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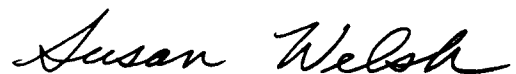
Our *Feature*, the third “Children of Satan” report issued by the LaRouche in 2004 Presidential campaign committee, represents the distillation of nearly four decades of intelligence investigations by the LaRouche movement, on the subject of “Who is the enemy that is destroying our country and the world?” Many people who read the first two reports in this series may be expecting this one to be an exposé of Dick Cheney and the neo-cons—but they’ll be surprised. Cheney is plenty exposed already: The assault LaRouche began against him in Fall 2002 has gathered steam, to the extent that every day’s newspapers are now featuring editorials, cartoons, and news reports denouncing his and his cohorts’ lying and depravity. No, the subject of this new pamphlet is *the population at large*, which has been brainwashed by a nasty operation run against them since the closing days of World War II: “The Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism.”

When briefed on the new report, a well-placed British contact grasped its significance immediately: “An attack on Classical culture is the essence of fascism,” he said. “It’s a form of political control, because attacking Classical culture means an abandonment of the principles of reason.”

A continent away, in Los Angeles, at a Democratic Party meeting, a leading speaker—while taking pains to stress that “the opinions I am about to express are my own, and do not reflect the opinions of anyone else”—proceeded to give a briefing on the neo-cons which could have been lifted from the pages of the LaRouche reports. “These are not your father’s Republicans,” he said. “They’re like the Stormtroopers my father fought in World War II.”

Elsewhere in this issue, we have exclusive reports from Washington on developments around the “Super-Watergate,” and from our international correspondents on the crisis building over Taiwan (stoked by the neo-cons); the way the world looks to Iraqi patriots on the eve of the so-called “end of the occupation”; and the breakthrough developments between North and South Korea—and what dangers could derail them in an instant, even in the midst of the current exuberant celebrations.

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LaRouche Bares Roots Of Cheney’s Fascism

by the Editors

The third of the series of “Beast-Man” reports issued by Lyndon LaRouche’s Democratic Presidential campaign, hit the streets of Washington, D.C. on June 16. The new pamphlet, which exposes the U.S. and British pro-imperialist forces behind the crimes of Lynne Cheney’s carpet-chewing husband Vice President Dick Cheney, went like hot-cakes in the Super-Watergate atmosphere of the nation’s capital. The intensive circulation of Children of Satan pamphlets I and II, in more than a million copies combined over the past year, has played a pivotal role in creating that Watergate atmosphere. LaRouche has called for a press run of 1 million for “Children of Satan III.”

As you will see in our *National* section, LaRouche’s pamphlets have served as a virtual road-map for some members of Congress in their fight against Cheney, and have inspired other sections of the extended institution of the Presidency to take unprecedented actions to free the nation of the shameful legacy of the Bush Administration. In private conversation in Washington, and increasingly in the pages of the cornered neo-conservatives’ publications, LaRouche and his associates are well known as the prime movers for Super-Watergate.

As the new pamphlet emphasizes, it is not just Cheney and his accomplices who are on the hot seat, for the devolution of the United States toward creating a worldwide New Dark Age, but the corrupt leadership of the Democratic Party as well. Thus, the timing of the pamphlet to saturate Democratic Party layers prior to the Convention scheduled in late July.

A Campaign of Cultural Warfare

We publish in this issue the full contents of *Children of Satan III*. In a press release issued June 14, the candidate summarized the pamphlet’s content and significance as follows: “The report, aptly entitled ‘The Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism,’ traces, with hard fact, the political origins of the current connection of Cheney and his accomplices to an operation launched back during the 1940s, by Franklin Roosevelt-hating circles from locations including London, New York City, and Nashville, Tennessee. This subversive operation against our republic was opened at the close of World War II, by rogue elements of our establishment



A LaRouche campaign organizer distributes the new “Children of Satan III” pamphlet at the Pentagon City Metro Station outside Washington.

who were working in concert with selected remnants of the Nazi apparatus. This operation was intended to be a campaign of fascist-like culture warfare against the Classical traditions of the United States and other nations. There is no mere coincidence in what is now the obvious fact, that Nazi precedents have been copied, wittingly, by agents of the Cheney-Bush Administration for the Hitler-like crimes which that Administration has authorized and perpetrated in prison-camps in Gitmo, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

“The report documents a case which exposes the alliance of U.K. Prime Minister Tony Blair and the Cheneys for launching what Cheney et al., have defined as ‘preventive nuclear warfare’ against a series of Eurasian targets. This ongoing operation by them, is a product of the widespread undermining of the minds and morals of many on both sides of the Atlantic, by means of a program of cultural warfare conducted by circles associated with Allen Dulles and others to uproot the character of President Franklin Roosevelt’s U.S.A. as the world’s leading producer nation. For that purpose, these circles have worked for about 60 years, in their intention to uproot Classical cultural values such as those of Roosevelt’s U.S.A., in occupied and post-occupation Germany and other nations as well.

“This program of cultural warfare, which produced the ‘rock-drug-sex youth-counterculture’ of the late 1960s, and the outburst of international drug-trafficking, among other effects, was conducted under a scheme launched by the Fabian utopian fanatics H.G. Wells and Bertrand Russell, a scheme which included Russell’s publicly stated September 1946 policy of “world government” through terror of nuclear

weapons. The documented evidence is, that this has included Russell’s so-called ‘cybernetics project,’ Fabian-promoted Fellowship-style ‘religious fundamentalism,’ and the general depravity spread under the rubric of ‘The Congress for Cultural Freedom.’ The cultural corruption induced by these and related means, created the preconditions under which ‘Beast-Man’ Cheney’s policies and practices would be tolerated to the degree this has been the case.

“An appended feature of the report documents a related international press operation against my candidacy. This operation has been launched into continental Europe and U.S.A. leading press itself, directly out of war-mongering Fabian Prime Minister Tony Blair’s 10 Downing Street, through Blair’s fellow-creatures of the liberal-imperialist Fabian Society. The roster of the latter creatures includes, prominently, Cheney family crony and British Baroness Liz Symons, her family, and other circles in London. This operation, launched from London at the time of the Blair government’s role in the case of the alleged suicide of the British intelligence professional Dr. David Kelly who exposed the ‘sexed-up’ character of the information used to launch the Iraq war, had been planned to be unleashed, through leading press circuits in the U.S.A., during the June and July period, as part of a British government intervention into the programming of the upcoming Democratic National Convention in Boston, this year.

“Now, the most recent British elections have given Blair himself a politically bloody defeat. One wonders how many accomplices he will continue to find among the organizers of the Boston Democratic Convention, or anywhere else, for that matter.”

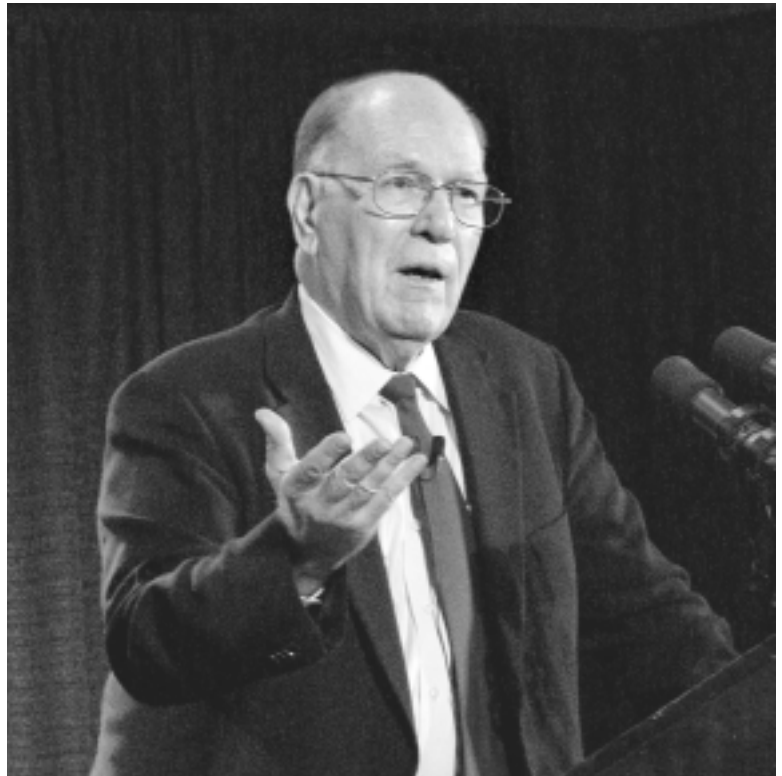
How ‘The Sexual Congress of Cultural Fascism’ Ruined the U.S.A. and Gave Us ‘Beast-Man’ Cheney

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

During the 1964-81 interval, from the launching of the U.S. official war in Indo-China, through the inauguration of Paul Volcker as chairman of the Federal Reserve System, the United States of America was transformed from the world’s leading producer society, into what became that presently, terminally bankrupt “post-industrial” wreckage, which has been bestowed upon the currently crumbling Administration of Vice President Dick Cheney’s puppet, George W. Bush, Jr. So far, as the worsening horrors now reported from U.S. operations in Iraq attest, what the world has seen there, is a growing image of that U.S. display of a quality of sheer, literally Hitler-like “beastliness” toward mankind, of which only depraved man were capable of becoming, at home, and, therefore, also abroad.

The available remedy for these perilous conditions, would be a return to the successful precedents of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Administration.

President Franklin Roosevelt’s strength was expressed in both his leading the U.S. recovery from the 1929-33 world depression, and the U.S.A.’s decisive role, under his leadership, in preventing the fascists of Europe, led by Adolf Hitler, from establishing their intended world-empire in that time. Roosevelt’s resources for these purposes, were derived from what are, presently, certain poorly understood, often neglected, special features of the U.S. Constitution’s Presidential system. His Administration expressed a Constitutional tradition of resistance to that Venetian-style practice of usury which had been the source of the 1922-1945 emergence of fascist power in Europe. The advantage drawn upon by Roosevelt, was a U.S. Constitutional tradition which was rooted in the best parts of U.S. culture: that culture’s shared commitment



Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche: We focus attention in this report on the way in which we ourselves allowed the moral and economic destruction of our nation to occur—and notably the role of the Congress for Cultural Freedom in bringing about the depravity manifest in our ruling institutions.

to the same Platonic, Classical forms of artistic and scientific culture which have been the root of all of the net achievements of European civilization since the great anti-usury, 15th-Century Renaissance.

The great afflictions which our republic has suffered since that President’s most untimely death, have been chiefly the work of a faction, in both leading parties, which had sought

to prevent that President's election in 1932. That was a faction whose faulty moral and intellectual character was subsequently expressed to a most notable degree, in the role of a source of moral and other corruption associated with a subversive phenomenon known as the Congress for Cultural Freedom (CCF). That project, CCF, reflects as much the result, as it did the cause, of the kind of decadence which has led to the increasing ruin of our nation, step by step, over the course of the recent four decades.

The characteristic feature of that deep moral corruption which the Roosevelt tradition's typical enemies of the Congress for Cultural Freedom came to represent, was its subversive commitment to fostering what became known as the "counterculture" launched during the middle to late 1960s. This development expressed CCF's commitment to uprooting all of those factors of U.S. culture which had been the determining factors of Roosevelt's leading the U.S. to economic recovery, and its leading role in the defeat of fascism.

There have now been 40 years of acceleration of that specific form of cultural decadence, since the mid-1960s rise of that rock-drug-sex youth-counterculture for which the work of the founders of CCF had done much to set the stage. It is that, and related developments of the mid-1960s and beyond, which have brought the U.S. to the point of both the presently onrushing monetary-financial-economic collapse, and the lunatic resurrection, as by Vice President Cheney, of the role of Bertrand Russell's doctrine of "world government through preventive nuclear warfare." This legacy of Russell et al., was that global strategy of perpetual nuclear-armed warfare, which the Cheney faction has revived, since 1991-93, from the aftermath of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

In two earlier mass-circulated reports of this Presidential campaign, my collaborators and I have already identified the specific characteristics of Cheney's policies. In those reports, I emphasized that it were impossible to understand the mechanisms shaping the policies and practice of Cheney's crew of so-called "neo-conservatives," unless we recognized that crew as of the same specific cultural quality of a collective "Beast-Man," which should be recognized from the character



The United States is presently playing a catastrophic role, under Dick Cheney's puppet George W. Bush, Jr. and his ally Tony Blair (lower right)—the role of a grotesquely failed attempt at creating a global, Anglo-American caricature of the Roman Empire. But the snarling Dick Cheney on Lynne Cheney's (lower left) leash is no self-made man; think something more along the lines of Mrs. Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley's lurching Frankenstein Monster.

of the Adolf Hitler regime. We emphasized there, that the present U.S. Administration under Vice President Cheney's domination, is a modern echo of the consummately evil Count Joseph de Maistre's favorite Satanic figure, the inhuman Grand Inquisitor Tomás de Torquemada: the same Mephistophelean Grand Inquisitor implicitly, aptly, insightfully depicted by Fyodor Dostoyevsky's characterization.¹

As coming developments will show more clearly, Mrs. Lynne Cheney's adopted rogue, her husband, the brutishly bungling Vice President Dick, is no self-made man, and certainly no genius. That snarling creature on that lady's leash,

1. See Helga Zepp LaRouche's speech to the Feb. 15, 2004 session of the Schiller Institute/ICLC conference, with reference to Fyodor Dostoyevsky's *The Brothers Karamazov* (speech published in March 26, 2004 issue of *EIR*).

is a consummately greedy and culpable creature, but not a notably intelligent one. When one speaks of that Vice President, think of something more along the lines of Mrs. Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley's lurching Frankenstein Monster.² In short: Dick Cheney did not create the beast he has become today. He is only a very bad actor, playing a part created by such cleverer men as Nazi "crown jurist" Carl Schmitt's one-time protégé, the Hutchins-appointed University of Chicago Professor Leo Strauss.

Now, in this third report of that series, our attention is focussed on the way in which we, as a nation, were induced to allow this destructive transformation of our nation's institutions to occur. In the following pages, we turn attention now to the role of the rise of the youth counterculture of the middle to late 1960s, in pre-shaping events such as both the presently onrushing global monetary-financial collapse and the ominous, present Iraq quagmire. To that end, we expose the role and character of that Congress for Cultural Freedom which is exemplary of the circles which worked to induce us, at least many among us, to wreak such moral and economic destruction upon our nation, and such relative depravity upon ourselves.

The fact that such a fiendish, intellectually challenged wretch as Cheney, could become the virtual puppet-master controlling the pathetic, current President of the U.S.A., is merely a symptom, not the true source of our present national catastrophe. Every society has produced its nasty personalities; of which some are merely serious nuisances, but some others, national catastrophes. Cheney's access to his present role as one of our national catastrophes, is not the cause, but, rather, an included outcome of changes, including Allen Dulles's deals with certain Nazis, which we have allowed to be imposed upon our republic, and also upon the cultures of Europe, over the course of the more than 59 years, since the untimely death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

To cure that, our current catastrophe, we must show how this degeneration of our great republic was brought about over those intervening six decades. To recognize how we were transformed from the world's leading producer economy, into the sick, "post-industrial," economic parasite we have become today, we must focus attention on trends in both U.S.A. and global developments, which have appeared since the aftermath of the assassinations of such as President John F. Kennedy, the attempted assassinations of France's Charles de Gaulle, and the 1968 killings of the Rev. Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy.

2. Lynne and Dick Cheney are closely associated with the Prime Minister Tony Blair-linked Baroness Liz Symons and their U.S. and other confederates, who have played a leading part, on behalf of the Cheneys' special influence, in their concerted efforts in spreading a wild-eyed, lying libel against me personally, throughout corrupted sections of the British and other press in Europe. Symons' activities are closely allied with the notorious fellow-travellers of the CCF, such as John Irwin III's American Family Foundation (AFF), in the U.S.A. (cf. Appendix).

I repeat the point. We must ask ourselves: What evil principle, which enemy of everything our Constitutional republic was established to become, has brought about our presently catastrophic role, under Cheney's puppet George W. Bush, Jr. and his ally Tony Blair, the role of a grotesquely failed attempt at creating a global, Anglo-American caricature of the Roman Empire? If we, as a people, wish to escape the terrible consequences we have brought upon ourselves, when you allowed such a caricature of a U.S. Presidency to come into that office, you must ask yourself: How was this evil, utopian dogma, of nuclear imperialism, deployed, especially since the closing moments of World War II, that in such a way as to bring about this awful transformation of our nation? How shall we, therefore, come to know, and to uproot that evil among us which now threatens us with our republic's self-destruction?

My intention here, is to aid us in identifying, and removing, that factor of principled evil which our present national catastrophe expresses. The case which I state and develop in the following pages, is, in summary, as follows:

For as far back into pre-history as we can trace the development of cultures, prior to the 15th-Century birth of the modern European nation-state, the practiced forms of the organization of society, were principally those forms of evil in which a relatively few men and women had subjected the majority of other men and women, to the condition of either hunted, or herded, human cattle. The 16th-Century launching of the African slave-trade into the Americas, by the Portuguese and Spanish monarchies, combined with the launching of that modern murderous anti-Semitism by Isabella I's Spain which was later copied by the Hitler regime, typifies the persistence of this evil into modern European times. Nonetheless, through the great achievement expressed by the outcome of the 15th-Century Renaissance, until the recent four decades, European civilization, with all its included wrongs and even evils, had nonetheless led, until recently, in raising the standard of living and freedom of the peoples of this planet. Now, during the recent four decades, we have reversed direction, turning back the clock of European history, economy, and culture, toward a now-threatened, new, planetary dark age.

So, in this process of the recent four decades, we have adopted changes in our popular and related culture, which have had the effect of causing the clock of human progress to run backwards. As the history of past slavery, and presently continued racial discrimination in the U.S.A. attests, still today, and as our currently prevalent doctrines of public education also reflect this, we live in a society which seeks to control the mass of its own people by, as we say, "dumbing them down." Like the decadence of doomed ancient Rome, the ostensible rulers of America today, seek to divert the attention of the greater part of even the upper 20% of the population's income-brackets from the ugly reality of these days, with the bread and circuses of sexually and otherwise depraved forms of mass-entertainment.

As I and others shall show in the course of this present report as a whole:

This condition the U.S.A. is presently suffering, as a nation, increasingly, is the effect of the induced cultural transformation of so many of the men and women of the Americas and Europe today, who have been captured by the morally and intellectually corrupting effects of a post-modernist culture. They have become captives of a trend of change in mental life, in the direction of becoming herded human cattle, becoming the willing victims of a society of little bread and much entertainment, increasingly degraded entertainment, as the self-doomed Roman Empire entertained itself before us.

This trend of nearly two generations in our own culture, reflects a principle of evil which is merely typified by such precedents as the introduction of both peonage and the African slave-trade into the Americas, by the 16th-Century monarchies of Portugal and Spain. The principle of evil expressed by this reversal of the clock of human progress, continues the doctrine of perpetual conflict of Galileo Galilei's student Thomas Hobbes, a doctrine expressed in such forms as the practice of the systems of fascist government which were spread across Continental Europe from 1922 until the close of war in 1945.

This same principle of evil was given a concentrated expression in the widespread, influential practice of what has come to be regarded, unfortunately, as a highly respected U.S. organization, an organization known under such titles as the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

This corruption was set fully into motion, by influentials such as Allen Dulles, as soon as President Franklin Roosevelt was dead. Dulles, who conducted the secret agreements to bring elements of the Nazi SS within the postwar Anglo-American establishment, typified those who then worked to bring the ostensibly sanitized elements of Nazi existentialist doctrine back even into the Anglo-American/French government of occupied postwar Germany, as the roles of Theodor Adorno and Margaret Mead are examples of the spread of this specific form of corruption there. This was typified by the spread of that same corruption in the U.S. itself by Adorno, Bertrand Russell's Mead, and Adorno's truth-hating, existentialist crony Hannah Arendt.³ As the evidence is documented, summarily, in the pages of this report, the CCF's radiated, bestializing influence to that explicitly intended effect, has dominated trans-Atlantic and other parts of our planet's civilization, increasingly, from the 1945 close of that war, until the present day.

The motive for the broader, systemic corruption of mind and morals which that *Commentary* magazine-associated

CCF only exemplifies, has been to poison, and even eradicate the intellectual and cultural roots of the modern sovereign form of nation-state republic. The intent of that corruption has been, to do this in a way which clears the pathway for the subversion and replacement of existing sovereign states by a new name for imperialism, called "globalization."

One principal outcome of that mass-brainwashing by CCF-related influences, was the eruption of the mid-1960s "rock-drug-sex youth-counterculture." Since President Abraham Lincoln led the U.S. into its role as a continental power, through the defeat of Lord Palmerston's asset, the Confederacy, it has been the case, since President Lincoln's victory, that to conquer that powerful nation of the American people, one must first corrupt their minds, as the work of the CCF is thus more appropriately named the "Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism." Our enemies, those from without and from within, must first induce us to corrupt and destroy ourselves, intellectually and morally. When that post-Kennedy youth-countercultural ferment fostered by CCF, is compared with its equally evil twin, today's right-wing "fundamentalist" insurgency of Pat Robertson, Tom DeLay, et al., we have in those combined, intertwined cases, a leading example of that which typifies the CCF-centered process of cultural corruption of the minds of Americans and Europeans alike.

The change of the character of the U.S.A., since the mid-1960s, from the world's leading producer nation, to its presently looted condition as a lurching "post-industrial" wreckage, is an expression of the degree to which the intention of the CCF has been carried out in the U.S.A. and the United Kingdom, as also in Australia and New Zealand, as also in Continental Europe. For reasons which will become clear during the following pages of this special report by my campaign, I have preferred to designate that U.S.-based organization by a title more consistent with its typical role in crafting the characteristically inhuman, madly rutting, "rock-drug-sex youth-counterculture" of the middle through late 1960s: "The Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism" (SCCF).

Now, you should ask yourselves: Who were the clever ones, who had begun to do this to us, even long before Lynne Cheney's presently lurching monster had been born? Who has, thus, put the legendary "mark of the beast" upon our nation? How shall we remove that ugly, menacing stain?

That crucial information which your family's protection demands so urgently, is the subject of the following pages of this present report.

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What Does Culture Do?

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

As we have documented this fact in locations published earlier, the turn in direction of pathway, away from President Franklin Roosevelt's leadership, toward the catastrophe which is our nation's terrible condition today, was begun as part of an operation in which the later head of our Central Intelligence Agency, John Foster Dulles' brother Allen, played a key role, toward the close of World War II. This is a role he played together, and over the later decades his life, with accomplices, including his James Jesus Angleton. Dulles and Angleton, typify those who played a key role in bringing a key part of the Nazi SS intelligence apparatus into the inside of what became, later, the NATO system.

This integration of key elements of the Nazi SS apparatus into our postwar intelligence system, was the outcome of a process which had begun when leading Nazis, such as some around Hermann Goering, recognized that the Nazi defeat at Stalingrad, when combined, in effect, with the U.S. naval victory at Midway, foretold the coming defeat of the Adolf Hitler phase of Nazi Germany. These Nazi circles are typified by Dulles' Geneva-based contact François Genoud, Walter Schellenberg, and former Nazi Economics Minister Hjalmar Schacht and his Otto "Scarface" Skorzeny, as Anglo-Ameri-

can-protected ex-Nazi assets in Europe, such as operations conducted through Spain's fascist dictator Franco. These assets, such as the notorious "rat-line," were used as channels for relocating significant elements of the Nazi apparatus in the Americas, where the circles built up around descendants of those Nazi assets are a key threat to the security of our hemisphere, including the interior of the U.S.A., today. Meanwhile, as the case of Falangist ideologue Blas Piñar's present leadership among Nazi relics in Europe and the Americas attests, the parts of the Nazi SS apparatus which were rescued by aid of Dulles et al., are presently an active influence and security threat, in the present disguises of the Nazi International, in both Europe and the Americas generally.

Those Nazis themselves were only part of the problem. As we have documented this in earlier reports on the "Beast-Man" phenomenon, the fascist organizations which took over Western and Central Continental Europe during the interval 1922-45, were political assets of a network created and directed by a network of private financier houses, a network which was brought together in the context of the unworkable form of international financial-monetary system created, at the close of World War I, under the authority of the Treaty of Versailles. This apparatus, run top-down by these financial circles, is properly filed under the counterintelligence category named the Synarchist International. The Nazis were but one among the sundry brand-labellings included in the assortment of "left-right" political conspiracies created by this Synarchist International.¹

Once the probable doom of Hitler was apparent to relevant German leaders, as early as during the first half of 1942, the intent of those inner circles of Nazis around Hermann Göring, was to save the financial kernel and certain personnel of the Nazi system for a role in the postwar world. Their intention was, to create a system of universal fascism, an imperial system, a new version of the Roman Empire, to either eliminate all nation-states, or absorb them into an imperial system of what today's Michael Ledeen has designated as "universal fascism," his translation, for practice, of Allgemeine-SS. Those Nazi and other varieties of philosophically existential-



What we know as 20th-Century fascism, or synarchism—as we fought against it under President Franklin Roosevelt's leadership—lies in a persisting effort to overturn those principles of civilized relations among sovereign nation-states which were adopted by the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia.

1. Otherwise known by World War II-period U.S. military intelligence as "Synarchist: Nazi-Communist," a network then including the lists of such notable Synarchist assets as Houston's de Menil, Mexico's Soustelle, and Soustelle's former teacher Paul Rivet, in Ayacucho, Peru. This was also known by U.S. intelligence in France as the Banque Worms conspiracy. Soustelle's later operations, including the targeting of France's President Charles de Gaulle from bases in Franco's fascist Spain, are typical.



Allen Dulles, first of the OSS, later of the CIA, typifies those who played a key role in bringing a key part of the Nazi SS intelligence apparatus into what later became the NATO system.

ist elements, were collected to form a combination of other Continental European fascist networks, and were integral to the Franklin Roosevelt-hating, Anglo-American networks associated with Henry Luce's already existing project for "A New American Century."

The integration of these elements into a common, Anglo-American-dominated, "right-wing international" network occurred, all under the direction of the "Bilderberg" or kindred expressions of the fascist international financier syndicate. This same Synarchist International, which had created Hitler, also produced that subversive enemy of ours who later appeared under such significant labels as "The Congress for Cultural Freedom." To sell Nazism today, package it into a can bearing an Orwellian label such as "Project Democracy."

The history of the background to the connection between Synarchism and the Congress for Cultural Freedom, includes the following notably relevant historical features.

Like that co-founder of what became the fascism of Mussolini, Hitler, and Francisco Franco, the pro-Satanic Count Joseph de Maistre, and like the forerunner of Adolf Hitler, Friedrich Nietzsche, the characteristic of those forces of evil expressed both as fascism and as those followers of Allen Dulles promoting the philosophy of the so-called Congress for Cultural Freedom, is their "Silenus" cry of hatred against the legacy of progress of European civilization. So, Maistre expressed his hatred against the legacy of the 15th-Century Renaissance, by worship of the Beast-Man image of that Satanic anti-Semite Tomás de

Torquemada. So, the Christ-hating anti-Semite Nietzsche harked back to the pagan brutishness of a Phrygian Dionysus.

To understand Synarchism today, we must recognize and understand that modern fascism then, as now, takes its origins from the Martinist freemasonry which worked with Lord Shelburne's London to organize France's Reign of Terror. This is the same freemasonic order which produced Napoleon Bonaparte, and the interchangeable parts known as Talleyrand and Fouché. It is also, today, expressed in the form of a modern fascism unleashed by the financier plotters of that 20th-Century Synarchist International which also gave us the legacy of Mussolini, Hitler, and Franco.

To understand this persistently recurring threat to modern civilization, we must focus attention on the historically specific characteristics of that European civilization which was first brought forth in Greece by what Socrates would have acknowledged as the midwives supplied by a great Egyptian tradition. The legacy of evil expressed by the image of the Congress for Cultural Freedom today, is the image of a potentially fatal infection which is the leading specific threat to a particular species of culture, the specific culture of a European civilization traced in its original best aspects, as Plato did, from the images of Thales, Solon, and Pythagoras.

When that matter is placed in that historical light, the history of the problems of the globally extended European culture, since ancient Greece, can all be defined in an appropriately elementary way. One feature stands out in significance above all others: How does that European civilization define, or reject, the existence of a fundamental, principled distinction, of man from beast? How does this conception function, in principle, as in practice? What crucially relevant lessons does history, real history, show to the actually thinking U.S. citizen whom I address here? What does it show him, or her, about the crucial issue posed by the influence of CCF and its like?



The same Synarchist International that created Hitler, Mussolini, and Franco (Hitler is shown here with Mussolini on the right, and with Franco on the left) also produced that subversive enemy of ours who later appeared under such significant labels as the Congress for Cultural Freedom (CCF); the evil was expressed both as fascism and as the philosophy of the CFF promoted by followers of Allen Dulles.



“In the history of European civilization, it was from the Egypt of those pyramids and of the founder of the ancient nation of Israel, Moses, that European civilization adopted a specific quality of rigorous notion of a fundamental, principled distinction of man from beast.” Right: Rembrandt’s painting “Moses Breaking the Tablets of the Law.”

Are You a Man or a Monkey?

Closer, modern study of the astrophysical principles expressed by the architecture of Egypt’s Great Pyramids of Giza, has provided crucially typical, scientific evidence bearing upon the way in which Egypt contributed to the specific quality of greatness achieved by what we call today the Classical Greek culture of Thales, Pythagoras, Solon, and Plato. Since the birth of the modern Europe of the sovereign nation-state, an institution which emerged from the Italy-centered 15th-Century Renaissance, European civilization, as defined by that Classical heritage, has been expressed, typically, as the modern notion of a sovereign nation-state republic. With this 15th-Century emergence of a new institution, the sovereign nation-state, demanded by such preceding leaders as Dante, and described, as to essential points of principle, by that century’s Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, had become the most effective form of existing institutional power for improvement of the condition of mankind.

The distinction of the emergence of modern Europe, through the struggles against the shackles of an ultramontanist form of medieval imperialism, is that, for the first time, in the shadow of Filippo Brunelleschi’s crafting of the cupola of the Cathedral of Florence, the bestializing legacy of empire gave way to the notion of a community of sovereign nation-states each and all committed to promotion of that general welfare of mankind. This was the same prescribed goal sought since Solon of Athens, as defined by the Classical Socratic Greek, and Christian, principle of *agapē*.

Unfortunately, as the role of the pro-Satanic Tomás de Torquemada illustrates this, the Venice-orchestrated, ultramontane forces of reaction against that Renaissance, struck

back with bestial, homicidal fury, as typified by that interval of A.D. 1511-1648 religious and kindred warfare which was brought to a close only through the leading role of France’s Cardinal Mazarin in bringing about the great 1648 Treaty of Westphalia. That principle of the Treaty of Westphalia is the achievement upon which civilized modern European life has depended, since then, to the present time.

Unfortunately, the conflict did not end, as settled, in that treaty, then and there. A fresh threat to civilization arose in the rise to power of a new imperial pretender, the 1688-1763 rise of the Anglo-Dutch Liberal party, as expressed by the British East India Company of Lord Shelburne et al., to the rank of a global imperial power. It is the issues defined in the rising conflict between that Company’s imperial power and those patriots gathered around the North American colonies’ leading intellect, Benjamin Franklin, which has been implicitly the principal axis of reference for all notable, long-term forms of global conflict since 1763, to the present day. Although the British East India Company has passed on, its legacy, like the effects of an epidemic infectious disease, has continued its impact on modern, globally extended European history, up to the present day. The impact of that legacy has continued to define the matrix of world conflicts, from 1763 to the present day.

To understand adequately what the legacy of Allen Dulles et al., continues to represent, as a continuing threat of fascism in the world today, we must place our finger on the subject of the origin of Martinism, and its outgrowths such as Synarchism. What we know as 20th-Century fascism, or Synarchism, as we fought against it under President Franklin Roosevelt’s leadership, lies in a persisting effort to overturn



Solon, the lawgiver of Athens, in the Sixth Century B.C., initiated the long historical struggle to establish a true nation-state republic, in opposition to the effort typified by Sparta under the Constitution of Lycurgus.

those principles of civilized relations among sovereign nation-states which were adopted by the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia.

As I shall explain summarily, now, and conclude discussion of that point later in this present section of the report, what was called, interchangeably, the “Venetian Party” or empiricists’ “Enlightenment” of 18th-Century England and France, emerged as a newly attempted form of worldwide successor to the Roman Empire. This imperial role was established with the British East India Company’s triumph at the 1763 Treaty of Paris. The Martinist freemasonic order which led the unleashing of the French Terror of the 1790s and Napoleon Bonaparte’s tyranny, was itself a joint instrument of the imperial British East India Company’s Lord Shelburne (1737-1805) and anti-U.S.A. forces of continental Europe. The Martinist order was an instrument created with the initial intention, as assigned by the Company’s Lord Shelburne and his flunky, Adam Smith, to play a crucial role in wrecking the cause of the English-speaking colonies in North America and bankrupting and destroying Liberal London’s most potent continental rival, the great Louis XI-Mazarin-Colbert tradition which was the best of France at that time.

Leading U.S. patriots in the tradition of the early Cincinnati Society had come to understand this more and more clearly, especially since the time John Quincy Adams began to clear his own head in such matters, during the period he virtually created the functioning form of the U.S. State Department.² Notably, John Quincy Adams went on from there,

2. The collapse of the U.S. Federalist Party was, most immediately, a result of the blunder of the Administration of President John Adams, in being taken in by a fraudulent propaganda-piece, Sir John Robison’s *The Roots of the Conspiracy*, crafted and circulated within the U.S. by French Terror-control-



Brunelleschi’s cupola of the Cathedral of Florence, one of the Renaissance’s monumental achievements. In the shadow of the dome, “the bestializing legacy of empire gave way to the notion of a community of sovereign nation-states each and all committed to promotion of that general welfare of mankind.”

as later President and senior member of the U.S. Congress, to launch what later became the Abraham Lincoln Presidency and the tradition which I, personally, represent, as an informed spokesman, as a U.S. Presidential candidate, today.

As I have said above, the roots of modern European civilization go much deeper than modern times. In the history of European civilization, it was from the Egypt of those Pyramids and of the founder of the ancient nation of Israel, Moses, that European civilization adopted a specific quality of rigorous notion of a fundamental, principled distinction of man from beast. The initial realization of what became known as European civilization, occurred principally as the impact of that same conception associated with the universalized, Mosaic nature of man, in forming the Classical tradition of what we call ancient Greece today.

Although the nature of the human species is the same everywhere, and although there is, therefore, a necessary, long-ranging tendency for convergence of nations upon common principles of mutual conduct, the history of the development of a European culture, by that name, as rooted in the history of ancient Greece, has a distinct quality of historical specificity, from beginning to the present date. This requires competent thinkers to treat the internal development of the offshoots of ancient European cultures since Solon’s Athens, as an historically specific process which must first be studied as a distinct subject of converging cultural developments in its own right.

The most essential feature of that history is the long struggle, as since Solon’s Athens, between the effort to establish a

ler Jeremy Bentham’s British Foreign Office. The issue of the Alien & Sedition Acts, as posed by the circulation of Robison’s hoax, is typical of that folly, President Adams’ toleration of his wife’s, Abigail Adams’, foolish, continuing tirades against the most clear-headed U.S. leader of that time, Alexander Hamilton, typifying the state of confusion which led to the self-inflicted doom of the Federal and Democratic-Republican Parties.

true nation-state republic of citizens, and the opposing effort, typified by Sparta under the Constitution of Lycurgus, or the Babylonian, Persian, Roman, Byzantine, and ultramontane forms such as medieval, Venice-centered Europe. The backers of the CCF project represent the latter, imperial impulse, an impulse toward eradicating the existence of sovereign nation-states, as the presently wildly utopian thrust toward plunging the planet into the doom of imperial “globalization,” attests.

The issue so posed by the CCF legacy, in particular, is the nature of the functional, constitutional distinction between men and apes. That principled distinction is defined as follows.

Egyptian science as echoed by that of the Pythagoreans, Thales, and Plato, was associated with a pre-Aristotelean conception of mathematics, which was derived from astronomy, a conception of physical geometry, rather than an aprioristic mathematics such as that of Euclid. This pre-Euclidean, and, implicitly anti-Euclidean method of physical science was then known as “spherics.” This notion of a physical geometry, rooted in the concept of “spherics,” rather than an aprioristic, merely formal geometry, provided the basis for defining an experimental proof of the existence of a fundamental physical principle, principles designated as what we call today “powers” (Greek: *dynamis*), as Carl Gauss’s 1799 attack on the frauds of Euler and Lagrange, in Gauss’s first statement of The Fundamental Theorem of Algebra supplies an implicitly geometrical statement of the mathematical-physical representation of “powers.”

Typical proofs of powers so defined, included the notion of the doubling of the line, of the square, and of the cube. Added to this was, most notably, the notion of the construction of a series of Platonic solids, as this was reported by Plato, and was addressed by Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa³ and his followers, Luca Pacioli and Leonardo da Vinci, and the avowed follower of all of these, that founder of modern astronomy, Johannes Kepler, who set the pace for the singular achievements of such as Fermat, Pascal, Huyghens, Leibniz, and Jean Bernouilli.

The experimentally based discovery of, and willful use of such physical principles, expressed the provable, absolute distinction of persons from animals, the distinction between man and ape. These principles were of two general categories, principles of man’s intervention in nature, and principles of the social processes through which mankind increases our species’ power in and over nature.

Otherwise, the most significant implication of these considerations, is the Promethean way in which mankind transmits the act of discovery of such powers (experimentally demonstrable universal principles) from one person to another, and thus from one generation to another. Through the transmission of the replicatable act of generating such discoveries of universal principle, we have the only way in which the

3. E.g., *De Docta Ignorantia*.

human species has been able to increase its potential relative population-density, above the level of the millions possible for a species of higher ape, to more than 6 billions living persons today.

These principles have three most notable qualities, as follows.

1. Although a valid universal physical principle is never, itself, an object of sense-perception, its experimentally proven universality of efficiency is an efficiently existing object of the mind. In other words, although the effect of application of a principle must be a subject of a mathematical description, the principle itself is not the mathematical formula, but is, rather, an integral, indivisible object of the mind, in the same way that the notion of an irreducible object of sense-perception is the idea of an object.⁴

2. The standpoint of “spherics” adopted by the Pythagoreans, et al., thus divided human experience of the physical world between invisible, but efficient principles, and their implicitly visible sense-perceptible effects. In modern mathematical physics, this set of ontological distinctions is expressed as the notion of the complex domain as introduced by Carl Gauss and refined by his follower Bernhard Riemann.

