

Reality behind the riots: 27 years of negligence

Lyndon LaRouche released the following statement on May 7.

This is Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche speaking with anger and disgust at the behavior of not only President Bush, but of other leading commentators in response to recent developments in Los Angeles. I ask you to do a very simple thing: Dig out some photographs and memories of Watts in 1965. Overlay those pictures and those memories with South-Central Los Angeles in 1992. Let's put a caption on these comparisons: "The Warren Christopher Commission's policy from 1965 to 1992."

What have been the policies of the Christopher Commission? Warren Christopher is the partner of Mickey Kantor, the campaign manager of Bill Clinton. What have the Christopher policies done in South-Central Los Angeles from 1965 to 1992?

That is the question, not the riot.

In fact, from 1965 to 1992, not only in South-Central Los Angeles, but in the ghettos in Chicago, in New York City, and in every other major city in this country with Hispanic and black ghettos, the conditions of life are worse, the architecture is worse, the housing is worse, the homelessness is worse, the sickness is worse, *everything is worse.*

What does this mean?

Twenty-seven years of negligence, 27 years of what Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.), when he was a member of the Nixon administration, proposed as "benign neglect"—only I don't think it's benign.

The issue of Los Angeles last weekend is not the issue of the Rodney King beating or the verdict, or the riots which were staged by the Maoist gangs and some other drug-running gangs, arson and shooting on a large scale. That's important, but that's not the primary issue.

The primary issue is, that we have continued to take increasing percentages of our total population, not only black, not only Hispanic, not only Koreans; but others, and we are throwing them into Hell. And this includes today our senior citizens, and many other categories, who are about to be savaged by those rioters in Washington who wish to cut their entitlements and contract the economy, instead of recognizing that from 1965 until 1992, not only have the policies of Warren Christopher ruined this nation, but so have the policies of every administration.

The policies that have ruined this nation are essentially the same policies represented by Bush today, by Clinton

today, and by many others.

Now some people say you have to choose between front-runners Clinton and Bush, or perhaps Ross Perot. To do so would be a mistake, but you say that's realistic. Well, would you rather vote for what you don't want and get it, and get more of it, when you've got it up to the neck already; or would you rather take a chance on a long shot by voting for what you want—relief from a 1965-92 pattern of disasters in every section of U.S. social and economic policy?

A fascist apparatus behind riot

In earlier comments on May 5, LaRouche identified the establishment policy behind the riot.

First of all, the black ghettos, both rural and urban, in the United States, have three elements which are indigenous, which are characteristic of the ghetto.

One is the traditional civil rights movement, which includes a lot of politicians who are part of the civil rights movement in the *broadest* sense of the term. That's their mentality, that's the way they think; they may err, but their conscience, when pressed, always comes back to the civil rights standard which we associate with the civil rights movement of the 1950s and early 1960s as a point of reference. This is typified by what was exemplified by the leadership of Rev. Martin Luther King.

We have a second stratum which is the Nation of Islam, which recruits within the ghetto, and is an independent force, a moral influence and otherwise, within the ghetto.

Third, we have the criminal element, in increasing portions, in the ghetto, sometimes called the "dust" people—people who push drugs, who run in gangs.

Now, despite the fact that a lot of apologies are made for the individual case, for why they became a criminal, the fact is, they became criminals. The fact that their criminality can be explained does not justify it, and should not be introduced as a factor of compassion or justification when you're dealing with criminality. You're dealing with a fascist gangster, that is what these kids are. For example, the Crips and the Bloods: They're gangsters. They're criminal elements. And no excuse can be made for what they are. Maybe they shouldn't have become that. But what they are, is what they are.

Then we have, from the outside, an interface with the ghetto in several forms. On the lowest level, and closest to the criminal element, are the Maoist politicals. These Maoists are naturally fascist. That includes the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) types, the Revolutionary Communist Party

(RCP) types, the Bob Avakian types; these are all essentially anarchical fascists—real nihilists, something Friedrich Nietzsche would have understood. And they tend to come closer to the hard-core criminal elements in the ghetto, who move in a sea of general criminalization, which affects a growing part of the population, largely through the drug operations, which have now become much worse.

In terms of the organic actions in south Los Angeles, the reaction was organized by the criminal element on the ground, in concert with the RCP and similar types. But that's not the end of the story.

