British dirty tricks against the U.S. presidency exposed

by Jeffrey Steinberg

In two Washington, D.C. events on April 6, the Whitewater affair was exposed as an attempt to destabilize the U.S. presidency. In both instances, detailed evidence was presented showing the forces operating behind the scenes to orchestrate a media “feeding frenzy” aimed at paralyzing the Executive branch.

At a breakfast interview with the bureau chiefs and columnists of the major American daily newspapers, sponsored by the Christian Science Monitor’s Godfrey Sperling, Jr., President Clinton’s 1992 campaign manager, James Carville, warned the pundits that they had better drop the “frenzy” over Whitewater before they wound up “totally discredited.” He accused them of running with stories that had been manufactured by tabloids and talk show hosts who were in turn being fed “by the likes of Gennifer Flowers and Jerry Falwell.”

Carville presented a flow chart labeled “Media Food Chain,” which traced the path of Clintongate smears into the largest American newspapers. The April 7 issue of the Washington Post published a copy of the chart, along with a report on the Carville briefing. The chart highlighted the role of the “British tabloids” and the American Spectator— a role which EIR has elaborated in recent issues.

The Carville appearance was a clear signal that the White House has decided to fight back against the media smear campaign. While he stopped short of charging an outright conspiracy by the media and others to trash the Clinton presidency, Carville did assert that “there’s a bunch of people who just don’t accept what the American people did in 1992.”

LaRouche issues dossier

Later in the day, at a press conference at the National Press Club, spokesmen for the Committee to Reverse the Accelerating Global Economic and Strategic Crisis, the presidential exploratory committee of Lyndon LaRouche, Jr., released a 64-page dossier, “Assault on the Presidency.” The report charges that the Whitewater and related scandals are being stage-managed by British intelligence via the media conglomerate Hollinger Corp. and allied American neo-conservative circles, and constitutes a treasonous foreign destabilization of the U.S. presidency.

The press conference was a standing-room-only affair, and was videotaped for nationwide cable TV broadcasting. A wide range of domestic and foreign press, diplomats, and lobbyists attended, including a very unhappy Sunday Telegraph of London correspondent, Ambrose Evans-Pritchard. Evans-Pritchard was visibly shaken when one of the speakers provided background on his British MI-6 connections, his father’s involvement with British intelligence’s notorious Arab Bureau, and quoted from a recent Telegraph column in which he indiscreetly boasted of his role in organizing an underground network of Clinton-bashers. All the while, a color photograph of the reporter was showing on a screen at the front of the room. (For more on what is making Evans-Pritchard nervous, see the profile of him in EIR, April 8, p. 56.)

“Evans-Pritchard has long since crossed the line between foreign correspondent and covert operator,” EIR’s Counterintelligence Editor Jeffrey Steinberg charged.

Pending monetary blowout

Introducing the hot-off-the-press campaign report was EIR Contributing Editor Webster Tarpley, who situated the British-led press assault on the U.S. presidency in the context of the looming global financial crash. Tarpley quoted from the introduction to the report, written by LaRouche:
"The global financial crash is now inevitable. It might happen this week, next, a year from now. It will happen and soon. That bubble will probably burst during President Bill Clinton's present term in office. . . . The present global financial system cannot be saved; the only practical question is, can the U.S. economy survive the inevitably early death of this International Monetary Fund-Federal Reserve financial system? The short answer is, 'Yes.' The catch is, President Clinton must act according to the precedent set by the first President of the United States, George Washington, and his secretary of the treasury, Alexander Hamilton. . . . "For the sake of our nation, and for the welfare of all of our citizens and our posterity, we need to have a U.S. presidency intact which is ready and able to do that; we need to have a President who is willing and able to do that when the crisis hits."

Tarpley outlined the British manipulation of the American media, employing the very neo-conservative networks which have been simultaneously at the center of efforts to sabotage the Middle East peace process and destabilize Mexico and other nations of the South. He outlined the role of the British Thatcherites and other "latter-day Colonel Blimps" whose Hollinger Corp., through such media outlets as the Sunday Telegraph and the Jerusalem Post, have been steering the destabilization of the Clinton presidency.

Steinberg followed with a more detailed review of how the Whitewater scandal was launched via the Hollinger-dominated American Spectator magazine and the Sunday Telegraph. He identified the directors and editorial advisers to the Hollinger group, led by Margaret Thatcher, Lord Peter Carrington, Henry Kissinger, Lord Rothschild, and representatives of the British Barclays, Hambro, and Jardine Matthey financier interests. He then traced the history of the media cartel to wartime British intelligence's Economic Warfare Directorate under Lord Beaverbrook.

EIR Middle East expert Joseph Brewda then presented details of how the exact same British and neo-conservative apparatus controls the right-wing Zionist apparatus of Israel’s Gen. Ariel Sharon and the late Jewish Defense League founder Rabbi Meir Kahane. Kahane’s group carried out the massacre at the Cave of the Patriarchs at Hebron in February as part of the effort to wreck the Israel-PLO peace accords and throw the region into a bloody religious war. "It’s a classic case of the divide-and-conquer strategy" that the British imperialists learned at the feet of the Venetians, Brewda explained. "It’s the same game they are playing against the U.S. presidency today through Whitewater and related phony scandals."

Attendees at the National Press Club event all received pre-publication copies of the campaign report. Broad circulation of the report is to begin on April 12, the day that the U.S. Congress returns from Easter recess, a spokesman for the LaRouche exploratory committee explained. Plans are for 100,000 copies to be distributed by the November elections.

With the White House now apparently on the counterattack, and with the LaRouche campaign report about to saturate the corridors of power around the country and around the world, it promises to be a very hot springtime in Washington.