3. The true notion of a universal physical principle is never a way of merely explaining nature (contemplation), but is a method of acting efficiently to change nature in ways which only efficient comprehension of a discovered universal physical principle permits. It expresses an intention, whether an intention by the Creator of the universe, as Kepler defined the principle of universal gravitation which he had discovered, or by man acting in a way like that of that Creator. We must presume, at least to the present date, that all principles of the universe existed prior to man’s consciousness; however, when man discovers the power to deploy such a pre-existing principle, man’s action, as an intention, changes the ordering of the universe within which we act.⁵

The Prometheus Principle in History

However, in societies in which a relatively few hold others in the status of human cattle, the ruling strata of that society, like the Roman Emperor Diocletian before them, are careful to prescribe that society must not educate those we intend to condemn to the status of human cattle, above their intended station in life. The implication of that is, that the society com-

4. Compare Herbart’s and Bernhard Riemann’s coinciding, but different, uses of the German term *Geistesmasse* (i.e., “thought-object”).

5. This view subsumes a notion which is at least as old as ancient Greek culture, that the universe is composed of three specific, interacting classifications of universal physical principles: non-living, living, and cognitive; the latter, although an existing universal, is a power unique to the human individual among mortal individuals of living species. This Classical Greek view was afforded its modern expression by the work of the great Russian biogeochemist, Vladimir I. Vernadsky, and his definitions of Biosphere and Noösphere. It is man’s discovery and employment of universal physical principles which accords with the notion of man and woman made equally in the likeness of the Creator, as in Genesis 1.

mitted to the notion of maintaining people in the status of human cattle, or, perhaps monkeys, does not wish to advertise the existence of those mental powers which set human beings apart from, and above the beasts. In European civilization since ancient Greece, this intention, to hold a large number of people in the status of human cattle, is expressed systemically by what is termed “philosophical reductionism,” as this is expressed as the tradition of those opponents of the Pythagoreans known as the Eleatics, Sophists, and radical Euclideans, or the modern philosophical empiricists, positivists, and existentialists such as Nietzsche, the Nazi Martin Heidegger, and his co-thinkers Hannah Arendt, Theodor Adorno, and Karl Jaspers.

That issue is famously typified by the ancient Greek dramatist Aeschylus’s *Prometheus Bound*. The evil gods of Zeus’s Olympus captured the immortal Prometheus, chained him to a rock, and tortured him perpetually, to induce him to abandon the intention to give knowledge of universal physical principles to those human beings whom Zeus intends to hold in the status of nothing better than dehumanized, human cattle. This issue, as posed by the image of Aeschylus’s *Prometheus Bound*, has proven itself to be the most important issue in the history of European civilization as a whole, since no later than the founding of that civilization in ancient Greece.

It is the issue of the individual person’s right to discover, and to know experimentally, provable universal physical principles, and to apply these principles of knowledge to change man’s relations to nature in ways which increase the potential relative population-density of the human species. It is, in other words, the right to know, and to practice that truth which the Satanic Olympian Zeus and his oligarchy hate with the fiercest hatred. It is the right of mankind to enjoy the blessings of progress, the right to improve the condition of the human individual in the broadest and deepest sense of that notion. It is the notion of *agapē* posed by Plato’s Socrates, in opposition to the historically defined characters Glaucon and Thrasymachus, in Plato’s *Republic*.

The transmission of knowledge of experimentally definable universal physical principles, from one person to another, and one generation to the next, is the expression of an immortal character of the role of the mortal individual in society. As Plato insists, and as the Christian Apostle Paul emphasizes in his 1 Corinthians 13, this principle of *agapē*, so conceived, is the highest rank of moral and other law respecting human behavior. Jesus Christ’s expression of the Creator’s love of mankind, as *agapē*, is the essence of the principle of natural law in the practice of civilization. So, Leibniz, in repudiating the evil intrinsic to John Locke, placed *agapē*, as the principle of the pursuit of happiness, above all other law. So, the central Constitutional principle, and statement of intention of the U.S. 1776 Declaration of Independence, defined Leibniz’s notion of the pursuit of happiness as the highest principle of our Constitutional law.

The term “Satanic” should be understood as controlled in its practical meaning as expressing a vicious form of practice

of denial of the individual person’s likeness to the Creator. Every person’s life is therefore sacred. The Beast-Man behavior of captors in U.S.-run prisons in Iraq, is an example of people, those captors, as like Nazi concentration-camp guards, captors self-degraded into the likeness of inhuman predatory beasts. Similarly, the widespread attempt to interpret the U.S. Federal Constitution as a body of “contract law,” especially among those mentally crippled by the burdensome tradition of the U.S. Confederacy, such as the radical “dictionary positivist” and U.S. Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, is an expression of that quality of the “Satanic,” the degradation of human beings to the rank of property (e.g., “shareholder interest”). The treatment of any human being as a subject of “shareholder value” (i.e., Lockean property), as the current practice of the 1973 overturn of the Hill-Burton legislation by the HMO “reform,” is therefore an implicitly Satanic mode of behavior. This Satanic quality is the characteristic feature of such evil British Fabian Society celebrities as H.G. Wells, Bertrand Russell, their crony Aleister Crowley, and their sorcerer’s apprentices Aldous and Julian Huxley. The pollution of the U.S. by the relevant influences of Wells, Russell, et al., has become an expression of a Satanic influence in U.S. intellectual and other behavior.

In these matters of natural law, it is not the act as such which is crucial for law. It is the expressed intention underlying the act which is crucial. For this purpose, we must define “intention” as Kepler defined the Creator’s intention which is expressed as that universal principle of gravitation (His, not the empiricist Galileo’s) which governs the composition of the Solar System. Ignorance of the intention by which an act might be judged, is, in a certain degree, exculpatory, as in the case of a person lacking the powers or will for knowledge, to distinguish between right and wrong. In human behavior, it is the person’s assignment of an intention as the purpose of his, or her life, which is of crucial bearing on the way in which society must judge the degree of actual culpability in, and remedies for, violation of a principle of natural law.

This point is illustrated by recognizing the experimentally validated discovery of any universal physical principle, such as Kepler’s uniquely original discovery of the principle of gravitation, as expressing the Creator’s intention. Thus, we must intend to promote such forms of scientific progress, as discovering the Creator’s intention, and must regard ourselves as morally, constitutionally bound by the intent to pursue that course, and enforce the implications of such discoveries, as effectively as might be possible.

This distinction is made clearer in nature and importance, when we consider those misguided persons who refuse to recognize the 1776 U.S. Declaration of Independence and the Preamble of the Federal Constitution as enforceable intentions to which all interpretation of any other features of that Constitution, its amendments, or Federal law, must be made subject. Any positive law, any contract which violates those intentions, such as Scalia’s evil reading of “shareholder value,” must be nullified, as if axiomatically, even as if retro-

actively. Or, a contract negotiated by the relevant parties in apparent good faith, must be nullified in those aspects which might be discovered to be in conflict with natural law.

For example, in the history of the U.S., and other nations, the fact that a person had been property (e.g., a slave), by prior determination, or birth, was treated under a reading of that pro-slavery doctrine of John Locke which had been repudiated by the language and intention of the U.S. Declaration of Independence. Similarly, as in the case of those current debts of the nations of Central and South America which were imposed arbitrarily, upon those states under the newly imposed rules of a post-1971 floating-exchange-rate monetary system, rather than being incurred by the will of the debtor, are properly nullified under any judicial ruling consistent with natural law. No self-evident sanctity exists in any contract as such, except as there is no implied violation of natural law in the relevant terms at issue.

A true national constitution, such as our Declaration of Independence, and under the terms of the Preamble of our Federal Constitution, derives its authority from those of its statements of intention which are comparable to the notion of necessity that man-made law must be consistent with the same principles of knowable intention attributed to the Creator's law. In this matter, mankind must hold itself and its nations accountable for herding the national law of sovereign states into channels of intended effects consistent with the same notion of intention properly attributable to the notions of universal physical laws.

In all this and related matter, the Promethean right of the human individual and society to participate in the benefits of scientific and technological progress, must be enforced as a matter of natural law. This principle of law of statecraft must be viewed from the standpoint of the absolute distinction of man from ape. (If you reject scientific and technological progress, as the Luddites did, then you might apply for status, under law, as a monkey: A witty judge might merrily grant your plea.) Man's nature is his likeness to the Creator of the universe, in the respect that man's power to discover and employ universal physical principles, is a quality of human nature shared only with the Creator, and that any suppression of that right, by Zeus or any other force, is Satanic by implication.

The implication is, that the only just society is one which fosters scientific and technological progress, in changing both nature and man's mode of practice to this effect. In the language of a science of physical economy, this signifies the development and application of knowledgeable practice to the effect of increasing the physical expression of potential relative population-density of the human species, per capita and per square kilometer. Therefore the related notions of economic growth, and of physical profitability, are restricted to measurements made in physical terms, rather than, and often in defiance of, monetary terms of financial accounting. The attempt to shackle the physical practice of a society to the

accounting office, e.g., usury, is implicitly a form of Satanism, and has often proven to be just that in many instances of practice. The only true profit is that which is an increase of good for mankind as a creature made in the likeness of the Creator.

The most essential consideration, therefore, is the need to promote the development of those mental powers of the individual which generate revolutionary changes in practice to the effect of increasing the net physical productivity of society per capita and per square kilometer.

For example, the greatest increase in the productive powers of labor, per capita and per square kilometer, was set into motion by the 15th-Century Renaissance's launching of the modern form of sovereign nation-state whose principles are prescribed in such locations as Cusa's *Concordantia Catholica* and *De Docta Ignorantia*. It was the achievement of modern forms of sovereignty by more nations, such as India and China, through their gaining the right to conduct their affairs in a way informed by the achievements of the European form of modern sovereign nation-state, which has made possible what has been already gained, as echoes of the anti-colonialist policies of the U.S. Presidency of Franklin D. Roosevelt, and greater foreseeable advances in the human condition among such peoples under a renewal of that President's intention today. This is the policy which affords us today, not only a way of escape from the threat of a global new dark age descending upon the world today, but a brighter vision of the future of humanity as a whole.

Shelburne's Evil Legacy Today

Through the mechanics of the British East India Company's orchestration of the so-called "Seven Years' War" on the continent of Europe, that Company diverted France's attention sufficiently from the larger world, to continental strife, that the British Company neatly snapped up control of what we know as Canada, India, and relevant other locations. Thus, the Treaty of Paris which acknowledged this outcome as a matter of law, established the British East India Company (rather than the British monarchy as such) as, in fact, a global, nominally British empire.

What became known to this day as the Bank of England's role as a keystone of a so-called "independent central banking system" has been the dominant feature in the long-range unfolding of the history of both the United Kingdom and continental Europe, up to the present day. This system was known, during that century, as the system of "The Venetian Party." The slime-mold-like concert of financier-oligarchical interests, which had exerted de facto imperial power with the medieval alliance of Venice and Norman chivalry, had, so to speak, reincarnated itself, from the late 17th Century on, as a new Anglo-Dutch-pivoted "Venetian" financier oligarchy, based in the maritime regions of Northern Protestant Europe. Intellectually, the imperial potencies of the Company's empire, spoke Dutch, English, and so on, but they thought as Venetian,



An early rally of the rebuilt Ku Klux Klan. It was under the influence of Klan enthusiast Woodrow Wilson, and fellow pro-Confederate Theodore Roosevelt, that the origins took shape of the U.S. role in the post-World War I Versailles Treaty, and the launching of what became the "Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism."

as Francesco Zorzi (a.k.a. Giorgi), Giovanni Botero, Paolo Sarpi, Galileo Galilei, Antonio Conti, Voltaire, and Giammaria Ortes had taught them to think.

In this setting, Lord Shelburne emerged as the frankly diabolical, rising figure of influence within that Company. Shelburne and his circle of personal lackeys, such as Adam Smith, Edward Gibbon, and the consummately pro-Satanic Jeremy Bentham, played key roles as Shelburne agents, in setting out the intended ground-rules for the consolidation of the Company's empire as a permanent successor to the defunct Roman Empire.

Shelburne's role and rules, so defined, set the dominant features of the patterns of Europe-dominated global conflict which has, predominantly, determined the course of the general flow of world history, from that time to the present.

The concerns of Shelburne and his circle were the potential dangers to the eternal perpetuity of that empire from the inside and outside, respectively. The chief external threat they feared, was the impact of the American Revolution as a model which might infect Europe. Otherwise, they continued the proven policy of the Seven Years' War, a policy of keeping the nations of Europe more or less at one another's throats, as a way of preventing the emergence of a continental-Europe-based power which might overturn the imperial power represented by the Bank of England. Within the latter context, the immediate concern of Shelburne's circles was to destroy the power of the U.S. allies of 1776-83, Charles's Spain and Louis XI's France, chiefly the economic power represented by the Colbertiste tradition still alive within France.

President Abraham Lincoln's victory over Lord Palmerston's asset, the insurrectionary, slave-holders' Confederate States of America, became a principal threat to the continuation of that British Empire's hegemony over the planet. Not only had the victorious U.S. emerged as a continental nation-state power which could no longer be crushed by the methods of external attacks and internal subversion which Britain had employed up to that time. The startling success of the U.S. economic model, over the interval 1861-76, was drawing leading powers such as Alexander II's Russia, Bismarck's Germany, and others, including Japan, during and beyond the late 1870s, into adopting leading features of the Hamilton-Carey-List American System of political-economy, as the preferred alternative to the British system.

The result was a massive emphasis by pro-British influences, on subversion of the Republican Party, in addition to assets already in tow from within the traditionally pro-slavery Democratic Party. Meanwhile, that Prince of Wales and later emperor, King Edward VII, plotted to unleash what we call World War I, which led to the subsequent plotting of what became World War II, by the British fellow-travellers of the Continent-based Synarchist International.

During the course of World War II, the leading intention for perpetuating the empire in the postwar world, was supplied by the circles of H.G. Wells and Bertrand Russell, as in Russell's public acclaim for Wells's 1928 *The Open Conspiracy* and Russell's key role in organizing the introduction of warfare with nuclear-fission weapons as the instrument for establishing a form of imperialism called "world government," then, and "globalization," today. These are the current forms of the proposed continuation of the imperial perspective developed under the leadership of Shelburne. The doctrine of a "perpetual war" in the guise of "preventive, nuclear-weapons-armed warfare," of Prime Minister Tony Blair's confederate, Vice President Dick Cheney, is the present expression of the imperial policy set forth by Wells and Russell.

Throughout the postwar period to date, the "Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism" has complemented the development of nuclear-fission and nuclear-fusion weapons, as an integral feature of this same imperial intention to uproot and exterminate the institution of the sovereign nation-state. The intended function of that "Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism" associated with the CIA project linked to *Commentary* magazine and others, has been to destroy the institution of the U.S. sovereign nation-state at its root, its commitment to the American System of political-economy associated with the Constitutional founding of the U.S. republic and with the U.S.'s rising to a long-term world-power status under Presidents Abraham Lincoln and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The corruption of the post-Lincoln U.S.A. in such directions, was premised on a political alliance between the London-allied, Manhattan-centered financier oligarchy and the relics of the slave-holding Confederacy. The legendary conflict between Republicans of the New York and Ohio varie-

ties, is typical of this. The takeover of the U.S.A. to this effect, was accomplished through aid of the assassination of President William McKinley, and the domination of the next three decades of U.S. life by the impact of two Presidents in whom the tradition of the Confederacy was deeply embedded, Theodore Roosevelt and Ku Klux Klan enthusiast Woodrow Wilson. It was under the influence of this combination assembled around the Teddy and Woody show, that the origins of the U.S. role in the post-World War I Versailles Treaty, and the launching of what became the “Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism,” took shape.

Looking back at the history of the U.S.A. since the death of Franklin Roosevelt, we can appreciate why certain trans-Atlantic, English-speaking partners came to support Wells and Russell in placing such emphasis on the efforts to uproot and destroy the traditional U.S. commitment to the benefits of scientific and technological progress in development of basic economic infrastructure and modes of agricultural and industrial production and employment. To defeat the U.S.A., the imperialist must take the American commitment to the beauties of scientific and technological progress out of the American, as this process of extraction has been fully ongoing during the recent four decades.

This pattern of change in British strategic outlook since the 1861-76 developments in the U.S.A., is signalled by the emergence of the circles of Thomas Huxley, and of the related circles of George Bernard Shaw and other notables of the history of the Fabian Society. Huxley’s personal *Zauberlehrling*, H.G. Wells, a key figure in preparing for World War I, typifies this. The post-World War I reconciliation of Wells and Bertrand Russell around a common evil intent, expresses this in the continued life of the postwar world whence Wells and Russells have now long departed.

Roosevelt’s leadership of the U.S. economic recovery, and the role of the U.S. under him at war, showed that the earlier attempts to subvert the U.S. had failed, failed because the earlier attempts to crush the American patriotic character had failed to uproot it. This time, they, decided, they would uproot it. The Congress for Cultural Freedom project, and the closely related “Frankfurt School,” like the Fabian Society, typify the subversive modes employed to the latter purpose.

The ‘New Dark Age’ Syndrome

Relatively speaking, those who, like bellwethers Cheney and Tony Blair, have come into key positions of Anglo-American power, are not notable for qualities of intelligence, nor even sanity. Their principal dupe, poor President George W. Bush, would be sympathetic as a poor, pathetic person of less than meager intellect, were he not so damnably mean about it all. Even if they conquered the world, as they have conspired to conquer and loot Iraq, they would fail more or less precisely as the lessons of the continuing asymmetric warfare in Iraq forewarn intelligent professional observers in the U.S. and

elsewhere today. Their success, were it to occur, would mean nothing but the collapse of the planet as a whole into a prolonged new dark age of humanity, during which world population-levels would drop toward something substantially less than a billion miserable souls, perhaps even much, much less. These would-be tyrants would make Genghis Khan retch in disgust at the poor quality of monster, such as those, the world is apparently capable of producing today. These are not true leaders, even evil ones; these are a kind of demented slime-mold.

There is no victory for the U.S.A., Britain, or anyone else, under a continuation of their combined present reign over much of the world’s policy-shaping. Those incumbent governments are failures, catastrophes from the outset. The issue is, whether or not we choose to send our posterity to Hell with them.

There is nothing particularly exotic about foreseeing a new dark age as the consequence of failing to dump what Cheney and Blair represent today. The distinction of the human individual from the beasts, lies in the development of those creative cognitive powers of the individual from which Classically scientific and artistic powers of composition spring. In former times, when most men and women have been subjected to a more or less brutish existence as virtual human cattle, a relatively few individuals have escaped from that prevalent dementation, to become the creative personalities on which the potential basis for progress is provided, even under mean conditions for society at large. What “The Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism” has attempted to do, and, to a large degree, already done, is to eradicate even those relatively limited institutional arrangements under which some creative individuals were produced in sufficient supply to keep society in a manageable state of more or less continued progress. The attempt by the freaks of *Commentary* and their like to devise a perfect program for preventing the reappearance of generalized scientific and cultural progress, has been all too successful. The continuation of the proposed form of imperialism, called euphemistically “globalization,” would mean the virtual eradication of any remaining, institutionalized capability for organizing a recovery of mankind’s potential relative population-density, until such time as the present system of rulership had died out by the effect of the works of its own hand.

Throughout the history of European civilization, the relatively effective approaches to bestializing at least a large part of the human population, have always taken forms which converge upon a formal method of thought and argument which is called reductionism. One example of this is the introduction of derivatives of what is called Euclidean geometry today, a flawed notion of geometry which was introduced to eliminate the method of scientific discovery associated with Thales, the Pythagoreans, and Plato, the method associated with “spherics.” All efficient forms of intended systemic cor-

ruption of the European human mind's potential for scientific thought, have taken the tactic of Euclidean geometry as a model of reference. This tactic occurs, in various times and places, in a more or less radical form; but, the underlying principle is the same fraud introduced, as what we know as Euclidean geometry, to replace "spherics."

Whereas, in Classical pre-Euclidean notions of science, the form of geometry associated with the Pythagoreans, as with Plato, and, for example, Kepler and Bernhard Riemann later, was not abstract geometry, but, rather, physical geometry, a concept of physical geometry implicitly defended by the 1799 Carl Gauss against the reductionist sleight-of-hand of d' Alembert, Euler, and Lagrange, a defense later developed into the view of the complex domain provided by Riemann.

However, the essence of the dirty trick copied by Euler, Lagrange, et al., was to adopt the outgrowth of Euclidean geometry known as the Cartesian Model, an abstract, *a priori* model of space, time, and matter, based on the set of unproven, but arbitrarily asserted definitions, axioms, and postulates of a Euclidean, or like form of schoolbook geometry. In this way, by excluding the way in which discoverable universal physical principles are expressed in the forms of the complex domain, the reality of the existence of fundamental physical principles, is replaced by a linearized mathematical approximation. Thus, the essential act of discovery, and related quality of actual proof of principle, is banned from the typical classroom and textbook. In this way, the real notion of the act of discovery of a universal physical principle is more or less banned from the knowledge of even the putatively highly educated ranges of the population.

The same crime is committed by sly plagiarist Galileo's wicked pupil Thomas Hobbes, who bans Classical irony and the related role of the subjunctive from speech! I explain this critical point.

In oral communication, especially as in Classical poetry and drama, the audience is presented with principled conceptions for which no name pre-existed in the known vocabulary of that audience. These previously unknown conceptions are the pivotal subject-matter of any Classical form of drama or poetry. The bridge provided for inventing, and imparting the name for the previously unknown conception, is Classical irony. Classical irony uses the creation of a paradox (e.g., "ambiguity"), by means of which the mind of the hearer is challenged to make a discovery of a kind tantamount to an experimental discovery in physical science, such as Kepler's discovery of a principle of universal gravitation. The mind of the member of the audience is motivated, and induced to discover the needed new idea by being challenged with that artficed paradox of the author and speaker. The recognition of that paradox now becomes the utterable name of the newly discovered idea, just as the name of an original discoverer is often attached to the notion of the relevant discovery as an cognizable object in communication. Reenacting the process

of discovery of the thought-object called principle, as experienced by the putative original discover, becomes the experience which the student must relive, to make the same unified thought-object (*Geistesmasse*) his or her own. So, the idea enters the vocabulary through the mechanisms of Classical irony, just as the discovery of a universal physical principle, and that principle's recognition as a definite object of thought, proceeds in the work and teaching of physical science.

A discovered principle is not a mathematical statement by means of which an idea of principle is constructed. A discovered principle is a physical principle which exists outside previously known mathematics. It is an integral, indivisible object of the mind; the mathematics which may be properly associated with the expression of that principle, is not the principle itself, but, rather, the trail it leaves behind in its motion. One does not derive a principle by mathematics; one derives a new mathematics, as Riemann prescribes this, by the discovery of a form of object of the mind known as a universal physical principle, a principle whose trajectory can be mapped in a newly recreated, enriched mathematics.

The degradation of education and communication to systems of deductive/inductive derivation from putatively self-evident definitions, axioms, and postulates, is the most effective way of turning putatively well-educated populations into persons ignorant of, and hostile to, actually creative human thought. The people so brutalized, are like the people to whom Zeus forbade Prometheus's efforts to educate them in their native powers of creative thought. Thus, even the educated strata of society are induced to degrade themselves in a likeness of their mental behavior to that of human cattle.

In ancient Greece, such methods of reductionist brainwashing were known as the work of the likeness of the Eleatic school and, later, the Sophists whose way of thinking and behaving led Athens toward doom in the course of the Peloponnesian War.

What is being done to the U.S. population today, under the more radical programs of the "Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism," is an extremely radical version of the same type of "dumbing down" of an entire generation, which we associate with the ancient Sophists of Athens.

The frequent effect of such practices of "dumbing down" masses of people into the likeness of human cattle, is a propensity for the spread of wild-eyed religious and other cults, such as those of the right-wing U.S. religious fanatics of today. For example, the use of reductionist methods by the 18th-Century Enlightenment, produced the related lunacies of Physiocrats such as François Quesnay and of Adam Smith. Quesnay's notion of "laissez-faire" was premised on the insistence that the profit of the estate was not produced by the action of the human cattle, called serfs, but by the magical powers of the landlord's title to his "shareholder value." This particular piece of lunacy, as advocated by Quesnay and Turgot, was plagiarized by Shelburne's Adam

Smith as “the invisible hand”—the hand that Cheney and his cronies put into your personal pocket, for example. In such cases, arbitrary choices of clusters of words “Which I have chosen to believe,” however arbitrarily, however fancifully, became a substitute for truth. The result is a form of mass-insanity, reminding us of the spew of Flagellants in the 14th-Century New Dark Age.

The actual conceptions of Christianity are well known, beyond doubt, from not only reading, but reliving the historically specific experience of the New Testament against the background of the Platonic influence pervading the educated strata, such as the Apostle Paul, as also of Philo of Alexandria, of the Hellenistic culture of that time. So, J.S. Bach composed his St. Matthew and St. John Passions, that the congregations might relive that historically specific experience on a suitable occasion. That Christ was sacrificed by the Roman occupying authority of Judea of that time, as Christ’s followers, such as many of his Apostles acting in the imitation of Christ, like Jeanne d’Arc and the Rev. Martin Luther King, is the kernel of belief in Christianity as a doctrine of the Creator’s love for a mankind which that Creator esteems as redeemable, because it is the noblest creature in his Creation, a creature made in His Own likeness. Christianity is a faith based, not in the Satanic qualities of hatred expressed by a Grand Inquisitor or a John Crowe Ransom “Fundamentalist,” but in the form of love for mankind which Plato’s Socrates identifies as *agapē*.

By contrast, the thundering cacophony of hate spewed currently by the indecent union of war-like pseudo-Catholics and Protestant neo-flagellants, like the anti-Semitic rants of Grand Inquisitor Tomás de Torquemada, has nothing to do with Christianity, but has a great deal to do with the more or less Satanic depravity which has been greatly increased in depth and scope by the spread of the virulent irrationality fostered by the transit of the culture of the Americas, and elsewhere, during the recent 40 years.

Thus, considering the effects already displaced by the regime directed by “true believer” Vice President Cheney, no sane person who could honestly propose sincerely that the program we have denounced here, is anything less evil than literally Satanic.

The only remedy is to impel the leading institutions responsible for recent trends in policy to simply “Give it up!” Sooner or later, of course, a Renaissance will come, as it did after the New Dark Age which Venice and its Norman allies bestowed upon Europe’s 14th Century. Human nature is divine in that sense; unsuppressed, since man is naturally good, mankind will seek out its reconciliation with its Creator. On that account, Satan can not triumph in the long term; precisely the contrary outcome is ultimately inevitable, because it is man’s nature to work to bring that about.

My point is, therefore, that the onrushing New Dark Age is not as inevitable as the poor weak-brained commentators suspect. It is not inevitable, if we choose to prevent it

from happening.

We have come to a time in the development of humanity, at which the principle of the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia must be consistently applied to the effect of establishing a world order premised upon a community of perfectly sovereign nation-state republics, each and all committed to the guiding principle of “the advantage of the other.” We of the U.S.A. must heartily recommend this change to our neighbors in the United Kingdom, for example: “Give it up! You have been at it much too long; look where it has brought us now! Empire in any guise, by anyone, is an expression of the most deadly of the childhood moral diseases of humanity.” The essential self-interest of any person, and of any nation, is not what he, or she, takes away from life, but what his or her developed talent gives to humanity at large. We are each and all born, and shall surely die, sooner or later. Let us be accordingly wise; let us not hope to keep what dies with us, in any case, but treasure that which lives after, especially that which has come into existence because we have lived.

A wonderful person, Getrude Pitzinger, one of the great singers of the past century, who had become our friend during a preceding decade, received my wife and me, her brother, and a friend, for some hours spent together, during a time shortly before she was to die. She organized those hours to such effect, that she instructed my wife Helga, who is known in Germany as a person of exceptionally appropriate insight into the German Classic, to go to our host’s library, to draw a book containing a poem which Frau Pitzinger wished Helga to recite. Then, Frau Pitzinger would select one of her own recorded performances of a song-setting of that poem. As those hours of that meeting drew to a close, Frau Pitzinger exclaimed with a special kind of satisfaction, “I have lived to sing these songs.” She died a short time later.

A great artist, born of simple background from Olmütz, the place where Lafayette had once been imprisoned as a favor to the British, with an extraordinary talent, a familiar of the greatest artistic performers of her time, could sum up her life happily: I have lived to give these things. Her performance of the Brahms Four Serious Songs and the Schumann *Frauenliebe*, are among our outstanding memories of her. She was, as Schiller and my wife concur, and I too, a beautiful soul, who gave much, much more than she took, as every patriot who is also a world-citizen, should do.

That, simply summarized, is the kind of world state of affairs which we should be content to build. It is time that a new President of the U.S.A., who has a deep devotion to such things, step forward as the rallying-point for a world which, by now, should be more than tired of the experience of the foolishness to which I have pointed here. Let us bring the sovereign peoples of the world together, for the kinds of collaborative developments of which a President Franklin D. Roosevelt would not have been ashamed. Let us give something good, and timely, to future humanity, before we, in our turn, pass on.

Making the Postwar World Safe for ‘Fascist Kulturkampf’

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Theodor Adorno and Max Horkheimer were two of the earliest leaders of the Frankfurt School, and were co-directors of that *Authoritarian Personality* project of the late 1940s, that willfully engineered the Baby Boomer drug/rock/sex counter-culture two decades later. These two were brought back to Germany in 1950, to reorganize and “de-Nazify” the postwar German educational system and cultural institutions, under the auspices of Occupation High Commissioner, and leading American Synarchist banker, John J. McCloy. In that assigned capacity, Adorno and Horkheimer were pivotal players in the overall project to wreck European and American culture. This project was known, hypocritically, as the Congress for Cultural Freedom (CCF).

Far from “de-Nazification,” the efforts of the Congress, and related early-Cold War “*Kulturkampf*” (“culture war”) fronts, were aimed at destroying the last vestiges of European Classical culture, and replacing it with a culture of perversity, bestialization, and pessimism. This was done under the preposterous guise of “fighting godless communism” and other forms of “authoritarianism.”

In reality, the mission of the Congress for Cultural Freedom was to make the world once again safe for a renewed Synarchist assault against that type of modern nation-state system that had most recently and successfully been represented by the U.S.A. of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who, more than any other figure of the middle half of the 20th Century, had defeated the Synarchist drive for a worldwide Hitler-led fascist empire. With Franklin Roosevelt’s untimely death in April 1945, everything changed. Even Soviet dictator Josef Stalin grasped the significance of FDR’s death, declaring, “The great dream has been lost.” Roosevelt had vowed that he would usher in a postwar world free from the shackles of European colonialism. As former U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger was to emphasize in his May 10, 1982 address at London’s Chatham House, on this issue, FDR and his wartime ally, Winston Churchill, stood on opposite sides of the barricade.

The mission of the Congress for Cultural Freedom subsumed the commitment to ensure that no future FDR could ever emerge in the United States or Continental Europe. This CCF mission was to be accomplished by creating such a cul-

tural wasteland of dumbed-down conformity, and pursuit of sensual gratification, that any isolated case of genius could be easily isolated and destroyed.

The presence of Lord Bertrand Russell as one of five honorary chairmen of the CCF was emblematic of this mission at the CCF’s inception. Russell, the author of the post-Roosevelt, pre-Eisenhower, Truman Doctrine of “world government through terror of nuclear weapons,” had written a 1951 book, *The Impact of Science on Society*, which spelled out his vision of the future. It was a far more precise, more revealing “mission statement” for the Congress for Cultural Freedom than anything that the CCF would ever publish in its own name:

“I think,” Russell wrote, “the subject which will be of most importance politically is mass psychology. . . . Its importance has been enormously increased by the growth of modern methods of propaganda. Of these the most influential is what is called ‘education.’ Religion plays a part, though a diminishing one; the press, the cinema, and the radio play an increasing part. . . . It may be hoped that in time anybody will be able to persuade anybody of anything if he can catch the patient young and is provided by the State with money and equipment.”

Russell continued, “The subject will make great strides when it is taken up by scientists under a scientific dictatorship. . . . The social psychologists of the future will have a number of classes of school children on whom they will try different methods of producing an unshakable conviction that snow is black. Various results will soon be arrived at. First, that the influence of home is obstructive. Second, that not much can be done unless indoctrination begins before the age of ten. Third, that verses set to music and repeatedly intoned are very effective. Fourth, that the opinion that snow is white must be held to show a morbid taste for eccentricity. But I anticipate. It is for future scientists to make these maxims precise and discover exactly how much it costs per head to make children believe that snow is black, and how much less it would cost to make them believe it is dark gray.”

Russell concluded with a warning: “Although this science will be diligently studied, it will be rigidly confined to the governing class. The populace will not be allowed to know



The founding conference of the Congress for Cultural Freedom, in the Titania Palace in West Berlin, June 1950.

how its convictions were generated. When the technique has been perfected, every government that has been in charge of education for a generation will be able to control its subjects securely without the need of armies or policemen.”

In the same book, Russell also advocated a level of genocide that made Hitler look tame by comparison. Ranting about the population growth among the darker-skinned races, Russell offered a solution: “At present the population of the world is increasing at about 58,000 per diem. War, so far, has had no very great effect on this increase, which continued throughout each of the world wars. . . . War . . . has hitherto been disappointing in this respect . . . but perhaps bacteriological war may prove more effective. If a Black Death could spread throughout the world once in every generation, survivors could procreate freely without making the world too full. . . . The state of affairs might be somewhat unpleasant, but what of it?”

The Post-FDR Paradigm Shift

FDR’s untimely death on April 12, 1945 had left an ill-equipped, crude political hack, Harry Truman, in the Presidency. Within months, under the overwhelming influence of a group of pro-British Synarchists, Truman needlessly dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, at a moment when Japanese surrender was already imminent. Thus, the era of thermonuclear terror was launched, an era which had been promoted for decades by H.G. Wells and Bertrand Russell, as the pathway to world Fabian dictatorship.

Shortly after the close of the war, Russell, soon to be CCF honorary chair, wrote an infamous article for the September 1946 *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, advocating a preventive U.S. atomic bomb strike on the Soviet Union (Russell collaborator Edward Shils would be a founder of the *Bulletin* and a later director of the American branch of the CCF). Already, prior to that 1946 statement, Russell, following the events at Hiroshima and Nagasaki, had written similar sentiments to his mistress Gamel Brenan: “There is one thing and

only one thing that can save the world, and that is a thing which I should not dream of advocating. It is that America should make war on Russia during the next two years, and establish world empire by means of the atomic bomb.”

Roosevelt’s death had fully cleared the path for the leading Synarchist elements within the wartime U.S. intelligence structures to pursue their “separate peace” with leading Nazis, who were to be fully incorporated into a postwar crusade against the Soviet Union, all in line with the Russell schemas. To make the postwar world safe for the Synarchist revival, individuals like Allen Dulles, Whitney Shephardson, John Foster Dulles, William Draper, John J. McCloy, and Averell Harriman schemed to purge the wartime and postwar intelligence services and postwar German occupation authority of any FDR loyalists.

Within days of the President’s death, a whole contingent of European-based Office of Strategic Services (OSS) officers, including the entire command structure of the Italian OSS theater, were summarily fired. OSS documents reveal that a meeting had taken place in the south of France, involving Allen Dulles, Shephardson, and others, to draft the purge list, prior to Roosevelt’s death. Later the same targeted individuals were blackballed from ever serving in U.S. intelligence, and were subjected to media slanders and other dirty tricks. Their crime: their opposition to the Dulles brothers’ “separate peace” treachery, which enabled such leading Nazis as Hjalmar Schacht, Otto Skorzeny, Licio Gelli, Klaus Barbie, and countless others, to join the Cold War Western intelligence circus.

In Germany, under McCloy and “General” William Draper, the wartime chairman of the investment house Dillon Reed, the power of the German military-industrial cartels was fully restored, a scandal recounted in the 1950 book *All Honorable Men*, by postwar occupation decartelization chief James Stewart Martin. Martin catalogued that Americans like Allen and John Foster Dulles, Draper, Harriman, and the J.P. Morgan interests, in league with British, French, and Belgian

bankers and heavy industrialists, had been the secret wartime partners of the Nazi banking and business barons, and had helped fuel the Nazi war machine, even after Pearl Harbor brought the United States directly into the war. The Dulles brothers had been longtime collaborators of Schacht, and the notorious Kurt von Schroeder, whose Stein Bank in Cologne, Germany handled all of the funding of Himmler's SS, through business groups like the "Keppler Circle."

But it was not just the fascist cartel bosses and apparatuses who were spared the gallows at Nuremberg. Fascist culture was embraced as the weapon-of-choice in the Cold War battle of ideas, and the Congress for Cultural Freedom was the chosen Anglo-American vehicle for the cultural "re-Nazification."

Schizophrenia and Necrophilia

One of Theodor Adorno's specialties was music. A promising future concert pianist in his youth, he had later studied in Vienna under the atonal composer Arnold Schoenberg. In 1946, while in the United States, working on the Frankfurt School's "Cultural Pessimism" agenda, the former Soviet Comintern (Communist International) asset, now living on the largesse of the Rockefeller Foundations and other Anglo-American *fondi*, wrote an infamous book, *The Philosophy of Modern Music*, a barely intelligible diatribe against Classical culture. Ostensibly a commentary on the musical compositions of Igor Stravinsky and Schoenberg, the Adorno book made clear the purpose of modern music:

"What radical music perceives is the untransfigured suffering of man. . . . The seismographic registration of traumatic shock becomes, at the same time, the technical structural law of music. It forbids continuity and development. Musical language is polarized according to its extreme; towards gestures of shock resembling bodily convulsions on the one hand, and on the other towards a crystalline standstill of a human being whom anxiety causes to freeze in her tracks. . . . Modern music sees absolute oblivion as its goal. It is the surviving message of despair from the shipwrecked."

Adorno continued, "It is not that schizophrenia is directly expressed therein; but the music imprints upon itself an attitude similar to that of the mentally ill. The individual brings about his own disintegration. . . . He imagines the fulfillment of the promise through magic, but nonetheless within the realm of immediate actuality. . . . Its concern is to dominate schizophrenic traits through the aesthetic consciousness. In so doing, it would hope to vindicate insanity as true health."

To bring about the total disintegration of postwar European and American society—which, he argued, was the precondition for the defeat of the authoritarian impulse—Adorno insisted that all forms of beauty had to be purged. Instead, he argued for a steady cultural diet of "Top Forty" pop music and other degenerate forms of "mass culture," which, he argued, over time, would trigger various forms of mental breakdown, on a mass scale.



Theodor Adorno. Along with his colleague Max Horkheimer, he was a pivotal figure in the project to wreck European and American culture, that was known as the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

Adorno itemized these: 1. depersonalization, the loss of connection to one's own body; 2. hebephrenia, which he defined as "the indifference of the sick individual towards the external"; 3. catatonia ("a similar behavior is familiar in patients who have been overwhelmed by shock"); and 4. necrophilia. Adorno declared, "Universal necrophilia is the last perversity of style."

