

## White House incidents show high-level threat to Clinton

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An unprecedented rash of security incidents at the White House over the last weeks of 1994 have dramatized the extremely high level of assassination threat to which President Clinton is now exposed. These included a Dec. 17 shooting incident, the Dec. 20 incident in which a knife-wielding assailant was fatally shot, and four additional incidents between Dec. 21-25.

"We Americans have to treat this threat seriously," declared Lyndon LaRouche in his Dec. 28 "EIR Talks" radio interview, commenting on recent events and earlier British-sponsored assassinations of U.S. Presidents. "How many times are we going to sit back and let the British monarchy kill our elected Presidents and destabilize our government and policymaking?" he asked. "What rights do we have, what human rights do we have, if we can vote for a President, and then the Brits can come in and shoot him?"

The recent incidents include:

- Sept. 12: Frank Cordier crashes a plane into the White House south lawn.
- Oct. 29: Francisco Duran sprays the White House with bullets, is arrested and charged with attempting to assassinate the President. In early December, Duran's wife tells *Newsweek* magazine that Duran was not acting alone, and that "other people should be punished, too."
- Nov. 21: Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) tells a North Carolina newspaper that President Clinton is so unpopular on military bases in his state, that "he'd better have a body-guard if he comes down here."
- Dec. 17: At least four shots are fired at the South Portico of the White House from a 9 mm weapon. One shot penetrates a window of the State Dining Room.
- Dec. 20: U.S. Park Police fatally shoot knife-wielding Marcelino Corniel, who had chased a policemen across the

street from Lafayette Park. Corniel had a long history of gang-related violence in California. Sources report that he had disappeared from Lafayette Park for a couple of weeks, and then reappeared the day before the incident in a highly agitated state.

- Dec. 21: An unarmed homeless man slips through an open gate onto the White House grounds, and is immediately arrested.
- Dec. 22-23: A car drives up to a White House gate, the driver jumps out, and tells police that there is a bomb in the car.
- Dec. 23: Franklin Ruff is stopped by police as he is lurking near the White House, and is arrested for carrying a loaded 9 mm handgun. Ruff is wanted on weapons charges in Salisbury, Maryland.
- Dec. 25: Lolando Bello is arrested while attempting to climb over the north fence of the White House; he is charged with unlawful entry and making felonious threats to officers.

### 'Nuts on the White House lawn'

Remarking on this succession of incidents, LaRouche said he would adopt the observation which had been passed onto him, that "this spectacle of these zombies either marching or climbing walls or flying planes into the White House, reminds one of the march in the 'Night of the Living Dead.' "

"This has to be looked at seriously," LaRouche continued. "These guys are nuts—yes, every one of them. They're nasty nuts, but they're nuts. They're being deployed. They're being deployed by British intelligence, through Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, using Larry Nichols, with help from Rush Limbaugh and the so-called 'Reverend' Jerry Falwell, and with Pat Robertson, and so forth. They've got this thing cranked

up, and they're covering the White House lawn with nuts."

LaRouche said that the people who are doing this from London "don't intend to kill the President with one of these nuts, though they are a bloody nuisance. They've got something else in mind." He drew the following analogy:

"If you think about the old days of the big-game hunts in Africa, or India, where the *bwana makouts* of Africa, Prince Philip's predecessors, or the *pukka sahibs* of India with their great tiger hunts, would go out with beaters who would beat the bushes, and drive the game in the direction where the big *bwana makout* or *pukka sahib* with the big rifle, was waiting to shoot the game."

That's what is being done now. "There is a conscious, intentional assassination threat being directed against the President of the United States by elements of the British monarchy, no question about it. But these nuts climbing over the fence, are not the real problem. They are the beaters. They are the ones who are trying to create the *chaos*, to create the environment in which the President's will is distracted and weakened as much as possible.

