

## Farrakhan rallies Jackson machine

Addressing a packed house of 10,000 at the Washington Convention Center on July 21, Louis Farrakhan, speaking as the paid agent of the Libyan government, described his plans to create a movement which will launch a campaign of terror and disruption targeting the United States Armed Forces, the government, and the President. Farrakhan threatened to “chop off the head” of any black political leader who opposes his campaign of treason.

Farrakhan began his address by straightforwardly describing the conduit which will be used to help finance his terrorist support apparatus. A front called POWER (People Organized and Working for Economic Reform) is to be set up to develop and market a line of cosmetics, health products, and consumer goods which will supposedly circulate through a network of cooperative, black-owned businesses. The reality behind this, as Farrakhan boasted, is a multimillion dollar loan from Libya. Farrakhan admits to having received \$5 million, but intelligence sources put the amount closer to \$30 million.

“I took the money [from Qaddafi],” shouted Farrakhan, “and I don’t bow down to America, I don’t bow down to Saudi Arabia . . . and black people better get over their resistance to the idea of having friends who are the enemies of America.” Members of the terrorist MOVE cult were later introduced as exemplifying those values black people will have to overcome their resistance to!

Farrakhan said that from this point on, his coalition would be the defenders of those American Indians, Hispanics, and Asians who join him in an “exodus . . . out of America, her norms, her values, her ways, her wickedness. . . .” Should he or any member of this coalition suffer at the hands of the U.S. government, there will be swift retribution “at the hands of Allah,” retribution directed particularly at President Reagan—precisely the threats made over the last several months by Qaddafi.

His tirade then continued: “I’m not backing down from the Jews, because I know their wickedness. I’m not separating just Zionists out, because the Zionists are the outgrowth of the Jewish transgressions. . . . Any foolish black leader who would come out and repudiate me based upon Jewish control and Jewish money should be thrown out by black people. . . . I intend to raise the ante tonight. You will not lead black people being controlled by Jews . . . you will either come out and stand for us or get the hell away from us.

“So come out and attack me if you will, come out leaders

of black organizations—if you will, come on out church leaders . . . who is your master? Is it God? Is it Jesus Christ? Or is it the Jewish leaders in America?

“I say black people, whenever you put a black man in office, and that black man betrays the best interest of those of us who put him there . . . we will tar and feather them, we will hang them from the highest limb, we will chop off their heads and roll them down the streets. . . . I intend to stir up black people in America like they have never been stirred up in the history of black America. . . . No treacherous act by white or black will go unpunished by the masses of black people.”

The rally, far larger than anything ever assembled for former presidential candidate Jesse Jackson, signals a new stage in the legitimization of Farrakhan’s apparatus, and surfaces what was previously little known: Large numbers of black ministers and politicians have been or are being bought by Libya’s Qaddafi.

Farrakhan’s VIP collection, displayed on the stage at this rally, included D.C. School Board member Barbara Simmons, a prominent Washington Democrat who was active in the Jackson Campaign; Washington Redskins star Dexter Manley; numerous representatives of the faculty and student body of Howard University; Rev. Willie Wilson of the Union Temple Baptist Church; Rev. Theo William of the Shiloh AME church in Baltimore; and, not coincidentally, one “Dr. Love,” introduced as the astrologer for *Esence* magazine.

This group of personalities shared Farrakhan’s stage with members of the MOVE cult, and with Ben Chavez, notorious for his activities as a member of the terrorist “Wilmington 10.”

Reverends Wilson and William opened the rally with fulsome praise for the leadership shown by Farrakhan, and announced that they, and many other ministers, have been quietly working with Farrakhan since 1978. (According to local sources, many area churches, owned by real estate trusts which buy and sell the impoverished parishes, are in deep financial trouble, and have been desperately seeking funds from any quarter. These funds will now be available to anyone who will buy Farrakhan’s fanaticism.)

As Farrakhan developed his themes, dominated by a syncretic mixture of Bible prophecy and apocryphal quotes from the Koran, he frequently turned to the assembled VIPs, and with a Mephistophelian leer, asked, “Are things getting too hot for you up here? If so you can excuse yourself now!” The frenzied crowd screamed and jeered at this brazen manipulation of the bought “dignitaries.”

Several of these black VIPs, only a few months ago, were helping to organize mass rallies in Washington to urge the Reagan administration to stop backing International Monetary Fund genocide in Africa. The shift toward acceptance of Farrakhan’s politics by a growing faction of the black elite has come since President Reagan failed to respond to that movement. This shift is not irreversible, but time is rapidly running out.