Adorno summarized his case for the exploitation of "Top Forty" music: "The authoritarian character of today is, without exception, conformist. . . . In the final analysis, this music tends to become the style for everyone, because it coincides with the man-in-the-street style."

Adorno had practiced what he preached. During the 1940s, he had ventured to Hollywood, where he teamed up with Igor Stravinsky to compose motion picture scores. In Hollywood, Adorno and Stravinsky were part of the "British Set," a collection of *avant-garde* cultural degenerates which also included Aldous Huxley, whose fictional and non-fiction writings propagandized for the use of brainwashing and psychotropic drugs to pacify whole societies, and create "concentration camps without tears"; Christopher Isherwood, author of the *Berlin Diaries* (later adopted to the stage as *Cabaret*), which promoted that degenerate Weimar culture of drugs and perversion that helped usher Hitler into power; Alexander Korda, protégé of Frankfurt School founder Georg Lukacs, later a leading figure in Britain's wartime Special Operations Executive (SOE) and a leading Hollywood movie producer. The "British Set," particularly Isherwood, were the "Hollywood connection" for British literary perverts W.H. Auden and Stephen Spender, who would play pivotal roles in the CCF, and, later, in the 1960s Counterculture project, in league with such Frankfurt School cultural icons as Herbert Marcuse and Erich Fromm.



The era of thermonuclear terror launched in the postwar period had been promoted for decades by H.G. Wells (left) and Bertrand Russell, as the pathway to world Fabian dictatorship.

Adorno had written his *Philosophy of Modern Music* prescription for producing a society of necrophiliacs, through the perversion of music and culture, while also working, with Horkheimer, on *The Authoritarian Personality*. This effort was, at the time, the most ambitious mass social profiling of the American public ever undertaken. The project, part of the larger Studies in Prejudice series, financed by the American Jewish Committee, aimed at “proving” that the American people, despite their heroic sacrifices to defeat Hitler and Mussolini, were intrinsically fascist and anti-Semitic, and that advanced techniques of psychological manipulation were vital and justified for purging the populace of these evil, “authoritarian” impulses. The two key weapons for this cultural lobotomy: Conformity and Eros, or what is known today as the tyranny of “political correctness.”

The authors of *The Authoritarian Personality* let it all hang out in the concluding chapter of the book, in which they summarized their findings and spelled out their recipe for social transformation. The echoes of Bertrand Russell’s kindred recipe for brutalizing the flock of human beings into a sheep-like psychological impotence, ring out in the words of the authors of *The Authoritarian Personality*:

“It seems obvious, that the modification of the potentially fascist structure cannot be achieved by psychological means alone. The task is comparable to that of eliminating neurosis, or delinquency, or *nationalism* [emphasis added] from the world. These are products of the total organization of society and are to be changed only as that society is changed. It is not for the psychologist to say how such changes are to be brought about. The problem is one which requires the efforts of all social scientists. All that we would insist upon is that in the councils or round tables where the problem is considered and action planned the psychologist should have a voice. We believe that the scientific understanding of society must include an understanding of what it does to people, and that it is possible to have social reforms, even broad and sweeping

ones, which though desirable in their own right would not necessarily change the structure of the prejudiced personality. For the fascist potential to change, or even to be held in check, there must be an increase in people’s capacity to see themselves and to be themselves. This cannot be achieved by the manipulation of people, however well grounded in modern psychology the devices of manipulation might be. . . . It is here that psychology may play its most important role. Techniques for overcoming resistance, developed mainly in the field of individual psychotherapy, can be improved and adapted for use with groups and even for use on a mass scale.”

The authors conclude with this most revealing proposition: “We need not suppose that appeal to emotion belongs to those who strive in the direction of fascism, while democratic propaganda must limit itself to reason and restraint. If fear and destructiveness are the major emotional sources of fascism, *Eros* belongs mainly to democracy.”

Eros was precisely the weapon that the Frankfurt School and their Congress for Cultural Freedom colleagues employed, over the next 50 years, to create a cultural paradigm shift away from the so-called “authoritarian” matrix of man in the living image of God (*imago viva Dei*), the sanctity of the nuclear family, and the superiority of the republican form of nation-state over all other forms of political organization. They transformed American culture, step by step, toward an erotic, perverse matrix, associated with the present “politically correct” tyranny of tolerance for dehumanizing drug abuse, sexual perversion, and the glorification of violence. For the “anti-authoritarian” revolutionaries of the Frankfurt School, the ultimate antidote to the hated Western Judeo-Christian civilization was to tear that civilization down, from the inside, by turning out generations of necrophiliacs.

But the “Kulturkampf” project, aimed ultimately at stripping the United States of the entirety of its European Renaissance/republican heritage, would be unleashed, first, with lethal efficiency, on the already-shattered populations of a Western Europe, which had gone through two decades of depression, fascism, and war.

‘Kulturkampf’ in Paris

In April of 1952, CCF embarked upon its maiden voyage in mass brainwashing to spread cultural pessimism, when it held a month-long festival in Paris entitled “Masterpieces of the 20th Century.” Over 30 days, CCF presented 100 symphonies, concerti, operas, and ballets by over 70 composers of the 20th Century! The conference opened with a painful performance by the Boston Symphony of the “Rite of Spring,” by Adorno’s collaborator Igor Stravinsky.

Also getting top billing at the Paris conference were Adorno’s teachers, Schönberg and Alban Berg, the leading atonalists; Paul Hindemith; and Claude Debussy. Other works performed were those by Gustav Mahler, Bela Bartok,

Samuel Barber, Erik Satie, Francis Poulenc, and Aaron Copland, to name a few.

Paris saw its first productions ever of Alban Berg's "Wozzeck," Benjamin Britten's "Billy Budd," Gertrude Stein's and Virgil Thomson's "Four Saints in Three Acts," with Alice B. Toklas attending (she was famous for handing out brownies laced with hashish).

CCF continued its assault in this field. In 1954, it held two conferences: one a festival at the Palazzo Pecci in Italy which was devoted almost entirely to atonal music and the 12-tone scale, and another, in April of that year—the International Conference in Rome, entitled "20th Century Music," which was devoted solely to *avant-garde* music. The latter included prize competitions, and the winners were given American premieres by the Boston Symphony at its summer school at Tanglewood. The Symphony was hitched tightly to CCF, and eight of the 11 board members of CCF's music project were associated with Tanglewood.

Classical culture—the tradition of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, and Brahms—was repudiated as an "authoritarian" tool of Soviet Communism and wartime German and Italian fascism. For example, the CCF conducted a witchhunt against the great German conductor Wilhelm Furtwaengler as a Nazi.

The month-long Paris show also showcased an equally grotesque modern art and sculpture exhibit which New York's Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) organized. It included works by Matisse, Derain, Cezanne, Seurat, Chagall, Kandinsky, and other masters of early-20th-Century modernism. Jackson Pollack and Alexander Calder were leading figures of the American Committee for Cultural Freedom.

MOMA, a project of Nelson Rockefeller and his family, played a big role in CCF and its art projects. In 1955, it ran CCF's "Young Painters" exhibit in Rome (and touring the continent), and in 1960, MOMA ran another European show exclusively showcasing abstract impressionism—which, like Adorno's work in music, was known to express mental schizophrenia. George Kennan and Allen Dulles were big supporters of modern art, and the Fairfield Foundation, set up to conduit CIA funds to CCF, also funded MOMA.

The maiden Paris "Kulturkampf" of 1952 also included literary debates with Nashville Agrarian "Fugitive" writers Allen Tate and William Faulkner; Fabian perverts Stephen Spender and W.H. Auden; and others.

The entire Paris show was run under the auspices of the Office of Special Plans of the State Department, run by the CIA's Frank Wisner and funded by the Fairfield Foundation, a CIA money laundromat.

Synarchist Spooks Launched CCF

Frances Stoner, the author of *The Cultural Cold War*, a history of CCF, documented that CCF was the 1950 brainchild of two prominent groups of private individuals, who would soon assume prominent positions in the Cold War intelligence structures.

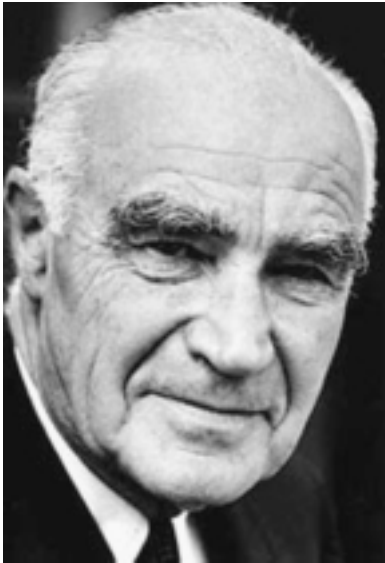


W.H. Auden, Stephen Spender, and Christopher Isherwood. Homosexuals and British intelligence operatives, they stalked the European and North American cultural scenes for particularly degenerate and vulnerable recruits. Auden and Spender played pivotal roles in the CCF, and later, in the 1960s "counterculture" project.

The first was centered around Allen Dulles, longtime friend of the *Time* magazine empire's Henry Luce, who ran a group of activists and planners called "the Park Avenue Cowboys." Dulles and his group worked to establish a permanent intelligence organization in the aftermath of World War II. This group was comprised of Dulles, Frank Wisner, C.D. Jackson, Kermit Roosevelt, Tracy Barnes, Richard Helms, and Royall Tyler, who would go on to head the World Bank.

CCF was created under the auspices of Wisner, who was then heading the Office of Policy Coordination at the State Department, which later transferred to the CIA as the covert action section. Dulles's personal liaison to the intelligence community who ran CCF on the ground, from its international headquarters in Paris, was Tom Braden, who had been Nelson Rockefeller's executive secretary for the Museum of Modern Art from 1947-49 before joining the CIA.

At an appropriate moment, in 1967, Braden was also the person designated to "out" the Congress as a CIA front. In a famous *Saturday Evening Post* article entitled "I'm Glad the CIA Is 'Immoral,'" Braden had written: "I remember the enormous joy I got when the Boston Symphony Orchestra won more acclaim for the U.S. in Paris than John Foster Dulles or Dwight D. Eisenhower could have bought with a hundred speeches. And then there was *Encounter*, the magazine published in England and dedicated to the proposition that cultural achievement and political freedom were interdependent. Money for both the orchestra's tour and the magazine's publication came from the CIA, and few outside of the CIA knew about it. We had placed one agent in a Europe-based organization of intellectuals called the Congress for Cultural Freedom. Another agent became an editor of *Encounter*. The agents could not only propose anti-Communist programs to the official leaders of the organizations but they could also suggest ways and means to solve the inevitable budgetary problems.



Media mogul Henry R. Luce, founder of Time magazine, resoundingly pro-fascist and accustomed to LSD acid-trips.

Why not see if the needed money could be obtained from 'American foundations'? As the agents knew, the CIA-financed foundations were quite generous when it came to the national interest."

C.D. Jackson, an early "Cowboy," was one of Luce's top intelligence hands and executives. He had joined Time-Life in 1931 as an advertising executive. During the war he became the deputy chief of the Psychological Warfare Division of SHAEF (Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force). After the war, he returned to become vice president of Time-Life.

Jackson left Time-Life to take on various intelligence roles for Dulles, becoming the president of the National Committee for a Free Europe, a Dulles initiative, which was the precursor to CCF and which funded many CCF operatives. He was also instrumental in creating Radio Free Europe, a CIA project launched under the auspices of the National Committee for a Free Europe.

When Eisenhower took office in 1953, Jackson was posted special advisor to the President for Psychological Warfare. Here he approved the core of the CCF projects and personally helped create and promote the American Committee for Cultural Freedom, whose board he ultimately joined. Jackson laundered articles to Luce's publications to promote CCF activities.

The second grouping of private individuals was centered in the person of Charles "Chip" Bohlen. Regular meetings took place at his home in Georgetown with Isaiah Berlin, the British "philosopher" who was implicated in the early-1950s Kim Philby espionage scandal, and George Kennan. This second grouping was known as the "Sovietologists."

Bohlen had spent years in Russia and was posted after the war as Ambassador to France, where he helped direct the CCF's international secretariat. He was the mentor of Nicolas Nabokov, the Soviet exile and composer who became CCF's

General Secretary.

Kennan was instrumental in creating the secret intelligence mechanism which would ultimately run CCF, and he was an influential participant in many of its international symposia. Author of the famous 1947 "Mr. X" article in *Foreign Affairs* announcing the Cold War, his philosophy was to outdo the Soviets in lies and deceit, for, in his estimation, truth and economic aid were useless in such combat! He authored numbers of National Security directives for the Truman White House, including PSBD-33/2, establishing the Psychological Strategy Board (PSB), whose papers are still classified.

PSB was established on April 4, 1951. Its first chairman was Gordon Gray. Its purpose was to centralize and coordinate the psychological warfare operations of the CIA, Department of Defense, and State Department. As Charles Burton Marshall, a PSB officer who became a vocal opponent, detailed, in a critique of its working principles and activities, PSB was run by a group of self-appointed elites in a totalitarian nature that was "in a manner reminiscent of Pareto, Sorel, Mussolini and so on. . . . Individuals are relegated to tertiary importance. The supposed elite emerges as the only group that counts. The elite is defined as that numerically limited group capable and interested in manipulating doctrinal matters."

By May of 1952, PSB took over the supervision of "Packet," the code name for the CIA's psychological warfare program to influence overseas "opinion leaders." Under this rubric, PSB assumed the supervision of the American Committee for Cultural Freedom; the Moral Rearmament Movement, which had been a hotbed of wartime Synarchist activity, with Rudolf Hess and other top Nazis being among the leading members; the Crusade for Freedom, which was the funding conduit for Dulles's National Committee for a Free Europe (NCFE); NCFE's Radio Free Europe; and Paix et Liberté.

A PSB document from June 1953 defined these programs as necessary to "break down worldwide doctrinaire thought patterns which have provided an intellectual basis for Communism and other doctrines hostile to American and Free World objectives."

C.D. Jackson, the Dulles-Luce operative, became the Delphic potentate for these programs. His detailed log at the White House showed PSB planners had to consult with him before their plans became operational. Jackson met regularly with Tom Braden to approve CCF operations.

The president of the CCF's Executive Committee was Denis de Rougemont, a Swiss national who had introduced Paris to the works of Nazi philosopher Martin Heidegger, Soren Kierkegaard, and Karl Barth before World War II, through his magazine *Hic et Nunc*.

De Rougemont, known for his book *Love in the Western World*, wrote a Gnostic broadside attacking the morality of the United States under FDR, which can only be taken as an attempt to undermine the mobilization to defeat Fascism in World War II. Entitled "On the Devil and Politics," and written while he was stationed in the U.S. working for the Office

of War Information (OWI), it was published in the June 2, 1941 issue of *Christianity and Crisis*.

De Rougemont's thesis is that all men have an inherently evil side to them which is at least an impulse. Every individual risks that his impulse might actually become real under certain circumstances, and an individual must know that evil resides in himself, or he is not a functioning human being.

"(American democracy) too believed and still believes that the Nazis are animals of an altogether different race from Americans. She too risks discovering some day that after all, they are men like us. And it is quite true that they are men like us, in the sense that their sin is also in us, secretly. . . . It seems to me that the clearest lesson which emerges from European events is this: The sentimental hatred of the evil that is in others may blind one to the evil that one bears in himself and to the gravity of evil in general. The overly facile condemnation of the wicked man on the opposite side may conceal and favor much inward complaisance toward that very wickedness. I suspect a profound ambivalence in certain democratic denunciations of Hitlerism, for in the violence of the tone and the obstinate simplism of the judgements, we betray our bad conscience, our secret anxiety, our unacknowledged temptation. In regard to anti-fascists who wish only to be anti, I cannot help thinking that sooner or later the pro which slumbers in a corner of their soul will suddenly awaken and overwhelm them. . . . I believe that I know whereof I speak when I say to the honest democrats: Look at the Devil that is among us! Stop believing that he can only resemble Hitler, or Stalin, or Senator Wheeler, for it is you yourself that he will always contrive to resemble the most. . . . And then only will you be cured of your almost incredible naiveté before the totalitarian danger and be able to escape hypnosis."

How Dulles Ran CCF

CCF was run through Frank Wisner's Office of Policy Coordination (OPC), which gave CCF the codename QKOPERA. Reporting to Wisner was the CIA's Lawrence de Neufville, who worked at the Agency's French Labor desk. Michael Josselson of the CIA worked in CCF's Paris headquarters. James Burnham, the former Trotskyite, was hired as a consultant to OPC and was the primary liaison between the CIA and the intellectual community.

The bag man and paymaster for the operation was Irving Brown, who also ran CIA covert programs through European trade-union covers. Recently discovered archival material from the Federal Bureau of Narcotics indicates that Brown was under investigation in the mid-1960s for trafficking in drugs, or money-laundering from drug-trafficking (which provided funds for covert operations). U.S. documents linked him to notorious French crime bosses and Italian mafia figures.

The Fairfield Foundation and several other foundations were created by the CIA as fronts to pass funds. Once programs were established, the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations took over major aspects of the funding, with the help of

other leading U.S. family foundations. Former German High Commissioner McCloy had personally written to mid-1960s Ford Foundation president McGeorge Bundy, to secure funding for the Congress, at the moment that the CIA was exposing its former ties to CCF, via the Tom Braden *Saturday Evening Post* story.

Victor Marchetti, the former top CIA officer who wrote the first major exposé of the Agency's covert operations, the 1974 *The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence*, explained that the Agency had gone overboard in their use of front foundations: "The CIA's culture-loving, optimistic, freewheeling operators, however, made serious tactical errors in funding these 'private' institutions. Over the years, the Agency became involved with so many groups that direct supervision and accounting were not always possible. Moreover, the Agency violated a fundamental rule of intelligence in not carefully separating the operations of each organization from all the others. Thus, when the first disclosures of CIA involvement were published early in 1967, enterprising journalists found that the financing arrangements and the conduit foundations were so intertwined and over-used that still other groups which had been receiving CIA funds could be tracked down."

In 1954, Cord Meyer replaced Tom Braden at the CIA's International Organizations Division (IOD) as Dulles's personal liaison to CCF operations. Meyer had been the editor of Yale's literary magazine and a graduate in the class of 1942. His favorite poets were Allen Tate and John Crowe Ransom, who were at the center of the Nashville Agrarians.

Ransom's handful of protégés in 1938 were a special crew, known as "Ransom's Boys." Meyer recruited several to the CIA. Robbie Macauley, Ransom's assistant at the *Kenyon Review*, was posted to IOD to replace Lawrence de Neufville in the summer of 1954. He moved to Paris to oversee CCF operations. In 1956, Meyer placed another of the "Ransom's Boys," John "Jack" Thompson, as the executive director of the Fairfield Foundation, a post he held for more than a decade. Needless to say, Tate, Ransom, and fellow Agrarian Robert Penn Warren all wrote for CCF's *Encounter* magazine.

The American Branch of the Congress

The American branch of CCF was founded in 1951. The principal force behind the American Committee for Cultural Freedom (ACCF) was Sidney Hook, its first chairman. Hook was then a contract consultant to the CIA, and he liaised with CIA director Walter Bedell Smith and PSB director Gordon Gray.

Hook had been an early student at the Frankfurt School, during his Marxist youth in the 1920s. His *From Hegel to Marx* was a compilation of lecture notes from the Frankfurt School founder, Karl Korsch, a leading Comintern operative at the time, and later a close associate of Bertrand Russell in launching the linguistics project associated with MIT's Professor Noam Chomsky today. When the Frankfurt School was to be redeployed to the United States at the point of the

Hitler takeover in Germany, it was Hook and his mentor (and fellow CCF director) John Dewey, who provided the funding and political support for the emigré invasion, through Columbia University and the New School for Social Research, which later provided a home to fascist philosopher Leo Strauss, and Martin Heidegger's mistress and Frankfurt School/CCF ideologue Hannah Arendt.

Irving Kristol, managing editor of The American Jewish Committee's *Commentary* magazine, served as ACCF's first Executive Director. Kristol, in a 1995 autobiographical essay,

touted himself as the godfather of neo-conservatism. He identified CCF founder Lionel Trilling, Leo Strauss, and Nashville Agrarian writer John Crowe Ransom as the three leading intellectual influences on his life.

ACCF board members included Sol Levitas, editor of the *New Leader*. Levitas was a protégé of Allen Dulles and C.D. Jackson. Dulles used Levitas's *New Leader* to promote the creation of a "commission of internal security" to investigate subversive influences in the United States. Levitas provided intelligence reports from his international correspon-

Henry Luce's Empire of Fascism

In the Feb. 7, 1941 issue of *Life* magazine, founder and publisher Henry Luce authored and signed an editorial, "The American Century," announcing that the American Synarchists intended to rule the world at the close of the war and impose their own jaded version of "American values" on the world, through "any means necessary." Luce's thesis was reproduced and mass-circulated throughout the United States.

The populations of the world, exhausted from the destruction of war and the bestiality of Hitler, Stalin, and Hiroshima, naturally hoped for something better. But the universal glimmer of optimism, of being able to rebuild, was further shattered when Allen Dulles, John J. McCloy, and their associates, including Luce, deployed to create the Congress for Cultural Freedom (CFF), whose explicit purpose was to launch a fascist assault on truth as science and on Classical culture.

Henry Luce: Mouthpiece for American Fascism

Time magazine was created in 1923 as a mouthpiece for the American Synarchists, grouped around the banking interests of J.P. Morgan. It is hardly a coincidence that, simultaneous to the launching of *Time*, in Europe, Count Richard Coudenhove-Kalergi, another leading Synarchist, was launching his Pan-European Union, which would be a leading propaganda vehicle for the winning of support among Europe's financial oligarchy for the "Hitler-Mussolini" universal fascism project.

Henry Luce was just out of Yale University, where he was a member of the secret society Skull and Bones (class of 1920). Morgan funnelled Luce start-up cash, and Luce tapped numbers of his friends from his secret brotherhood to create and run what would become a propaganda empire. In 1930, for example, Luce chose Russell Davenport, an intimate Bonesman, to become *Fortune* magazine's first



Three of the many "Mussolini covers" *Time* magazine featured over the years. The first, from Aug. 6, 1923, was intended to wish "Benito a happy birthday."

editor-in-chief.

Initial members of the board of directors of *Time* included Henry P. Davison, Jr., a fellow classmate and Bonesman, whose father was a senior partner at J.P. Morgan. Davison brought in Dwight Morrow, another Morgan partner, to finance the start-up. Morgan interests were further strengthened, when in 1927, John Wesley Hanes was placed on the board. Start-up funding also came from William Hale Harkness, a board member, who was related to Rockefeller partner Edward S. Harkness.

Luce's personal lawyer, who would come to represent his entire media empire, was his brother-in-law Tex Moore, of Cravath, deGersdorff, Swaine and Wood, the same firm which deployed both Allen and John Foster Dulles to facilitate bringing Hitler to power in the early 1930s.

Luce was an intimate of Britain's Lord Beaverbrook and the Prince of Wales, who were notoriously pro-Hitler and members of the Cliveden set. He also formed an extremely close relationship with Winston Churchill, himself a promoter of Hitler in the early 1930s.

Americans were introduced to Benito Mussolini and Fascism in one of *Time*'s first issues, when the Synarchists decided to celebrate Il Duce's 40th birthday, and have

dents to Henry Luce, for which he was paid. Philip Rahv, editor of *Partisan Review*, was also a board member of ACCF. Luce became *Partisan Review*'s financial angel when it was about to go bankrupt, and he also surreptitiously funded ACCF.

Close *Encounter* of the Third Kind

In early 1951, Frank Wisner travelled to London to meet with his counterparts in Britain's Secret Intelligence Service (SIS). Over a series of meetings it was decided to create a

flagship intellectual journal for CCF.

It was agreed that the Americans and British would have joint oversight over the London-based *Encounter* magazine, and there would be joint funding. ACCF executive director Irving Kristol was chosen by Sidney Hook to become co-editor with British Fabian Stephen Spender.

Born in February 1909, Spender was orphaned in his early teens, and in 1928, he entered University College, Oxford. There, he was taken in by several leading literary giants with whom he formed close relationships. According to biographer

Americans join them, by placing his portrait on the cover of the Aug. 6, 1923 issue of *Time*. This would be the first of Mussolini's five cover appearances in *Time*.

Luce was America's fascist "Elmer Gantry." He toured the country selling fascism to America's business elite and upper class on the one hand, and using his mass propaganda outlets to "sell it to the mickies" on the other.

Luce unabashedly promoted Synarchy. Appearing before business groups, he promulgated the idea that America's corporate and banking elites were more powerful and important than the U.S. government, stating, "It is not a seat in Congress but on the directorate of the greatest corporations which our countrymen regard as the greater post of honor and responsibility." Likening America's financial tycoons to Europe's aristocracy, he featured both in the pages of *Fortune* magazine.

In an article in 1928, Luce declared the U.S. Constitution obsolete and called for "a new form of government." What was this new form of government? In March of the same year, in a speech to businessmen in Rochester, N.Y., he stated "America needs at this moment a moral leader, a national moral leader. The outstanding national moral leader of the world today is Mussolini." On Nov. 28, 1930, he stated to a Chicago audience that Mussolini's Italy was a success story: "A state reborn by virtue of Fascist symbols, Fascist rank, and hence, Fascist enterprise." Luce further declared, on April 19, 1934 in a speech to the Scranton, Pa. Chamber of Commerce, "The moral force of Fascism, appearing in totally different forms in different nations, may be the inspiration for the next general march of mankind."

While Luce organized the upper crust through *Fortune*, he fed the general population a carefully crafted diet of stories about Hitler, Mussolini, and Franco through the writings of his foreign news editor, Laird Goldsborough, a publicly avowed fascist, anti-Semite, and pro-Nazi who in 1933 interviewed both Hitler and Mussolini.

Luce had a visceral hatred of FDR and the New Deal. He attacked them both on his speaking tours and in print. Intimates reported that he became apoplectic with violent rage at the mere mention of FDR's name.

Luce's role in the Morgan-organized "Smedley Butler" coup plot against Roosevelt was significant. Luce prepared the entire July 1934 issue of *Fortune* as a detailed study of the political, cultural, and economic experiments of Italian fascism. This was unheard of. The issue was timed to appear as the coup went into its final month, and it was undoubtedly intended to rally upper-class support for the coup and the transition to an American form of fascism.

Although Luce later promoted the turn away from fascism, when it was necessary to defeat Hitler, he heralded the postwar policy of the Anglo-American Synarchists with his famous 1941 *Life* magazine editorial, "The American Century," which announced the Synarchist goal of Anglo-American world domination at the close of the war. Luce wrote: "We must accept whole-heartedly our duty and our opportunity as the most powerful and vital nation in the world and in consequence to exert upon the world the full impact of our influence, for such purposes as we see fit and by such means as we see fit." The editorial was mass-produced and circulated widely; it appeared in full in the *Washington Post* and *Reader's Digest*. Although he did not include the point in this editorial, Luce would soon argue, also in the pages of *Life*, for preventive nuclear war against the Soviet Union.

The outlook of today's Beast-Men, led by Vice President Dick Cheney, is a continuation of the policies represented by Luce and the fascists of the 1930s and 1940s. Cheney's inner core of neocons are all signers of the founding principles of William Kristol's Project for a New American Century, explicitly modelled on Luce's theme. The Children of Satan, as Lyndon LaRouche has determined they rightly be called, had Henry Luce as one of their godfathers. Luce's brothers at Skull and Bones gave him the secret name of "Baal."

The Congress for Cultural Freedom was created to implement Luce's "American Century." Luce helped finance its operations, and his trusted vice president at Time-Life, C.D. Jackson, oversaw much of its policy as special advisor to the President for psychological warfare.

—Steven P. Meyer



The first chairman of the American branch of CCF, the American Committee for Cultural Freedom (ACCF), was Sidney Hook—shown here in the early 1970s at New York University, being confronted by supporters of Lyndon LaRouche.

David Leeming, T.S. Eliot and Virginia Woolf served as surrogate parents; W.H. Auden and Christopher Isherwood served as surrogate older brothers. Isherwood and Auden, both homosexuals, were British intelligence operatives, stalking the European and North American cultural scenes for particularly degenerate and vulnerable recruits.

Spender left Oxford without getting a degree, and travelled extensively through Europe, having numerous pedophilic affairs, living for a time in Weimar, Germany. He became a well-known poet and essayist in these circles, and his poetry contained allusions to his affairs. “Whatever happens,” he wrote, “I shall never be alone. I shall always have a boy, a railway fare, or a revolution.”

Spender worked for the British Control Commission in Germany after the war and then spent much of his time in the United States, where he was taken under the wing of John Crowe Ransom and Allen Tate. In later years, he would befriend “beatnik” poet Allen Ginsberg, the LSD advocate and sexual notable, who became one of the gurus of the counter-culture movement of the ’60s.

As time went by, CCF would add to its own family of magazines *Kenyon Review*, *Sewanee Review*, and *Poetry*—all projects of the Fugitives and their associates—*The Journal of the History of Ideas*, which Luce supported; *Partisan Review*, *Paris Review*, and *Daedalus*.

Kristol moved to London in early 1953 to assume his new duties, and Sidney Hook went along to manage the editorial ideas and to oversee the start-up. By June, *Encounter* was up and running with a \$40,000 grant from the Fairfield Foundation. At the outset, it ran articles by Julian Huxley, Allen Tate, Lionel Trilling, Robert Penn Warren, W.H. Auden, Thornton Wilder, Jayaprakash Naryan, Mircea Eliade, André Malraux, and Guido Piovene.

Malcolm Muggeridge, a member of the CCF steering committee, was the liaison to British MI6. His funding conduits to CCF for this project were Sir Alexander Korda, the film director, and Lord Victor Rothschild, who remained close to *Encounter* up through the mid-1960s. Frederic Warburg, of Secker and Warburg, agreed to use his company as the publisher. Warburg was the publisher of George Orwell, who was also quite active in CCF.

Warburg was the treasurer of the British Society for Cultural Freedom (BSCF), whose founding members included T.S. Eliot, Isaiah Berlin, Lord David Cecil, and Richard Crossman, the Secretary General of the British Labour Party. The Information Research Department paid into a private account at Secker and Warburg; that account paid BSCF, which passed on cash to *Encounter*. In intelligence community parlance, it was a “triple pass” which paid Spender’s salary.

Right-Wing Fabianism

Kristol published many Labour Party writers from *Encounter*, including Hugh Gaitskell, Roy Jenkins, C.A.R. Crosland, Richard Crossman, Patrick Gordon-Walker, John Strachey, Rita Hinden, Denis Healey (British correspondent of *Levitas’s New Leader*), and Roderick Macfarquhar. Many of these individuals were active participants in CCF international seminars; others, like Gaitskell, travelled on behalf of CCF projects. Crosland worked with Daniel Bell, who took official leave as labor editor of *Luce’s Fortune* magazine to plan CCF’s founding international seminars. Crosland also joined CCF’s international governing committee. CCF funded Rita Hinden to expand the Fabian Society’s official journal, *Venture*. When the British Labour Party beat the Conservatives at the polls in 1964, there were half a dozen regular *Encounter* writers placed in Harold Wilson’s new government.

CCF’s Very Own Comintern

The working relationship between the British elites and their American counterparts, in what ultimately became the CCF, traced back to a 1948 tour of America by Arthur Koestler. Koestler was an experienced intelligence operative with a checkered past.

Born in 1905 in Budapest, as a young man he was an aide to Vladimir Jabotinsky, the self-professed Zionist promoter of Mussolini Fascism. When he was 27, he joined the Communist Party and went to Russia, where he wrote *Of White Nights and Red Days*, which was funded by the Comintern.

Koestler next operated in Germany, and was exiled to Paris when Hitler took power. There, he worked for leading Comintern agent Willi Munzenberg, and became an expert in running infiltration and neutralization operations against political organizations. In 1936, Munzenberg deployed him on a spy mission to Spain, where he was interned as a political



Irving Kristol,
managing editor of
Commentary
magazine, served
as the ACCF's first
Executive Director.

prisoner. Though he was a well-known Soviet intelligence asset, it was the British who intervened to get Koestler freed. In 1938, he resigned from the Communist Party and went to Paris. During World War II, he was interned in France, and while in jail, wrote his “Damascus Road” repudiation of communism, *Darkness at Noon*. His book became one of the propaganda documents of choice for Dulles and company, circulated through the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

After release from prison, he made his way to England and joined the Ministry of Information, receiving British citizenship. When Britain created the Information Research Department (IRD) in February of 1948 to covertly fight the Cold War, Koestler became an official advisor and one of their most important agents. IRD purchased 50,000 copies of Koestler’s *Darkness at Noon* and distributed them in Germany. Luce’s *Time* magazine printed his book in the United States.

During 1948, Koestler was sent on a tour of the U.S. with the cooperation of the U.S. intelligence community. His purpose was to solidify a network of operatives who would recruit America’s intellectuals, many of whom were former fellow-travellers of communism, to help the Anglo-American elites fight the Cold War. Koestler first went to Paris to meet with André Malraux and Charles Bohlen, the newly appointed Ambassador to France, to discuss his trip. While onboard ship for the U.S., he had extensive meetings with John Foster Dulles. James Burnham, who would become the *éminence grise* at William Buckley’s *National Review*, was his permanent escort.

Koestler established a working relationship with the CIA, and together, they targetted what the State Department called the “Non-Communist Left”—intellectuals and trade unionists who were disillusioned with communism, but who were still faithful to the ideals of socialism. In Europe they would target the Democratic Socialist movement. In the U.S., their targetting included many of the supporters of President Roosevelt’s New Deal.

Koestler, along with the CIA’s Michael Josselson and Melvin Lasky, surreptitiously planned the founding Berlin Congress in 1950 to launch CCF. Koestler also wrote the founding Manifesto adopted at that conference. Lasky, an American, was an expert in cultural warfare and had been promoted by German High Commissioner John J. McCloy. Based in Berlin, Lasky ran *Der Monat*, a German-language anti-communist cultural journal which became a CCF publication. Lasky was also the correspondent for Levitas’s *New Leader*, as well as *Partisan Review*.

New Paradigm: Deindustrialization and Depopulation

Vladimir Lenin once wrote that the Western elites would purchase the rope to hang themselves. CCF’s venture into economic and cultural “reform” proved Lenin’s point. Through a string of Cold War-era study groups, seminars, international conferences, and books, the Congress became an early, leading promoter of the Malthusian ideas of the “post-industrial society.”

In 1956, Daniel Bell took leave from his post as labor editor of Luce’s *Fortune* magazine (the same magazine which promoted Italian fascist labor policies) to become the first director of CCF’s Seminar Planning Committee.

In April 1957, the first seminar was held in Tokyo entitled “Problems of Economic Growth.” Thirty economists from 12 Western, Asian, and African countries attended. According to Frances Stone Saunders in *The Cultural Cold War*, “The conference was the precursor of the impending shift by development economists from an emphasis on growth of per capita income to one on the quality of life, social justice, and freedom as the true measure of development.” Bell would later author *The Coming Post-Industrial Revolution*, ushering in the consumer society, and marking the end of the American System of productive economic activity. The “post-industrial society” was the perfect vehicle for the burgeoning drug/rock/sex counterculture, which had been the long-term cultural warfare objective of the Congress and its Anglo-American Synarchist backers.

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The CCF and the ‘God of Thunder’ Cult

by Stanley Ezrol, with Jeffrey Steinberg and Anton Chaitkin

In 1974, the well-known British psychiatrist, Dr. William Sargant, published a book, *The Mind Possessed: A Physiology of Possession, Mysticism and Faith Healing*. The book was a sequel to his 1957 study, *The Battle for the Mind: A Physiology of Conversion and Brainwashing*, the earlier book being a how-to-do-it manual for producing a “cultural paradigm shift” towards an existentialist, irrationalist dark age society, which was precisely the agenda of the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

In the 1957 study, Sargant had written: “Various types of belief can be implanted in many people, after brain function has been sufficiently disturbed by accidentally or deliberately induced fear, anger or excitement. Of the results caused by such disturbances, the most common one is temporarily impaired judgment and heightened suggestibility. Its various group manifestations are sometimes classed under the heading of ‘herd instinct,’ and appear most spectacularly in wartime, during severe epidemics, and in all similar periods of common danger, which increase anxiety and so individual and mass suggestibility.”

Dr. Sargant was a prominent British Tavistock Institute psychiatrist, who spent two decades, beginning in the mid-1950s, working in the Congress for Cultural Freedom-linked Cybernetics Group/MK-Ultra project on the use of psychedelic drugs and other forms of brainwashing for mass coercion.

The traumatic events of the 1960s—from the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis near-eruption of global thermonuclear holocaust, to the Nov. 22, 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and the subsequent flagrant coverup; to the later assassinations of Malcolm X, Dr. Martin Luther King, and Robert F. Kennedy; to the urban race riots, and the mass carnage of the American war in Southeast Asia—transformed the post-World War II Baby Boomer generation from an optimistic, future-oriented generation, into a collection of irrationalist, babbling counterculturalists and drug abusers, in total denial of reality, and living from one sensuous experience to the next.

When the dust finally settled on the 1960s, the Baby Boomers emerged with a new set of wildly irrational axiomatic beliefs, typified by the mass appeal of radical environmentalism, and the even more widespread belief in consumerism and the “magic of the global market.”

Such ideas would have been shunned but a decade earlier,

when America was still a production-oriented society. But that was before the great “shock traumas” of the 1962-71 period.

American Dionysians

In preparation for the writing of *The Mind Possessed*, Dr. Sargant and his team had conducted exhaustive field research, profiling modern-day primitive religious cults, including a wide range of irrationalist, nominally Christian, denominations that particularly proliferated in the most backward rural areas of the American Deep South. This was the America of Elmer Gantry, of “barking dog” convulsions and circus-tent revival meetings.

The Sargant book drew the parallel between such primitive people under the influence of witch doctors, fundamentalist preachers and pagan gods, and the victims of the 1960s drug/rock/sex counterculture. Describing the historical accounts of the celebrations of the ancient Greek pagan god Dionysus, Dr. Sargant wrote: “Many of the other dancers approached very near trance, and showed states of increased suggestibility at the end of a long and intensive period of repetitive and monotonous dancing. They looked very much like fans of the Beatles or other ‘pop groups’ after a long session of dancing.” Indeed, a concluding chapter of *The Mind Possessed* had profiled the newest form of fundamentalist religious irrationalism, “Beatlemania.”