"But they are *moving toward* something: *There's a guy with a big gun or a big weapon of some kind waiting somewhere, and they're trying to drive the President in that direction, right into the mouth, so to speak, of that waiting gun.*"

"We've got to do something about this," LaRouche concluded. "I think the American people have got to make it clear that we're not going to put up with this. The Brits have got to stop this; and the Canadians have got to stop harboring it."

"We've got to make that clear. If we make it clear, they'll stop; but if we don't, they'll keep coming."

### The Larry Nichols case

One of the most visible of the front-men for this British-run operation against the President is Larry Nichols, a former Arkansas state employee who has been touring the country brandishing a gun and openly threatening President Clinton. *EIR* has learned that Nichols is under investigation by federal law enforcement agencies responsible for the President's security. Sources familiar with Nichols's May 11, 1994 public threats to the President at a rally in Boulder, Colorado (see *EIR*, Dec. 2, 1992) have disclosed that Nichols's activities are being probed in the context of the recent proliferation of threats and attacks.

The Nichols case may provide a crucial thread of evidence on the threat to the President. A former Little Rock, Arkansas-based asset of the George Bush- and Oliver North-run Nicaraguan Contra apparatus, Nichols was picked up early this year by British intelligence operator Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, the Washington-based correspondent for the Hollinger Corp.'s London *Sunday Telegraph*. Since his initial boost by Pritchard, Nichols has been given a public spotlight by Falwell and TV-radio guru Rush Limbaugh.

In mid-December, Nichols appeared on a Christian radio

station in Los Angeles to continue his harangue against the President. When asked by a caller about his ties to Pritchard, Nichols launched into a lengthy tribute to the British agent, while denying that Pritchard was tied to British intelligence.

Pritchard is actually a second-generation British intelligence operative—a status by no means inconsistent with his nominal job as a correspondent for the *Telegraph* chain. Hollinger, the owner of the *Telegraph*, is an outgrowth of World War II British Secret Intelligence operations in North America. Hollinger chairman Conrad Black was the protégé of wartime British intelligence official E.P. Taylor, whose Argus Corp. was later renamed Hollinger. Since 1993, the Hollinger publications have been leading the charge against the Clinton presidency on behalf of the British Crown (see *Documentation*).

### Security upgrade urgently required

The rash of incidents over the past few months has provoked a thorough review of security procedures around the President and the White House, and has sparked an intensive investigation into networks possibly involved in plotting against the Clintons. There are signs of an upgrading of the security shield around the First Family. Recently, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement Ron Noble joined FBI Director Louis Freeh and Drug Enforcement Administration administrator Thomas Constantine in calling upon the Office of Management and Budget to restore funding which had been slashed in dangerous cuts to federal law enforcement programs.

An added impetus to concerns about presidential security has come from the publication of a first-hand account of the emergency medical treatment of President Reagan on March 30, 1981 after he was shot by John Hinckley. With the permission of Reagan and his family, two physicians involved in the emergency treatment have published an article in the Dec. 7, 1994 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. The *JAMA* account shows for the first time, how close President Reagan's wounds were to being fatal. The bullet which entered his lung and lodged adjacent to the heart was a "devastator" bullet, designed to explode on impact, with a toxic lead azide-filled center. Remarkably, even though the bullet ricocheted off a rib, it did not explode.

After the shooting, no one realized that the President had been shot, and he was being driven to the White House under standard procedures. Seeing that Reagan was coughing up blood, the Secret Service agent accompanying him diverted the limousine to a nearby hospital which had a highly competent staff and modern diagnostic and therapeutic equipment. Had the President not been able to get to a hospital immediately, he probably would have died, since he was suffering from heavy internal bleeding and a collapsed lung.

The *JAMA* article notes that of the five incumbent U.S. Presidents who have been struck by bullets, four of them (Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley, and Kennedy) died.

## Ambrose Evans-Pritchard's assault on President Clinton

For the past 18 months, the leading voice in the British Crown's media assault against President Clinton has been the Washington, D.C. correspondent of the London *Sunday Telegraph*, Ambrose Evans-Pritchard. A flagship publication of the Hollinger Corp. media empire, the newspaper is the semi-official organ of the House of Windsor and the Club of the Isles, the London-based network that has been in a state of undeclared war against the Clinton presidency.

