shocked and confused Democrats could not begin the proceedings for several hours. In increasing disarray, the Democratic Party endorsed one candidate at the convention, but another one—an open Bush supporter, John H. Silber—won the Democratic primary election. Silber lost to William Weld in the November 1990 general election.

On June 13, 1990, eleven days after their convention had been disrupted, the Massachusetts Democratic Party filed suit against Ronald C. Kaufman, a White House aide to President George Bush, for having directed the disruption. Kaufman, a longtime Bush insider, was in 1990 in charge of security functions ("screening") over personnel in the Bush White House.

Ron Kaufman had procured the Springfield police union's endorsement for Bush in the 1988 election. Kaufman admitted having met with Springfield police union president Robert Jacobson in Washington, during the month prior to the 1990 Massacusetts Democratic convention.

Also charged in the suit was Stephen DeAngelis, a Massachusetts state Republican Party functionary working under Kaufman's direction. Eyewitnesses had seen DeAngelis standing at the picket line with a cellular telephone.

In a later review of Kaufman's career, *Time* magazine (April 15, 1991) conveyed the Bush aide's explanation for his role in the police terror against the Democrats: "He insists that he was holed up in a nearby hotel room—and in constant cellular contact with the picket line—for a benign purpose: He was boning up for an appearance as a guest commentator." *Time* went on: "At the time, he described himself as a practitioner of 'psychological terror' and 'disinformation.' "

Faced with a countersuit by Kaufman backed by the White House command structure, the Democrats soon dropped their suit. In 1991, President Bush promoted Kaufman to Deputy Assistant to the President for Political Affairs, or White House Political Director.

Leaving the White House with George Bush's 1992 loss to Bill Clinton, Ronald Kaufman emerged as the chief strategist for the Massachusetts Republican Party under Gov. William Weld. In the early morning of March 31, 1993, a disheveled Kaufman was arrested for drunk driving and speeding, after leaving a poker party at Governor Weld's house.

In August 1994, Governor Weld signed an agreement to bring Las Vegas-style casino gambling into Massachusetts. *Boston Globe* writer David Nyhan reported on Aug. 22 of that year, that Weld had "sentenced New Bedford and environs to lifelong servitude as gambling hall lackeys. The deal was greased with bigtime gambling money." Nyhan revealed that Weld's "fixer in the gambling game" was Republican Party strategist Ronald Kaufman. "Ron makes sure Bill is remembered at Christmas time by the gambling guys. And with them, it's Christmas every day."

Kaufman is now the Republican National Committeeman for Massachusetts, and reportedly the party's chief strategist in Governor Weld's bid to win John Kerry's Senate seat.

Brits say GOP will win the Congress

by Mark Burdman

The same British operatives who have been orchestrating the barrage of scandals against the Clinton White House since 1993-94, have now launched a new flank in their propaganda campaign. Having failed in their efforts to bring down the American President, and now forced to acknowledge that Bill Clinton is almost certainly going to be re-elected for a second term, such poison pens as the London *Sunday Telegraph*'s Ambrose Evans-Pritchard and the London *Times*' Lord William Rees-Mogg are busy manufacturing the perception that a "fix" is in, in this year's election, for the Republican Party to retain control of both houses of Congress. Furthermore, writing as if the United States were a British parliamentary system, rather than a constitutionally defined Presidential system, they are treating the hated Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, as if he were "the prime minister of the United States," supposedly wielding efficient power while Clinton acts, at best, as a figurehead.

In reality, as of this writing, the battle for the U.S. Congress is still undecided. Many of Gingrich's allies are on the defensive, in the face of an organizing onslaught from the AFL-CIO and from the campaigns launched by the FDR-PAC, associated with Lyndon LaRouche and spearheaded by María Elena Milton's campaign in Arizona's Fourth Congressional District (see article, p. 68). Gingrich himself is so despised, that any Republican concerned with re-election, has to either make believe he doesn't exist, or publicly distance himself or herself from the Squeaker.

European audiences were able to read a much more realistic appraisal of this battle, when the *International Herald Tribune* published an interview on Oct. 16 with Thomas Mann, director of governmental studies at Washington's Brookings Institution. Asked, "What's your prediction for the next Congress?" Mann replied, "I have never seen as competitive a struggle for control of the Congress in recent decades. It could go either way." While Republican legislators have made some "impressive" gains in recent weeks, "President Clinton is increasingly confident, and there are signs that he is beginning to allocate resources to swing districts and states, in hopes of producing a Democratic majority in the House and Senate. Meanwhile, the AFL-CIO campaign against Republican conservatives, especially freshmen, has had a devastating impact." According to Mann, this involves "intense

struggles . . . hand-to-hand combat in Congressional districts and states."