One of the clear lessons to come out of the Sargant studies, and other similar profiling work by such Cybernetics Group/CCF players as Dr. Margaret Mead and her husband, LSD-experimenter Dr. Gregory Bateson, was that the most efficient means of promoting irrationalist cults was to exploit existing movements and subcultures.

In the case of the United States, the British “Liberal Imperialist” mind-benders and their “American Tory” cohorts had a three-century track record of consciously promoting such irrationalist movements, to draw upon. Thus, one of the major forms of cultural warfare, directed against the republican tradition of the American Founding Fathers, through the British Fabian Society and its later Congress for Cultural Freedom spawn, was the revival and promotion of the “Great Awakening” and related forms of subversion, including, most prominently, the “Lost Cause” ideology of the pro-British, feudal Confederacy, whose credo, taken from John Locke, was: “Life, Liberty, Property.” A medievalist Catholic version of



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the same credo, promulgated by British Fabians G.K. Chesterton and Hilaire Belloc, was later translated into “Tradition, Family, Property.”

Beginning early in the 20th century, in tandem with a U.S.A. top-down revival of the racist Ku Klux Klan, sponsored directly out of the Hollywood, with enthusiastic support from the Woodrow Wilson White House, the British Fabian Society promoted a Confederate revival, aimed not so much at secession, as at the subversion of the historical American commitment to the Leibnizian “pursuit of happiness” and the U.S. Constitution’s Preamble’s mandate to promote the General Welfare. Major players in this Confederate revival would later assume leading roles in the Congress for Cultural Freedom subversion.

The Great Awakening: The ‘God Who Despises Man’

During the colonial period, a student of Sir Isaac Newton and John Locke, the notorious Jonathan Edwards, backed by the land-owning “River Gods” of the Connecticut Valley, became the chief philosophical opponent of Leibniz’s Massachusetts Bay Colony leadership, led by Increase and Cotton Mather. In his mass revival meetings of the 1737-41 “Great Awakening,” Edwards conjured up a kind of monster God, and ordered those assembled to join and obey. Otherwise, he told the crowd, “[God] will not only hate you, but he will have you in the utmost contempt: no place shall be thought fit for you, but under his feet to be trodden down as the mire of the streets.” Edwards ranted that not only would individual men be wantonly dropped into the fiery pit of Hell or trodden underfoot, but that God had capriciously elevated Christian

Europe, while consigning Jews, whom he had previously favored, Africans, the “savages” of North America, and other whole nations and peoples to the Devil.

Edwards married his daughter to Aaron Burr, the president of the College of New Jersey, which later became Princeton University. Upon the death of his son-in-law, Edwards himself was appointed the third president of the College. His grandson, Aaron Burr, Jr., was to become, prior to Dick Cheney, the most vile traitor in our nation’s history: our second Vice President; the assassin of the architect of our economic system, Alexander Hamilton; a secessionist plotter; and a founder of what became known as Chase Manhattan Bank and the New York Democratic Party.

After the Mathers’ successor, Benjamin Franklin, led the nation through a revolutionary war, and the adoption of our Constitution, fanatical cults of the Edwards variety formented the insanity which led to Civil War. As Lincoln referenced the story in his second inaugural address, terrorists of the John Brown type claimed God’s authority in hacking farmers’ families to death to oppose slavery, and equally fanatical groups claimed Biblical authority to maintain slavery.

Following President Abraham Lincoln’s defeat of the British-instigated Southern secessionist revolt, the United States emerged as the most powerful agro-industrial nation on Earth. No longer was it possible for Britain to defeat the former North American colonies militarily. The alternative path was long-term cultural subversion.

The primary institution through which the new British strategy was prosecuted was the Fabian Society, which operated in conjunction with Cecil Rhodes’ “Round Tables” and other institutions. The Fabian Society, shortly after its founding in the late 19th Century, formed the “liberal imperial” right-wing of the British Labour Party, on the model of Lord Shelburne’s 18th-Century “utilitarian” Whigs. The Tony Blair “New Labour” neoconservative apparatus of today is a Fabian Society-dominated continuation of the earlier efforts. Hence, Blair’s perfect-fit alliance with the Dick Cheney-led American neoconservative wanna-be imperialists.

Varieties of Irrational Perversion

In the United States Southern and Border states, survivors of the Confederacy, led by former Confederate Generals Albert Pike, Nathan Bedford Forrest, and others, organized the Ku Klux Klan, and a broader “Lost Cause” movement, to defend an agrarian, no-brains-required lifestyle.

During the long reign of Queen Victoria and her son, Prince Edward Albert (later King Edward VII), American collaborators of the Fabian circles, typified by William James (1842-1910), developed intimate relations with British Fabian institutions, including the “Cambridge Apostles,” the Royal Colonial Institute and its associated Scottish Rite Freemasonic Lodge (now the Chatham House Royal Institute for International Affairs), the Society for Psychical Research, the H.G. Wells-allied *New Republic* magazine, and others.



Robert Penn Warren (left) and John Crowe Ransome, among the key figures of the pro-Confederate, pro-slavery, pro-fascist Fugitives network.

As the founding chairman of Harvard University's Psychology Department, James helped launch a new dimension of religious insanity, beyond the earlier episodic "Great Awakenings." In a famous series of lectures at Edinburgh University, published under the title *Varieties of Religious Experience*, he proposed that Edwards' type of terror-induced "religious experience," be enhanced with drugs. "Borderland insanity, crankiness, insane temperament, loss of mental balance, psychopathic degeneration," he argued, were necessary for creative thought, including a sense of the spiritual. He pointed out that drunkenness has been traditionally the best way to "get religion," but added the suggestion that nitrous oxide, ether, and other drugs ought also to be used.

In these lectures, James also promoted the British oligarchy-sponsored occultist Theosophical movement of Madame Helena Blavatsky and Annie Besant, and other strange religions which had been promoted to prominence after the Civil War.

The Fugitives: The Fabian Society Joins the Klan

In 1917, Walter L. Fleming was appointed dean of Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. During the preceding years, the college, once Southern Methodist Church-sponsored, had been taken over by a consortium of Rockefeller and J.P. Morgan Wall Street financier interests. Vanderbilt, under Fleming, would provide the launching pad for the Fugitives, a literary mafia that would promote a revival of Confederate ideology and wage cultural war against the American System paradigm of scientific and technological progress and republican statecraft. Beginning in the 1920s, the Fugitives published a literary magazine of the same name.

Fleming's most famous work had been his 1905 history of the original post-Civil War Ku Klux Klan, which he prepared in consultation with many of the surviving "Tennessee Templars" who had led that organization. Fleming, along with other political, cultural, and spiritual leaders, had been instrumental in the 1915 re-launching of the Klan, which was pro-

moted through the mass circulation of Hollywood's first full-length feature film, D.W. Griffith's *Birth of a Nation*, beginning with highly publicized screenings at President Woodrow Wilson's White House, and at the Supreme Court.

The Fugitive's high priest was a Rosicrucian mystic, Sidney Mtrton Hirsch. Its temporal leader, John Crowe Ransom, had just returned from his Rhodes Scholarship studies at Oxford University. Ransom was well known, at least by his family connections, to Dean Fleming, because his great uncle, Tennessee Templar and Ku Klux Klan founder James R. Crowe, had been Fleming's chief source on Klan history. In fact, the entire Crowe family were KKK, and Ransom cherished his childhood memories of mama Ella Crowe, and the other Crowe women, sitting around the family hearth, sewing sheets together for the rallies.

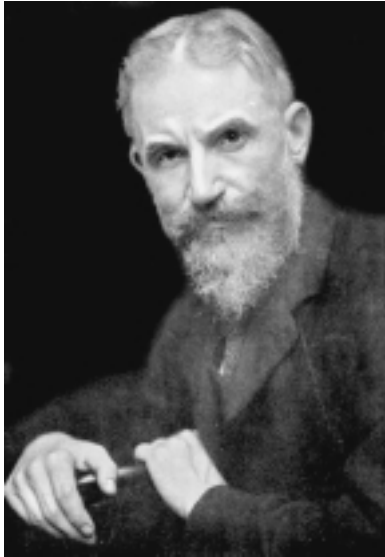
This was not an aberration. The core of the Fugitive circle, and their later literary and political collaborators, were descended from Tennessee Templars, officers of Nathan Bedford Forrest's Confederate Army "Crittter Company." The small *Fugitive* circle, in addition to Ransom, included five others: William Yandell Elliott, Bill Frierson, Robert Penn Warren, Allan Tate, and Cleanth Brooks. All but Tate were also to be Rhodes Scholars. And Warren, Brooks, and Tate, along with Ransom's younger students, John "Jack" Thompson, Robbie Macauley, and Robert Lowell, were all to play leading roles in the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

At the time Ransom's *Fugitive* circle was formed, the main Fabian Society publication was a journal called *The New Age*, which was financed by the Fabian playwright, and promoter of Friedrich Nietzsche, George Bernard Shaw and published by a Theosophist, Alfred Richard Orage, who later became a disciple of the Russian mystic, Georg Gurdjieff. In *The New Age*, the works of Fabians Shaw, H.G. Wells, G.K. Chesterton, and Hilaire Belloc, appeared alongside those of the leading Satanist of the 20th Century, the self-proclaimed "Great Beast," Aleister Crowley, and assorted other pornographers and mystics like William Butler Yeats, future Fascist spy Ezra Pound, T.S. Eliot, and D. H. Lawrence.

Chesterton and Belloc, though associated with the Fabian Society early in the 20th Century, were to become the leaders, along with Maurice Baring, of a Synarchist, pro-Spanish Inquisition, pro-Roman Empire, pro-Fascist Catholic grouping known as the Distributists. Fellow New Ager (and later Nobel Prize winner and major figure in CCF operations) T.S. Eliot, was to ally with them in this effort, as were Ransom and the Fugitives.

During the First World War, Chesterton, Wells, and others of the *New Age* crowd worked for Wellington House, Britain's propaganda unit under Charles Masterman, which was taken over by Lord Beaverbrook in 1917.

The alliance between the *New Age* crowd and the Fugitives was initially forged by William Yandell Elliott. During his Rhodes Scholarship term, 1922-24, at Oxford's Balliol College, he came under the influence of leading Round Table and Fabian Society figure, A.D. Lindsay. Elliott's subsequent



George Bernard Shaw, Fabian playwright and Nietzsche enthusiast, played an important role in aiding the Fugitives, the New Age, and the like.

professional career at Harvard's Government Department, and in various Congressional and Executive positions in Washington, centered on the idea that the United States Constitution should be scrapped, and the nation reorganized as a section of a "New British Empire," an idea derived from Lindsay's Round Table program.

At Oxford, Elliott had consorted with the occultist literary figures of *The New Age*. He was part of a late-night drinking circle including Aleister Crowley's one-time lodge brother, the Nobel Prize-winning poet William Butler Yeats, and long-time Fugitive intimate Robert Graves. Future CCF operative Graves is known today for his adoring history of the Roman Empire, *I Claudius* and his promotion of the cult of the *White Goddess*.

The God of Thunder

In 1928, Fugitive and later CCF leader Allen Tate, began a two-year Guggenheim Fellowship term, which took him to London and Paris, where he worked on a biography of Confederate General Stonewall Jackson. There, he became intimate with a most curious gentleman, Ford Madox Ford. Ford had been born into a family of leaders of John Ruskin's pro-Medieval Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood, and had become a Fabian Society ally of H.G. Wells. Between 1908, when he was made editor of the *English Review*, and his death in 1939, he served as a manager and facilitator of the trans-Atlantic literary establishment. His duties included serving as unofficial Paris host to the expatriate American and British authors there, editing *transatlantic review* for them in the '20s, and serving as the European representative of the Fugitives. Significantly, Ford was responsible for forging ties between Tate and the other Fugitives, and the Distributists.

In between visits to the hashish-scented salon of later CCF associates Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas, where he hobnobbed with Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald,

Nelson Rockefeller's later publicist John Peale Bishop, and others, Tate coordinated the launching of a new political movement, the Nashville Agrarians, under the leadership of Ransom, himself, and the other Fugitives. Eight years after Mussolini's March on Rome, the Agrarians promoted an American brand of Fascism, ideologically based on a nostalgic return to the culture of the Confederacy, and an embrace of the Fundamentalist religious movements, which had been simmering for decades, but catapulted to public prominence by the 1925 Scopes Monkey Trial.

The Nashville Agrarians

The Agrarian movement was launched with the publication of two books in 1930, and one in 1931. The first was a formal symposium prefaced by a joint manifesto, titled *I'll Take My Stand: The South and the Agrarian Tradition* by Twelve Southerners—the Fugitives plus a few additional allies. This was wildly publicized nationally and internationally, and became the subject for mass radio broadcast debates. Its companion, John Crowe Ransom's *God Without Thunder*, was his bestial religious manifesto of the movement. The third in the series, *Bedford Forrest and His Critter Company*, by Oxford-trained scholar Andrew Nelson Lytle, who alternated with Allen Tate in editing the later CCF-funded Episcopal literary magazine, *Sewanee Review*, was an unabashed homage to Klan founder Nathan Bedford Forrest, which lied that Europeans had come to America, not for freedom from European oppression and religious warfare, but out of "nostalgia for feudalism," of which he declared that Forrest's Ku Klux Klan was the highest expression.

I'll Take my Stand was an anti-American, anti-industrial, pro-Confederate, pro-slavery, environmentalist tract. One of its authors, John Gould Fletcher, was associated with *The New Age's* Orage, and had been since 1924 an enthusiastic promoter of Mussolini's "New Caesarism."

The Agrarians' joint manifesto attested, "All tend to support a Southern way of life against what may be called the American or prevailing way. . . . Agrarian *versus* Industrial."

Ransom added, "In most societies man has adapted himself to the environment with plenty of intelligence to secure easily his material necessities from the graceful bounty of nature. And then, ordinarily, he concludes a truce with nature. . . . But the latter-day societies have been seized—none quite so violently as our American one—with the strange idea that the human destiny is not to secure an honorable peace with nature, but to wage an unrelenting war on nature.

"This is simply to say that Progress never defines its ultimate objective, but thrusts its victims at once into an infinite series. Our vast industrial machine . . . is like a Prussianized state which is organized strictly for war and can never consent to peace. . . ."

He went on to explain: "Slavery was a feature monstrous enough in theory, but, more often than not, humane in practice. . . . Industrialism is an insidious spirit, full of false promises and generally fatal to establishments. The attitude that



A Klan cross-burning: The Fugitives circle represented a sort of merger between the KKK and Britain's Fabian Socialists, a meeting of the minds.

needs artificial respiration is the attitude of resistance on the part of the natives to the salesmen of industrialism. It will be fiercest and most effective if industrialism is represented to the Southern people as—what it undoubtedly is for the most part—a foreign invasion of Southern soil, which is capable of doing more devastation than was wrought when Sherman marched to the sea.”

The concluding statement of the Agrarian manifesto was by Stark Young, then the best-known of the group. Young had not been associated with *Fugitive* magazine, but he was a Mississippi gentleman, a notorious homosexual, and the son of one of Forrest's Critter Company. He was then 18 years into what was to be a lifelong friendship with H.G. Wells' student and collaborator, the top British cultural warrior, and later head of UNESCO, Julian Huxley. During the First World War, Young had taught at the University of Texas, where he became intimate with the circles of Woodrow Wilson's controller, Colonel Edward House, and, after his academic career was ended by the revelation of his sexual preference, he had joined the editorial board of the *New Republic*.

In his essay, Young bluntly promoted the Confederacy: “There was a Southern civilization whose course was halted with those conventions of 1867 by which the negro suffrage in the South—not in the North—was planned, and the pillaging began. At the outset we must make it clear that in talking of Southern characteristics we are talking largely of a certain life in the old South, a life founded on land and the ownership of slaves.

“The aristocratic implied with us a certain long responsibility for others; a habit of domination; a certain arbitrariness; certain ideas of personal honor, with varying degrees of ethics, *amour propre* [‘self-love’], and the fantastic. And it implied the possession of no little leisure. Whether that was a good system or not is debatable. I myself think it . . . better than a society of bankers and bankers' clerks, department-store communities, manufacturers and their henchmen and their semi-slaves, and miserable little middle-class cities. . . .

Good system or not, from this Southern conception of aristocracy, certain ideas arose.”

In *God Without Thunder*, Ransom issued a call to organize an inter-denominational fundamentalist super-cult, along the lines of what would shortly be launched as the Fellowship, and later as the Promise Keepers. “We wanted a God who wouldn't hurt us; who would let us understand him; who would agree to scrap all the wicked thunderbolts in his armament,” he complained, “And this is just the God that has developed popularly out of the Christ of the New Testament: the embodiment mostly of the principle of social benevolence and of physical welfare. . . . It is the religion proposed by the scientific party.”

It is this, he said, which led to “original sin,” which he described as “strife between the animal species, when man began to enforce the fact of his superiority by militant aggression.” He attacked the “race” of Israel, for its commitment to “cities and industrialism” and its “scorn of nature and the pastoral and agrarian life.” His ire, was, however, soon directed away from Israel, and toward “Americanism,” charging, “Science as a cult is something of an Americanism.” In this, he attacked Franklin's student, the English poet Percy Bysshe Shelley, as the “prophet of the new God,” who talks about “the triumphs of their science.”

The horrible “critical moment” he identified, when “Occidentalism emerged . . . to glorify the rational principle and deny the irrational principle,” thereby leading to “Western empire,” “Western science,” and “Western business,” was “*the moment when the Roman Church sanctioned the doctrine of Filioque.*” Ransom repudiated a central doctrine of the Christian faith, in favor of an irrational God, unintelligible to man.

After dismissing the possibility that all men will unite under a single Thunder Cult—either a new religion, or one of the existing ones hijacked for this purpose, Ransom concludes with the following appeal, which echoes in many fundamentalist religious denominations today:

“With whatever religious institution a modern man may be connected, let him try to turn it back towards orthodoxy.

“Let him insist on a virile and concrete God, and accept no Principle as a substitute.

“Let him restore to God the thunderer. Let him resist the usurpation of the Godhead by the soft modern version of the Christ, and try to keep the Christ for what he professed to be: the Demigod who came to do honor to the God.”

What the CCF recruiters liked about Ransom was his insistence that the purpose of poetry and all art was to re-direct any impulse toward this human quality back to the appetites which man shares with the beasts. In his 1938 book of literary criticism, *The World's Body*, he wrote, “We have elected to know the world through science, but science is only the cognitive department of our animal life. . . . What we cannot know constitutionally as scientists is the world which is made up of whole and infeasible objects, and this is the world which poetry recovers for us.

“The aesthetic moment appears as a curious moment of suspension: between the Platonism in us, which is militant, always sciencing and devouring. . . . *Science gratifies a rational practical impulse and exhibits the minimum of perception. Art gratifies a perceptual impulse and exhibits the minimum of reason.*”

He was even more direct in a 1926 letter to his life-long friend, CCF leader Allen Tate: “Biologically man is peculiar in that he must record and use his successive experiences; the beasts are not under this necessity; with them the experience is an end in itself, and takes care of itself.”

Decades later, Fugitive William Yandell Elliott, the trainer of Drs. Henry Kissinger, Zbgniew Brzezinski, and Samuel Huntington, amongst others, was even more direct. In a discussion including Tate and Fugitive Andrew Nelson Lytle, at his 1963 Harvard retirement conference, Elliott explained why he had always wanted the Fugitives to write epic poetry and create new myths. “Some uses of myths and symbols,” he said, “are employed to condition people as you train animals, as you train a dog” (Elliott Archives, Hoover Institution, Box 1). In the same period, he was attempting to rouse military leaders against the Kennedy Administration, saying that although the leaders he needed had to be “tough,” “If they are bred properly they are gentle, just like a good race horse, or a good game cock, or a good dog” (Box 63).

A flavor of Ransom’s religious view is provided by his friend Andrew Nelson Lytle’s remark, “Prophets do not come from cities. . . . They have always come from the wilderness, stinking of goats and running with lice.”

Joining the Synarchists

On launching their movement, the Agrarians entered into a formal, pro-Fascist alliance with the Chesterton-Belloc *New Age* “Distributist” movement, and an implicit alliance, through William Yandell Elliott, with the Round Tables, whose ideas he promoted from his new position at Harvard’s School of Government, with a series of books including *The New British Empire*, and *The Need for Constitutional Reform*.

Stark Young was immediately invited to tour Italy, with stipend, by Count Volpi di Misurata, the Venetian oligarch who served as the Synarchist controller of Italy’s Fascist dictator, Benito Mussolini. During what he told friends was his “mission to Italy,” he met Il Duce and the other Fascist leadership, received a knighthood, the Order of the Crown of Italy, and sent back propaganda, “Notes on Fascism in Italy Today,” to the Wellesian *New Republic*.

The alliance of Agrarian and Distributist groups was managed by Allen Tate; Chesterton’s leading American disciple, Herbert Agar; and Seward Collins, a follower of sex psychologist and free-love propagandist Havelock Ellis. Collins wished to turn the *Bookman* quarterly, which he had purchased, into a Fascist propaganda outlet, and he brought on Tate and Agar as co-editors for this purpose. Between 1932 and 1937, the newly named *American Review* became what Collins called a forum for “Revolutionary Conservatives,”

including Ransom, Tate, Brooks, Warren, and the other Agrarians, as well as Agar, Belloc, and the Distributists, to provide a “sympathetic exposition . . . of Fascist economics.”

The Agrarian-Distributist alliance culminated with the 1936 publication of *Who Owns America: A New Declaration of Independence*, edited by Tate and Agar, and including essays by Belloc, Warren, Ransom, Brooks, and others, including Distributist Douglas Jerrold, whom Belloc identified as Francisco Franco’s leading publicist. Jerrold wrote in defense of the military conquests by Hitler’s Germany and Mussolini’s Italy. Agrarian Donald Davidson wrote in support of Elliott’s *The Need for Constitutional Reform*, which advocated replacing the American Constitutional Presidency with a parliamentary system, under the control of a permanent bureaucracy.

The Churchill Shift

When, as the ’30s drew to a close and many British Synarchists, notably Winston Churchill, decided that they had to stop Hitler, the Anglophile Agrarians, and some of the Distributists, joined them.

This support for the war, however, came with terms. The terms were set forth in a 1940 joint manifesto titled *The City of Man: A Declaration of World Democracy*, which, after France had surrendered, and Italy had entered the war, urged the United States to join Churchill’s Britain in the fight, but only for the purpose of establishing a global Empire, under a single “Thunder” cult, renamed the “Religion of Democracy.”

The effort was coordinated by Bertrand Russell’s top American agent and later CCF collaborator, University of Chicago President Robert Maynard Hutchins. The Executive Committee included Elliott and Agar. Other signers were:

- Thomas Mann and his son-in-law, G.A. Borgese. The German emigré novelist and the Italian refugee were part of a tightly knit circle including Hutchins; Agnes, the wife of *Washington Post* owner Eugene Meyer of Lazard Frères; their daughter Katharine, who, as Katharine Graham, would lead the *Post* to the powerful position it holds today; and Mann’s daughter, Elisabeth, who was to become a top United Nations official and Club of Rome member.

- Alvin Johnson, an old Texas friend of Stark Young and the Colonel House crowd, and a leading figure in *The New Republic* and the associated New School for Social Research. He set up the New School’s *University in Exile* and *École Libre des Hautes Études* with Rockefeller Foundation grants, which provided a base of operations for the entire Frankfurt School emigré apparatus, as well as for fascist ideologue Leo Strauss, who openly promoted “official” Nazi Party theoreticians Martin Heidegger and Carl Schmitt. The *École Libre* was home to Raymond Aron, Denis de Rougemont, and others later in the CCF orbit.

Appealing to the new millenarian cult outlook, the manifesto declared, “In an era of Apocalypse we call for a Millennium. Universal peace can be founded only on the unity of man under one law and one government.” This effort, they

insisted, must include conquering the “heresy of nationalism” and dismantling “the absurd architecture of the present world.” These, they would replace with “A Universal Parliament”; “a fundamental body of law prevailing throughout the planet”; and “a federal force ready to strike at anarchy and felony.”

This Empire, they insisted, is to be governed by English law. Calling for a “New Testament of Americanism,” they say, “Here, more precious than all the gold in Kentucky, the treasure of English culture is guarded.”

This New Order requires a re-shaping of “family, educational association, neighborhood, and church” under the direction of “a new religion. . . the universal religion of democracy.” They charge that all existing churches have “meddled in the anarchy of the nations and bowed to the powers that

be,” and that “Therefore the hour has struck when we must know that limits are set by the religion of freedom, which is democracy, to the freedom of worship.” These ideas, if not the verbatim words, came from the pages of H.G. Wells’s *The Open Conspiracy* (1928) and Russell’s *The Future of Science* (1931).

“The pruning of this tree of freedom will not make it less fruitful,” the *Manifesto* continued. “The organization of learning” to train “democratic aristocracies” requires “a firm footing in inflexible principles and unshakable values.” All of this, they say, requires not only judges, but “sheriffs.” Their prescription for enforcement of this universal terror, is to start with a coalition of the willing, “entrusted to the good will of those groups and communities that are progressively disposed to adopt it,” as they say, “then enforced on the rebels, finally

CCF and the Boomers’ Shakespeare

KENT: I cannot conceive you.

GLOUCESTER: Sir, this young fellow’s mother could: whereupon she grew round-womb’d, and had indeed, sir, a son for her cradle ere she had a husband for her bed. . . .

King Lear

Compassion alike for the afflicted and for those they then victimize in their turn, urges us to discover: Why is it that no Baby Boomer* can read a poem?—read, that is, except as farce: either like a nursery jingle, or with one or another crazy affectation? Nor read Shakespeare or Schiller, except as soap opera: Hamlet as an “adolescent crisis”; Portia as “pure goodness”; or William Tell without the crucial redemption scene of the last act.

While more intertwined causes come into play than I can indicate here, the Congress for Cultural Freedom deserves much of the blame. The first and earliest definition of art and high culture for every Boomer, whether PhD or grade-school dropout, came from some part of the CCF’s artistic stable. It is not necessary to study Stravinsky or Schönberg. (Almost no one does that, after all.) It should be almost self-evident that you need not to have read any of T.S. Eliot’s poetry yourself, for instance, to absorb a precise impression of him or his equivalent, from the general cultural ambience.

To grant that much, however, only raises a second and more puzzling question. How is it that this first impression has perpetuated itself through so many decades, even

among the most promising Boomer cases? What is it that has prevented these old greyheads, through the entirety of their lives to date, from ever being able to read Heine, Keats or Shelley, except through James Joyce’s eye-glasses?

To begin to approximate the answer, step back a moment and remember some larger considerations. The commitment which is natural to every human being, is an effective commitment to truth and to the good,—as two sides of one and the same thing, actually. Every man and woman is naturally a Platonist to that extent. And the artistic tradition of globally-extended European civilization is Platonic. The man or woman who is an artist, still more a great artist, has a greater commitment to truth and to the good, and greater power to make it effective.

But what do the spawn of the CCF say? Take the writers I was most familiar with as an adolescent, like T.S. Eliot and W.H. Auden. Go down the whole CCF list; take any of them, for all their many and real differences. With only the occasional odd exception which proves the rule, every one is a fanatic apostle of the dogma that effective commitment to truth and to the good is simply impossible! Every one, in some way, a crippled and perverted soul, pressing us to believe that such is the very essence of “art.”

But what then becomes of Keats and Shelley, Mozart, Bach, any great artist? An insuperable gulf separates them from the Boomer.

Indeed, every Boomer understood long ago, that the conviction that this natural human commitment was impossible, was the “open sesame,” without which no one could enter the Elysium of the “artists.” It is the Masonic handshake of the “artsy-fartsy” subspecies of Boomer.

Prudence whispers: By all means adopt the best, the latest, and the most-approved opinions of whatever set you find yourself in. But do you really want to throw out that old, trusty magic ring once and for all? And to throw it out

to become the common peace and freedom of all the peoples of the Earth.”

The *City of Man* manifesto led directly to the formation of the Fight for Freedom Committee, involving Agar and others, including James Warburg of the Synarchist banking family. Debates were arranged between Warburg of the Hutchins-inspired Fight for Freedom Committee and Charles Lindbergh of Hutchins’ America First Committee. Agar served in the wartime Office of Strategic Services, and helped found Freedom House, an organization that is, to this day, devoted to the idea of “imposing democracy by force.”

Nashville Agrarian William Yandell Elliott remained, until his death, a proponent of this Churchillian “English-Speaking” world empire. Immediately after the war, in the *Virginia Quarterly Review* and in the *Western Political Heritage* text-

book he edited for Harvard along with Kissinger, he advocated an English-speaking monopoly on nuclear weapons, for the purpose of imposing a world order of the type proposed in *The City of Man*.

‘Warfare Theology’ and the ‘Fellowship’ of Fascists

Yet another Anglo-American Synarchist operation was launched in the immediate aftermath of the “Churchill tilt” against Hitler and the Eurasian Fascist bloc. This operation aimed at penetrating Western military and political circles through the promotion of a sophisticated “God of Thunder” cult.

The ostensible initiator of this effort was Abraham Vereide, a fundamentalist Christian who had been a leading agita-

right now, just as you’re reaching retirement age?

There are other and perhaps deeper issues. Start with the fact that the Boomer is sincerely unable, no matter how he struggles, to find any difference between the sort of Platonic commitment I reference, on the one hand, and his endorsement of an approved list of “positions” on the other. This blindness of his, is the same as that of his near-cousin, the religious fundamentalist of the type of a Pat Robertson follower or Mel Gibson groupie.

Now Lyndon LaRouche has referenced the brawls over his punctuation as an illustration of what is at stake here. Indeed, I have a slightly older relative, who told me of two passionate disagreements with LaRouche, virtually in the same breath, in a conversation some years ago. One was that LaRouche was involved in some of the same causes he was; he objected to that because “sometimes the messenger discredits the message.” The other was punctuation: He told me that LaRouche had a right to say what he wished in a certain document he had read (or something of that sort), but then added angrily, “but it should be punctuated properly!”

Those who accuse LaRouche of violating rules of punctuation, have completely missed what the whole thing is about. They want to make everything completely logical. They are saying, “You must explain this in ways which don’t offend my teacher.” They have the Aristotelean contemplative view: they believe that the universe can be somehow understood by privately manipulating symbols according to certain self-evident rules. Ultimately, that you can work your will on the universe in that way, as if by Babylonian magic. Or, that reality is ultimately mathematical equations, so that the written language can only represent reality to the extent it becomes a kind of mathematical notation itself.

The truth is that art, no less than science, exists in the complex domain. It is irony in art, in the broad sense,

which, like paradoxes in nature, forces the prepared mind to make the discovery of an idea it never had before, or never placed in that context before.

But the artists of the Congress for Cultural Freedom swing back and forth between the soulless mathematical formalism of an Arnold Schönberg, and the wild, irrational emotionalism of the Abstract Impressionist sociopath-psychopaths like Jackson Pollack.

Bertrand Russell once wrote that, having been reared in the age of Victorian stolidities, he found it difficult to accept, as an old man, a world dominated by America. Indeed, after the Civil War, the United States became the world’s great economic power, and was growing apparently without limit. The British Empire was becoming a has-been relative to these others, who even spoke English! Are we going to have a world dominated by these hicks and rubes? How do we stop it?

Now, from his fight with A.N. Whitehead around *Principia Mathematica*, Russell knew that there do exist axiomatic paradoxes, and that they are linked to scientific discoveries. Now, how can we stop them? How? We must outlaw anything conceptual!

In this sense, the CCF goes back to Socrates’ and Plato’s opponents among the ancient Eleatics, the Sophists, and the Aristoteleans. To Paolo Sarpi of Venice, his puppet Galileo, and the latter’s student, Thomas Hobbes. To Francis Bacon’s campaign against Shakespeare, the Shakespeare who was actually rewritten to soap-opera in 18th-Century Britain, as the Boomers do today, only to be revived in Germany.

Thus, in this sense, the CCF is an old story, but, as Heine wrote, it is always new.

—Tony Papert

*Americans and West Europeans unfortunate enough to be born during roughly 1945-1964.



The Rev. Jerry Falwell, one of the “Christian Zionist” movement’s leaders.

tor in Seattle, Washington against the so-called Red Menace during the 1920s and early 1930s. One of the weapons Vereide had introduced into the West Coast Palmer Raid psychosis was the prayer breakfast, a vehicle for bringing together business, finance, and government leaders, under a broad anti-communist umbrella.

In fact, the idea of such prayer-centered networks was first launched in the 1850s by British military officers posted in colonial India. They established the British Officers’ Christian Union and, later, the Soldiers’ and Airmen’s Scripture Readers Association.

In 1930, delegates from four nations, Germany, Britain, Holland, and Sweden, met for the first time in Zuylen Castle in Holland and founded the Association of Military Christian Fellowship (AMCF). The first president of the group was a Dutchman, Baron Von Tuyll. The founders’ aim was to establish a “non-political” international fellowship with no visible central organization, no budget, and no staff, except for the president. The AMCF, over the ensuing decades, would establish branches in 120 nations. The American branch, the Officers’ Christian Fellowship, was headed, for years, by Marine Lt. Col. Tom Hemingway, who had been Oliver North’s commanding officer in Vietnam, and who recruited North to the group.

Vereide arrived in Washington, D.C. in 1942 and, in collusion with the British Air Attaché and officials of the Anglican Church, launched the International Christian Leadership organization, later to be renamed The Fellowship Foundation. The group would directly promote the careers of such Christian Zionist fundamentalists as Harald Bredesen and his protégé, Pat Robertson, and would heavily penetrate the U.S. military, the U.S. Congress, and other powerful institutions.

International Christian Leadership was fully unfurled as a project of the postwar Anglo-Dutch Synarchists, when Vereide was insinuated as the “spiritual advisor” to the Dutch Royal Consort, Prince Bernhard, founder of both the Bilder-

berg Group and, with Britain’s Royal Consort, Prince Philip, the World Wildlife Fund. As Vereide’s leading protégé Bredesen wrote, Vereide had “won Prince Bernhard for Christ”—quite a claim, given that Bernhard had been a leading wartime Nazi, who had served as secretary to the board of directors of I.G. Farben, the Nazi chemical cartel. Upon marrying the Dutch monarch, Queen Juliana, Bernhard had purged the Court and installed another “former” Nazi as personal secretary to the Queen, Baron van der Hoeven. This Baron’s son, Jan Willem van der Hoeven, obtained his degree in divinity from London University, and, in 1980, founded the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem, along with Jerry Falwell and other American and British rabid Christian Zionist promoters of the imminent Armageddon.

Baron von Tuyll, who was to head the Association of Military Christian Fellowships, was also tapped by Prince Bernhard as the Lord Chamberlain for Queen Juliana.

The International Christian Leadership organization of Vereide, today known as the Fellowship Foundation, runs an international series of prayer breakfasts, maintains safehouse residences in world capitals, including Washington and London, and claims a global membership of 20,000, and an official annual budget of \$10 million. In both the United States and Britain, the Fellowship also runs the Prison Fellowship Ministries of convicted Watergate felon Charles Colson.

The British branch, closely aligned with the Conservative Party, also maintains close working ties with another longstanding Fabian Society “religious” front, the Christian Socialist Movement, with which Tony Blair is closely affiliated.

Washington sources have identified both current Speaker of the House Tom DeLay (R-Texas) and Gen. William “Jerry” Boykin, the current Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence, as leading members of the Fellowship. Boykin is under Pentagon investigation for comments he made in 2003 at a fundamentalist church, calling for a “crusade” against Islam, which he called a “Satanic” religion.

In March 2003, *Harper’s* magazine published an eyewitness account by Jeffrey Sharlet of his tenure as a resident at the Fellowship communal mansion in Arlington, Virginia. Sharlet described a Fellowship session, led by the group’s current leader, Vereide protégé Douglas Coe. Coe described the “covenant” of secrecy, made between members of the group, who operate in cell structures. Coe asked the participating Fellowship members for an example of such a covenant, and he received an immediate reply: “Hitler.” Coe answered, “Yes, Hitler made a covenant. The Mafia makes a covenant. It is such a very powerful thing.” Coe’s son later gave the disciples a brief class on the life of Genghis Khan, describing a particularly bloody incident, in which he beheaded his enemies, stuffed the heads into a crate, and all the while, devoured his dinner. Sharlet quoted the young Coe: If you are a known friend of Jesus, “You can go and do anything. When you leave here,” he continued, “you’re not only going to know the value of Jesus. You’re going to know the people who rule the world.”

Wardens in Dirty Bertie's 'Lethal Chamber'

by Barbara Boyd and Michele Steinberg

Lord Bertrand Russell, one of the honorary chairman of the Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism, spilled the beans on the network's efforts in mass social engineering in his 1951 book, *The Impact of Science on Society*. But this mind-control dictatorship was not a passing thought; Russell had been working on the idea for decades. Russell describes the program in a 1931 book, *The Scientific Outlook*—a totalitarian manual:

"In like manner, the scientific rulers will provide one kind of education for ordinary men and women, and another for those who are to become holders of scientific power. Ordinary men and women will be expected to be docile, industrious, punctual, thoughtless, and contented. Of these qualities, probably contentment will be considered the most important. In order to produce it, all the researches of psycho-analysis, behaviourism, and biochemistry will be brought into play. . . . All the boys and girls will learn from an early age to be what is called 'co-operative,' i.e., to do exactly what everybody is doing. Initiative will be discouraged in these children, and insubordination, without being punished, will be scientifically trained out of them."

"Except for the one matter of loyalty to the world State and to their own order," Russell explained, "members of the governing class will be encouraged to be adventurous and full of initiative. . . ."

Russell issued a strong warning: "On those rare occasions, when a boy or girl who has passed the age at which it is usual to determine social status shows such marked ability as to seem the intellectual equal of the rulers, a difficult situation will arise, requiring serious consideration. If the youth is content to abandon his previous associates and to throw in his lot whole-heartedly with the rulers, he may, after suitable tests, be promoted, but if he shows any regrettable solidarity with his previous associates, the rulers will reluctantly conclude that there is nothing to be done with him except to send him to the lethal chamber before his ill-disciplined intelligence has had time to spread revolt. This will be a painful duty to the rulers, but I think they will not shrink from performing it."

