

# National News

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## Panel asks AIDS emergency in California

According to an article in the May 1 *Los Angeles Times*, a panel of five AIDS experts has asked California Gov. George Deukmejian to declare a state of public emergency in response to the AIDS epidemic, but the recommendations, contained in a 75-page report, were turned down by Deukmejian as too expensive.

The five experts, including Dr. James Chin and Dr. Donald Francis, who only last November testified against Proposition 64 that would have instituted public health measures against AIDS, are now calling for mass testing at all sexually transmitted disease clinics, family planning clinics, and for all marriage licenses and all pregnancies.

They also want an expansion of test facilities, and the creation of regional treatment and evaluation centers to care for patients from "diagnosis to death."

Francis and Chin authored a recent article in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, calling for mass testing, contact tracing, and restraining the activity of irresponsible AIDS carriers, all of which they explicitly opposed in testimony against Proposition 64 last fall.

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## Opposition to FBI confirmation voiced

Congress should not confirm a new FBI chief without taking a "hard-nosed look inside the Bureau," said American University Dean Sanford Ungar in a *Baltimore Sun* op-ed April 28.

Despite the new image instituted by William Webster, "the ghost of J. Edgar Hoover still stalks" the FBI's corridors. The bureau's budget "is virtually out of control again, and some of the rigorous standards instituted in the late 1970s to govern investigations of alleged subversives . . . have begun to slip. With the wrong person at the

top, the FBI could easily revert to the worst abuses of its past."

Many congressional observers believe that the FBI has changed little since Hoover's time, says Ungar, who quotes one Senate aide: "Few people understand the bureaucratic nightmare that can still be the FBI."

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## U.S. 'Greens' revive witchcraft cults

People calling themselves "ecofeminists" held a coven in Los Angeles in early April to create a movement merging witchcraft and "Great Goddess" cults with the international "peace" and environmentalist movements.

Speakers included Paula Bradish, science adviser to the parliamentary delegation of the West German Green Party; Charlene Spretnak, author of a book on building a Green movement in the United States; several avowed witches, including "Starhawk"; and representatives of Green-type formations in England, the United States, and elsewhere.

The major theme of the meeting was the need to eliminate science and technology in order to appease the Earth Goddess.

U.S. Greens are sponsoring an international gathering of Greens from July 2-7 in Amherst, Massachusetts.

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## DNC meets to 'stop LaRouche'

Former party chairman Robert Strauss convened a meeting of the Democratic National Committee and the Anti-Defamation League in New Mexico the evening of April 30 to lay out a strategy to "stop" presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche in the immediate future, reliable sources report.

The meeting took place at the end of a two-day DNC confab in Santa Fe, where,

according to the May 1 *Atlanta Constitution*, the DNC "decided to study ways to prevent infiltration of the party by the Lyndon H. LaRouche cult, and to seek ways to prevent LaRouche candidates from running as Democrats."

The DNC wrapped up its semi-annual meeting in Sante Fe divided and dissatisfied about the field of candidates. "Some people are wringing their hands and saying 'I think we're going to win in 1988, but I don't know about these guys'" said DNC chairman Paul Kirk, Jr.

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## Huntington rejected by Academy of Sciences

The National Academy of Sciences rejected the nomination to the academy of Prof. Samuel P. Huntington on April 28. Huntington is a member of the Trilateral Commission, and author of its notorious 1975 report, *The Crisis of Democracy*. That report proposed the institution of what some have called "fascism with a human face," in order to get David Rockefeller's banking friends through the financial and political crises of the 1980s.

The attack on Huntington was led by Serge Lang, a Yale mathematician, who has gathered and sent to all academy members "a ton of documentation" challenging Huntington's scholarly work as "pseudo-science" and "nonsense." Lang debunked Huntington's use of mathematical equations as "a type of language which gives the illusion of science without any of its substance."

He added that Huntington had passed off political opinion as if it were science.

Dr. Edward Anders, professor of chemistry at the University of Chicago, said, "I have repeatedly had misgivings about some of the candidates in social and political sciences. . . . My suspicions have been amply confirmed by the Huntington debacle. Any section that nominates poorly qualified candidates lacks either good candidates or good judgment."

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## Justice Dept. looks into Hansen case

A Justice Department inquiry into the arrest and reimprisonment of former Rep. George Hansen (R-Idaho)

has been launched by Attorney General Edwin Meese, reported the *Washington Post* April 27. Responding to concerns voiced by Republican members of Congress, Deputy Attorney General William Landers met with Hansen and his lawyers April 27, to hear complaints by Hansen about his treatment since his arrest.