The Duke of Wellington vs. the Eunuch President

On Oct. 13, Evans-Pritchard, Washington correspondent for the Hollinger Corp.'s *Sunday Telegraph,* proclaimed in his regular "Washington" column, that "the Republicans have a good chance of winning the elections that matter most in 1996. Short of a last minute collapse, they look set to keep control of the U.S. Congress, and to maintain their dominance over the state governments. If so, the key instruments of power will remain in the hands of Speaker Newt Gingrich and his allies."

Evans-Pritchard asserted that it were a virtual certainty, that Bill Clinton will be re-elected President. As if to emphasize the point, the *Sunday Telegraph* ran an accompanying article by Evans-Pritchard, portraying the Dole campaign as all but moribund. "But control of the White House is far less important than people outside the United States seem to believe. The Presidency is the show trophy of American politics. Congress is the branch of government that holds the upper hand, especially in this post-Cold War era of parochial introspection."

As the reader tried to decipher that last sentence, Evans-Pritchard went on: "Bill Clinton has been a eunuch President since the Republican landslide in 1994, compelled to acquiesce as Newt Gingrich changed the direction of the country. . . . It is Newt Gingrich who has succeeded in imposing his agenda. . . . Despite everything that has been written about him, he is still the most powerful Speaker in modern American history, and some would say that he is still the most important man in Washington."

Evans-Pritchard then flaunted Gingrich's anglophile credentials. "The Speaker," he exclaimed, "sees himself as the Duke of Wellington advancing methodically up the Iberian Peninsula in a long, bitter, nasty war against the great showman of the age—and winning."

Gingrich likens himself to President Andrew Jackson, telling Evans-Pritchard that it took Jackson a century to restore his reputation, "because he infuriated the Whig establishment, and the Whig establishment wrote all the history books." Jackson, as a matter of fact, did a great deal to destroy the U.S. economy, on behalf of British "free trade" interests.

The most expensive campaign in history

Two weeks earlier, on Sept. 30, the *Times* published a commentary, authored by Rees-Mogg, asserting that Dole was probably too far gone to make a viable race for the Presidency, but that Republican control of both houses of Congress should be ensured, by a massive spending and propaganda offensive during October.

Exulted his lordship: "The money will be spent on an awesome scale. This will be the most expensive campaign in the history of the United States." No less than $1 million *per day* is being allotted for television advertising, for the Presidential race, while an *additional $80 million* is being spent on Congressional campaigns. This, Rees-Mogg wrote, should "maintain the Republican majority in both houses of Congress" this year, even if Dole will prove himself inept enough to "muff it again," in the Presidential race.

Rees-Mogg is, in effect, the coordinator of "U.S.A. operations" for a powerful faction of the British establishment. His American newsletter, *Strategic Investment,* has been responsible for some of the most lurid "Clinton scandal" stories, and, in a recent edition, went so far as to call for the President's impeachment, were he to be re-elected—and even for his possible *execution* for capital crimes! One of Rees-Mogg's channels, for dirty operations into the U.S. Republican Party, is a treasonous, Britain-based entity called "Republicans Abroad-Oxford" (see *EIR,* April 5, 1996).

Nowhere does Rees-Mogg talk about *where* this vast sum of money is coming from. In this election year, it is clear that interests tied to the international drug cartels and to City of London financial interests are pouring money into these Congressional races, to secure a Congress favorable to their program. They want a Congress that will dutifully pursue the Gingrich Conservative Revolution program, of "privatization" of vital services and infrastructure, as well as of the Social Security system (see *EIR,* Oct. 11, "The Plan to Privatize Social Security: A $10 Trillion Bankers' Rif-Off").

As Evans-Pritchard raves: "A Republican majority in the 105th Congress would be more radical than ever, as aging defenders of the status quo make way for the counter-revolutionary ideologues of the next generation, the soul mates of Newt Gingrich."

From this standpoint, it is quite obscene that the Republican Party is now screaming about "Asian money" tainting the Democratic Party and influencing the policies of the Clinton administration. In past years, as the British themselves gloat, British investment has far superseded Japanese or other investments into the United States. This process zoomed during the Reagan-Bush and Bush-Quayle administrations, and it is primarily the large-money interests behind the Dole campaign, and such entities as Newt Gingrich's GOPAC, that want to open the United States for looting by these City of London-centered interests.

On the "privatization of Social Security" front, for example, Britain's two main "free market" thinktanks, the Institute for Economic Affairs and the Adam Smith Institute, are collaborating with those U.S. institutions leading that fight. The relevant American institutes with which they are working include the National Center for Policy Analysis, based in Dallas, Texas, and the Cato Institute and Heritage Foundation, both based in Washington, D.C. All of these entities, British and American, are part of the global apparatus of the Mont Pelerin Society.