A comparison of Evans-Pritchard's stories with those appearing in the *Washington Times*, the *American Spectator*, *National Review*, and on the Rush Limbaugh and Pat Robertson television broadcasts, reveals that the British have been virtually dictating U.S. "news" on the Clinton administration, and particularly the "Whitewater" attack.

The following is a sampling of Evans-Pritchard's yellow journalism from 1994:

**March 13:** Under the headline "Little Rock's Mean Machine," Evans-Pritchard quotes former Arkansas state official Larry Nichols: "Bill Clinton destroyed me. He took away my reputation, and the only way I can get it back is to destroy him. I'm going to prove that everything I said about him is true."

**March 27:** The *Sunday Telegraph* reports on its correspondent's role in attacks on Clinton. Evans-Pritchard states that he appears at least one talk show a day: "It is an eye-opener. The callers talk about the President in a tone of undisguised contempt, and they want to know answers to everything. . . . Clearly, there is a very effective grapevine out there beyond the capital, a *samizdat* network of tens of millions of people."

**March 27:** "Clinton Accused of 'Grotesque' Sex Harassment" is the headline of an Evans-Pritchard report on Paula Corbin Jones's plan to file a lawsuit accusing President Clinton of sexually harassing her when he was Arkansas governor.

**April 3:** Under the headline "Despots Line Up to Test Clinton Mettle," Evans-Pritchard writes: "The White House has become a mausoleum. Staffers slink into work each day with morbid premonitions, expecting their subpoenas at any moment. Most of the inner circle have been entangled in the coverup, and have had to hire expensive lawyers. The right-

## British Crown hits back at LaRouche in Canada

*EIR's* recent exposés on the British assassination bureau known as Permindex, and its director, Montreal's late Louis Mortimer Bloomfield, have drawn a furious response from British intelligence and the Canadian organized-crime networks of Edgar Bronfman, particularly the Canadian Jewish Congress. Several Canadian parliamentarians are being harassed for joining more than 100 legislators in the United States in signing a petition demanding the exoneration of Lyndon LaRouche and his associates. A barrage of hostile press coverage has been launched against LaRouche, accusing him of being a "fascist" and an "anti-Semite."

The British Crown's servants in the press, for example, have attempted to character-assassinate the newly elected mayor of Greenfield Park (population 18,000), Marc Duclos, and a Montreal doctor, Alain Gauthier. Starting on Dec. 12, the French-language newspaper *Journal de Montréal* began to run what would amount by the end of the week to five pages of slanderous articles,

purporting to link Mayor Duclos to the "sinister movement of Lyndon LaRouche."

Lyndon LaRouche was asked about the strange goings-on in Montreal, in a Dec. 14 radio interview with "*EIR Talks*." The point is, he said, "we have documented the fact (and there will be more of this coming out constantly), that certain elements of British intelligence are out to set up an assassination of President Clinton, in much the same way that similar elements in British intelligence, working through Montreal, in point of fact, worked to set up an assassination of President Kennedy back in 1963. And those facts are proven facts, even though they never got into a court. They're proven.

"So naturally, the relevant press in Montreal responds to the fact that we've exposed their friends as being engaged in an assassination plot against our President, by attacking me with all the garbage they can dream up. This is typical of them.

"I've blown the cover on this thing. There are Canadian elements that are involved in the attempted set-up of an assassination operation against the President; and naturally, those Canadian operatives, who don't like me anyway, will resort to the exposure of their dirty hands, by getting their agents to plaster foul remarks about me all over the Montreal press."

hand man of the President, George Stephanopoulos, suddenly faces the possibility of criminal indictment for obstruction of justice. And as for the Clintons themselves, what can they be thinking now that their high-minded act has been exposed as a venal sham?"