The American Family Foundation (AFF), the secretive organization founded in 1979, and advised by the veterans of the CIA's and Army Intelligence's mind-control programs—



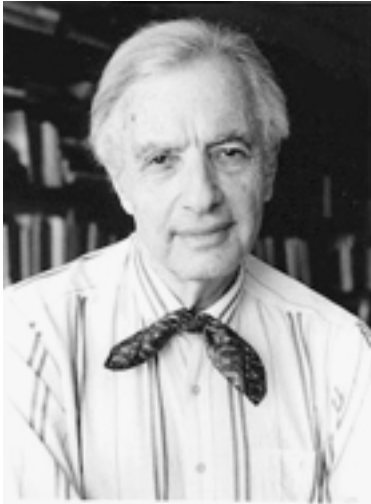
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MK-Ultra, BLUEBIRD, MKSEARCH, etc.—is the "thought police" for Russell's dictatorship. Since its founding, the AFF has functioned as a lead agency in the black propaganda campaigns directed by the Anglo-American elite against Lyndon LaRouche. The central lie employed in this campaign is that LaRouche is the authoritarian leader of a political cult with anti-Semitic views. There is no basis for the allegation; it is merely the attaching of the label of the Frankfurt School's "Authoritarian Personality" onto LaRouche in order to intimidate his supporters, and contain his influence. It is the AFF's assigned role.

The AFF, which *purports* to be an "educational" and "theoretical" organization in a self-declared war against coercive "cults," is actually a clearinghouse for the "Reesian psychiatric shock troops" (after Dr. John Rawlings Rees of the British Tavistock Institute) who *practice* coercive techniques. In tandem with criminalized elements of law enforcement, and Anglo-American intelligence agencies, the AFF's associates, known as "deprogrammers," ran one of largest kidnapping-for-hire operations in American history. Providing the "theoretical" basis were the veterans of the CIA's MK-Ultra projects in the AFF's stable of experts. The combination of the CCF-MK-Ultra's cultural warfare created the "new religions" cults in the first place; and some of AFF's "anti-cult" experts were directly involved.

Wall Street's 'Fondi'

The AFF is financed by the Anglo-American financial elite—Wall Street speculators such as the House of Morgan, the Watson family of IBM founder Thomas "Pop" Watson, an overt collaborator of Hitler and Mussolini's, and the ultra-



Three of the AFF's "experts," Robert J. Lifton (left), Louis Jolyon "Jolly" West, and Margaret Singer (right), did not merely study mind-control—they practiced it.

rightwing Scaife Foundation of Richard Mellon Scaife, which funds the network of foundations and think tanks that controls Dick Cheney's war party. AFF also received initial grants from the Pew Foundation; like Watson, members of the Philadelphia-based Pew family were Hitler sympathizers, and were secret funders of pro-Hitler organizations in the U.S. during the 1930s.

The single largest financial promoters of the AFF for the past decade have been the Bodman and Achelis Foundations, providing more than half a million dollars. These two separate foundations have overlapping trustees and officers and are both housed in the New York City law offices of Morris and McVeigh. The key operative for the foundations is John Irwin III, the chairman and treasurer.

Irwin III, a Wall Street speculator who also owns large tracts of land in Arizona and California, specializes in managing the charitable foundations of America's patrician "families," including the fortune of his grandfather, "Pop" Watson, the super-spook and collaborator with Hitler who headed IBM from the 1930s onward. His father, John Irwin II, was international legal counsel for the Morgan interests, and was Henry Kissinger's chief deputy as Secretary of State. While Irwin III's primary businesses have been two venture capital firms—Hillside Capital and Brookside—he is better known for managing private foundations.

In fact, each of AFF's sponsoring foundations has a long history in dirty Anglo-American intelligence operations. Bodman, for example, funded the infamous New Age project, the "Temple of Understanding" at the United Nations, run by the Lucifer-worshipping Lucis Trust. On the "right," it funded the International Rescue Committee of neoconservative icon Leo Cherne, and the late CIA director Bill Casey; the Manhattan Institute; Claremont College; and other neoconservative

Straussian nests.

Bodman's executive director, Joseph Dolan, is also executive director of the Philanthropy Roundtable, set up by the Bradley Foundation to coordinate grants from all "conservative foundations" in the U.S. in order to win ideological hegemony on the nation's campuses and in its political institutions. Another of John Irwin III's foundations publicly campaigned, post-9/11, for the Samuel Huntington's "clash of civilizations" justification for war against Islam.

AFF's official history claims it was founded in 1979 by a concerned parent, Kay Barney, the retired Raytheon International Affairs Director, and Dr. John Clark of Harvard Medical School, in response to the threat posed by violent and coercive cults, particularly in the aftermath of the purported mass suicides of the members of the People's Temple Church of the Rev. Jim Jones, in Guyana in 1978. In contemporary language, this version of AFF's founding is an "urban legend." In reality, the AFF's

business *is* mind-control. Three of its "experts," Robert J. Lifton, Louis Jolyon "Jolly" West, and Margaret Singer, did not merely *study* mind-control—they *practiced* coercive conditioning in the Nazi-doctor-style horrific secret experiments funded by the CIA's and Army intelligence's MK-Ultra. A fourth MK-Ultra veteran with AFF, Rabbi Maurice Davis, actually financed the psychotic Rev. Jim Jones of the People's Temple suicide church, in Jones's early years in Indianapolis.

However, in 1977, when a series of Congressional hearings in the Senate and House of Representatives forced the CIA et al. to close down the covert mind-control programs, Lifton, Singer, West, and others who had worked for years on the covert CIA payroll, were cut loose. They found a new home in the AFF.

To build up AFF, an extensive funding apparatus came into being after many children of the elite crossed class lines and succumbed to the counterculture, joining the Moonies, the Krishnas, the Scientologists, or similar entities that came into being in the counterculture explosion of the 1970s. For every new experiment in irrationality produced by the "Age of Aquarius," there was to be an equally irrational inquisitor refining and playing with the new belief structures.

AFF's role in furthering the MK-Ultra tradition of mind-control isn't surprising. A faction of the financier establishment has always *preferred* intelligence operations to be under corporate, not government, control. In fact, after World War II, John Irwin III's grandfather, "Pop" Watson of IBM, planned exactly such a private intelligence empire. A "deputy director of the Office of Strategic Services" approached Watson "with a business proposition," writes R. Harris Smith in his book, *OSS*. "Why not form a private intelligence organization and offer its services on contract to the government? The two men raised the initial capital for the venture. . . ."

However, the project was sidelined because Federal legislation, the National Security Act of 1947, was already being prepared to create the CIA. As the Iran/Contra affair showed in the 1980s, the financier establishment never abandoned its commitment to private intelligence operations.

The AFF is just such a private operation, which functions, in fact, as the controller of live psychiatric experiments conducted by a network of kid-



nappers for hire, con men, and body snatchers of limited intellectual means and criminal records who claim to be able to “deprogram” members of cults by application of aversive psychological conditioning techniques—while enjoying protection from prosecution for their activities.

These deprogrammers operate in tandem with a number of known criminal and mercenary-for-hire agencies, which at one time constituted perhaps the largest professional kidnapping ring in modern American history. Often, the kidnapping operations intersected the activities of criminalized segments of the U.S. law enforcement and intelligence community, and this complication allowed some members of the criminal enterprise to escape prosecution. Members of the Jewish Defense League (JDL), an organization whose Israeli affiliates are on the U.S. State Department’s list of Foreign Terrorist Organizations, constitute one hard-core terrorist capability employed by AFF-related “deprogrammers.” The Lubavitcher sect, the Hells Angels motorcycle club, and former U.S. Special Forces and British Special Air Services (SAS) commandos have also been employed in kidnapping operations. For example, Galen Kelly, dean of the deprogramming fraternity, who had no professional psychological or other training, utilized JDL terrorists in his kidnappings, and, until the 1990s, was so revered by his sponsors that he was given a seat on the Board of Advisors of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA). Another JINSA Board member was Vice President Dick Cheney.

AFF, its close associate, the Cult Awareness Network (CAN), and its cohort agency in attacks on LaRouche, the Anti-Defamation League, ran into turbulent times in the 1990s. CAN and its deprogrammer Rick Ross were convicted by a Federal jury of conspiracy and civil rights violations in their abusive kidnapping and deprogramming of Jason Scott, throwing CAN into bankruptcy. Galen Kelly was investigated and prosecuted federally for what Federal prosecutors called a garden-variety industry of kidnappings for hire. The ADL was revealed to be running a massive private political spying operation, collecting dossiers on thousands of Americans and groups whom the ADL viewed as subversive, or a potential threat to the policies of the insane Likud Party in Israel. Frederick Haack, the primary exponent and collaborator of the AFF in Germany and elsewhere in Europe, in November



CAN co-thinker Galen Kelly, dean of the deprogramming fraternity.

1980, as international education director for the AFF, imported into Germany the Dennis King and ADL slanders against LaRouche in a collaborative effort with Kurt Hirsch, the editor of *PDI (Democratic Press Initiative)*. Kurt Hirsch, after the fall of the Berlin Wall, was exposed as an operative of the hated and feared East Germany intelligence agency the Stasi, specifically, Stasi Division X.

As a result of these scandals, in which Federal prosecutors characterized CAN as little more than a band of extortionists and con men preying on the emotions of frantic parents, and with the deaths of Margaret Singer, former AFF president Herbert Rosedale, and others, the AFF and the CAN network have been reorganized. Deprogrammers now characterize themselves as “exit counsellors” and “interventionists” and forswear the techniques of the past. The name “Cult Awareness Network” was purchased by the Scientologists in CAN’s bankruptcy proceedings, and the organization’s former luminaries now operate under several different identities and websites. But AFF has recruited new officers and an international advisory board which extends into Mexico, Spain, Britain, and Europe, and is in a new aggressive mode.

A brief background sketch of the “professionals” who advise the AFF and CAN further demonstrates the project’s nature.

- Rabbi Maurice Davis: Advisor to AFF and CAN, participant in the CIA’s MK-Ultra mind control program in Lexington, Ky., and sponsor of the development of the Jim Jones cult in Indianapolis prior to Jones’s move to Guyana and the ensuing mass suicide;
- Louis Jolyon “Jolly” West: Advisor to AFF, psychia-



The two primary operatives employed by the AFF and the ADL in operations against LaRouche since 1978: Dennis King and Chip Berlet, both lower-level operatives of the MK-Ultra-created drug legalization lobby.

trist participating in the CIA's MK-Ultra LSD experiments and mind-control program in Oklahoma. West wrote that the government should supply drugs to control populations. "This method, foreseen by Aldous Huxley in *Brave New World*, has the governing element employing drugs selectively to manipulate the governed in various ways." West directly collaborated with Huxley in drug experiments throughout the 1950s and early '60s.

In 1961, in a speech at the California Medical School in San Francisco, Huxley elaborated his vision. "There will be in the next generation or so a pharmacological method of making people love their servitude and producing dictatorship without tears, so to speak, producing a kind of painless concentration camp for entire societies so that people will in fact have their liberties taken away from them but will rather enjoy it," lulled by "brainwashing enhanced by pharmacological methods." After the 1960s race riots in the U.S., West promoted implanting electrodes in people's brains and chemical castration to control violence and political activity.

- Dr. Margaret Singer: Advisor to AFF and CAN. Singer got her start as an Army psychiatrist studying Chinese society, Korean War veterans, and prisoners of war in association with A.H. Schein and Robert J. Lifton in the 1950s. The impetus for these studies came from "journalist" Edward Hunter's sensationalist account of "Brainwashing in Red China, the Calculated Destruction of Men's Minds," and subsequent accounts of Korean "brainwashing" methods. Hunter worked for Frank Wisner's Office of Policy Coordination in the CIA, and his propaganda campaign was used to justify the entire MK-Ultra mind-control program. Otherwise, Singer's writings were cited by the Society for the Study of Human Ecol-

ogy, Inc., a CIA front operating at the same time as the CCF. Singer and Jolly West often collaborated, including on profiling the Haight Ashbury hippie drug "culture," interviewing drug-crazed hippies about their LSD-induced religious experiences. The LSD initially came from CIA and related intelligence projects.

- Eugene Methvin: An early board member of AFF and editor of the *Reader's Digest*. Methvin was a key promoter throughout the 1950s and '60s of utilizing private organizations to do the government's dirty work against "subversive threats." Methvin believed that the methods of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, in using "guilt by association" and "calumny" to induce the desired popular opinion about targeted groups and individuals, were the appropriate "attack" prototypes.

The AFF's Totalitarians

While foundation money and media attention flowed to AFF for its activities, the theories of psychological coercion and cult activities advanced by Singer et al. on behalf of AFF were persistently rejected as being without scientific basis, in particular by the American Psychological Association (APA).

The AFF's definition of cults is drawn directly from Robert J. Lifton and his descriptions of "totalistic" environments and charismatic leaders—descriptions which themselves were developed in the CIA MK-Ultra context cited above and which also derive directly from Hannah Arendt, Theodor Adorno, and the Frankfurt School. Lifton states that the assumption governing all "totalistic" cults is "not so much that man can be God, but rather that man's ideas can be God; that an absolute science of ideas (and implicitly an absolute science of man) exists." Lifton credits the Frankfurt School's Hannah Arendt as his mentor on this subject. Lifton, a dedicated existentialist, otherwise characterizes his work as the study of evil, and shared with Margaret Singer a fascination with the creation of schizophrenia.

As described earlier, the Frankfurt School saw as its historical task the destruction of Western civilization itself, first by undermining the Judeo-Christian legacy through an "abolition of culture," and at the same time bringing into being new or counter cultures designed to increase the alienation of the population, creating "a new barbarism." In the "authoritarian personality project," funded by the American Jewish Committee ostensibly to explore the potential for anti-Semitism in the U.S., they attacked the "authoritarian character" of the American nuclear family, the "problem" of the American people's belief in a transcendent monotheistic God, the under-

lying “fascist” character of all forms of American patriotism, and American culture’s excessive reliance on science, reason, and “abstract ideas.”

To transform the rational and productive society which was the legacy of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, they proposed “techniques for overcoming resistance developed mainly in the field of individual psychotherapy,” and proposed that Eros be the major emotional source of “democracy.” To hold the “fascist impulse in check,” people must be able to “see themselves” and “be themselves.” Thus was born the erotic, perverse matrix of drug abuse, sexual perversion, and the glorification of violence which permeates our culture today. In one of the first newspaper slanders of Lyndon LaRouche in the *Washington Post*, a February 1974 article, reporter Paul Valentine opined that LaRouche must be authoritarian because he rejects “the free-wheeling self-indulgence of . . . the radical counterculture.”

It is no wonder, then, that in 1987, the American Psychological Association categorically rejected the theories of Singer and her AFF friends. Singer, Jolly West, and Dr. Michael Langone, an executive with AFF and editor of the AFF’s *Cultic Studies Journal*, had managed to sit on an APA task force to study Singer’s theory of “Deceptive and Indirect Methods of Persuasion and Control” (DIMPAC). But when the DIMPAC task force issued its report, on May 11, 1987, the APA’s Board of Social and Ethical Responsibility (BSER) issued an official memo, saying it was “unable to accept the report of the [DIMPAC] Task Force. . . .” It lacked “the scientific rigor and evenhanded critical approach

necessary for the APA imprimatur.” The decision stands to this day.

The methods of the MK-Ultra Nazi doctors come directly from the Frankfurt School, the CCF, and a project known as “the Cybernetics group,” which was the umbrella under which the CIA and British intelligence conducted their mass experimentation with psychedelics, including LSD-25, which eventually spilled out onto the streets of America’s cities, and every American college campus, giving us the counterculture paradigm shift of 1966-72.

On the government side, MK-Ultra was created by the same people who created the CCF: CIA Director Allen Dulles and Frank Wisner of the Office of Policy Coordination (OPC). MK-Ultra was one of a dozen psy-ops programs with similar names using LSD-25, other hallucinogens, electroshock, planting of electrodes in the brains of subjects, sensory deprivation, and a host of other techniques in mind-control. The human guinea pigs were often unwitting. Dozens of deaths resulted, but the real number will never be known because then-CIA Director Richard Helms, who had worked with Dulles and Wisner, destroyed the files in 1977, when the U.S. Congress began an investigation.

But “the Cybernetics group,” which was intertwined with the Authoritarian Personality project of the Frankfurt School crowd, was much higher-level—and private. Two of the Authoritarian Personality project’s directors, Max Horkheimer and R. Nevitt Stanford, who headed up Stanford University Institute for the Study of Human Problems, were directly involved in the LSD-25 mind-manipulation scheme.

Henry and Clare Booth Luce Loved Their LSD

The following is from the third chapter of the 1985 book *Acid Dreams, The Complete Social History of LSD: The CIA, the Sixties, and Beyond*, by Martin A. Lee and Bruce Shlain, published by Grove Press, New York.

‘Manna From Harvard’

“Henry Luce, president of Time-Life, was a busy man during the Cold War. As the preeminent voice of Eisenhower, Dulles, and Pax Americana, he encouraged his correspondents to collaborate with the CIA, and his publishing empire served as a longtime propaganda asset for the agency. But Luce managed to find the time to experiment with LSD and glean whatever pleasures and insights it might afford. An avid fan of psychedelics, he turned on a

half-dozen times in the late 1950s and early 1960s under the supervision of Dr. Sidney Cohen. On one occasion the media magnate claimed he talked to God on the golf course and found that the Old Boy was pretty much on top of things. During another trip, the tone-deaf publisher is said to have heard music so enchanting that he walked into a cactus garden and began conducting a phantom orchestra.

“Dr. Cohen, attached professionally to UCLA and the Veterans Hospital in Los Angeles, also turned on Henry’s wife, Clare Booth Luce, and a number of other influential Americans. ‘Oh sure, we all took acid. It was a creative group—my husband and I and Huxley and [Christopher] Isherwood,’ recalled Mrs. Luce, who was, by all accounts, the *grande dame* of postwar American politics. . . . LSD was fine by Mrs. Luce as long as it remained strictly a drug for doctors and their friends in the ruling class. But she didn’t like the idea that others might also want to partake of the experience. ‘We wouldn’t want everyone doing too much of a good thing,’ she explained.”

—Michele Steinberg

Horkheimer was not only central to the CCF, he was also a leading participant in “the Cybernetics group,” which began its work on mind-control, financed by the Josiah Macy Foundation, in 1942. The Cybernetics group was also known as the “man-machine project” because of its study of Artificial Intelligence based at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). The leading participants in the Cybernetics group were Warren McCulloch, from the Research Laboratory of Electronics at MIT; Gregory Bateson, the anthropologist who became the director of research at the Veterans’ Hospital in Palo Alto, Calif., where he ran secret MK-Ultra experiments; Bateson’s wife, Margaret Mead, the anthropology “earth goddess” who became renowned as a proponent of negative population growth and primitive cultures. Several other leaders of the Cybernetics group were deeply involved in the CCF: John Von Neumann, Norbert Wiener, and Paul Lazarsfeld.

The MK-Ultra quacks also developed the arguments used today by George Soros’s massive drug-legalization apparatus. CIA mind-manipulator R. Nevitt Stanford, who was part of the MK-Ultra programs, makes the argument in his forward to the book *Utopiates: The Use and Users of LSD-25*, published by the Tavistock Institute in 1965. “Only an uneasy Puritan” could support treating drug addicts “as a police problem instead of a medical one, while suppressing harmless drugs such as marijuana and peyote along with the dangerous ones.”

The ‘Get LaRouche’ Operation

In fact, the two primary operatives employed by the AFF and the ADL in operations against LaRouche since 1978—Chip Berlet and Dennis King—are both lower-level operatives of the MK-Ultra-created drug legalization lobby. King was a featured “expert” speaker at AFF’s October 2003 meeting. “Chip” Berlet’s real name is John Foster Berlet, so named by his father because of the latter’s admiration for John Foster Dulles. Early in his career, Chip was exposed as working for the CIA at the National Student Association and *WIN* magazine—both productions of the CCF’s Tom Braden and Cord Meyer. King, a former Maoist, was directly sponsored in his early defamatory activities against LaRouche by Roy M. Cohn, the notorious counsel to Senator Joseph McCarthy.

In 1983 and 1984, when the Anglo-American Synarchists needed to contain LaRouche, who had influenced then-President Ronald Reagan to adopt a policy of strategic defense and cooperation with the Soviet Union, they turned to Manhattan investment advisor John Train, a trusted CCF hand and former OSS operative. Train, who had been prominent in the CCF’s *Paris Review* and worked with the likes of Stephen Spender, convened a salon of journalists, private foundations, and U.S. government national security officials in New York City for the purpose of creating and executing a sustained and massive media assault on LaRouche. The declared aims of the Train

meetings were to destroy LaRouche’s political policy influence, disrupt his political organization, and set the stage for state and Federal prosecutions. A massive black propaganda barrage ensued from these meetings.

At the Train meetings were representatives of the *New Republic*, the *Wall Street Journal*, NBC television, *Reader’s Digest*, the ADL, Freedom House (a direct offshoot of the CCF run by Leo Cherne and operative Melvin Lasky in his later years), and Richard Mellon Scaife. Roy Godson, then employed by the National Security Council and heavily enmeshed in the Iran/Contra operation, was a leading participant. Godson, the son of CFF’s Joe Godson and inheritor of networks controlled by the CIA’s agents in the trade unions, Jay Lovestone and Irving Brown, had played a major role in operations against LaRouche dating back to 1975. Biographies of CIA counterintelligence head James Jesus Angleton say that he was engaged in a “vendetta” against LaRouche at this time; and Angleton was a source in some of the stories which flowed from the Train meetings.

Chip Berlet and Dennis King’s attendance at the Train meetings was financed by British spook John Rees, a notorious rightwing police and FBI spy, who moved to the United States. And financing of King’s book-length diatribe against LaRouche by the powerful neoconservative Smith-Richardson Foundation was arranged at the Train meetings.

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The Bizarre Case of Baroness Symons

by Jeffrey Steinberg

The following appendix provides a detailed account of a classic “black operation,” run through the present-day networks of the Congress for Cultural Freedom, and its offshoot American Family Foundation; and steered, top-down, from the London Fabian Society circles, who are the ultimate authors of the present sole-superpower imperial dogma associated most publicly with U.S Vice President Dick Cheney and the Washington neoconservatives. From the very outset, the politically driven “Get LaRouche” operations have been steered by the Congress for Cultural Freedom apparatus, beginning with the role of CCF founder Sidney Hook, in declaring LaRouche persona non grata following the December 1971 New York City debate between LaRouche and Prof. Abba Lerner, the dean of the so-called American Keynesian economists. LaRouche forced Lerner to openly defend the brutal austerity programs of Hitler’s own Economics Minister, Hjalmar Schacht, prompting Hook to deliver his pointed threat to LaRouche: “You are a potential threat now; you will never be allowed to become a genuine threat.”

Wall Street banker John Train, a founder, along with Stephen Spender and Edward Goldsmith, of the CFF publication Paris Review, was the private sector’s point man for the 1984-89 Justice Department witch-hunt against LaRouche and associates. The Cybernetics Group/MK-Ultra/CCF project, the American Family Foundation, was pivotal in the 1980s Train/Justice Department actions, and is once again, as documented below, at the center of the efforts to silence LaRouche and his political movement.

Read this as a case study of how those “Beast-Man” promoters of the “Sexual Congress for Cultural Fascism” operate today.

The LaRouche in 2004 Campaign has amassed a vast amount of evidence that the British Fabian Society “New Labour” inner circles around Prime Minister Tony Blair and the 10 Downing Street intelligence and dirty tricks apparatus, are engaged in a trans-Atlantic criminal intervention to disrupt the upcoming Democratic Party nominating convention, scheduled for late July 2004 in Boston, Mass.

The focal point of the effort is to sabotage the Democratic Party Presidential challenge to the incumbent Bush-Cheney Administration by blocking the full participation of Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche in the events, whether

as the party’s nominee or as a leading policy voice, for restoring the Democratic Party to its historically successful Franklin Delano Roosevelt “American System” policy orientation.

The key issue of the trans-Atlantic fear of LaRouche’s voice, dates from LaRouche’s public defeat of then-leading Keynesian economist Prof. Abba Lerner in a celebrated 1971 New York City debate in which LaRouche forced Lerner to admit publicly that Lerner’s policy for the 1970s echoed the policy of the Nazi regime economist Hjalmar Schacht. Since December 1971, the Anglo-American line has been: No more public debates with LaRouche. The issue of that aggressive blacklisting by Anglo-American financier circles has been LaRouche’s continued attacks on the post-August 1971 revival of those Schachtian policies of “fiscal austerity.”

It is the view of candidate LaRouche and numbers of other leading Democratic Party figures, that only an “FDR turn” on the part of the Democrats, complete with a massive outreach to what FDR called the “forgotten Americans” of the lower 80% income brackets, can assure the defeat of the Bush-Cheney team in November. LaRouche’s opposition to the Schacht-like economic policies of influential trans-Atlantic financier interests, is the crucial issue of the leading policy-fight within the Democratic Party today.

Among the leading personalities identified as players in the latest “Get LaRouche” effort are British Fabian Society members—and Blair inner-circle operatives—Baroness Elizabeth Conway Symons of Vernham Dean, and her husband Phil Bassett. Baroness Symons may be fairly described as the London counterpart to Lynne Cheney, the wife of Vice President Dick Cheney, and a leading figure in trans-Atlantic neoconservative circles.

Indeed, there is ample evidence suggesting direct links between Baroness Symons and the Cheney household.

The Cheney-Symons Connection

As Minister of State for Defense Procurement for Prime Minister Blair (1999-2001), Baroness Symons approved a contract of nearly \$500 million to Dick Cheney’s Halliburton Corp., to transport British tanks and other heavy equipment to battle fronts. At the time of the contract, Cheney was already Vice President; however, his ties to his former company remain deep, and have become a point of controversy

and scandal in recent months, particularly since recent revelations that Cheney lied to the U.S. Congress and the American people, in denying that he had any role in securing lucrative Administration contracts for Halliburton. Newly leaked Pentagon internal emails confirm that the awarding of a multibillion-dollar pre-war contract to Halliburton for the restoration of Iraq's oil industry, was "coordinated with the VP's office."

A year before the British contract to Halliburton, Dick Cheney, still the company's CEO, had keynoted a conference in Oxfordshire, England, on the outsourcing of military logistics and other functions. The conference was attended by several of Baroness Symons's deputies at the Ministry of Defence (MOD). In October 2001, Baroness Symons was involved in negotiating and approving a \$200-billion contract for the Joint Strike Fighter which went to Lockheed Martin, a company on whose board, at the time, sat Lynne Cheney. During April 2001, Lynne Cheney had travelled on several occasions to England, as an informal "cultural emissary" of the Bush-Cheney Administration, meeting with British intellectuals and promoting the "English-speaking partnership."

Ms. Cheney had completed her doctorate at the University of Wisconsin on leading 19th-Century British neo-Kantian writer Matthew Arnold, whose work inspired the later launching of the British Fabian Society, the principal 20th-Century arm of British imperialism. Contrary to public delusions, it is the British Fabian Society circles, presently grouped around self-professed "Christian Socialist" Tony Blair, who exert intellectual control over the Cheney household, and through it, the Bush Administration. It is not the other way around. On both the Republican Party side, and the Democratic Leadership Council/Democratic National Committee side, the neoconservatives are all assets, witting or duped, of the Fabians.

In October 2003, Baroness Symons appeared on the same podium with Elizabeth Cheney, daughter of Lynne and Dick, who was, at the time, a top State Department Middle East official. The conference was a London meeting of the Arab International Women's Forum. In June 2003, Baroness Symons had been appointed Minister of State for the Middle East, International Security, Consular and Personal Affairs in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. It is in that context that she has emerged as a pivotal player in the slander-and-worse campaign against candidate LaRouche.

Up until recently, her husband Phil Bassett was the head of the intelligence unit at 10 Downing Street, and was a central player in the so-called "Blair Dossiers" scandals, which were at the center of the Anglo-American disinformation drive, leading to the March 19, 2003 invasion of Iraq. Bassett's name appeared frequently in the Hutton inquiry into the death of British weapons expert David Kelly. That Kelly case gets to the heart of why Tony Blair and Dick Cheney's backers within the British Establishment are so intent on keeping LaRouche out of the Democratic convention proceedings at all costs.

A Tale of Two Timelines

At the beginning of April 2003, the LaRouche in 2004 campaign released a mass-circulation report, "Children of Satan: The 'Ignoble Liars' Behind Bush's No-Exit War." Over 1 million copies were distributed in the United States alone; another million copies were downloaded from the campaign and other websites; and hundreds of thousands of copies were distributed, worldwide, in Spanish, German, Italian, French, Arabic, Russian, Japanese, and other languages.

The release of the report intersected an escalating factional brawl over the Anglo-American Iraq war, and the larger issue of the Cheney Doctrine of preventive nuclear war. That Cheney Doctrine had become the centerpiece of both the Bush and Blair Administrations' national security and foreign policy agenda, much to the disgust of leading circles in the United States, Britain, Continental Europe, Russia, China and throughout the developing world, particularly the Arab and Islamic world.

One key indication of the extent to which LaRouche had emerged as a pivotal American leader of the anti-neoconservative resistance to the Cheney Doctrine and the Iraq war, was his several high-profile appearances on BBC during the crucial Spring 2003 period of the Iraq war and immediate aftermath, when a brief, but intensive policy fight erupted in London, jeopardizing Tony Blair's Prime Ministership. The same faction fight, on the American side of the Atlantic, has continued and escalated to the present day, placing the survival of both the Bush-Cheney and Blair regimes in serious doubt.

While the opposition to Blair's own version of the Cheney doctrine of preventive war, first enunciated in a Blair speech at the University of Chicago in 1999, has not been totally crushed, and has erupted on scores of occasions since the crucial July-August 2003 conjuncture, the opposition inside the British institutions has been characteristically a rear-guard effort, from that point up to the present. The outcome of the accelerating political fight inside the United States will largely determine Blair's fate. In effect, a clean sweep of the neoconservative "Leo Strauss Kindergarten" inside the U.S.A. would most assuredly bring down Tony Blair and the entire "New Labour" faction inside Great Britain.

Hence, the crucial significance of the LaRouche BBC interviews during the Spring of 2003.

- On April 3, 2003, LaRouche was interviewed on the BBC news program "Live Five." The subject of the interview was his leading role in the U.S.A. as a critic of the Bush Administration's Iraq war adventure. LaRouche was identified as a candidate for the 2004 Democratic Party Presidential nomination.

- On June 9, 2003, LaRouche appeared again on the same news show, this time for 12 minutes. LaRouche, through his campaign, had just issued a call for Dick Cheney's impeachment from office, for his role in the intelligence hoaxes leading up to the Iraq invasion. The interviewer, Rhod Sharp, focussed his questions on LaRouche's targeting of Cheney.



Baroness Liz Symons at the Pentagon Jan. 17, 2001, when she was working for the British Ministry of Defence.

LaRouche traced Cheney's commitment to a unipolar, English-speaking global empire, and to the overthrow of the Saddam Hussein regime in Baghdad, back over a decade, to his tenure as Secretary of Defense in the "Bush 41" Administration. He exposed Cheney's role in promoting the hoax that Iraq had been seeking uranium for nuclear bombs in the African nation of Niger, and linked Cheney's activities to those of the circles of Prime Minister Tony Blair, who had, on Sept. 24, 2002, issued a 10 Downing Street white paper on Iraq's quest for WMD, which contained the identical, knowingly false charges.

LaRouche told the BBC audience, "Now, this is a very serious matter. As I said, it's an impeachable charge against the Vice President of the United States, and right now, I think, there are some people in the United States who are of a disposition, if not to impeach Mr. Cheney, at least to persuade him that it would be time to go out and take care of his potato patch, and leave government alone."

Just days before LaRouche's second BBC interview, "the Beeb" had aired a news report by correspondent Andrew Gilligan, echoing the Democratic candidate's charges. On May 29, 2003, Gilligan, citing an unnamed British Ministry of Defence official, charged that Prime Minister Blair and his top aides, including Alastair Campbell, the PM's press secretary, had "sexed up" the Sept. 24, 2002 dossier with wildly exaggerated claims that Saddam could launch WMD in 45 minutes, and that Iraq had purchased vast quantities of "yellow cake" uranium precursor from Africa. The same BBC correspondent Gilligan had earlier been leaked evidence from the MOD, that the claims of Saddam links to al-Qaeda and the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, were also vastly overstated by the PM's team.

The intersection of the LaRouche charges against Cheney and the Gilligan charges against the Blair team was precise. Weeks after the 9/11 attacks, the Bush White House and 10 Downing Street had launched a joint wartime propaganda effort, leading, in early 2002, to the creation of the Coalition Information Center, a London- and Washington-based coor-

inating unit charged with building public support for the Anglo-American "war on terrorism," including the soon-to-be-launched Iraq war. In October 2001, Phil Bassett and Alastair Campbell travelled to Washington, to confer with top White House officials on the joint intelligence/propaganda effort. On Oct. 15, Bassett was appointed Special Advisor to PM Blair, reflecting his upgraded role in the war propaganda schemes. At the same time, the Bush White House dispatched Tucker Eskew to London, to work side-by-side with the Campbell-Bassett team. The Sept. 24, 2002 Blair white paper, containing the "yellow cake" and 45-minute-launch lies, was a product of the Coalition Information Center effort, and followed closely the themes struck in an August 2002 speech by Vice President Cheney at the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention, in which he first made the already-disproven claim that Iraq was aggressively pursuing a nuclear bomb. That Cheney speech and the Downing Street white paper were widely seen as the launching of the countdown phase for the Anglo-American war.

The Gilligan report triggered a massive damage-control effort at Downing Street. Throughout the month of June 2003 the PM's Office conducted a frantic search to determine the source of the leak to Gilligan, eventually concluding that Dr. David Kelly, a top British expert in biological and chemical weapons, who had served as a member of the UNSCOM inspection teams in Iraq during the 1990s, was the MOD official who had spoken to Gilligan. Kelly himself wrote to his superiors at MOD on June 30, acknowledging unauthorized contact with Gilligan. Kelly was hauled before a string of House of Commons committees; his name was leaked to the media by Defence Minister Geoff Hoon, on orders from Blair, who chaired a 10 Downing Street strategy session on how to deal with the nascent policy revolt.

Was Kelly a Suicide?

On July 15, 2003, Dr. Kelly testified before a public hearing of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons. The hearing was televised. Two days later, Dr. Kelly was found dead in a wooded area near his home in Abington in Oxfordshire. Police and coroners ruled his death a suicide. Nevertheless, the British government ordered a probe into the circumstances of Dr. Kelly's death, the BBC leak, etc., to be headed by Lord Hutton.

While Dr. Kelly was the immediate target of the Downing Street wrath, the larger issue was the factional brawl, behind the scenes, within the British Establishment, symbolized by the recent role of the BBC, in promoting Lyndon LaRouche as a leading American voice of sanity against the imperial fantasies of the Cheney-Blair neocon alliance, and by the revolt of British military, Foreign Office, and intelligence mandarins against the falsification of intelligence to sell the Iraq war.

As intense as the British Establishment fight was, it was equally short-lived. By early July, BBC, the leading "Establishment" voice of the revolt, was coming under massive

counterattack by the Blair team. On July 10, Jonathan Powell, the Chief of Staff to PM Blair, would summarize the situation in a 10 Downing Street email: "This is now a game of chicken with the Beeb," he wrote. "The only way they will shift is if they see the screws tightening."

While it would not be until the release of the Hutton Report, on Jan. 28, 2004, that heads would roll in the top ranks of "the Beeb," the evidence of the decision by the British Establishment to close circles around Blair—for the time being—was all too clear by mid-July 2003. Some heads did have to roll at 10 Downing Street. On Aug. 29, 2003, Alastair Campbell stepped down from his post as communications director, claiming—unconvincingly—that his departure had nothing to do with the Hutton probe and the Foreign Affairs Committee hearings. In September 2003, Phil Bassett was transferred to a less conspicuous post, as aide to Labourite Lord Falconer; this, in the context of embarrassing revelations of his role as a principal contributor to the discredited Sept. 24, 2002 Blair white paper.

But the clearest evidence of the Establishment closing off ranks was the abrupt launching of a drive to disrupt the LaRouche campaign, via a trans-Atlantic orchestrated smear campaign, scheduled to erupt, full-force, on the eve of the July 2004 Democratic Party convention, and the role-reversal of BBC in now taking a prominent role in the "Get LaRouche" effort.

The Duggan Suicide

On March 27, 2003, the press office of the Police Direction of West Hessen, Germany, issued the following tersely worded press release:

"At the point where Berliner Street becomes Bundestrassen 455, an until-now unidentified pedestrian, obviously with suicidal intentions, ran into the lane, which makes a slight left curve. As the 56-year-old [driver] saw the pedestrian standing on the edge of the lane, he drove over to the left lane. The pedestrian jumped into the lane and against the car of 02 [second car] and hit it on the windshield, roughly at the side of the front right seat. Due to the impact, the pedestrian was thrown behind the car, landing in the left lane, and was run over by the oncoming car of the 48-year-old. Due to severe head injuries caused by the accident, the pedestrian died at the scene.

"In the course of the accident assessment, it became known that a few minutes earlier, but a few meters from the accident scene, a male person also attempted to jump in front of a passing car. The car driver succeeded in swerving away from the pedestrian but did have contact with the edge of his right-side mirror. In his rear-view mirror, the driver saw that the pedestrian, who fell due to the light impact, already had stood up and removed himself from the site of the accident. On the basis of the identical aspects of both incidents, the strong suspicion is that the pedestrian with suicidal intentions ran against the car of 02 and intentionally caused the accident."

The unnamed suicide victim was 22-year-old British student Jeremiah Duggan. Duggan was studying in Paris at the British Institute of Paris, and was in Germany attending an international conference of the Schiller Institute, an organization dedicated to the revival of trans-Atlantic republican collaboration, and recently in a leading position among groups opposing the Cheney-Blair Iraq war. Following the three-day Schiller conference in Bad Schwalbach, near Wiesbaden, Duggan had remained, along with a large youth contingent from many European countries, as well as the United States, to participate in an educational cadre school organized by the LaRouche Youth Movement. (The Schiller Institute was founded in 1984 by Helga Zepp LaRouche, a leading German political figure and the wife of U.S. Democratic Party Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche.)

According to both eyewitness accounts of people who spoke to Jeremiah Duggan in the final days and hours before his suicide, and to statements made to the press by his mother, Erica Duggan, the young man had suffered psychological problems. At age 7, following the divorce of his parents, Jeremiah had been in family counselling, with his divorced parents, at the Tavistock Clinic in London, an institution long associated with radical experimentation in individual and mass psychological manipulation. (During World War II, virtually the entire staff of Tavistock had been absorbed into the Psychiatric Division of the British Army, an experience that Clinic head Dr. John Rawlings Rees had memorialized in a series of lectures published in the 1950s under the title, *The Shaping of Psychiatry by War*.)

In conversations with several youth attending the LaRouche Youth Movement cadre school, Duggan had spoken of being diagnosed with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD). At one point, on Sunday, March 23, 2003, Duggan had attempted to locate a pharmacy where he could obtain some prescription drugs. However, the following day, March 24, he spoke to his girlfriend in Paris, telling her that the lectures he was attending "had been interesting." The next day, March 25, 2003, he spoke to his father, to wish him a happy birthday. Again, there were no obvious signs of any problems.

