

## Bring forth the good!

by Paul Gallagher

The sentencing to prison of four more associates of Lyndon LaRouche, Nov. 4 in Roanoke, Virginia, although it took place three years after their trials, showed again the furious political prejudice of judges and prosecutors in the "Get LaRouche" trials.

The Anti-Defamation League still controls these prosecutions. The published book exposing the ADL, written by the prisoners' association [*The Ugly Truth About the ADL*—ed.], was made the chief prosecutor's evidence of their "continuing criminal scheme." ADL officials, acting in person and through the Virginia attorney general, contacted and threatened state legislators who were acting in support of the prisoners' petition to reduce their sentences. The Roanoke daily newspaper's front page was used by the prosecution to attack the same legislators, just as that newspaper had inflamed potential jurors before and during the trial. The judge flagrantly insulted the president of the city's NAACP chapter, who had come to court in support of the defendants, by emphasizing from the bench that that gentleman had not attended the trial and therefore could not comment on the barbaric sentences of 30-40 years in prison.

Judge Weckstein, who corresponded for months with ADL officials about these trials while he oversaw them, now followed the ADL's wishes, and insulted and ignored the legislators' letters expressing their view of the public interest in this case. Weckstein cynically called the letters from the prisoners' families and community "extremely moving," and then smilingly ignored them, declaring that only he knew "everything" about these prisoners' criminality. He pointedly stated that he had read their associates' exposé of the ADL. Their continuing to attack their political enemies and the evil actions of the ADL, was the fresh evidence of their criminality. The judge stated no reason whatever for denying the defendants' motion and finalizing their sentences—yet he made a ten-minute speech in doing so.

The Anti-Defamation League, the attorney general, the defeated LaRouche-hater Mary Sue Terry, the Department of Justice, have failed in their decade-long, repeatedly stated objective of eliminating Lyndon LaRouche's political movement, or silencing it. With Judge Weckstein, they are exacting vengeance against these prisoners for that failure. Federal and state judges in Virginia are openly changing and obliterating the law through the "Ascher decision," the "Welsh decision," in order to support these prosecutions.

The ADL is acting for vengeance because it fears LaRouche free; it fears his exposures, it is in trouble. The ADL still corrupts the entire U.S. judicial system and law enforcement—but that can be ended. Even in prisons, the truth about this corruption should be known. If the imprisonment of these associates of LaRouche can speed the end of that ADL corruption, it will be an evil from which comes a greater good, and it will not last.



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