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U.S. workers sacrificed to Soviet timber deals

Logging in the United States may be being shut down, with the loss of thousands of jobs of U.S. workers, because of deals between the lumber cartels and the Soviet Union.

EIR has learned that a deal is being worked out between Gorbachov and giant American and European lumber cartels led by Weyerhaeuser. The deal, which is about to be finalized, would grant concessions in Siberia to the cartels, making lumber the number-one export of the Soviet Union, according to an individual who recently met with Gorbachov and is involved in arranging the concession. One of the key elements of the deal is to ensure that logging of American tree stands is shut down.

The shutdown of U.S. logging is effectively taking place because of the Spotted Owl controversy and the activities of the eco-terrorist Earth First! group. The federal government plans to cut logging in Washington State's Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest by 46%, costing about 1,800 jobs, in order to protect the Northern Spotted Owl. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is expected to declare the owl a threatened species in late June. One government panel estimates that saving the owl will necessitate slashing half of all timber harvesting on federal lands in the Northwest, costing 28,000 jobs by the end of the decade. "When you go to buy a two-by-four, you're going to be paying through the nose for it," said Forest supervisor Doug MacWilliams.

On June 13, President Bush came out against any form of federal aid for affected workers.

ADL briefing of Guard sparks protests

Nebraska State Senator Ernie Chambers has demanded that the trip of the Nebraska Air National Guard to Israel be canceled, and

further objected to an eight-hour briefing session of the Guard by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) prior to the trip.

The Israel trip, scheduled for mid-July, is to teach the Guard how to rebuild airport runways under battle conditions. Chambers, in a letter to the governor, said he opposed having "members of a state organization, paid by tax money, attend sessions which can be described as political indoctrination, propaganda, or political proselytizing by an organization dedicated to the advancement of a specific political position," referring to the ADL briefing session which took place June 10.

According to Lt. Col. Leonard Krenk of the National Guard, the purpose of the ADL briefing was cultural and sensitivity training.

The U.S. Supreme Court recently upheld the right of the federal government to schedule training missions abroad over the objections of state governors.

NSA joins Webster in attack on allies

The supersecret U.S. National Security Agency, claiming that the Soviet threat is "easing" and facing a projected cutback of its electronic surveillance watch on the Soviet military, is considering switching to monitoring world trade and financial transactions in Western Europe and Japan, according to the June 18 *New York Times*.

"The temptation to use espionage as a weapon in the world's trade wars is fast becoming the hottest issue in intelligence circles," the *Times* commented, as the NSA follows the lead of CIA head William Webster in waging war on traditional U.S. allies.

Congressional candidate Lyndon LaRouche (Va.-10th C.D.) condemned the retargeting of intelligence assignments to economic competition in remarks on June 19. "This is insane," LaRouche said. "Economic intelligence is fine, but the first thing that economic intelligence ought to do is to tell the President of the United States that his continuing economic policies are clinically insane."

Reviewing the economic decline of the

U.S., the inferior number of patents, discoveries, and investment in research and development per capita, LaRouche said, "The only place that stealing can be done of any significance is by the U.S. from these countries."

Kissinger planned monarchy in U.S.

Former Reagan White House press secretary James Brady stated in an April 2, 1990, Public Broadcast Service program entitled "The Presidency, the Press, and the People," that Henry Kissinger planned to establish an American monarchy in the United States.

Asked about President Ronald Reagan's "laid back" style, Brady responded: "Henry [Kissinger] wanted to talk him into a monarchy. Henry thought that was the way to go. A President for life. And Henry could be foreign minister or something. Henry believed that. And it would just involve changing a little here, change a little there, and change a little over here and change a little over there and, poof, a monarchy."

Newsweek exposes Bush's lies on Panama

Newsweek magazine, in its June 25 issue, exposed the fraud of President Bush's justification for the invasion of Panama.

"The Bush administration has always insisted that the invasion was a last-minute response to provocation—the shooting and harassing of American citizens in Panama by [Gen. Manuel] Noriega's thugs. This is not true. In fact, *Newsweek* has learned, the plans to invade were set into motion much earlier, and the sheer momentum of preparation—along with President Bush's desire to get Noriega—made the invasion inevitable. In the weeks before the invasion, officers posing as tourists visited the parts of Panama they would attack," *Newsweek* wrote.

Newsweek also cited "well-placed military sources" for a report that 9 of the 23

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U.S. deaths were at the hands of other U.S. soldiers, and that as many as 60% of all injured U.S. soldiers were injured by "friendly fire" from other U.S. troops.