Jeremiah Duggan's death, though tragic, had been treated at the time by his family and friends, as a personal matter. The only news of his death was the terse statement by the German authorities, and local coverage in England, at the time of his funeral. Both of Jeremiah's parents had come to Wiesbaden, Germany, the day after his death, and had met for several hours of close cooperation with sympathetic representatives of the Schiller Institute.

Things abruptly, and publicly, changed by July 2003.

While precise details are not yet known, it is clear that the mother of Jeremiah Duggan, Erica Duggan, a retired school teacher, came under tremendous pressure from the trans-Atlantic networks that had determined that LaRouche's leading role in the anti-Cheney/Blair insurgency had to be stopped. By no later than early May 2003, there is evidence,

from published news accounts, that Ms. Duggan had come under significant pressure from British and American circles of the American Family Foundation, a purported “anti-cult” clearinghouse organization that was, in fact, an outgrowth of Anglo-American Cold War intelligence operations, including the Congress for Cultural Freedom, the Cybernetics Group, and Project MK-Ultra.

On July 12, 2003, Britain’s *Guardian* newspaper published the first of a number of ID-format slander stories, attempting to link LaRouche and the Schiller Institute in some sinister fashion to the death of Jeremiah Duggan. The *Guardian* story was written by Hugh Muir, a reporter who had previously written stories based on material from the AFF apparatus. In response to the initial Duggan stories, the Wiesbaden Prosecutor’s Office issued a statement, aired on Hessen Radio on July 16, 2003, asserting, “On the basis of our investigations, we must conclude it was suicide.”

On July 21, 2003, in the immediate aftermath of the Dr. David Kelly flap, the BBC aired a news segment, by Tim Samuels, smearing LaRouche and the Schiller Institute around the Duggan case.

Soon after the opening of the British media slander campaign, a number of Labour Party politicians stepped in to throw their weight behind the “Get LaRouche” effort. Rudy Jan Vis, the House of Commons member from Erica Duggan’s home district, was the first to join in the effort. Another Labourite, who had been given a Peer-for-Life position in the House of Lords by PM Blair, Lord Grenville Janner of Braunstone, also joined the effort. A vice president of the World Jewish Congress, Lord Janner was most widely known as an occultist, a member of the Magic Circle grouping, launched at the beginning of the 20th century by circles of Britain’s leading self-professed Satanist, Aleister Crowley.

According to news accounts, to MP Rudy Vis’ involvement, was joined the participation in this case of Baroness Symons, the Tony Blair intimate, who had also been given Peer-for-Life standing by the PM, in recognition of her political work for the neoconservative “New Labour.” In a widely publicized meeting, following two successive waves of media propaganda on the Duggan affair, Baroness Symons met with Erica Duggan, MP Vis, and Lord Janner. Out of that April 1, 2004 meeting, Baroness Symons appointed a *pro bono* human rights lawyer to work with the Duggan family to squeeze German authorities to reopen the Duggan file.

Well-placed U.S. intelligence sources have warned that the “Duggan affair,” for lack of any legitimate basis for attacking LaRouche, has been adopted by a high-powered faction within the British Establishment and City of London financial oligarchy, as the vehicle for attacking LaRouche on the eve of the Democratic nominating convention. They fear a LaRouche political breakout, and are determined to prevent it. The objective of the media smear campaign, linking LaRouche-affiliated organizations to the Duggan suicide, is to build pressure in several Continental European countries, and eventually launch a major disruption of the LaRouche

campaign, to drive a permanent wedge between the candidate and other leading factions of the Democratic Party, who, in concert, could assure the defeat of Bush-Cheney in November. The intent of the London crowd, and their Wall Street allies, is to assure that if there is a John Kerry Presidency, LaRouche will be nowhere near the premises.

Despite the efforts to date, including international proliferation of ID-format smear stories in the German and Italian media, and a longer BBC slander, German authorities have stuck to their professional assessment of the Duggan death, and expressed shock at the behavior of the British media, which, it is charged, misrepresented the views of British authorities, who have also conducted an inquest into the death of Jeremiah Duggan. Such a British coroner’s inquest is mandatory, in all cases of British citizens who die overseas, regardless of the circumstances of death.

On Nov. 11, 2003, the *Wiesbadener Kurier* newspaper published a story on the Duggan affair, under the headline “Why British Media Probably Wrongly Doubt the Investigations of the Wiesbaden Police.” The article, which featured official statements from a spokesman for Chief Prosecutor Dieter Arlet, began with a question: “Did a student from London really jump in front of a car with the intention of committing suicide? British newspapers have publicized doubt about this description of the Wiesbaden Prosecutor’s Office and base this on the conclusion of a coroner. But that judgment is in fact different than the way it is reported in Great Britain.”

After reviewing the details of the March 27, 2003 early-morning incident, and the subsequent British inquest by Coroner William Dolman, the *Kurier* article continued, “And here the coroner’s judgment on Jerry Duggan’s death has nothing to do with the suicide which the Wiesbaden Prosecutor’s Office is convinced of. Their press reports about it are combined with hefty attacks against the German police: The death has to be seen in connection with rightwing radicals, anti-Semitic circles.”

Next, from the Prosecutor’s Office. The *Kurier* wrote, “More than 20 interviews were given to British press representatives in the past week by Chief Prosecutor Dieter Arlet. ‘One is perplexed about the interest in a case, which in our view can’t be judged in any other way,’ said the spokesman for the Prosecutor’s Office in Wiesbaden. ‘Our legal system requires concrete facts, mere suspicions are not sufficient.’ In fact, according to his information, it seems that it isn’t the Wiesbaden police, but actually the British press, who have made grave mistakes. Cause for this suspicion comes from research of the Hessen State Criminal Office. They inquired yesterday with the British liaison officer to the Federal Criminal Police (BKA) about the press reports. And the BKA official, says Chief Prosecutor Arlet, learned that the coroner has closed the case concerning the death of Jerry Duggan. According to the BKA account the judgment of the coroner had a wholly different tone than that presented in the British media. That version runs: ‘Jerry Duggan died in a traffic accident as a result of great fear.’ Arlet sees in that ‘a completely

neutral characterization, which provides no grounds for us to reopen the investigation.’ It does not represent a contradiction to the decision of the Prosecutor’s Office. That the word suicide does not appear in the judgment, he explains by citing the discretion that is usual in Great Britain, to protect the next of kin.” The *Kurier* story concluded with another question: “But what about the defamation of the German police work? For Arlet it is ‘completely inexplicable how such a characterization could come into the media.’ The source for this he could not find in any of the articles.”

—Roger Moore and Karel Vereckyan contributed to this article.

A Concise Timeline of the Symons-Duggan Affair

Early March, 2003: Jeremiah Duggan, a 22-year-old British student, meets LaRouche Youth Movement organizers in Paris at a book table, engages in a discussion, and takes some literature. Duggan is told about an international conference in Germany at the end of the month. He is particularly interested in LaRouche’s strong opposition to the Cheney-Blair Iraq war and the imperial policies underlying that unjust invasion. Over the next several weeks, Duggan exchanges several email messages with LYM organizers, and arranges to travel to Germany for the conference.

March 27, 2003: Jeremiah Duggan, attending the Schiller Institute international conference and youth cadre school near Wiesbaden, Germany, is killed when he jumps in front of speeding cars on an autobahn. Wiesbaden police and prosecutors investigate the death, and conclude that Duggan committed suicide. Duggan had confided to his conference roommates, in his last days, that he was diagnosed with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, an illness that can induce schizophrenic behavior, including paranoia. He had begun to show signs of emotional stress during the day before his suicide, March 26, and had fled the apartment where he was staying, March 27, at approximately 3:30 in the morning. When a LYM organizer called Jeremiah’s girlfriend Maya Villanueva in Paris, shortly after Duggan left the apartment, to see whether she had heard from him, she cynically asked, “Is there a river nearby?” Subsequently, both Erica Duggan and Maya Villanueva have failed, notably, to mention Jeremiah’s diagnosed illness, fuelling the media fraud about the role of the Schiller Institute in his death. Erica Duggan has acknowledged to reporters that she, her divorced husband, and Jeremiah, had undergone group counselling at the Tavistock Clinic when Jeremiah was approximately 7 years old.

March 28, 2003: Jeremiah Duggan’s parents meet in

Wiesbaden with representatives of the Schiller Institute. Although they make no mention of Jeremiah’s OCD diagnosis, the meeting is very cordial, given the tragic circumstances.

April 1, 2003: The LaRouche in 2004 campaign releases the first 250,000-copy run of *Children of Satan: The ‘Ignoble Liars’ Behind Bush’s No-Exit War*. The glossy-cover pamphlet exposes the entire neoconservative cabal inside the Bush-Cheney Administration behind the Iraq war, and surfaces, for the first time, damning evidence that many of the leading Bush-Cheney neocons are protégés of the University of Chicago philosophy professor Leo Strauss, a promoter of Nazi Party fascist ideologues Carl Schmitt and Martin Heidegger. Within a short period of time from the release of the campaign report, mainstream media in North America and Europe pick up the basic themes of the *Children of Satan*, particularly the demonic role of Strauss in the neocon drive for empire, based on perpetual war.

April 3, 2003: Lyndon LaRouche is interviewed for six minutes on the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) news show “Live Five.” LaRouche is introduced as a leading critic of the Bush Administration’s Iraq war, and as a candidate for the 2004 Democratic Party Presidential nomination.

May 22, 2003: British Ministry of Defence weapons scientist Dr. David Kelly meets with BBC journalist Andrew Gilligan at London’s Charing Cross Hotel, where he allegedly tells the journalist that 10 Downing Street operatives, including Alastair Campbell, “sexed up” the British government’s Sept. 24, 2002 white paper, which accused Saddam Hussein of amassing weapons of mass destruction, in violation of United Nations resolutions.

May 29, 2003: BBC’s “Radio 4 Today” news broadcast airs a report by Gilligan, levelling the charges about the “sexed-up” dossier as having been aimed at making a more convincing, albeit false, case for war with Iraq.

June 2, 2003: BBC “Newsnight” science editor Susan Watts broadcasts a second story, using Dr. Kelly as a source, and raising concerns about the Sept. 24, 2002 dossier’s claims that Saddam could launch WMD on 45 minutes’ notice.

June 9, 2003: Lyndon LaRouche is again interviewed on the BBC “Live Five” news show, this time for 12 minutes. The subject of the interview is LaRouche’s recent call for the impeachment of Vice President Dick Cheney, for his role in the faking of intelligence, including making knowingly false claims of Saddam Hussein purchasing nuclear bomb material in Africa, to justify the Iraq invasion.

July 7, 2003: The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons, after a week of tumultuous hearings, clears Blair communications director Alastair Campbell of “sexing up” the 10 Downing Street white paper.

July 8, 2003: Prime Minister Tony Blair chairs a meeting at No. 10, where it is agreed that Dr. Kelly’s name will be released as the source of the Gilligan story. Former U.S. Ambassador Joseph Wilson publishes an op ed in the *New York Times* revealing, for the first time, that he was the emissary sent by the CIA to Niger in February 2002, to probe allega-

tions that Iraq had attempted to purchase vast quantities of “yellow cake” uranium, to produce nuclear bombs. His conclusion: There was no truth to the story.

July 11, 2003: Erica Duggan meets with the London Metropolitan Police, to discuss the circumstances surrounding Jeremiah’s death. By this time, she has been contacted by individuals and groups affiliated with American Family Foundation (AFF).

July 12, 2003: The London-based *Guardian* newspaper publishes the first smear story linking Lyndon LaRouche and the Schiller Institute to the suicide-death of Jeremiah Duggan. The author of the story, Hugh Muir, has, in the past, written stories based on information provided by so-called “anti-cult” groups affiliated with the AFF.

July 15, 2003: Dr. David Kelly is called to testify before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Parliament.

July 17, 2003: Dr. Kelly leaves his home in Abingdon in Oxfordshire, telling his wife he is going for a walk. His body is found the next morning by local police. Prime Minister Blair announces the launching of a judicial review of the Kelly case, to be headed by Lord Hutton.

July 21, 2003: BBC airs a slander on LaRouche and the Duggan suicide by Tim Samuels, under the headline, “Mother calls for inquiry into son’s death.”

Aug. 29, 2003: Alastair Campbell resigns as head of the communications office for Prime Minister Tony Blair, denying that he is quitting over the death of Dr. Kelly.

October 2003: The American Family Foundation holds a conference in Hartford, Conn. Among the speakers is Dennis King, longtime anti-LaRouche operative. After working in the early 1980s as a paid propagandist for Roy M. Cohn, the former chief counsel to Sen. Joseph McCarthy, King was bankrolled by the neoconservative Smith Richardson Foundation to write a booklength slander of LaRouche in 1989. During the same period, King’s *pro bono* attorney was Steven Bundy, the son of McGeorge Bundy.

Nov. 5, 2003: Coroner’s inquest into Jeremiah’s death occurs at Hornsey Coroner’s Court. Dr. William Dolman, HM Coroner for North London, presides over the inquest. The British media claims that Dr. Dolman has “rejected” the German authorities’ view that the death was a suicide. Statements attributed to Dr. Dolman suggest that evidence was presented at the inquest by AFF circles, making wild charges that the LaRouche organization is a dangerous cult, etc. British media coverage of the inquest includes interviews with Dennis King and with Chip Berlet. (Berlet, former Washington, D.C. bureau chief of *High Times* magazine, the semi-official publication of the drug legalization lobby in the U.S.A., was a leader of the National Student Association during the late 1960s, when it was exposed for having received CIA financing, in a *Ramparts* magazine exposé.)

Nov. 11, 2003: *Wiesbadener Kurier* publishes an article challenging the coverage in the British media, and defending the assessment of the Wiesbaden Prosecutor’s Office that Duggan’s death was the result of suicide. Chief Prosecutor

Dieter Arlet complains that it is “completely inexplicable how such a characterization could get into the media.” A spokesman for the Prosecutor’s office reports that the German Federal Police (BKA) had found that the British coroner’s inquest had been closed, and that the British media coverage had misrepresented the findings of Dr. Dolman. Arlet says that, based on the BKA inquiry, there are “no grounds for us to reopen the investigation.”

Jan. 28, 2004: The Hutton inquiry issues its final report, totally whitewashing 10 Downing Street’s role in exaggerating the WMD dossier.

Feb. 12, 2004: BBC News airs further slanderous coverage of the Duggan affair by Tim Samuels.

Feb. 25, 2004: A meeting takes place at the British Foreign Office between Erica Duggan and officials, who set up a followup meeting with Baroness Symons. News of the planned Duggan-Symons meeting is leaked to the British press.

April 1, 2004: Erica Duggan, Rudy Vis, Lord Janner meet with Baroness Symons at the Foreign Office. Symons announces she will appoint a *pro bono* international human rights lawyer to work with the Duggan family, to pressure German authorities to reverse their assessment of the case.

April 21, 2004: BBC “Live at Five,” the show that had twice interviewed Lyndon LaRouche a year earlier, runs an interview with Erica Duggan and Rudy Vis.

May 6, 2004: Prime Minister Tony Blair provokes a firestorm of protests by appointing John Scarlett as the new head of the British Secret Intelligence Service, MI6. Scarlett, as the head of the Joint Intelligence Committee, was the principal author of the Sept. 24, 2002 white paper which lied about Saddam Hussein’s ability to launch weapons of mass destruction “within 45 minutes,” and his efforts to obtain uranium in Africa, for building nuclear bombs. Scarlett worked closely on the dossier with top Blair aides Alastair Campbell and Phil Bassett, the latter being the husband of Foreign Office official and Deputy Head of the House of Lords, Baroness Liz Symons.

May 20, 2004: *Corriere della Sera* Sunday magazine publishes a lengthy, vicious slander against LaRouche, centered around interviews with Erica and Hugo Duggan, by writer Agostino Gramigna.

May 23, 2004: Members of the LaRouche Youth Movement, distributing an “Open Letter to the *Washington Post*” by Lyndon LaRouche, in front of the *Washington Post* building in downtown Washington, D.C., encounter Michael Winstead. Winstead had briefly infiltrated the Baltimore chapter of the LYM, only to abruptly leave the group, and circulate a series of slanders. Accompanied by a *Washington Post* photographer, Winstead boasts to LYM organizers that he is working for the *Post* on a forthcoming slander on LaRouche and LYM, which will also heavily feature the Duggan suicide. (When Winstead departed from Baltimore, he left behind a large collection of pornography, which he had downloaded from the Internet.)

National Security Mandarins Assail Bush and Cheney

by Jeffrey Steinberg

A prestigious group of several dozen retired American diplomats and military commanders held a standing-room-only press conference in Washington today, to assail the Bush Administration's disastrous foreign and national security policy record, and demand that the Administration be swept out of office in the November elections. The ad hoc group, which calls itself Diplomats and Military Commanders for Change, includes 27 retired generals, admirals and ambassadors, who have served in both Democratic and Republican administrations over the span of the entire post-World War II era.

Among the leading signators on the group's statement, which was read at today's National Press Club event are: Ambassador Chas. W. Freeman, Jr., former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia; Admiral William J. Crowe, former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, former Chairman of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Committee, and former Ambassador to the Court of Saint James; General Joseph P. Hoar (USMC), former Commander in Chief of the U.S. Central Command; Samuel Lewis, former U.S. Ambassador to Israel; Jack Matlock, former U.S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union; Donald McHenry, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations; General Merrill McPeak (USAF), former Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force; Phyllis Oakley, former Assistant Secretary of States for Intelligence and Research; and Arthur Hartman, former U.S. ambassador to the Soviet Union.

In her opening remarks at the Washington press conference, Ambassador Phyllis Oakley explained that "to be involved in an act that will be seen by many as political if not partisan is for many of us a new experience. As career government officials, we have served loyally both Republican and Democratic administrations. . . . For many of us, such an overt step is very hard to do and we have made our decisions after deep reflection. We believe we have as good an under-

standing as any of our citizens, of basic American interests. Over nearly half a century we have worked energetically in all regions of the world, often in very difficult circumstances, to build, piece by piece, a structure of respect and influence for the United States that has served our country very well over the last 60 years. Today we see that structure crumbling under an administration blinded by ideology, and a callous indifference to the realities of the world around it. Never before have so many of us felt the need for a major change in the direction of our foreign policy. . . . Everything we have heard from friends abroad on every continent suggests to us that the lack of confidence in the present administration in Washington is so profound that a whole new team is needed to repair the damages."

After reading a brief official statement from the group, Ambassador Oakley opened the press conference to questions, which went for nearly one hour. Some of the most dramatic exchanges came in response to questions from two correspondents for *Executive Intelligence Review* who attended the conference. *EIR* White House correspondent Bill Jones pressed the panelists—a dozen of the signators—to "name the names" of the Administration officials who had done so much damage to U.S. national security and prestige worldwide.

Ambassador William Harrop, who served as U.S. ambassador to Israel, Zaire, Kenya and Guinea, before becoming Inspector General of the State Department and Foreign Service, responded. He made it clear that the group holds President Bush personally responsible for taking the advice of the five or six well-known neo-conservatives who have shaped the Administration's disastrous policy course, particularly in Iraq and the larger Southwest Asia region. He characterized Bush as a "forceful President who is in charge," and who



At the press conference of Diplomats and Military Commanders for change, Amb. William Harrop, who served in Israel, Zaire, Kenya, and Guinea and was Inspector General of the State Department, responded to EIR's White House correspondent who asked the group to "name names." Harrop said the group holds President Bush personally responsible for taking the advice of the five or six well-known neo-conservatives, who have shaped the Administration's disastrous policy course,

listens to the neo-cons "because he wants to." Ambassador Harrop made it clear that, while the group has no formal ties to John Kerry or his Presidential campaign, they are committed to the idea that the Bush Administration must be swept from office in November.

EIR Senior Editor Jeff Steinberg put the issue of the torture at Abu Ghraib on the table, asking for the group's perspective on war crime prosecutions of top Bush Administration officials. Ambassador Robert Oakley, former U.S. ambassador to Pakistan, Somalia and Zaire responded. He said that the legal accountability of Administration officials was, in his view, secondary to the moral accountability, which has created a "moral disaster" for the United States. He reminded the audience that the U.S. purportedly went into Iraq to change the regime, because Saddam Hussein had been guilty of atrocious crimes, at places like Abu Ghraib. The invasion, according to Team Bush, was to be a "transforming event," bringing human rights, democracy and other American values to Iraq and to the region as a whole. "What does it say to the Muslim world when the United States engages in the same kinds of torture and crimes at the same Abu Ghraib? This," he concluded, "is a moral and political disaster."

Ambassador Chas. W. Freeman, Jr. continued, recounting his experience as U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm in 1991. He said that at that time, the U.S. military had impressed him greatly, and he was proud of

the caliber of the U.S. armed forces. He then charged that the Bush-Cheney Administration had nearly destroyed the U.S. military through the Iraq war fiasco. He said that the kind of occupation duty and internal security work that has been thrust on a totally untrained and unprepared U.S. military and reserve force has been "morally corrosive." This destruction of the U.S. military, he warned, is the "great unspoken disaster of this misadventure" in Iraq.

Debunking the 9/11 Myth

Two other speakers—Ambassador Robert Keeley, former U.S. ambassador to Greece and Zimbabwe; and H. Allen Holmes, former U.S. ambassador to Portugal, former Assistant Secretary of State for Politico-Military Affairs and former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations—both debunked the Bush-Cheney myth that "the world changed irreversibly after 9/11." Both men denounced this as a lie and an excuse to permit the President of the United States to ignore international law and do whatever he wishes.

Ambassador Holmes recounted his five years as a member of the Clinton Administration's working group on counterterrorism, headed by former National Security Council official Richard Clarke. He charged that the Bush Administration used the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001 to pursue an Iraq war that destroyed all of the international support and good will that had been generated by the American action in Afghanistan to unseat the Taliban and Al-Qaeda. He and other speakers charged that the Bush Administration abandoned the Afghanistan mission in order to go to war against an Iraq that posed no "imminent threat" to the United States or anyone else; and, as a result, both Afghanistan and Iraq are near the breaking point.

While the members of the group said that they have no immediate plans to take their harsh critique, and their call for regime change in Washington, directly to the American people through nationwide tours or other activities, the weight of their attack on the Bush Administration's disastrous track-record, is certain to carry considerable weight—both inside and outside the Washington Beltway. It comes at a moment when the United States Congress is showing a long-overdue willingness to directly challenge the Administration's lies and crimes, and when the U.S. intelligence community—both civilian and military—is becoming increasingly more vocal and active in exposing the "high crimes and misdemeanors" by top ranking White House officials.

Cheney, Halliburton Under New Fire on Hill

by Edward Spannaus

“All we know for sure, is that what the Vice President has said so far, is false,” declared Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.), at the opening of a major hearing on Iraq contracting and Halliburton held by the House Government Reform Committee on June 15—a hearing featuring a clumsy attempt by the Pentagon to cover up Dick Cheney’s role.

Two days before the June 15 hearing, Waxman sent a letter to Cheney, citing explosive new disclosures showing the involvement of the Vice President’s office in the awarding of two major Department of Defense (DOD) contracts to Halliburton, the giant oil-services company that Cheney headed for five years before taking office as Vice President in January 2001.

The two awards at issue are: 1) a Nov. 11, 2002 “task order” to develop a secret contingency plan to restore and operate Iraq’s oil infrastructure after the invasion of Iraq; and 2) a March 8, 2002 sole-source contract, worth up to \$7 billion, to implement the secret contingency plan. The “task order” was awarded under the global logistical contract which had been awarded to Halliburton by the Army in 2001; the Iraq portion of this contract has earned Halliburton almost \$5 billion to date.

Although Cheney has repeatedly denied that his office had any involvement or contacts with the Defense Department pertaining to the oil contracts, Waxman documented that Cheney’s chief of staff Lewis “Scooter” Libby was informed *before* the awarding of the “task order” contract. Much of the new information cited by Waxman came from a briefing given on June 8 to committee staff by Michael Mobbs, a “special advisor” to Undersecretary of Defense Doug Feith, and by other DOD officials.

Mobbs is a most curious fellow. He is a former law partner of Feith, and he has mainly come to public attention because of his involvement in issues involving prisoners and detainees in the so-called war on terrorism. He has described himself as the “focal point” in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (the civilian side of the Pentagon) on all matters relating to detainees—which raises the obvious question of his role in the escalating prisoner torture and war-crime scandal.

In the June 8 briefing, Mobbs acknowledged that the decision to award the initial contract to Halliburton was not made by career civil servants, but by political appointees, in particular by himself and an “Energy Infrastructure Planning Group”

which he headed. Mobbs somehow determined that other companies, such as Bechtel and Fluor, were not qualified, and so they were not even allowed to submit bids for the oil infrastructure contract.

Moreover, Mobbs said that Cheney’s aide Libby was briefed on the pending award of the contract to Halliburton, at a meeting of the Deputies’ Committee (a sub-group of the National Security Council), and that the purpose of the briefing was that Libby or other officials would have time to object, if they wished, before the contract was granted.

These revelations, widely covered in the U.S. news media, set the stage for the June 15 House hearing.

A Clumsy Coverup

At the opening of the hearing, Waxman, the senior Democrat on the committee, noted that the focus of the hearings would be on the two largest Iraq contracts, both of which “went to one well-connected company: Halliburton.” From whatever perspective these contracts are examined, Waxman declared, everything points to the same conclusion: “Halliburton is gouging the taxpayer, and the Bush Administration doesn’t seem to care.”

Waxman pointed out that the military is throwing money away on Halliburton, “when we don’t have enough money to adequately equip and protect our soldiers,” and cited, as examples, that “troops have died in Iraq because they lacked body armor and reinforced Humvees.”

Waxman noted that Cheney had denied any knowledge about Halliburton’s contracts, and that the Administration had consistently stated that the selection of Halliburton was made by career procurement officers, not political appointees. “Now, we know this is not true,” Waxman said. “We don’t know the full extent of the Vice President’s involvement in the Halliburton contracts. All we know for sure, is that what the Vice President has said so far, is false.”

The first indication of the scramble in DOD to contain the damage, was the addition of a new witness for the hearing: the acting Undersecretary of Defense and Comptroller, Lawrence Lanzilotta. Unlike other witnesses, Lanzilotta had no opening statement; instead, he and the Director of the Defense Contract Audit Agency, William Reed, oddly split up the reading of Reed’s prepared statement.

When asked about Mobbs and the Deputies’ meeting, Lanzilotta said the meeting had discussed two items: that the information about the Halliburton contract was *not* to be shared with Vice President Cheney; and that Cheney was to have no involvement with the contract. When Waxman asked the witness how he knew this, Lanzilotta answered, “We were told this today”—in other words, right before he came to testify.

It was at that point that Lanzilotta explained that he was only told the previous day that he was to be a witness. When Waxman asked Lanzilotta who told him about the Deputies meeting, Lanzilotta responded that it was the Public Affairs officer for the Pentagon, Larry DiRita. Later, Rep. Chris van

Hollen (D-Md.) elicited confirmation from Lanzilotta that he had not been at the Deputies meeting, and that the only account he had of it was from DiRita. Another witness, Deirdre Lee, the DOD director of procurement, said that she had learned that Mobbs was the “presenter” at the Deputies meeting, while they were “prepping” on Monday for the Tuesday testimony.

Why the Pentagon’s press officer should be providing a cover story for witnesses, was not explained. Indeed, in any venue other than a this one—a Congressional hearing run by Republicans attempting to protect a Republican administration—these procedures would be called witness tampering, if not obstruction of justice, by DoD.

Then, after the hearings, Cheney spokesman Kevin Kellums claimed that Libby had never told Cheney about the briefing to the Deputies Committee; Kellums also claimed to have confirmed, from National Security Council aide Frank Miller, that Libby had told the Deputies Committee that Cheney would not be informed. The Defense Department issued a statement asserting that the Vice President’s office played no role in the decision to award either the contingency planning contract or the oil restoration contract to Halliburton.

Further Hearings Scheduled

As a result of the building pressure, the committee chairman, Rep. Tom Davis (R-Va.), was compelled to agree to a number of follow-up actions:

- Five or more “whistleblowers”—former Halliburton employees who have given statements about egregious fraud and waste by Halliburton, will be called to testify before the committee in July;
- The CEOs of Halliburton and Kellogg Brown and Root (KBR) will be formally invited by the committee to testify next month;
- The committee leadership will consider asking Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld to testify about contacts with the Office of the Vice President;
- Davis agreed he will give the Defense Department until June 30 to produce documents that were requested in March, and if not produced by then, they will be subpoenaed. In addition, the committee is asking DOD for documents concerning Mobbs’ role.

Meanwhile, other problems are escalating for Halliburton. On June 11, the company announced that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has opened a formal investigation of bribes paid in connection with a natural gas project in Nigeria, during the period in which Cheney was Halliburton’s CEO. It was disclosed early this year that the SEC, the Justice Department, and a French court were all probing the bribes. Then on June 17, Halliburton fired the chairman of its KBR subsidiary, citing violations of its “code of business conduct” in connection with the Nigeria gas project.

It may be a long, hot Summer for Halliburton and its former CEO.

Book Review

Warrior Diplomat: The Zinni Story

by William Jones

Battle Ready

by Tom Clancy, Gen. Tony Zinni (ret.), and Tony Koltz

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If anyone hopes to find a reiteration of Gen. Tony Zinni’s now widely circulated and devastating indictment of the Pentagon neo-conservatives around those ill-starred friends of Ahmed Chalabi—Richard Perle and Paul Wolfowitz—in the autobiography of the General, they may be somewhat disappointed, as little has been said about the issue of the neo-cons’ “rush to war” in Iraq, with its multifarious and unfolding scandals. And yet the purpose of the book, included in the Clancy series on “The Commanders,” was not to be another Zinni polemic against the neo-cons, but rather was aimed at elucidating who Zinni, the man and the Marine, actually is, and where he is coming from. In that respect, the book is a very enlightening, and a tremendously interesting read. Most interesting is how it gives a broader picture of the psychology of those within the U.S. military, and they are many, who have reacted with horror to the effects of the decisions made by the Bush Administration, in conducting the operations to overthrow Saddam Hussein.

Zinni, who worked his way up the ranks from his beginnings as a junior Marine Corps officer in the Vietnam War era (like most of the present-day flag-grade officers, active-duty as well as retired), is a prime example of the psychological outlook of that particular brand of warrior.

For these men, the Vietnam War was absolutely determinant, in teaching the lessons how *not* to fight a war; indeed, it was indicative of the type of war which the United States should *never* get involved in in the first place. In his tour of duty as a military “advisor” to the South Vietnamese Marines early in 1967, Zinni became close to many of his Vietnamese colleagues. As with most soldiers in “the Nam” then and later, he was just starting to ask some questions about the real purpose of U.S. involvement there.

One day in speaking to a village chief, Zinni was asked by the chief's wife about his own family back home. Zinni writes, "All I had was a picture of my wife and me taken in front of her parents' home. I pulled it out, the old lady stared at it for a while, and then she looked up at me with a deeply penetrating expression. 'Why are you here in Vietnam?' she asked me. I gave her the standard answer about stopping communism and protecting democracy and our Vietnamese allies. She shook her head. 'It's sad that you have to come to leave your family and get involved in this tragic mess,' she said. I continued to offer the party line. 'But what are you going to do to protect us from them?' she asked, her hand pointing toward the south. I thought she had made a mistake, the enemy was to the north, after all. But then I realized she was saying exactly what she meant to say. She was talking about the corrupt South Vietnamese government. As far as she was concerned, the enemy was both to the north and to the south."

In that incident, Zinni discovered what many other American servicemen discovered in their time in Vietnam, beyond the party line that was drummed into their heads before and during their tour of duty in Vietnam: that the "containment of Communism," the great shibboleth of that era's protagonists of what was essentially the continuation of a colonial war, was largely a bogus issue. For a "people's war," which the North Vietnamese and the Southern-based National Liberation Front successfully adopted from their Chinese colleagues, can only be successful if there is some underlying interest in promoting the welfare of the people. Had the irascible Harry Truman not succumbed to the wiles of Winston Churchill in Churchill's efforts to reverse FDR's post-war decolonization program under the rubric of "containing communism," the post-war relationship to our World War II allies, such as Vietnamese liberation leader, Ho Chi Minh, or even Mao Zedong, might have been much different.

The lesson drawn by Zinni from the Vietnam debacle was the need for the United States, in whatever conflict she might find herself, to operate on the basis of a policy which is capable of winning the "hearts and minds of the people," in order to succeed.

As General Zinni proceeded later into a larger sphere of activity, it would become more and more apparent that any "hearts and minds" policy had to have very definite social and economic dimensions.

Rebuilding a Damaged Military

The major post-Vietnam task facing an officer like Zinni, was repairing the damage done to the U.S. military by the Vietnam War policies. The war had served to underline the social and economic inequalities in American society. The unfair nature of the military draft, while basing itself on the concept of "universal military service," contained enough loopholes to allow the children of the wealthy—or any family that could afford to keep their children in college—from being



Gen. Anthony Zinni (ret.), who served his country more than 40 years as a fighter and a diplomat, opposed the war in Iraq before it began. The conflicts since the end of the Cold War, could have been avoided, Zinni says. "We should have gone full throttle into a visionary program like the Marshall Plan that would have injected energy, education, money, and hope into the Third World. . . . We are an expectation of better things," he says. What role could the military play? "Other people want help, leadership, and guidance in getting to where we are. They want our help in reaching their potential."

called up. Those who couldn't afford that, the young men of poor white, and particularly poor black and Hispanic families, were quickly put into uniform and sent to the jungles of Vietnam.

For many of the black soldiers, who had experienced racial discrimination as well as the remoralizing, yet unfulfilled promise of the civil rights movement of the 1960s, being thrust into a military operation which had all the earmarks of a colonialist venture, was a particularly galling experience. It was made all the more oppressive because of the disproportionate number of black troops actually serving in combat. The decision by Dr. Martin Luther King, against the advice of many of his closest supporters, to speak out against the Vietnam War on April 4, 1967, only underlined this glaring contradiction. With the assassination of King in 1968, preceded by the 1965 slaying of Malcolm X, and followed a month later by the murder of Robert Kennedy, all hell broke

loose. There was virtual rebellion in the ranks, with race riots breaking out at U.S. military bases both in Europe and in Asia. This was also aggravated, as Zinni points out, by Defense Secretary Robert McNamara's policies: "There were also misguided attempts to turn the military into a big Head Start program for dropouts. Chief among these was Project 100,000—a Robert McNamara brainchild—which dumped a hundred thousand young failures into the military in hopes this would lead to a better society." It was like throwing a match into a barn full of dry hay.

When Zinni was stationed in Okinawa in the early seventies, black Marines were organizing off-base in some pretty militant activities, leading nearly to race riots. Zinni succeeded in organizing out of his Marine unit an interracial "guard unit" of particularly heavy-set and well-trained troops, who could help quell the mini-riots that were being fomented by a few of the more militant individuals. The problem, however, was only resolved by the concerted efforts over a decade by an officer corps intent on ridding the services of any remaining discriminatory policies regarding promotions and treatment.

A Broader Vision

After a decade of more traditional staff posts in the U.S., at Quantico, Camp Lejeune, and again in Okinawa, in 1990, then Brigadier General Zinni was assigned to the European Command (EUCOM), serving under Commander in Chief (CINC) Gen. John Galvin. Zinni relates how Galvin, "probably the finest soldier-statesman I've known," proposed using NATO to help in the reconstruction of the countries of the former Soviet Union (FSU). "He realized that we needed a new Marshall Plan for the FSU," Zinni writes. "This would not have been a gift but an investment in future peace, stability and prosperity. Tragically, much of his vision was ignored. Washington was initially blind to his ideas about connecting with the Russians and the Warsaw Pact, the new Marshall Plan, and the restructuring of NATO." Similar ideas had been widely circulated by U.S. economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche, particularly in his proposals for the "Paris-Berlin-Vienna Productive Triangle" and the "Eurasian Land-Bridge." The concept was also reflected in proposals made by Deutsche Bank chief Alfred Herrhausen. But by that time, LaRouche had been thrown into jail by his political opponents and Herrhausen had been assassinated, ostensibly by terrorists.

Zinni's thoughts on the subject were not limited to the former Soviet Union, but were also focussed on the many poor nations whose problems had been left by the roadside during the Cold War, including the growing conflicts and the possibility of a terrorist threat. Zinni writes, "Until that time, the whole world was simmering underneath the Cold War. And we've had to meet the challenge [of the post-Cold War world] unprepared. We should have gone full throttle into a visionary program like the Marshall Plan that would have

injected energy, education, money and hope into the Third World. Nothing like that happened." If General Zinni ever had the opportunity to discuss with the premier proponent of just such a policy from 1968 to the present, Lyndon LaRouche, LaRouche could tell him a great deal about why it has not even yet been adopted.

Zinni would later work with the State Department's Richard Armitage in Operation Provide Hope, an airlift of food, medicine, and other supplies to the former Soviet republics, which was but a dim reflection of the type of economic aid and development policy that was needed to get the former Soviet republics on their feet again.

Even before his appointment as commander of the U.S. Central Command (Centcom), Zinni got more experience of the problems of Third World Development, in working with the military assistance forces in Somalia and on diplomatic missions to Ethiopia.

In August 1996, Zinni was appointed deputy commander-in-chief for Centcom, and in 1997 he was appointed commander-in-chief. Interestingly, the issue of the economic development policy was foremost in a plan that Zinni recommended to deal with post-Gulf War Iraq. In 1998 when Richard Butler, the head of the UN inspections team in Iraq, UNSCOM, pulled his inspectors out after a long stretch of cat-and-mouse games with the Iraqis over inspections, the U.S. Operation Fox launched strikes against Iraqi facilities, attempting to destroy some of Saddam Hussein's alleged weapons of mass destruction before they could be moved. Envisioning a possible collapse of the Saddam regime in the aftermath of that strike, Zinni ordered his people at Centcom to develop a wide-ranging economic reconstruction program that could be implemented in a post-Saddam Iraq. Needless to say, the strikes against Saddam Hussein's alleged WMD did not lead to a collapse of his regime, and the Zinni plan was put on the shelf, still incomplete.

After his retirement from Centcom and from the Marine Corps in 2000, Zinni, who had already served as something of a "warrior diplomat" in his Centcom missions in Africa and Central Asia, was asked to participate in a variety of diplomatic missions. First he was asked to serve as an advisor in the ongoing negotiations between the Indonesian government and representatives of the island of Aceh, which was seeking its independence from Indonesia.