The ghetto is analogous to a Nazi concentration camp—we're taking particularly the pre-war, pre-1939, pre-1940 Nazi concentration camps.

The camps were administered on the inside, with the blessing of the Nazis, by the political. The political was the civic leader, shall we say, of the camp. They organized things. They did all the things that required intelligence, and skill, and political skills. But then the political was controlled in turn—that is, killed, for example, or beaten, when they got out of line, because the Nazis would send the criminals to do it to them. . . .

That's the way a black ghetto is in the United States. It's essentially a Nazi concentration camp, which has political leading strata, which are generally imbued with the civil rights mentality, who administer the ghettos from the inside. Then you have the criminal elements, which are used to take care of the political elements, and generally control the ghetto, more directly in the specific interest of the outside forces.

The 'poverty' apparatus

Now the outside forces center upon what we used to know as the poverty apparatus, which is essentially a *fascist* apparatus, interfacing combinations of outrightly satanic New Age outlooks, through the rock-drug culture, etc., and also through people like Warren Christopher and that part of the establishment.

These people, generally, when you're talking about the PLP and similar things, we're talking about Anti-Defamation League (ADL)-connected affairs, we're talking about gangsters, we're talking about the Hollywood set, which includes the Mickey Kantor—one of Warren Christopher's old buddies—set, organized crime. Santa Barbara is the center for this, the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, this kind of thing.

Let's take the police force. I agree with the proposition that Daryl Gates is a bum of the lowest degree. He's like the criminals down there. I don't care how they got to be that way; they got to be that way, and that's what Daryl Gates is.

Daryl Gates is *not*, however, a representative, in any sense of *quality*, of the Los Angeles Police Department. And the FBI and organized crime have been out to bust that police department for a long time. And the point is, it's the last remaining large police department which has any capability

and cleanliness to it. They've ruined the New York Police Department. It was ruined by Patrick Murphy, who is part of the Christopher apparatus.

The program which is being implemented by Stanley Sheinbaum [president of the Los Angeles Police Commission] et al., is what we've known for years: It's fascism. We have some first-rate studies about these vest-pocket community police department arrangements—Police Foundation, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration stuff. This comes very close to the Democratic Party side of fascism, as opposed to the George Bush side. Not that George Bush is any good, but it just is not George Bush's particular cup of tea. It's the Democratic Party and Charles Manatt's friends apparatus' dirty cup of tea. It's the social democrats, it's Project Democracy, the Initiatives Committee for National Economic Planning (ICNEP) fascism.

Organized crime

For example, who is one of the most famous American political figures who backed ICNEP? Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.). What do we know about Hubert Humphrey?

Sen. Hubert Humphrey had two basic pedigrees. Primarily, Humphrey was a wholly owned subsidiary of Meyer Lansky. The entire Democratic Farmer Labor Party machine, from the top on down, is a bunch of racketeers and thugs created as an organization by the Lansky machine. However, Lansky's crowd was operating under a franchise from the grain cartel crowd, centered in the Twin Cities—which meant Dwayne Andreas, it meant above all Cargill; it meant that complex of operations with which the Pillsbury name, the Washburne name, and so forth, are associated; all of these intelligence-related things, which are tied in part to the Teddy Roosevelt operation, the liberal Democratic side, the Settlement House movement, that tradition.

So you have the Humphrey machine, which preys upon a bunch of rather sheepishly long-suffering people who are sheared annually. They think that, somehow, this thing up here is benign. It's just smart. It doesn't kill the sheep off. It shears them every year, and it culls the flock.

But that's ICNEP. It's this kind of fascism—the Warren Christopher, Carter administration, Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), Robert Hutchins poverty apparatus. It's liberal, ADL, Project Democracy—social democratic fascism. And that's what is moving into place.

The Democratic presidential campaign of Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton is run by Mickey Kantor, who is an integral part of this bunch of fascists and drug-pushers. That's what they all are, drug-pushers. And so is Clinton's Arkansas. George Bush is a drug-pusher, with whom Clinton works, through the mediation of people like Oliver North, back in the 1980s. No question. But it's still distinct.

Why is it distinct? Because only by having these kinds of distinct operations, can the people on top, the elite, work out their own differences among themselves.