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LaRouche's 1980 Exposé Cost Bush the Presidency

Lyndon LaRouche's exposé of George Bush in New Hampshire in 1980 cost Bush the Presidency, writes Jim Marrs in a new book, *Rule by Secrecy* (HarperCollins, 2000). LaRouche publicized Bush's membership in Skull and Bones, a secret society at Yale University, and his affiliation with other similar oligarchical groupings.

"Controversy concerning The Order [Skull and Bones] surfaced during the 1980 Presidential election," writes Marr. "Former U.S. Labor Party National Chairman Lyndon H. LaRouche began an independent bid for the Presidency. In the New Hampshire primary elections, LaRouche attacked Republican candidate George Bush for his affiliation with The Order, stating, 'Skull and Bones is no mere fraternity, no special alumni association and added mumbojumbo. It is a very serious, very dedicated cult-conspiracy against the U.S. Constitution. Like the Cambridge Apostles, the initiate to the Skull and Bones is a dedicated agent of British secret intelligence for life.' Many observers believed that the revelations of Bush's connection to Skull and Bones, the CFR [New York Council on Foreign Relations], and the Trilateral Commission cost him the New Hampshire primary and eventually the Presidency in 1980."

Marrs is also the author of *Crossfire*, a book on the Kennedy assassination.

English 101: Script the Perfect Murder

High school English teacher Andrew Philips, of Covina, California, instructed his English class to author a short story, picking a victim to be murdered and planning the killing without being caught, Associated Press reported on Oct. 4. After protest from some students, an alternative assignment was proposed: List 8-10 motives for killing somebody. The teacher has been either fired or ordered to resign, and was not available for comment. Protests and counter-protests went on for days at the school, with one side

furious at the teacher, and the other side chanting, "We want Mr. Philips back."

Lyndon LaRouche remarked that the episode "typifies the kind of influence of the *New York Times*" style book on those who learned their spelling, punctuation, and morals from such sources."

Bill Gates on New Economy: 'Get Real!'

Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates told a conference in Seattle, Washington on Oct. 18, that health care and improved literacy, not high tech, is the best route for aiding world's poor, the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* reported.

"The Creating Digital Dividends conference, sponsored by Washington, D.C.-based World Resources Institute and attended by some 300 representatives of high-tech companies, venture firms, and governments, revolved around the thesis that technology can make both entrepreneurs and consumers out of people earning less than \$1 a day.

"'Let's be serious. Let's be serious,' Gates said.... Do people have a clear view of what it means to live on \$1 a day? There are things those people need at that level other than technology. About 99% of the benefits of having [a PC] come when you've provided reasonable health and literacy to the person who's going to sit down and use

"Gates was asked whether the world shouldn't 'lead with technology for economic development and watch health improve as a follow-on to that, as occurred here.'

"He answered, 'One million people a year [in the U.S.] were not dying of measles when the microprocessor was invented.... People with elephantiasis aren't going to be using their PCs. I'm suggesting that if someone's interested in equity, you wouldn't spend more than 20% of your time talking about computers. It's almost criminal more money isn't spent on curing malaria, which kills 1 million children a year....

"'Do people have a clear view of what it means to live on \$1 a day?' he said, repeating himself. 'There's no electricity in that house. None. Is someone creating computers that don't require electricity? . . . You're buying food, you're trying to stay alive. You live in a different world!' "

The U.S. Election as Seen from Russia

The Russian magazine *FAS* has been running a series titled "New American Fairy Tales," by Dmitri Bykov and Yelena Lukyanova. The episode in the Oct. 12 issue has G.W. Bush and Al Gore waging a contest in political correctness.

First, an assistant rushes into Bush's office, screaming that Gore has picked a Jew as his Vice Presidential candidate. Bush inquires why this idea hadn't come to his own team first, and tells Dick Cheney to confess in public that he is a homosexual. Gore retaliates by telling Lieberman to confess in public that he has flat feet and radiculitis.

Then, Bush forgives a serial murderer, on the grounds that in his childhood, he saved a cat. Gore's team stages the rescue of a little girl from a fire by Gore personally (Gore was afraid of fire, but somebody tells him: "Remember how Bill made his confession about Monica," and Gore races into the fire). But Bush's team spreads a rumor that, while saving the girl, Gore had sexually harassed her, by taking her by the knees. The girl promptly publishes a book of memoirs. Gore realizes that his only answer could be abortion, and personally takes part in this procedure in public. In turn, Bush ejaculates into a test tube, then rushes to Africa, giving hot dogs to starving children. Gore follows him and takes away the hot dogs, claiming that they are environmentally dangerous. Bush gives up eating meat, and Gore gives up eating fish.

On Election Day, Gore arrives in a wheelchair, in order to remind people of Franklin D. Roosevelt, with the girl in an ash-stained dress on his knees, and carrying a bomb labelled "Milosevic Must Go." Bush arrives with the test tube, hanging out his tongue and trying to make his eyes as narrow as possible, as if he suffered from Down's syndrome. Lieberman comes doubled over with radiculitis, and Cheney is carried by two pretty youths. The American people decide to elect Vladimir Putin as their President

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