The Pentagon denied the story, but conceded that 2 deaths and 19 wounded were victims of fire from their own forces, and another death and 21 wounded were also possibly from U.S. forces.

Smith 'competency' trial decried by newspaper

The persecution of du Pont heir Lewis du Pont Smith for his support for the ideas of Lyndon LaRouche in a West Chester County, Pennsylvania, court, was denounced by the *West Chester Daily Local News* on June 8. Smith has been attempting to overturn a 1986 ruling that he is mentally incompetent. The latest testimony in the trial was by a so-called "neutral" psychiatrist called by Judge Lawrence Wood.

It's ironic, the editorial concluded, that in "Chester County, long a bastion of individualists, its folk reared to be self-reliant, its Quaker tradition of questioning the status quo a hallmark, this is the site where an individualist must fight for his right to be different.

"The court, by declaring Smith incompetent, fears the man somehow is a danger.

"We see the danger in this case coming from another quarter entirely, from those who would seek to stifle others' options of how they will conduct their lives."

LaRouche certified on Virginia ballot

A spokesman for LaRouche for Justice, the principal campaign committee of Virginia congressional candidate Lyndon H. Larouche, Jr., announced June 20 that they had received official notification from the state board of elections in Richmond that LaRouche had been certified for ballot status in the November election.

Mr. LaRouche will be running as an In-

dependent Democrat against incumbent Frank Wolf, the Republican congressman from Virginia's Tenth District, and MacKenzie Canter, the Democratic nominee.

In May, supporters of the well-known physical economist had filed 3,715 nominating petitions, more than double the number needed to qualify. Many of the petition signers came from Loudoun County, where he resides.

The campaign moved into high gear with a series of new radio advertisements, airing on the all-news station WTOG in Washington and elsewhere in the district. In one of the ads, LaRouche invokes the separation of church and state to keep the "Gaia" "Mother Earth" cult out of government policy. "If someone wants to practice ecologism from their back yard, I suppose we can tolerate it," LaRouche says. "But if they try to impose it on their neighbor, with the use of the forces of the state, we have to say 'no.'"

LaRouche candidates net solid vote in N. Dakota

Several candidates for the U.S. Congress and state and local offices in North Dakota, campaigning in support of Lyndon LaRouche and his policies, received double digit vote totals in the June 12 primary.

The unofficial results showed Avone Kukla, running in the Republican primary for U.S. Congress, getting 14% statewide and 24% in his own county. Gerald Kopp, running in the Democratic primary for U.S. Congress against the incumbent, polled 7%.

Annabelle Bourgois, in a three-way race for county-wide State Senate seat, garnered 21%. Joe Harn, Alfonse Friese, John Birdzell, and Duane Rub, each of whom were in three-way races for State Representative seats, polled 13%, 11%, 15%, and 19% respectively. Don Rudnick polled 14% in a race for State Senate.

Jim Moseanko, in a race for county commissioner, polled 25% and will be on the November ballot. Delbert Chadwick, also running for county commissioner, received 11% in a four-way race. Ron Brakke polled 12% in a race for county sheriff.

● **FBI** guidelines for use of deadly force are being expanded. The June 13 *Washington Times* said that under new guidelines "agents may shoot fleeing suspects of violent crimes who are armed and considered likely to commit another crime. . . . Deadly force may be used if the agent also has a reasonable belief that the suspect could not be arrested without firing shots."

● **DON DIXON**, the former owner of Verson S&L of Texas, was indicted by a federal grand jury on 38 counts, including campaign contribution irregularities. Dixon was a key figure in the witchhunt which toppled former House Speaker Jim Wright, to whom he made campaign contributions.

● **FELIX ROHATYN**, the Lazard Frères partner who heads New York's Big MAC, suggested in a speech to the National Press Club June 15 that a 5% income tax surcharge be levied to pay for the thrift bailout. The tax would raise \$25-35 billion a year for four years, and, if more is needed, he said, the tax could be extended.

● **NELSON MANDELA** began a tour of the U.S. on June 20 with a three-day stay in New York as the guest of Mayor David Dinkins. Mandela arrived in the U.S. after a European tour which included a 25-minute audience with the Pope.

● **GREYHOUND** workers rallied in support of a boycott of Greyhound in Washington, D.C. on June 19. The rally was addressed by Jesse Jackson who suggested Greyhound owner Fred Curry should let the workers buy out the near-bankrupt company.

● **U.S. OFFICIALS** purged potentially embarrassing documents from the inventory of those seized in January from Panama's General Noriega, according to papers filed by Noriega's defense team in Miami. The withheld documents could number in the thousands, according to defense attorney Michael J. O'Kane.