Zinni also relates the frustrating time he spent as Special Advisor to Secretary of State Colin Powell for the Middle East, noting problems such as the Palestinians' insistence on keeping Hamas in the discussions; but Zinni is uncharacteristically silent on the efforts by the pro-Likud crowd in the Vice President's office, which undercut his effectiveness by their own intrigues with Ariel Sharon's right wing in the Israeli Likud party.

General Zinni also has ample praise for the Clinton policy of "engagement," as opposed to the Bush Administration's arrogant Roman Empire policy of subduing nation-states, to

force them to accept the dictates of the self-styled imperial power. Zinni writes, “The Clinton strategy [of engagement] represented a significant shift in the way the United States related to the rest of the world. Though the administration did not always handle this shift as effectively as they could have, their overall approach was, in my view, correct. Unfortunately, the Clinton strategy lacked the resources to be fully and effectively implemented.”

The U.S. Military Tradition

The United States does have a global role to play. This has been clear since the elaboration of the foundations of U.S. foreign policy by John Quincy Adams; but it is not that of a conquering empire. “We are an empire of influence,” Zinni says. “Our power, our values, our promise affect the world. We are more than Jefferson’s beacon. We are an expectation of better things. The world demands of us the delivery of the promise we project. We are seen to have an obligation to share our light. Other peoples want help, leadership, and guidance in getting to where we are. They want our help in reaching their potential.”

And what role should the U.S. military have in that mission? Zinni has some definite ideas on that subject as well. “It could mean military civil affairs will change from being just a tactical organization doing basic humanitarian care and interaction with the civilian population to actually being capable of reconstructing nations. That will require people in uniform, and maybe civilian suits as well, who are educated in the disciplines of economics and political structures and who will actually go in and work these issues.” (Here Zinni echoes some of the concerns voiced by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who, as Superintendent of West Point after the First World War, was intent on giving budding U.S. officers training which would not be restricted to “military affairs,” but would give them a broader understanding of man in his social and economic relationships.) “Either we get the civilian officials on the scene who can do it, get them there when they need to be there, give them the resources and the training, and create the interoperability that is necessary or validate military missions to do it.” A necessary aspect of any such a “defense transformation” would be the LaRouche call for revamping and upgrading the mission of the Army Corps of Engineers, to give it the capabilities of doing what is necessary to “win the peace”—to accomplish some of the reconstruction tasks that have become such an integral part of our nation’s security.

The Need To Speak the Truth

In summing up, Zinni returns to an image which he refers to often and which is probably now deeply ingrained, motivating the outspoken retired Marine to continue speaking out on issues of strategic importance. He relates how the former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Hugh Shelton, had made it mandatory for his CINCs to read *Dereliction of Duty: Lyndon Johnson, Robert McNamara, the Joint Chiefs*

of Staff, and the Lies that Led to Vietnam, by Army Maj. H.R. McMaster. *Dereliction* details the failure of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to speak out during the Vietnam War, when they knowingly built a military campaign based on lies. Shelton emphasized to the young CINCs and service chiefs that they must always be prepared to speak up.

Zinni elaborates: “Careerism is corrosive to the principle of truth telling. So is political expediency. In both cases, the hope of personal gain outweighs personal integrity and honor. ‘Don’t rock the boat’ leads to moral blindness about threats to the mission or the lives and welfare of the troops and of their families. The troops are interested in more from their leaders back home than statements such as, ‘We back them 100%.’ That’s the mentality of the chateau generals in World War I who sent hundreds of thousands of fine young men to useless deaths. If you make a political mistake, the troops have to pay for it with their blood. Our political and military leaders must be held accountable for their mistakes.”

And then, towards the end of the book, Zinni returns to his critique of the neo-conservatives, who have plunged the country into an unnecessary war, citing a lecture he gave to Naval Academy midshipmen in the Spring of 2003. Zinni writes, “In the lead-up to the Iraq war and its later conduct, I saw, at a minimum, true dereliction, negligence, and irresponsibility; at worst, lying, incompetence, and corruption. False rationales presented as a justification, a flawed strategy; lack of planning; the unnecessary alienation of our allies; the underestimation of the task; the unnecessary distraction from real threats; and the unbearable strain dumped on our overstretched military, all of these caused me to speak out.

“I did it before the war as a caution, and as an attempt to voice concern over a situation I knew would be dangerous, where the outcome would likely mean real harm to our nation’s interest. I was called a traitor and a turncoat by Pentagon officials. The personal attacks are painful, as I told those young midshipmen, but the photos of the casualties I see every day in the papers and on TV convince me not to shrink from the obligation to speak the truth.”

Zinni also lauds the courage of former Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki, who bucked the prevailing line of the civilian neo-con leadership at the Pentagon, and who underlined that a successful conclusion of the Iraq operation would require at least 300,000 troops. Shinseki’s prediction got an icy reception, but it has been vindicated in spades. The outspoken Army chief went into early retirement.

Tony Zinni certainly lives up to those high-minded demands of conscience as well as to the highest military traditions of the United States. For this we salute him and support his efforts to bring the United States back to its role as a “beacon of hope and a temple of liberty” as General Lafayette described it, by reviving another important American tradition: riding those American neo-con “scalawags” around Cheney and Rumsfeld out of Washington on a rail!

Did Lieberman Resign From Democratic Party?

by Michele Steinberg

On June 16, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., Senator “Neo-Con Joe” Lieberman delivered a speech which was—or at least should be—his resignation from the Democratic Party. Lieberman announced to a gathering of the top 80-100 Iraq warmongers and neo-con crazies in Washington, that the Korean War-era, warmongering Committee on the Present Danger (CPD), was being “reborn for a third time.” The event was sponsored by the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, and of all the speakers, Lieberman was the most rabid.

There was only one reason for the gathering: Bush and Cheney are in increasing trouble, and “Super Watergate” is in the air. The meeting was called to try to regain the offensive in the Iraq war and spread war to other “rogue nations”; the sponsors needed Lieberman to steer Democrats back into being “Cheney’s protection racket.”

Lieberman delivered, saying that *if* the President of the United States—the leader of this war against terrorism—“happens to be a Republican” (which of course, he is), then that President has *his* full support, because “ultimately, loyalty to country” is much more important “than loyalty to party.” To sweeten that declaration of war against the Democratic Party, Lieberman claimed that he represents “the true ideals” of the Democrats.

Fight Islam Everywhere, Says Joe

The pseudo-Democratic Senator demonstrated a degree of Islam-hating that was shocking. He warned that a “new empire of evil” was in the making: a new Muslim Caliphate, run by Osama bin Laden, and the “Islamists,” which would extend from “Istanbul to Islamabad, from Khartoum to Kabul, from Kuala Lumpur to Bangkok, and beyond.” Reading from the words of Osama bin Laden in 1998—Lieberman claimed this empire will give a home to “every Muslim” who must “obey God’s command to kill the Americans and plunder their possessions wherever he finds them and whenever he can.”

Lieberman said this “Islamic Jihadism” is the same as “Nazi totalitarianism,” and fighting it is the same as fighting the Nazis. Without the United States, the leaders of the Muslim countries lack the drive and the commitment to stop the Islamists, he charged. In a poor imitation of Winston



This 1976 LaRouche campaign poster took on the last “incarnation” of the Committee on the Present Danger, which pushed candidate Jimmy Carter. Joe Lieberman’s mug belongs there now.

Churchill’s 1946 Iron Curtain speech, “Neo-Con Joe” told the audience that the role of the new CPD and of the Foundation is critical, because a new “theological wall” is going down over the Arab world. The assembled audience has a “critical role,” he said, because, “today in America, support for the [Iraq] war is in jeopardy.” He attacked those who want to use the prison abuse scandal to “pull our troops out.” America might lose the will to win, Lieberman repeated several times: “The terrorists will never defeat us militarily. We cannot allow them to defeat us politically.”

Giving 100% support to Cheney’s lies about the al-Qaeda/Iraq connection, Lieberman said, “The connection between the Iraqi insurgency . . . and al-Qaeda’s worldwide campaign of anti-democratic terror is now clear. Bin Laden’s henchmen are fighting side-by-side with Saddam loyalists on the streets of Baghdad, Fallujah, Najaf, and across Iraq—killing Americans and Iraqis.” Lieberman even pleaded for reprinting of bin Laden’s writings, so that “every school-child” can be made to read them in order to know the danger of terrorism.

Twice before, the anti-American System faction of the U.S. establishment used the Committee on the Present Danger moniker to push pre-emptive war and nuclear strikes. In 1950, CPD-I’s target was China. In 1976, CPD-II’s target was the Soviet Union. This was the network of nuclear warmongers that Lyndon LaRouche exposed in his first half-hour national TV show, during his 1976 Presidential campaign. The fact that some Democrats use Lieberman and his neo-con thugs to exclude LaRouche becomes a bigger scandal by the day.

Is Taiwan the Pawn in Neo-Con Push for an Anti-China War?

by Leni Rubinstein

A recent Pentagon study which contains an unambiguous threat to bomb China's Three Gorges Dam, is causing a political earthquake in Asia. One of the major reasons for concern is that the current leadership in Taiwan is highly susceptible to being used as a pawn in this neo-con scenario, as my recent visit to the island showed.

"The two-year-old party and the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) are but two sides of the same coin. These pitiful Taiwan independence advocates are being used by outsiders, and they don't even know it! . . . We are just now at a time when cooperation between Taiwan and mainland China is building a new China, with a revival of the great Chinese tradition. So, how can some people be creating opportunities for foreign hegemonists, and leaving to their descendants an untenable strategic position that is bound to bring disaster?"

This warning—from a "wake-up" document issued in 1995 by Chiang Kai-shek's son, the late Gen. Chiang Wei-kuo—was precise. The then-President Lee Teng-hui had called for converting the Kuomintang (the party created by Sun Yat-sen) into a Taiwanese Kuomintang (i.e. a "two-year-old party"). Chiang Wei-kuo rightly stated that Dr. Sun Yat-sen's principle "To pursue freedom and equality for all of China," was being abandoned, and accused the same interests that had launched the two earlier Japanese wars against China, of being behind Lee Teng-hui's actions. This seems to be what's happening today.

The Scene 'On the Ground' in Taiwan

As described in an earlier report in *EIR*, in the four years that pro-independence President Chen Shui-bian has held office, his party, the DPP, has taken control over the media and key positions in state-owned companies, and, importantly, has rapidly pursued the promotion of the "de-sinification"

of Taiwan. Taiwanese "consciousness" is emphasized, the change to a new "Taiwanese" flag has been promoted, and the text books used to teach history have been changed to stress that the history of Taiwan is separate from the history of China. The recent election campaign leading up to the Presidential elections March 20, in which Chen Shui-bian won the (still disputed) election by 0.2%, was very local and divisive, and the DPP ran a strictly anti-China campaign. Everything negative (real or imagined) in the island of Taiwan, with its 23 million inhabitants, stemmed, according to the DPP, from China—from the high unemployment, and the bad economy, to the threat that "Chinese women are going to come and steal your husbands."

Two examples of the DPP's anti-China propaganda stand out: First, on May 20, the day of the inauguration of Chen Shui-bian, Chen had his staff distribute the flag of the Republic of China (Taiwan)—with his name and that of the vice president on it—to the approximately 10,000 invited supporters; they were supposed to wave it at special moments. Most people threw the flag on the ground; they would not touch it, let alone wave it. The ground was littered with flags.

Secondly, Taiwan possesses the world's greatest collection of Chinese artifacts, from many centuries, brought over to Taiwan by Chiang Kai-shek in 1949. Before Chen Shui-bian took office four years ago, the National Palace Museum in Taiwan, built to exhibit these treasures, was always promoted in the papers as a "must see." In the last couple of years, this has not been the case. If you were visiting Taiwan for the first time today, you would hardly know the museum exists! With the excuse of renovation, only a very small part of the artifacts is being shown, while a major part of the museum is used for exhibitions from abroad. The director, Tu Cheng-sheng, appointed by Chen Shui-bian, has been rewarded for

these efforts by being appointed Taiwan's new education minister!

The general "mood" in Taiwan is one of insecurity. The question being asked is: "What is going to happen in the future." The island is split fifty-fifty for or against China.

A number of leading scholars emphasized to *EIR* that the situation is extremely dangerous, and that, if you are a native Chinese reader, and can read "between the lines," the Chinese government's statements just before the inauguration were the most serious ever. They stated that Taiwan's leaders must choose between recognizing their country as part of China, or "following their separatist agenda to cut Taiwan from the rest of China, and, in the end, meet their own destruction by playing with fire." Former parliamentarian Fung Hu-Hsiang stated that this was the most serious situation since 1958, and warned that Beijing is ready to cancel the Olympics in 2008, and attack, should Taiwan declare independence.

A leading military analyst, Andrew Yang, secretary general of the Chinese Council of Advanced Policy Studies, said that this is China's strongest and highest-level warning against Taiwan independence so far. Yang stated, that if Taiwan did not accept the offer to become part of China, Beijing would begin preparations for the "worst-case scenario." "It means take it or leave it. It is the final offer."

Escalation Toward Confrontation

The people contacted by *EIR* believed that Chen Shui-bian and his government are waiting for the outcome of the U.S. Presidential elections, before taking any new initiatives regarding a new constitution and escalating their drive towards independence. Although the direction of the international strategic situation will be determined by the developments in the United States, the preparations for a further escalation toward military confrontation are taking place.

Some indications: Shintaro Ishitara, who is the virulently anti-China Governor of Tokyo, as well as a close friend of Lee Teng-hui, visited Taiwan during Chen Shui-bian's inauguration; he had a very busy schedule, including a meeting with President Chen and Vice-President Lu, at which he stated that many Japanese politicians are not satisfied with their government's Taiwan policy, and proposed that Tokyo serve as a pioneer in the process of initiating an improved process of cooperation with Taiwan.

Another collaborator of Lee Teng-hui, Koh Se-kai, was just appointed top representative of Taiwan to Japan. Koh lived in exile in Japan for 33 years, because of his pro-independence activities. In 1975, while living in Japan, he drafted a "Constitution for the Taiwan Republic." Close collaborators of Koh, while in exile, were National Policy Advisor Alice King, and Chairman of World United Formosans for Independence, Ng Chiau-tong. Upon his appointment, Koh stated that he thought an important aspect of his new position would be to bolster Japan's role in defending Taiwan's security, on the basis of the U.S.-Japan Defense Guidelines in 1999, under which the United States and Japan are responsible for the

security of "areas surrounding Japan."

According to Koh: "It is not only the U.S.'s responsibility to defend Taiwan's security; Japan also shares that responsibility. The U.S. is mandated to come to Taiwan's defense under the Taiwan Relations Act, while Japan is mandated through its obligation for regional security under the U.S.-Japan Defense Guidelines. Therefore, it is very important for Taiwan to ensure that Japan is obligated to defend Taiwan."

Meanwhile, a renewed discussion is taking place about Taiwan acquiring medium-range ballistic missiles, and becoming part of the theater missile defense system (TMD). At a conference entitled "New Vision of Taiwan Strategic Security Based on the Taiwan Entity," held in Taipei May 26, senior advisor to the National Security Council Lin Wen-cheng, called for Taiwan to join a future TMD, stressing "Offense is the best defense—Taiwan needs to develop some kind of offensive capability. To develop medium-range ballistic missiles is one of the options that Taiwan should consider to increase its deterrent power."

This echoes the report issued by the Pentagon May 28, with respect to the Peoples' Liberation Army's combat capability, which has caused shockwaves. It stated: "Taiwan's air force already has a latent capability for airstrikes against China . . . Leaders have publicly cited the need for ballistic and land-attack cruise missiles. Since Taipei cannot match Beijing's ability to field offensive systems, proponents of strikes against the mainland apparently hope that merely presenting credible threats to China's urban population or high-value targets, such as the Three Gorges Dam, will deter Chinese military coercion."

To escalate the crisis, pro-independence supporters, led by former president Lee Teng-hui, at the end of May, started a campaign to push for a new constitution. Under the leadership of Lee, Ng Chiao-tong, chairman of the World United Formosans for Independence (and close collaborator of Taiwan's new representative to Japan, Koh, mentioned above), is organizing seminars and conferences across Taiwan for this purpose, and intends to campaign to gain international support as well. "What we want is to create a new constitution through a referendum, and we hope that sovereignty issues, such as the scope of Taiwan's territory, will be addressed. It should state that Taiwan's territory is Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu," Ng stated.

While the opposition parties have shown no leadership in opposing the independence drive, Taiwan's young people are open to an alternative. In a series of classes to university students, this author, without much difficulty, had joyous occasions in "liberating" the youth from this insane theater. While they are initially mostly anti-American and/or anti-China, when briefed on the insanity of the financial and economic collapse and the neo-con strategy of preventive wars, and LaRouche's international youth movement's campaign for a new renaissance and community of principle among sovereign nation states, most of Taiwan's youth quickly transformed their outlook to that of world citizens.

Conditions in Iraq Are Worse Than a Year Ago

by Hussein Askary

As Iraqis prepare to go into another horribly hot Summer, literally and politically, many people are losing hope, or desperately express a paradoxical longing for the days of Saddam's dictatorship. At least—some would say—then there was enough drinking water, electricity for air conditioning, and security. Today, there is very little water to drink, no electricity, and a lot of death. What could be worse than a military dictatorship? It is what the Iraqis live under today. Iraq, ironically, is being invaded by mobile phones, used computers, and satellite television receivers; but, there is no electricity to run these devices. So much for the post-industrial information age.

This all could have been prevented, if the Bush-Administration's neo-conservatives, and their executioners in Iraq, had been stopped immediately after the occupation. If the Iraqi army, police, security, and vital economic institutions had not been destroyed by the U.S. occupation's administration, the situation in Iraq would have been much better. There is still a slim chance of reversing that, with the implementation of ideas proposed in this publication by American Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche, for restoring vital pre-war Iraqi institutions, and starting a genuine cooperation among the United States, the people of Iraq, and the nations of the region. The curious thing about Iraqis is that they are always optimistic, and still under these conditions, believe that tomorrow is going to be better than today. They have gone through a lot of horrors throughout their history, and could still manage to survive the current one, and come out of it stronger. But whether that happens will be determined by the battle which is taking place in the United States itself, not in Iraq.

Living Conditions

With temperatures rising to 45-48° Celsius (113-118° Fahrenheit) from late June through early September, the lack of enough water, and electricity for air conditioning and food storage, is a matter of life and death, especially for children and the elderly. Electricity now comes to the households in most parts of Iraq in three-hour intervals several times a day. The power generation capacity is as low today as it was one year ago, as power stations are barely functioning and need a great deal of improvement and development, and none of that was done for more than a year under the occupation. Also, due to the totally chaotic security situation, oil and gas pipelines feeding these stations are frequently attacked by militants, putting the stations out of work for days.

Many of the members of the former Iraqi Governing Council have fled "liberated" Iraq left to go to Britain, where they used to live before the invasion. Almost all of them keep their families in Britain. Their justification is that the living and security conditions in Iraq are unbearable! Most of the much-touted sums of \$18 billion in reconstruction contracts pledged to the Iraqi interim government are just ink on paper. Barely \$1.5 to 2 billion has been allocated for contracts directed to simply repairing some of the damage caused by the war. To their credit, the one job accomplished under the occupation authorities is the painting of schools. All Iraqi schools shine on the outside, but you wouldn't send your kids *inside* these schools. According to Iraqi sources, the greatest amount of money paid for contracts in Iraq this year was directed to "security companies" to the tune of \$400 million. There was \$2 billion allocated last September for power generation and transmission, but many of these projects were not even started. There was only one major project in that area, consisting of building high-capacity power lines from Al-Kut to Amara and Nasiriyah in southern Iraq. Two months after the project was finished, all equipment, poles, and wires were dismantled and sold as scrap metal. The lack of security, caused by the occupation's decision to dismantle the Iraqi army and security forces, has turned the country into a playground for organized criminal groups capable of dismantling the nation's infrastructure and selling it as scrap outside the country.

The only improvement made in the health-care and education sectors, is not related to improving the logistics, but to increasing the salaries of employees to keep these two sectors running. However, Iraq's relatively advanced health and education sector is based on improvements, and new purchases of equipment and technologies. The salaries of other "public sector" employees were also increased from \$60-100 per month to about \$200-300. However, even this caused a problem, because the ever more market-based prices of commodities increased proportionally with the increase of the income. Now, if you look at the fact that 70-80% of the population is unemployed or retired with a salary of only \$60 per month, then you realize that is more of a curse than a blessing.

Another strange phenomenon is the incredible rise in real estate prices. The prices of homes and land lots have increased to surrealistic levels. In Baghdad, real estate prices are now approaching those of Western Europe. The speculation was triggered by the inflow of funds from outside the country, both from Iraqis living in exile, but more dangerously from foreign real-estate companies connected to the new Iraqi leadership working with the U.S.-British occupation. This rise also means that many Iraqis, who have lived as secure tenants, will now be forced to leave their homes, or pay everything they earn for rent.

The Oil Sector

Iraq's economic backbone, the petroleum production and export sector, is in shambles. Official statistics claim that

Iraq's export of crude oil from the southern and northern terminals, is about 1.7 million barrels per day, and some times near 2 million. This is simply a lie. The production could indeed potentially reach that daily level every now and then, but that is not the annual average. There are no official records publicly presented, on how much oil was produced and exported. There are only crude numbers.

Furthermore, the lack of security in the country has made the export pipelines, stretched for hundreds of kilometers to the south and the north of the country, easy targets for the forces resisting the occupation. It is becoming increasingly evident that the militants opposing the U.S. occupation are using that as part of their strategy. Only in June, as the international prices of oil skyrocketed, several attacks totally stopped Iraqi oil exports. On June 15, militants blew up a portion of a pipeline carrying oil south of Basra, interrupting oil exports. The same day, Ghazi Talabani, the security chief of Iraq's oil fields around Kirkuk (in the North), was assassinated. Another attack occurred just after midnight. Officials with the state-run Southern Oil Company predicted it would take at least a week to repair the pipelines. The officials pointed out that oil supply had come to a halt through Iraq's southern export route. Iraq's southern pipeline has been the main export artery since the U.S. invasion of Iraq. The attacks followed two other explosions on June 14 along pipelines in the Faw Peninsula, near Basra.

The Political Situation

On June 1, a new Iraqi interim government was installed by the occupation alliance, in cooperation with the UN envoy to Iraq, Lakhdar Brahimi. On June 30, this government is supposed to take over the sovereignty of the country, replacing the Coalition Provisional Authority of Paul Bremer, and its puppet Iraqi Governing Council (see *EIR*, June 11). On June 8, the United Nations Security Council voted unanimously for Resolution 1546, a U.S.-British proposal that formally ends the occupation of Iraq on June 30, and authorizes U.S.-led troops to keep the peace. The Security Council endorsed a "sovereign interim government" in Iraq after weeks of negotiations, and a last-minute addition by the U.S. and Britain on military policy, which France and Germany had demanded. The resolution attempts to pave the way for democracy by giving a timetable for elections—not later than Jan. 31, 2005. It puts Iraq in charge of its oil income, and calls for the UN to help with elections, a constitution, and other tasks. Control of the 160,000 U.S.-led troops was the most contentious issue, for which the resolution authorized a multinational force under American command to "use all necessary measures" to prevent violence. The resolution, formally, gives the Iraqi interim government the right to order U.S. troops to leave at any time and makes clear that the mandate of the international force would expire by the end of January 2006. But, the controlled Iraqi interim government intends to "ask" the occupation forces to stay in Iraq "to help secure the country."

"The UN resolution on Iraq is not a serious attempt to solve the problem in Iraq, or the region," said Lyndon LaRouche in commenting on the resolution. Its primary purpose is to attempt to solve the conflict between Europe and the United States—at least prevent an increase in instability between the U.S. and Europe, so that the financial collapse can be postponed until after the November election in the United States, LaRouche said. "Not until the Iraqis have established a representative government of their own, can they set up a legitimate process through which to form a new Constitution. Until then, the 1958 Constitution is it," LaRouche stressed.

There is one major political force in Iraq who converges on the thinking of LaRouche: Iraq's leading Shia spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani. Al-Sistani has openly stated that he considers all forms of government, laws, regulations, and constitutions established under the occupation as illegal, null and void. Although he has not emphasized the issue of the 1958 Constitution, he insists on holding elections whereby a legitimate Iraqi national congress is elected to start discussions of a permanent constitution and forming a truly sovereign government, without the presence of the occupation.

Al-Sistani has proven that he is a true representative of the Iraqi people, not of the interim government or the IGC, and that what he says—until the establishment of a legitimate government—would be as effective as the law. He does not consider his role as a political leader, but as the guardian of the natural rights of the Iraqi people until a real leadership is available.

He has accepted the current Iraqi interim government until the day of elections planned for Jan. 25, 2005, but, with reservations. A statement issued by him on June 2 stated, "it is hoped that the new government will prove itself able to shoulder the enormous tasks before it." The statement urged that the new government lobby vigorously at the UN to remove "all traces" of the occupation, and that it is limited because it does not have "the legitimacy of elections," and it doesn't represent "in an acceptable manner all segments of Iraqi society and political forces."

Al-Sistani also influenced UN Resolution 1546. He issued an open letter to the chairman and members of the United Nations Security Council on June 7, warning them that the inclusion, or even mention in any new UNSC resolu-

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Voters Oust Incumbents, Reject EU Austerity

by Rainer Apel

The elections for the European Parliament on June 13 led to a drastic loss of votes for the governing parties in all 25 member countries except Slovakia, as a result of increasing discontent among voters with the budget-cutting policies of governments, in line with the European Union's Maastricht Treaty rules. (See box for Lyndon H. LaRouche's call: "Back to Sovereignty!") In only 5 out of the 25 member countries of the EU, was voter turnout above 50%. Among the leading, most-populated countries, turnout in Britain was 38%, France 43%, Germany 43%, Spain 46%. In some countries, voter turnout was drastically below the 50% mark: 28% in the Czech Republic and in Slovenia, 20% in Poland, and a mere 16% in Slovakia.

The fact that voter turnout was so low especially in the eastern and southeastern European countries, which joined the EU as new members on May 1, shows how much opposition there still is to the Maastricht conception of Europe, in which national sovereignty is obliterated and the continent is ruled by a supranational government, answerable to the central bankers and financiers. In Poland, where the Socialist-led transition government of Marek Belka, which has been in power since May 2, will fail to get a parliamentary majority for approval, early elections in August or September are certain to push the Socialists into the status of a mini-party, whereas the conservatives and nationalists are expected to make big gains.

But if conservatives are on the rise in Poland, they were voted down in France, Italy, Portugal, and Denmark. The socialists and social democrats lost massively in Germany, Britain, and the Czech Republic. The European Parliament elections were thus essentially a vote of no-confidence against the incumbent governments, irrespective of the political color of the governing parties. In Britain, the governing Labour Party received, with 22.6%, its worst Euro-Parliament election result ever (see accompanying article), whereas the Social Democrats of Germany, coming out of the elections with almost a third less votes than in the last European elections in 1999, had, with 21.5%, their worst result in any type of election since the foundation of the Federal Republic of Germany in 1949. It cannot be ruled out that in numerous member countries, for example Britain, France, Italy, and Germany, incumbent governments will not last through the Autumn.

The conservative parties showed a net increase of voter

tion, of the Transitional Administrative Law (TAL) would lead to "dangerous consequences." The TAL, drafted under the occupation and its influence, is regarded by some as a new "constitution" to be included in discussions of the permanent constitution after the interim period. Al-Sistani's message read: "We have been informed that there are those who are attempting to mention the so-called 'Transitional Administrative Law' in the new UNSC resolution concerning Iraq, in order to give it international legitimacy. This 'Law' was drafted by a non-elected council under the occupation and through direct influence from it, and it would bind the national congress that will be elected in the beginning of the next year to establish the permanent constitution of Iraq. This matter is in contrast to all laws, and is rejected by most members of the Iraqi people. Therefore, any attempt to give legitimacy to this 'Law' through mentioning it in the international resolution would be regarded as an act against the Iraqi people, and would be a foreboding of dangerous consequences."

The TAL included major changes in the Iraqi social and political structure, dividing the country into a federation of ethnic or religious regions, and giving the Kurds an independent status and veto on future Iraqi constitutional deliberations. News wires reported that al-Sistani's warning was taken into consideration in the final draft of the resolution of the Security Council, and therefore the TAL was not mentioned in the UN resolution.

Meanwhile, the Kurdish leaders were protesting against this move. The two major Kurdish leaders, Masoud Barzani and Jalal Talabani, issued an open message to the Security Council, warning that if the TAL was not regarded as a valid constitution with the special Kurdish rights in it being acknowledged, they would withdraw their representatives from the Iraqi provisional government. They also said that this "would put in jeopardy the fate of the Kurdish people" and that "it was this law that kept the Kurds recently within a unified, federal and parliamentary Iraq." Eventually, the Kurdish leaders withdrew their threat, but the rift, and suspicions, will remain in the coming months between the Kurdish minority leaders and the other ethnic and religious groups in the country.

The illusion that the new Iraqi government, the new UN resolution, and promises of elections would calm the situation down until the U.S. elections in November, was shattered by a series of suicide attacks in Baghdad and other cities, killing scores of Iraqis and "foreign contractors" working for the CPA. A number of effective attacks were also launched against U.S. forces, killing several soldiers. Clashes also resumed between followers of Shia cleric Muqtada Al-Sadr and U.S. troops, in spite of the cease-fire agreement reached a few days earlier.

Unless reason prevails, this Summer will prove to be the hottest ever, both in Baghdad and Washington.

Based on first-hand reports from Iraq.

percentages, if one takes all 25 EU member countries together; but in terms of absolute votes, they lost too. In Germany for example, the conservatives lost almost 10% of the votes they had received in 1999. This has to do with the fact that the German Christian Democrats are calling for even harsher budgetary austerity than the governing Social Democrats. This is certainly not the kind of Europe that the citizens want. But the vast majority of citizens do not yet really know which Europe they want. Most of the “critical” voters still waste their votes on “protest” parties—populists that offer no real alternate program (especially in Poland, Britain, and the Netherlands)—or boycott the election altogether.

The vigorous election campaigning by the LaRouche Youth Movement in numerous of the big urban centers in continental Europe, exposed many voters to LaRouche’s strategic analysis, and his concept of a New Bretton Woods global

financial reorganization. Although the LaRouche slates campaigning in France and Germany did not receive large percentages, the number of votes tripled, compared to the 1999 elections for European Parliament.

The LaRouche movement, unlike the “established” parties trying to hold on to the discredited Maastricht system, does have a well-formulated programmatic alternative and addresses the danger of a global economic-financial crash. It is committed to keep fighting after these European elections for the abolition of the Maastricht austerity system, and it will recruit more members, especially to the Youth Movement. Allowing the voters to fall back into a post-election sleep in this period of deepening crisis, would cause what the LaRouche slates warned against, on one of their main election posters: “The sleep of Europe will create monsters.” The renewed recruitment drive began on the day after the elections.

New Tower of Babel Flops at Starting-Gate

The combination of the slap in the face to Britain’s Prime Minister Tony Blair in the British municipal elections, and the confusion and widespread popular indifference shown in the pattern of election-results in [June 13] European Union elections, marks the beginning of a phase-shift in Anglo-American financier circles’ policies of imperial globalization. Blair and the Cheneyacs are now being discounted for future sales on the market for scrap materials, while an alternative, equally dangerous version of Anglo-American world tyranny, is already being hatched around the financier-owned, civilian parts of the U.S. Defense establishment.

The intention of the new Anglo-American, post-Blair-Cheney, production-line model of imperial globalization, will make a laughing-stock of continental Europe’s flight into dream-world fantasies about the European Union as possibly a “Miniver Cheevy” style of “alternative” to Yankee overbearingness. The presently reigning political generation, in Germany and elsewhere in Europe, has destroyed so much, so savagely, of the continental infrastructure, agricultural, and middle-industry elements of physical economic power of presently-bankrupt both western and pre-1989 eastern Europe. This generation’s experience and policy-shaping habits feature no clear conception of the nature and role of physical capital-intensity and the essential nature of Classical modes of Hamilton-Carey-List protectionism in making even merely possible, the build-up, or relaunching of a prosperous form of modern agro-industrial economy.

Those governments must learn, that you do not become rich by winning a poker game, played at the side of an abandoned factory, with a bankrupt gambler’s worthless promises to pay (such as financial-derivatives hedges) as pledges at stake.

Without long-term-ranging protectionist measures, which, by their nature, depend on a balance between the power of national sovereignty and customs-union-like agreements among nations, there is no physical possibility that a union plunging into the form of European Union attuned to “globalization,” will not simply become a victim, to the Anglo-American powers tomorrow what the looted wreckage of cheap-labor markets once known as Central and South America are to the combined, predatory financier interests of the Spain and the Anglo-Americans, today.

It proves the age-old wisdom, that any attempt to replace national cultures with an imperial Tower of Babel, which the present trend of the European Union policy-drift implies, was always, and remains a very bad idea, an idea fit only for those who would stumble into a doom brought upon themselves. The election is a slight warning tremor of the threatened earthquake to come, a warning sign that it is time that the cry for “Back to Sovereignty” be sounded from the battlements. Perhaps, that needed return of Europe to a system of sovereign republics can be engendered only from a United States which has dumped not only what Cheney represents, but also the alternate band of imperialists now being positioned to replace the Cheneyacs as the intended carrion-crows now assembling to descend upon Europe.

Europe deserves a better future than globalization would ever allow. For that purpose, someone must teach those political parties the rudiments of a competent form of economics.—*Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.*

Election Fiasco

'Kicks' Blair, New Labour

by Mark and Mary Burdman

British Prime Minister Tony Blair suffered his worst humiliation, in June 10 local elections and European Parliament contests across England and Wales, since he was elected in May 1997. The result of Blair's Labour Party's miserable showing in both, is that the Prime Minister is now, at best, a lame duck, ripe to be removed from power at some early date in the coming months.

These results were not a consequence of local or European issues, but rather a referendum on Blair's dragging Britain into the Iraq fiasco, and, more generally, Blair's stubborn alignment with the Dick Cheney-led neo-conservatives in Washington. His obsession with standing "shoulder to shoulder" with the neo-cons is becoming such a liability, that even core "New Labour" figures are publicly begging Blair to "put some light" between himself and the Cheney crowd. Thus, June 10 has transatlantic consequences, and could well speed up the "super-Watergate" hitting the Bush-Cheney Administration in Washington. But the election results are only one of the flanks now opening against Blair's rule. *EIR's* sources had forecast that a bad showing on June 10 would be a "signal" for renewed intelligence warfare and scandals against Blair, over the Iraq "weapons of mass destruction" farce (which played so crucial a role for the Cheneyites' "pre-emptive strike" doctrine). These scandals are already resuming.

Then, there is the economy. The Bank of England (BoE) chose June 10 to announce it was raising interest rates by a quarter-point for the second time in two months. This was even a greater blow for Blair. BoE Governor Mervyn King followed up, four days later, with a blunt speech warning about the fragility of Britain's huge housing bubble. House price inflation is now over 20% a year in Britain. With credit card and other debt added on to mortgage obligations, British households are *£1 trillion (\$1.835 trillion) in debt*—a bubble just as bad, per capita, as that in America. One trillion pounds debt equals Britain's annual output, the *Financial Times* noted sourly on June 2.

Blair is certainly nervous. Usually, he loves strutting about on the world scene, but the election results were announced while he was in the United States for the G-8 summit and the funeral of Ronald Reagan. "Of course, it's a difficult time," he had to admit, adding, "It's a question of holding our nerve." He acknowledged that there was "anger" over his Iraq policies, but claimed that the situation in Iraq would improve,

and that Britons would concentrate on his record on the economy. He will regret both statements.

Back in London on June 15, Blair showed the strain in his monthly press conference; he was rambling, losing track of his thoughts in mid-sentence, and issuing contradictory political assertions. British press the next day noted that the best indication that Blair is losing it, was that he broke down amidst the subject he loves best: praising himself and the great domestic "successes" of his New Labour regime. Some press wondered about Blair's health—noting that he had had a heart problem last year. As one British insider noted on June 16, "Ruining the health is one favorite means, here in Britain, of forcing a leader from power."

'Get Rid of Blair'

In the local council elections, Labour scored the worst results in living memory for the party, losing 476 seats from the 2,737 they had before the election. In national percentage, they came in third, with only 26%, as the opposition Conservatives (Tories) scored 38%, and the Liberal Democrats poll soared, from their previous distant third, to 30%. The Tories gained 279 council seats, and the Liberal Dems, who had always opposed the Iraq war, 132. Never in British election history has an incumbent party collapsed into third place in local elections. Labour city strongholds of decades, such as Newcastle and Leeds, were lost to the opposition, along with two main city councils in Wales, Cardiff and Swansea. Especially humiliating to Blair, is that the Labourites lost in the northern England region, which is his own political base and that of his "New Labour" policy guru, Peter Mandelson, and others of the Blair inner circle.

A candid assessment of the results was given on June 11 by a leading British Atlanticist, who is also a Labour Party activist: "The results for Labour were atrocious, but more than local issues are involved. I was canvassing votes for Labour yesterday, going house to house, and what I was told in every second house, was, 'Get rid of Blair, and I'll vote for Labour.' In many houses, I was met with attacks on Bush, as well. So, this election yesterday amounted to a referendum on the Blair-Bush-Cheney relationship."

Former Labour Cabinet minister Clare Short, who resigned after the Iraq war, was among those who called for Blair to step down. On June 11, she declared: "I think that the electorate is sending a message to Tony Blair. . . . What we did in Iraq has brought disgrace and dishonor to Britain around the world. As Tony Blair won't change the policy to make a correction, it is for him to step aside from the leadership." This sentiment was echoed by serving Labour Parliamentarians.

As for the Euro-Parliament elections, the results for which were announced on June 13, Labour scored below the Tories, 27% to 23%, with the maverick UK Independence Party, which wants Britain out of the European Union, at 16%. In respect to European politics, the Euro-Parliament result, said one seasoned observer, "turns Blair's policy of being a bridge

between the United States and Europe upside-down." A second observer asserted that, in respect to Europe, "Blair is a busted flush"—a favorite, uncomplimentary British expression derived from poker.

The June 14 mass-circulation tabloid, the *Daily Mail*, characterized the Euro-election results as "a humiliating rebuff for Tony Blair." The *Daily Telegraph* commented that Blair was now entering "the most dangerous phase of his premiership."

'The Dossier Was a Mistake'

A dagger has been aimed in Blair's direction by the former head of Britain's MI5 intelligence agency, Dame Stella Rimington, who took the unusual step of publicly attacking the notorious Sept. 24, 2002 "Blair dossier" on an alleged—actually non-existent—"Iraqi weapons of mass destruction" threat. That dossier, with such claims as that Iraq could activate weapons systems "within 45 minutes" to threaten British interests, was instrumental in winning over reluctant Parliamentarians to the war, and thus "legitimizing" the Cheney "preventive war" strategy which had been codified one week earlier, in the September 2002 U.S. National Security Strategy (NSS2002) document.