**June 19:** Under the headline "Hawks Hammer at White House Door. Pyongyang Is Forcing Clinton to Face the Acid Test of His Nuclear Policy," Evans-Pritchard harps on White House problems with foreign policy: "There is a cacophony on policy toward North Korea in the establishment at a time when President Clinton needs clear guidance."

**July 17:** "Clinton 'Took Cocaine While in Office.'" Exclusive interviews in the London *Sunday Times* say Clinton took cocaine until the mid-1980s. The drug use could have begun when he was a law professor, Arkansas Attorney General, or governor of Arkansas.

**July 31:** "Doubts Linger Over Death of Clinton Aide." Evans-Pritchard reports that radio talk shows—"America's equivalent of the British tabloids"—have challenged the official verdict of the death of White House aide Vincent Foster.

**Sept. 11:** "Clinton Plays His Green Card." Evans-Pritchard reports that Clinton's views in sympathy with the Irish nationalist cause were formed at England's Oxford University in the late-1960s, and have remained unchanged. Clinton has made contact with "some of the wilder men from the fringes of the Irish-American lobby."

**Sept. 25:** The *Sunday Telegraph* headline is "Carter's Haiti Hijack. Operation Restore Democracy Has Not Gone Quite to Plan. The Consequences—Political and Military—Could Spell Disaster for Bill Clinton."

**Oct. 9:** Evans-Pritchard covers more administration scandals under the headline, "Bill Clinton and the Chicken Man." Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy has had his career "destroyed by the curse of Bill Clinton's home state." He is under investigation by a special prosecutor for accepting gifts from Arkansas poultry king Donald Tyson, and announced his resignation the week before.

**Nov. 20:** "Clinton 'Unfit for Office.'" Quotes Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) saying that President Clinton is unfit to be commander-in-chief.

**Nov. 20:** "It's America First. A Festering Disagreement Over the Balkans Has Reached the Point of an Irreparable Rift between America and Britain." Evans-Pritchard begins: "The whispering campaign against Britain is coming out into the open in Washington. Anonymous U.S. officials are now accusing the British of planting stories about a U.S. covert operation in Bosnia."

**Dec. 4:** "Patriot Games Turn Deadly." Evans-Pritchard gives glowing coverage to the militia movement in America that poses a direct security threat to the President, describing them as "the shock troops and enforcement arm of the 1994 American Revolution. If the Republicans betray their promises and fail to restore 'constitutional' government, these people could take matters into their own hands."

## Bush insurgents aim axe at Constitution

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The frenzied activities of the top Washington, D.C.-based conservative think-tanks during the month of December accelerated the movement to dismantle most of the U.S. federal government, in order to keep more and more loot flowing into the bankrupt financial system without interference from institutions designed to protect the public. Nowhere was this more evident than at a forum at the National Press Club on Dec. 16 sponsored by the Project for the Republican Future, headed by former Bush administration official William Kristol.

The panelists in the forum were leaders from some top British-inspired think-tanks in Washington, including the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), the Cato Institute, the Heritage Foundation, and the Competitive Enterprise Institute. While their remarks differed in some details, they all had the same target in their sights: the social and economic activities of the federal government—and especially, the Constitution of the United States. This was reflected by the American Enterprise Institute's Christopher Demuth, who joked that, because he was the fourth speaker, "I thought the only way I could continue the conversation . . . would be to propose that we simply go back to the Articles of Confederation and start over." (The Articles of Confederation misruled and nearly overthrew the United States from 1783 until 1789.)

The thinking behind the forum, entitled "What to Kill First: Agencies to Dismantle, Programs to Eliminate and Regulations to Stop," was perhaps best stated by Fred L. Smith, the president of the Competitive Enterprise Institute, who, in his opening remarks, said, "The election was a call for less government, not for good government, not even good Republican government." This was echoed by the other speakers and endorsed by Kristol, who moderated.

### Demolition

The laundry list of current government functions to be reduced, privatized, or eliminated, includes:

- repealing the federal gas tax and returning highway programs to the states
- ending mass transit programs
- ending the FDA's role in approving "health enhancing technologies"
- ending corporate and agriculture subsidies