall Street Journal*.