Hansen was released from prison after serving six months of a 15-month prison sentence and paying a \$40,000 fine for filing incomplete financial disclosure reports as a House member—the same charge that was not pursued in the case of mafia-linked Geraldine Ferraro. Hansen was arrested and reimprisoned April 15 on charges that he had violated his parole by traveling outside of the Washington, D.C. area and had failed to report details of his monthly income and activities. At press deadline, he was still being held in the Alexandria city jail, and is carrying out a hunger-strike to protest his treatment and appalling prison conditions.

The Justice Department inquiry grew out of a meeting April 26 between 25 Republican legislators and Assistant Attorney General John Bolton.

At the meeting, which took place in the office of Minority Whip Trent Lott (R-Miss.).

purpose of the meeting was to see that Hansen received "fair treatment from the system. . . . A lot of us knew George when he was in Congress. . . . The fellow is not a murderer; he's not a drug dealer."

Hansen was rearrested without a warrant; was listed under an alias when he was booked in Alexandria jail; was put in leg and waist irons, etc.

"They're treating him like he was 'Machine Gun Kelly,' rather than someone charged with a white-collar crime," said Sen. Steve Symms of Idaho.

A U.S. Parole Commission hearing examiner subsequently recommended that

Hansen be sent back to prison until at least Nov. 5. His decision will be circulated among the other commissioners on the nine-member board until three of them concur.

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## Brzezinski calls for 'merger' with Japan

Zbigniew Brzezinski, former director of the Trilateral Commission, has come up with a new scheme to destroy the sovereign nation-state. In an op-ed in the April 28 *New York Times* he proposed that the Japanese economy be gobbled up by America's bankrupt banking establishment as a means of surviving the coming blowout.

The way Brzezinski put it: Create an informal U.S.-Japanese structure, dubbed "Amerippon," to combat the world financial crisis.

"If history is any guide, there can only be three outcomes to the emerging financial dilemma: war, bankruptcy or inflation. . . . They can be avoided only if America and Japan realize that each needs the other, that the economy of each is becoming complementary to the other, and act accordingly.

"In effect, a new global bargain is needed, one that creates the preconditions for an ever closer American-Japanese relationship. Japan needs the American market and it also needs American security protection. . . . Meanwhile, America needs access to the Japanese markets, Japanese investment, and Japanese cooperation in stimulating global economic growth, in terms of both development and financial stability. . . .

"Both America and Japan can thus benefit from closer co-mingling of their business and financial institutions. Joint enterprises, increased cross-presence of Americans and Japanese on various boards of directors . . . all can foster a shared perspective on global issues. . . . The appearance of a new though informal constellation—'Amerippon'—could provide new leadership and stability to the global economic system."

## Briefly

● **STEPHEN TROTT**, the associate attorney general, is expected to be nominated soon to a federal judgeship in San Francisco, reported the April 30 *Washington Post*, citing administration sources. Trott, who has come under fire in the Iran-Contra affair, is said to have already decided to seek the judicial nomination. "One strong candidate" to replace him, says the *Post*, "is Assistant Attorney General William F. Weld."

● **EIR NATIONAL NEWS**, a new newspaper, hit the streets in 100,000 copies at the end of April. *EIR*'s publishers made the decision to issue the weekly paper after the U.S. Justice Department shut down *New Solidarity* newspaper on April 21.

● **NATIONAL JEWISH** Coalition leaders numbering some 150, featuring "Dope, Inc.'s" Max Fisher, met with Bob Dole, George Bush, Jack Kemp, Al Haig, and Pat Robertson, all GOP presidential hopefuls, in Washington at the end of April.

● **A FUNDRAISER** for Carl "Spitz" Channell disclosed on May 1 that Channell was an admirer of Adolf Hitler. Jane McLaughlin told ABC News that Channell "had a lot of complimentary things to say about Hitler." He also "used to make fun" of people who contributed to his operation—"especially the women."

● **THE WASHINGTON POST** reports that things are becoming "topsy-turvy" in the U.S. government's prosecution of companies associated with Lyndon LaRouche. "It's U.S. v. U.S. in LaRouche Bankruptcy Case" was the headline of a May 2 article, which points out that the government has placed in bankruptcy companies which it is charging with criminal violations in another jurisdiction. This "legally odd predicament" would allow the government trustee to decide whether to fire the defendants' lawyers and plead guilty.