"I feel the dossier was a mistake," Dame Stella told the *Daily Telegraph* June 11. "Formally putting intelligence into the public domain was not, in my view, a sensible thing to do. The whole point about intelligence is that it changes. What you think is the case today, may be different tomorrow, because of new information. The trouble is, if you put something out as a dossier, it is frozen in time. . . . The whole episode has probably damaged the reputation of the intelligence service." Asked if she would have resisted Blair's demand for a public dossier, Dame Stella said: "I can't say, as I don't know the circumstances, . . . but I expect I would have thought no good will come of this."

This blast was damaging to Blair and to his newly-appointed head of MI6 foreign intelligence, Sir John Scarlett, who, as head of the Joint Intelligence Committee (JIC), had authored the Blair-approved dossier. Experts note that Rimington's statements came soon after the resignation of American CIA chief George Tenet, who is known to be unhappy about the intelligence fiascos that set the Iraq war into motion. On June 4, former Labour Defence Minister Peter Kilfoyle said that Scarlett's position would be weakened by Tenet's resignation. "The search for scapegoats is on on the American side of the Atlantic, and I do wonder when someone will take responsibility on this side," Kilfoyle said.

Just after the council elections, Deputy Prime Minister John Prescott had to admit Labour had suffered a "kicking," and the nasty Home Secretary, David Blunkett, said he was "mortified," and admitted to BBC Radio 4 that the Iraq war had "split" the Labour party and public opinion in Britain. An unnamed Cabinet minister told *The Independent* June 15 that, despite many Labour MPs' demands, Blair cannot apologize

for the Iraq war, because that "would bring the whole thing tumbling down on him."

Despite his position, Prescott's loyalties to Blair are not so firm as they might be. In mid-May, he gave a much-publicized interview to *The Times*: Asked if the Cabinet is discussing life after Blair, he said, "Yes, people do talk about it and you get that discussion. . . . every British prime minister goes eventually." A week later, Prescott wondered aloud about Blair and the surprise resignation of Prime Minister Harold Wilson in March 1976.

'Unsustainable' House Prices

New Labour got another kicking June 14, when BoE governor King told the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) in Glasgow that "it is clear that the chances of falls in house prices are greater than they were." He also announced future interest rate rises (there have been four since November): "How far interest rates will need to rise in order to keep inflation on track . . . is impossible to say with any degree of confidence."

The ratio of house prices to average earnings, "is now at levels which are well above what most people would regard as sustainable in the longer term," King said. "There are some early signs, from surveys, of a slowdown in the housing market. After the hectic pace of price rises over the past year, it is clear that the chances of falls in house prices are greater than they were. So anyone entering or moving within the housing market should consider carefully the possible future paths of both house prices and interest rates." A just-released report by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors says that real estate "optimism is at its lowest level since July last year," and that the frantic pace of price increases has slowed for the first time in six months. The number of house-seekers has also fallen, in the biggest decline since April 2003. At end-May, the U.K. Council of Mortgage Lenders, responsible for 98% of lending, called for interest rates to go up to 5.25% by year end, as the only way to cut the 20% house price inflation at least in half.

House prices in southern England are at the outrageous level of 7.5 times local earnings. Nationwide, the multiple is 5.6. Since 2001, house prices have risen by one-third in greater London, but almost two-thirds in the rest of Britain. Halifax Bank, Britain's biggest mortgage lender, reported that the average British property now costs nearly £158,000.

British householders are borrowing heavily on this bubble. In April, they took out a record £6.4 billion against the value of their houses, pushing net mortgage borrowing up 27% over April 2003; 60% over April 2002; and a breathtaking 131% over April 2001! Household debt is at a record 120% of disposal income, up from 100% during the pre-crash 1980s. In France, by comparison, household debt is 58.7% of disposable income.

Which will burst first, this debt bubble, or Tony Blair's political career?

Dangerous 'Window of Opportunity' in Korea

by Kathy Wolfe

South and North Korean officials announced a set of economic agreements on June 5, which featured a statement that a "test train" may travel across the DMZ on the Trans-Korean Railway (TKR) this Fall, for the first time since 1945. "The South and North . . . shall test run trains on the linked sections of the railways in October 2004," said a joint statement, which forecast regular train runs "by the end of 2005." The two sides will also open the western Seoul-Sinuiju highway and the East Coast road "no later than in October," it said.

The new South-North "peace offensive," ahead of the June 23 Six-Power Talks, included four days of celebrations on the anniversary of the Pyongyang Heads of State Summit of June 15, 2000. A Seoul conference was keynoted by President Roh Moo-hyun and former President Kim Dae-jung—who organized the 2000 summit—and called for Washington to guarantee North Korea's security as the only way out of today's crisis. It featured North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-il's personal representative Ri Jong-hyuk, and Gen. Park Chung-hee's daughter Rep. Park Geun-hye, head of the usually neo-con opposition Grand National Party, to demonstrate a consensus for détente.

For the first time since the 1953 end of the Korean War, plugs were pulled at midnight June 15 to silence the ear-splitting propaganda broadcasts of the two Koreas attacking each other from dozens of high-power batteries along the 248-kilometer border. They also began ripping down the 300 slogan boards and electronic displays. In a paradigm shift, North Korea's last broadcast called for reconciliation, while South Korea flashed a final sign reading: "Peace, reconciliation, and cooperation." South and North opened, that same day, the first military hotline since 1953, with the two navies exchanging radio communications, flags, and signals, making contact at five different locations for two hours. The Koreas also set up a joint agency to run the Kaesong Industrial Complex north of the DMZ, to which test trains would run so that the South can provide water, electricity, and other infrastructure to South Korean businesses to start operations in Kaesong in September. South and North also agreed to each open seven ports to the other. They are even discussing opening an east coast lane across the DMZ this Fall so that southern citizens may drive by car to Mt. Kumgang in the North. Photos of private cars crossing the DMZ would send a powerful message of normalization.

October Surprise

All this is an attempt to address the danger of an "October surprise" military conflict in Korea—before the U.S. election—provoked by the neo-cons to influence the vote. Defense Secretary Rumsfeld announced June 6 that he will pull 12,600 troops out of Korea, not 3,500 as mooted the month before. While many in both Koreas have called for the troops to leave, the timing has caused the same people to warn that the neo-cons are moving their men out to free their hands for a war. Six-Power Talks on North Korea have collapsed twice before, due to Vice President Dick Cheney's dictum to U.S. conferees that "we don't negotiate with evil; we defeat evil." Cheney continues to demand that Pyongyang unilaterally give up arms, which they refuse to do, so the June 23 talks are set for a third collapse. "The neo-cons are putting Pyongyang through a drama of '3 strikes and you're out,' so they can attack North Korea by Fall," a senior scholar told *EIR*. The *Korea Times* editorial June 15 warned there will be war, if nothing is done to shift this scripted course.

The Koreas have announced plans to run trains across the DMZ every year since 2000, but never followed through. Now, some hope they will take the opportunity, due to the danger. "Announcing an October timeframe for running a train means they may really do it, in order to head off any 'October surprise' before the U.S. election," a Korean diplomat told *EIR*. "I don't see how they can run a 'test train' only a few hundred meters; the Korean term implies they may run it from one station to another, such as Munsan or Dorasan [south of the DMZ] to Kaesong Station [north of the DMZ]." Munsan to Kaesong is about 32 km; Dorasan to Kaesong is about 20 km. "This means they would have to rebuild, or redecorate, Kaesong Station. By announcing a date, it's more definite."

Former President Kim Dae-jung may also soon visit Pyongyang, Korean press said June 13, to organize a second North-South heads of state summit in Seoul this year, which would be a major boost for peace. North Korean Chairman Kim Jong-il's failure to visit Seoul for four years, has let the neo-cons call the Sunshine Policy of détente a failure. "The United States should guarantee the security of North Korea and help it enter the international community," Kim Dae-jung said June 15, calling publicly for Kim Jong-il to visit Seoul. "The South Korean people will warmly welcome Chairman Kim to Seoul. Our people want to see the leaders of the South and the North together to discuss cooperation, prosperity and unification of the two Koreas."

Kim also called for North Korea to compromise with the United States to end the 20-month-long nuclear crisis, but endorsed the idea of doing so "in parallel," rather than the unilateral surrender Cheney demands. "The U.S. and North Korea," Kim said, "must come to agreement. Because there is a great deal of distrust between them, both should act simultaneously, or in parallel."

The Seoul meeting June 15 also began to rally interna-



A symbolic train runs a few hundred meters from South Korea's last station, up to the barbed wire at the DMZ on Sept. 18, 2002, for the ceremony to cut the wire. South and North Korean officials have now announced "test trains" will run between the Koreas this October.

tional opposition to a neo-con "preventive war." Former U.S. Ambassador to South Korea Donald Gregg, who sharply attacked the neo-cons in the *New York Times* June 10, was a prominent guest. Gregg endorsed Kim Dae-jung's call for direct talks between Washington and Pyongyang, and said, the longer America refuses direct negotiations, the higher the prospect of North Korea becoming a permanent nuclear power. Gregg has long attacked Cheney's refusal to talk to Pyongyang. He wrote that Bush Administration memos sanctioning torture had "devastatingly undercut America's standing in the world."

In Moscow, officials said June 15 that Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov plans to visit both South and North Korea in early July, Russia's Itar-Tass News Agency said. Lavrov will fly to Seoul and Pyongyang for shuttle diplomacy to "help resolve the impasse over nuclear programs." Moscow and Tokyo have also reached an agreement to coordinate aid on restoring the Trans-Korean Railway across both Koreas to Russia's Far East, Russian diplomats said. Russian engineers now upgrading North Korea's rail lines will receive funding from Japan.

Chinese Deputy Foreign Minister Zhou Wenzhong on June 8 openly confronted Cheney's claim that North Korea has a secret uranium bomb plan, in a shocking Beijing interview with the *New York Times*. "We know nothing about the uranium program," Zhou said. "We don't know if it exists. So far the U.S. has not presented convincing evidence of this program." *EIR* alone has covered Cheney's uranium fraud (*EIR*, Aug. 8, 2003) and China's private critique of it (*EIR*, Feb. 20, 2004)—but now China has made its first public charge that the entire North Korean crisis has been "sexed up."

Dick Cheney was repeatedly mentioned to the *Times* as the source of the problem. Zhou also said Washington must "stop using the allegations to hold up the talks," and "stop making charges until it has proof. This is a problem." North Korea "argues they cannot do all this [unilateral disarmament] for nothing and feel they must be compensated," Zhou said.

'Bigger Than the World Cup'

Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi also asked President Bush, at the G-8 Summit on June 9, to open talks with North Korea. "Chairman Kim wants economic development," Koizumi said, speaking about his May visit to Pyongyang, "and for this, there is an urgent need for an end to the Cold War environment. The North also requires economic aid, so they have agreed to the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula." Bush refused, but that Koizumi took such a risk, shows that Japanese foreign policy is dead set against war in Korea.

Lyndon LaRouche has called on the two Koreas for some years to "run the trains now!" as part of an insurance policy against war, but many Koreans are skeptical that all these leaders in Northeast Asia have the courage to follow through. "It's too little too late," one Korean economist said. "President Roh is too afraid of war to upset Washington by an alliance with China and Russia, so he is just playing local games with Pyongyang. Roh wants to convince us that a few feet of train lines can make peace. But this can't stop a neo-con strike on North Korean nuclear facilities in the Fall. . . . What is needed is LaRouche's overall approach: the full regional pan-Eurasian project for a 'New Deal' with Russia, China, Europe and Japan," he said. "But those foreign allies are not moving adequately to guarantee Korea's security. A little sweet talk with North Korea falls far short of the big projects we need, which should include the major infrastructure development projects across the entire region in Russia, China—all of it."

The ceremony linking the South and North Korean rail lines on June 14, 2003 was low key. A plaque was placed after 25 meters of rail were laid on either side of the Military Demarcation Line, and there was no train. "But when the first train runs, then you will see a celebration bigger than three World Cups," a South Korean official told *EIR*, referring to the soccer festivities which lit up Seoul with a month of fireworks in 2002. "I want to stress that the connection of these two lines is not only in the deep interests of the people of both Koreas, but for the good of the people of the entire Eurasian Land-Bridge and the world," he said. "Our strong intention is to not only connect the North-South rails, but to help strengthen and upgrade the entire route all along both the Trans-China Railway (TCR) and the Trans-Siberian Railway (TSR)."

United States, Britain: Housing Bubbles Doomed

by Richard Freeman

The U.S. housing bubble is showing notable signs of stress. The housing market has been propped up by several years of super-low interest rates, but since interest rates began to rise in April, households have made a significant retrenchment in financing and refinancing of home purchases. Such a retrenchment normally is the first phase of a serious housing bubble crash.

Simultaneously, the housing bubble in Great Britain—built upon the same leverage—is every bit as dangerously overblown and virulent as that in the United States, proportionate to that nation’s population. Bank of England Governor Mervyn King, on June 14, labeled home prices in Britain as “well above what most people would regard as sustainable in the longer term.” His remarks shook the British financial markets (see coverage on page 68).

The double housing bubbles in the United States and Britain represent one of the most infamously vulnerable sections of the bankrupt world financial system: They are built on piles of leverage; they intersect the world’s hundreds-of-trillions-dollar derivatives market; and they are an instrument, whereby consumers refinance their overpriced homes for cash borrowing for consumer spending, which they have no reasonable means to pay back.

It is lawful that the housing bubbles exist in the United States and Great Britain of pro-Iraq war synarchist allies Dick Cheney and Tony Blair. The oligarchical financiers who run the synarchist crowd, used the Iraq War as the lever to put into operation a pre-emptive nuclear war policy, whose intent is to impose upon a blackmailed world a new imperial order based on their rule. Now the paired housing bubbles of these two countries, because of rising interest rates, are threatening to burst, which would detonate the decayed world financial system, and bring down Cheney and Blair.

End of Greenspan’s Low Interest Rates

On June 17, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor released the Producer Price Index, showing an 0.8% increase for the month. A rising price index portends portends rising interest rates, which would fracture the protective wall that Federal Reserve Board chairman Alan Greenspan had erected around the housing bubble.

The U.S. housing bubble has relied on extremely low interest rates, plentiful mortgage credit—a condition engineered by Fed chairman Greenspan’s manipulation of the U.S. financial markets—and the ability of mortgage lenders who make mortgage loans to sell off the mortgages they have made to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and receive cash from Fannie and Freddie with which they can make more new mortgage loans, repeatedly.

In May of 2000, inside the United States, the interest rate on a 30-year conventional, fixed-rate home mortgage was 8.52%. By the end of 2000, the 30-year mortgage rate still hovered around 8.00%. Greenspan, working with the secondary housing agencies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, had built a swelling housing bubble since the mid-1980s. But in order to hold up the speculative world financial system, Greenspan had to “print a wall of money” and lower interest rates. However, this gave him the exceptional opportunity to push the housing bubble into a frenzied mode, which would become the overriding financial-economic prop preventing the U.S. economy from collapsing over the next four years. This raised the *average price* of a new home in America to one-quarter of a million dollars in the first quarter of 2004.

In late 2000, Greenspan started cutting the Federal funds rate, the rate at which banks trade overnight money among themselves, and which the Federal Reserve controls through injecting or withdrawing funds from the banking system. The Federal funds rate functions as a floor under all U.S. interest rates. Starting November 2000, when the Federal funds rate stood at 6.50%, Greenspan instituted a series of 11 rate cuts, which brought the rate down to 1.25% in November, 2002. Then, for good measure, he lowered the Federal funds rate to 1.00% in July, 2003, its lowest level in 45 years. The 30 year fixed-rate mortgage interest rate accordingly plunged to 5.23% by June, 2003.

However, the unavoidable consequence of Greenspan’s wild printing of money, was the initiation of a Weimar-style hyperinflationary process, a process whose principles are explained by Lyndon LaRouche’s Triple Curve collapse function (see *Economics: At the End of A Delusion*, LaRouche in 2004, April 2002). For years, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has lied about the inflation rate, but in May, even though the BLS considerably massaged the numbers downward, it could not obscure the immensity of the underlying inflationary process. Keep in mind that the real inflation rate is far higher than the BLS was forced to admit. The BLS reported that the Producer Price Index rose 0.8% in May. The PPI represents the wholesale price at which businesses sell goods to one another. The PPI rose 5% in the 12 months that ended May 31, the fastest such rise since December, 1990. Were the PPI rate of May annualized, then it would constitute a 9.6% inflation rate.

Food and energy prices rose, respectively, by 1.6% and 1.5% in May, which are annual rates of 19.2% and 18%. This led the PPI upwards.

The bankers around Greenspan have been quick to attempt to dismiss the May producer price increases, alleging that this represents only a one-month spike. But while energy and food producer prices continue to soar, they are far from the only goods registering major price increases on the producer level. The June 14 *Washington Post* conducted a survey of construction producer prices in the Washington DC/Maryland/Northern Virginia area, over the past 6-12 months. For some goods, it reported the 6 month inflation rate: wire mesh, up 53%; drywall, up 25%; metal studs, up 150%; for other items, it reported the one year inflation rate: steel, up 21%; cement, up 10%, plywood, up 167%. These numbers had not been massaged by the BLS, and represent more clearly what is happening with price inflation.

These prices on the producer level eventually will be passed onto consumers, and show up in the Consumer Price Index, which rose by 0.6% in May.

With producer price inflation raging, Fed chairman Greenspan will undoubtedly raise interest rates at the upcoming Federal Open Market Committee meeting June 29-30, where such matters are considered. A Federal funds rate increase of 0.25% by Greenspan had been anticipated. However, Dana Saporta of Stone and McCarthy Research Associates, told the June 18 *Washington Post* that Greenspan may have to increase interest rates an additional half a percentage point at the next scheduled FOMC meeting in August, for a combined 0.75% increase over two and one-half months.

Already, the interest rate on a 30-year U.S. mortgage is hovering at 6.30%, up a full percentage point from its 5.23% level of June of last year. Part of this increase was in anticipation that Greenspan would raise rates. But were Greenspan to make increases as sharp as 0.75% this Summer, then 30-year mortgage rates could fly up to 7% or above. 7% is considered to be the threshold for danger. This would rupture the Greenspan low-interest regime that systematically fostered the housing bubble.

Financing Cut Back

Consider the astounding fall in U.S. home financing, just on the basis of the already-recorded increase in mortgage interest rates, *even before Greenspan takes the step of officially raising interest rates, which will send all rates higher.*

The Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA) reports that for the week ending June 11, its measure of mortgage financing—the Market Composite Index of home financing—stood at a level of 601, a stunning 65.2% fall from its peak level in June, 2003. Further, for the week ending June 11, the MBA's Refinancing Index stood at a level of 1479, an 85.1% plunge from the level of its peak in June, 2003.

Although the June, 2003 levels constitute recent peaks for home financing and refinancing, the unmistakable trend is for households to bail out of home financing. But without home financings, the volume of homes that can be sold will be

greatly reduced. Without home refinancings, households cannot borrow against the inflated value of their homes, and use some of the extracted cash to pay off other debts and buy consumer goods. This has been a mainstay of consumer spending. The absurd volume of home financing and refinancing represents a massive danger currently; but remove them, and the plug is pulled on the U.S. economy.

A Decline in Home Prices?

On June 1, the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight (OFHEO) issued its quarterly Home Price Index report, which tracks its indices of home prices for the nation, all states, and major cities. The report had some news of home price increases.

Embedded within the OFHEO report, is some so-called "good news," but also some ominous news. For the United States as a whole, the average home price increased 7.7% between the first quarter of 2003 and the first quarter of 2004. OFHEO pointed out that 12 states (including California, Florida, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Virginia, and Maryland), plus the District of Columbia experienced steep home price increases of approximately 50% or more during the past 5 years. So much for the alleged good news, which is, more accurately, the growth of the bubble.

But the OFHEO report also reports that, "for the first quarter of 2004, six states—Vermont, Alaska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Nebraska—experienced negative quarterly [home price] growth, compared with no states in the fourth quarter of 2003." This is only for one quarter, and these are not the hottest states for real estate; nonetheless, this may represent a first significant chink in the armor of the housing market. It could spread to other states.

Combine falling home prices with rising interest rates, and reduced home financing and refinancing, and the housing bubble is toast. The consequences of that implosion, intersecting the derivatives market, will have international consequences. The value of U.S. housing market paper outstanding is more than \$13 trillion.

Britain's Bubble Problems.

Already, the Bank of England has carried out four 0.25% interest rate increases to bring its base rate up to 4.5%, and there is widespread discussion that the rate will be raised to 5% before the year is out. BOE Governor Mervyn King's June 14 statement that British home prices are not sustainable, shook up the financial markets, and in a limited way, acknowledged the problem. But while King and Greenspan make different public statements, both they and their respective central banks have indicated that they hope for a miraculous soft landing for their twin housing bubbles. That is a fantasy wish; such highly-leveraged, immense housing bubbles will experience a hard landing. Synarchists Cheney and Blair must prepare to experience their very brief last days in office.

Farm System Takedown Behind High Food Prices

Rep. Jimmy “Red” Milligan (D-86th District), is the Chairman of the Agriculture Committee of the State House of Arkansas. He has played a key policy role, not only in agriculture as such, but on the need for water, navigation, and other vital infrastructure. On April 29 this year, he presided over a field hearing in Camden, Arkansas, against the pending closure of the Ouachita-Black River system, for lack of Bush Administration funding to the Army Corps of Engineers. Then on May 6, Gov. Mike Huckabee (R) announced that the White House had promised to reinstate the funds.

Arkansas itself is one of the world’s leading rice production areas, besides ranking high in poultry, corn, and soybeans. Over the past 40 years, this state has been hit—as has all the farm belt, by the decline in numbers of family farms, farm county out-migration, and downgrading of water, land, and transportation infrastructure, as the overall national economy itself contracted under free trade, food-import dependence policies called globalization.

Representative Milligan was interviewed June 12, 2004 by Marcia Merry Baker.

EIR: At the grocery store, people are seeing high food prices, but there are dynamics behind the scene for the farmer, where it’s not so simple. For example, milk prices. Only a few months back, dairy farmers received such low prices, hundreds shut down and left farming.

Milligan: Well, the dairy farmers at the present time are doing very well. A year, year and a half ago—or, even probably more current than that—they were in trouble. But, right now, the market is great.

But, unfortunately, in the farmer’s view, a lot of that high price is not going to the farmer. Some of it is. He’s doing very well. But, as always, the middlemen seem to do better than the farmer.

EIR: And you’ve had a lot of concentration in these “middlemen” because of deregulation. The Swiza and Dean Foods merger in dairy; or the Smithfield, Cargill/Excel et al. meat cartel?

Milligan: Well, that’s true, you know. What do they say? Of a loaf of bread, the farmer—I haven’t seen current figures on it, but at one point, there not long ago, in a loaf of bread, there was about 3 cents of it went to the farmer for the wheat, and

the rest of it went to the processors, and the middle people, and so on.

EIR: In the 1960s, more like like 25 or 30% went to the farmers out of a loaf of bread.

Milligan: There’s a big difference there. And, of course, the problem the farmer has in that respect: He doesn’t have much, or he doesn’t have any control over what he gets for his product. And this has always been the case, and still is.

But, of course, the integrators in poultry and the swine business—that’s the way we grow pork and poultry now, through the integrators—and again, the farmer is at the mercy of the integrator. He doesn’t have any control over what he gets for his product, other than improving his production. If he can make his product gain more, or his pigs, or his chickens, or turkeys do better and gain more, by more prudent procedures to grow them, then they put on more weight. But, he doesn’t have any control over what he gets per pound for his product, any more.

EIR: So this transformation into vertical integration, is a long way from that of the FDR-period through to the 1950s, when there was a *parity* concept, namely that the farmer should receive a price for his commodity, that’s on a par with the cost of his expenses.

Milligan: For his product.

Of course, the problem with most consumers: A lot of them go to the grocery store, and they don’t know any different, than that the product was produced there in the grocery store! There’s not anything you can buy, in the grocery store, that was produced in the grocery store! Some farmer had to grow it somewhere.

And, of course, then, there are a lot of environmental restrictions, and people that don’t understand how you actually produce food and fiber. We have a lot of rules and regulations, I think, that don’t make good sense to the farmer. The farmer is usually a good steward of his land, and he wants to protect the environment, and do a good job.

But, a lot of people that are not familiar with farm operations, every generation gets further away from having some contact with the farm. You know, years ago, most of all of us, either had parents or grandparents still on the farm. Well, now, as we get more generations away from that, we have less understanding of how a farmer has to operate, and how he produces his product. And a lot of the folks that go buy their products in the grocery store, don’t have a clue how it was produced.

EIR: Then there is speculation—as we’ve never seen before—and not simply the casinos. But on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and internationally, you have all kinds of fancy speculation. They even set up milk futures! Decades back, the farmer focused on production, and the non-farm households could go to sleep at night, in the knowledge that



Jimmy Milligan (left), Arkansas state legislative chair of the Agriculture Committee, with Lyndon LaRouche during a March 2003 visit to the state house. “We absolutely need the infrastructure,” Milligan says; “We need to put the resources into developing irrigation systems. . . . It’s your future.”

the economy still worked.

Milligan: Well, unfortunately, speculation doesn’t do our farmers much good. Folks are not in a position to know about futures, and engage in them. The guy out there who’s doing the work, we need to figure out some way, to where he has a more reliable source of income, to where his source of income will not be so drastically up and down, is what I’m trying to say.

What he needs, is a system that he can rely on more readily, to know when he grows his product, that he’s going to get fair market price for it.

EIR: The farm parity prices policy during the Second World War was based on the idea of providing a reliable situation: you can produce a lot, or hold back, but you know where you are—.

Milligan: At least, you know when you plant a crop, or grow a milk cow, or plan your production in swine or whatever: If you had some assurance that you were going to get a fair market price for it, it would take a lot of the worries away from the farmers.

Now, I don’t know that we need to go to subsidies. I’m not saying that. So many countries now are subsidizing their

farm operations, and that leads to instability in our cash prices for our crops. So, I really don’t know. But what I’m saying is: I do know, that the farmer that sits out there, when he plants his crop, has no idea at the end of the growing season what he’s going to get for it, and is at the mercy of somebody else; it’s very difficult for him.

EIR: And as the local farm economy erodes, farm state government funding crises have worsened—for health care, teaching institutions, and so on. For example, Iowa State University recently sold out its dairy herd operation, which had been set up by the Henry Wallace family. Have you seen these kinds of crises?

Milligan: Well now, I haven’t just recently. Now, we went through a period of time, just back a few years ago, where that was very definitely a problem. But, right now, we’ve weeded out so many of the marginal operations, and the small family-owned farms, that in many areas, the big corporations—that the farming operations are strictly big corporations.

Good for the Farmer, Good for the Nation

EIR: Could you go back—you’re in north-central Arkansas, pretty near the heart of the nation, and describe farming a couple of generations ago? There are many practices in farming at that time, that were clearly serving the national, public benefit. For example, building up the fertility of the soil and all—putting in drainage tiles, building upper watershed dams, and so on. Could you describe what a rural county at the time, that had a lot of farming, looked like, in terms of what you call good stewardship by the farm families.

Milligan: Well, of course, you had—most all at that time were—privately owned family farms, owned by the local farmer and his family, that produced the product.

EIR: And the reliance on off-farm income by the family—which we have today, was not the case back then?

Milligan: Well, not at that time. As time went on, as the cost of land went up, the cost of equipment has gone up, a lot of the farmers, in many years, when prices were low, they had to find a form of some work to subsidize their farm operations. And that’s led to the decline in the family-owned farms.

Any more, especially in dairy, you don’t have many family-owned farms any more. It’s big corporations, and large herds—if you don’t have 500 on up milk cows, you’re probably not going to make it. The family-owned farm is something of the past.

It’s pretty well the same with hogs, and it’s not that way with poultry so much any more, but the integrators have contracted with the farmer, the producer, and in a sense, the corporations call the shots.

EIR: And during the time period you describe, you had North American Free Trade, and before that the Canadian-

U.S. Free Trade, and so forth. So the globalized, “free” trade brings about more insecurity and instability?

Milligan: It has. No doubt about that. It has contributed, in many cases, to low farm prices.

EIR: You know the Agriculture Department in respect of these NAFTA free trade agreements now, is even just putting out statistics to the general public, where they don’t use national borders any more, between the U.S., Canada, and Mexico: They just call it the “NAFTA Area.” But, if you do look at borders, the figures just came out for Canada, for example, that 2003 was the lowest on record, relatively speaking, for net farm income. It’s negative, it’s a negative \$10,000. Of course, that has to do with Mad Cow and other things. But, this gets back to how big the price gyrations are, that sock the farmer.

Milligan: Well, farmers always suffered with that. And that’s historically the way it’s been. And, I haven’t seen those figures from Canada, but I’m not all that surprised. The family farm has either got bigger, or gone out of business.

Now, in our area, of course, we were primarily always beef, and dairy, and some swine. Now, we’re entirely, practically entirely beef and poultry. The poultry production in this area has really grown, from the standpoint of number of birds. And, I don’t mean to say it’s all been bad. A lot of the integrators have been good to the growers. But, the truth of the matter is, the grower is at the mercy of the integrator: The integrator tells him when he gets birds, and he tells him how much he’s going to get for producing them. And, also he tells him how he’s going to maintain his barn, and what equipment he’s going to have, and that sort of thing. And the farmer doesn’t really have that much say in it. And he’s just out there, sort of, at the mercy of the integrator.

But, I’ve seen a great shift in our nation, at the number of farms, family-owned farms, it’s gone steadily downhill. You can look at the figures in any state, and you’ll see that they’ve got less and less as time goes on. And the corporations and the big farming operations grew; you have to get big to stay in business, basically.

Water Resources Crisis

EIR: So, it’s a big change in the character of the farm economy.

Milligan: It has been. Now, you’re seeing, in many areas—the San Joaquin Valley out in California, for example, every day, they’re paving over more of that valley, and turning it into subdivisions, and we’re losing valuable farmland to development. And you’re going to see more and more of that in the Valley out there.

Now, in Arkansas, we’ve got sort of a valley, down in eastern Arkansas, or in the Delta (as we refer to it), that I think you’ll see a lot of that production moved to other areas.

You see, of course, water resources is a very definite problem for all farm operations, anywhere. And it’s very critical

in the Delta, that we develop more prudent irrigation over there, and quit pumping our aquifers dry. That’s one of the big problems that the Delta is facing over in Mississippi, and Arkansas, and I guess other areas, too; but, that’s the one I’m familiar with. We are actually depleting our underground water storage in those areas, by having to irrigate from them. And if we don’t develop a system of water supply in those areas, at some point, it’s going to put lots of farmers out of business.

EIR: You have one of the very well-known irrigation systems in all of North America in your state. And I understand the Army Corps has an idea of making more use of some run-off from the White River, to supplement pumping of groundwater.

Milligan: Well, there is a White River project over there, that we’re in the process of trying to develop now. But there are people who don’t think we need to do this.

EIR: The infamous red-green alliance? The anti-tax people like Grover Norquist, along with the pseudo-environmentalists? They filed a lawsuit against your project?

Milligan: Well, they did. And that is ongoing. On the project itself, plans have been under consideration now for several years, but the environmentalists and other people that object to it, are still—I don’t know if we’re going to get it done or not. The complete update on where it stands will be given by our Director of Soil and Water in Arkansas, Randy Young.

But, if we don’t do that, at some point, when the farmers dry out the aquifers down there, and the water supply is gone, it’s over with!

We absolutely need the infrastructure. We need to develop—we need to put resources into developing irrigation systems, especially in the Delta area in Arkansas. And I know, probably, other areas, too. But, if we don’t fund, and find the resources, to develop an irrigation system over there, at some point—and it’s *your* future—it’s going to put many, many acres that are vital, that are very productive agricultural acreage, out of business!

It’s rice, it’s soybeans and cotton, all three. That Delta area in Arkansas produces a whole lot of rice. Of course, we’re the number-one rice producer in the country. But, we also produce lots of beans, and lots of corn, and lots of cotton. And all of those, are the crops that we grow in the Delta, that I’m speaking of, if we don’t construct an irrigation system, and quit pumping out of the aquifers, that—we’re pumping those dry.

EIR: So, the principle involved in this kind of Delta infrastructure project, to augment the water supply from the White River run-off, is the kind of engineering we could have in different parts of the country?

Milligan: Absolutely. And, it’s a good investment in the future. As Randy Young, the Director of Soil and Water in

TABLE 1

Decline in Farm Population to Total Population, 1960-2000

Year	Farm Population*	Percent of U.S. Population
1960	13,445,000	7.5%
1970	9,712,000	4.8
1980	6,051,000	2.7
1990	4,591,000	1.8
2000	2,987,531	1.1

*Resident on the farm, implying potentially involved in some agricultural activity.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; Department of Agriculture.

Arkansas, can enlighten you, the situation in Arkansas is severe. For the Delta aquifers, we're pumping them down, so severely, that probably, in 20 years—once you pump them down, they compress—it's over with. It's something that we've *got* to find a way to address.

Re-Establish Rail and Waterways

EIR: Besides water resources, what about transportation infrastructure? Over the last 40 years, you've had a real take-down of the rail grid, which once intersected with the river ports, so you weren't hauling so much by truck on the highways.

Milligan: I think we've got to find a way, to reduce, at some point in this country—of re-establishing the rail systems, and also improving the water systems, that we can use to ship produce. Because, we have, in the last 30 years, we've almost exclusively, in many areas, gone to just trucking. And that, in my opinion, is not the most efficient way to move freight. We need to redevelop the rail system, and enlarge it and improve it, and also continue to improve our waterways.

EIR: You mobilized to keep open the locks and dams navigation system on the Ouachita River and Black River, that the Army Corps said they had no money to maintain.

Milligan: Well, there's been a considerable amount—it's kind of a fight, here. We've got an in-house fight, in Arkansas, that's what the deal is. A lot of the environmentalists, I guess you'd say—whatever, they're fighting. And they've been somewhat successful. But, the struggle goes on.

We put a lot of heat on the Administration. We took the Ag Committee down there, and held hearings April 19. I think the hearings we had down there, the next week, they turned that around. There was pressure from other areas too.

EIR: Huckabee said on May 6 that the White House promised they would restore \$8 million, to bring up the annual amount to \$10 million, to keep the system open.

Milligan: Closing it was going to devastate that whole area. And there wasn't any money! You know, their whole budget—I think they needed \$8 million; they needed \$10 and they cut it to \$2.

See, the volume of the tonnage on that river was a little low. But what they weren't considering, was the quality of the tonnage, down there. See, that's a petroleum refinery down there; there were several industries down there—wood and others. You're talking about a lot of jobs, and in an already high-unemployment area, and it would have just devastated that whole section.

Congressman Ross was very instrumental in turning that around. And I gave him a lot of credit. But, I think our Ag Committee had some bearing on it.

Help Establish Young Family Farmers

EIR: The new Agriculture Census was released this month, and says that the average age of the family farmer is now up to 55.7 years.

Milligan: It's very difficult now, for young farmers, unless they have a family, where they inherit their land, to go out and establish themselves as farmers, when they have to buy their land, at the prices they have to buy now, and the cost of equipment. It's very difficult for young people to get into farming and has been for a number of years, but it seems to continue to be more difficult. It's very difficult, is what I'm trying to say, to increase our family farm operations any more. It seems like the trend is going toward more corporate farming, and I don't think that's good. I think that's probably harmful to us as a nation: I think we need more family farms, and if the governments could help—and I know there is some programs, but, if we could figure out a way to retain the family farm, and expand the family farm, I think our nation would be better off.

The number of family-owned farms has been in decline for a number of years, and I think that if we could find a way to encourage more of our young people to stay on the farm, and be successful as family-owned farms, our country would do much better.

Dairy Farms in the 1950s

EIR: What was agricultural production like, before the shift to corporate farming?

Milligan: Well, when I was growing up here we had local dairy farms. I have no idea how many, in this county, and the adjoining counties, of just family-owned dairy.

When I was a child—see, I'm 65, or will be in December—we had the local producers out in the county, that had their milk cows. They would milk their cows, and put the milk in ten-gallon cans, and set them out on the side of the road. And the milk hauler came by, loaded those cans into a box truck—a closed bed, and so on. And he would haul them into the milk plant here in Yellville, and they made cheese. Kraft Food Co. had a local plant, here in Yellville,

and they made cheese.

Now, as time went on, they stopped that process of making cheese, and they actually—we moved into the bulk haulers, that had big milk tanks on them. And they had the dairies with the coolers in the barn.

Those bulk trucks, they were cooled. The farmer had a cooler at his farm, and about every two or three days, or whatever, the bulk truck would come around and pump the milk from his cooler into the cooled tank; and then the tank would haul it over to, I think, Berryville at that time. And then, they would process it over there. And I really don't know what they did with it over there.

EIR: Yes, some went to powder, maybe?

Milligan: Maybe, and still some to cheese. And probably, in some instance, it may have gone as fresh milk—I don't know for sure or not—pasteurized milk. I suspect a lot of it went in as pasteurized milk.

But, then, as time went on, with fuel prices, and difficulty staying in business, we just lost them all. We have probably one or two dairy farmers—maybe two or three—in the county now. At one time, we probably had 500: just small, family operations.

Family Farm System—A Public Benefit

EIR: So today, you are saying that the alternative to corporate/factory farms is not nostalgia to go back to “back when,” but there is a system to be re-established of a modern, family-owned operation, which is a benefit to the whole nation, of having the activity and the judgment of family farmers.

Milligan: It's certainly been a decline in the family farm. It just happened. And if it's happening in Arkansas, it's happening in this county, and the whole nation.

EIR: You get all kinds of crazy land use patterns along with it. You raised one, the asphalt in San Joaquin, which is no benefit to anyone.

Milligan: Well, what's happened: A lot of the extreme environmentalist—what I call “extreme”; and again, I want us to be good stewards of our land; nobody wants to mess up his backyard—but, there's been lots of restrictions put on the farmer, that were probably not productive in improving the environment, even. And it just made it very difficult for the farmer to produce his crop in a profitable way. And in my opinion, many of those restrictions didn't do a thing to improve the environment.

The wetlands is a good example: We've had many acres put out of production, under the wetland law—where, really, those lands were not wetlands, except in an extreme situation, where you had lots of rain for a short period of time, they would be wetlands—still, they were restricted for production. And, I don't think that's been helpful for the wildlife, and I know it's been detrimental to farmers.

EIR: Yes, I think that's a classic example, and also based on crazy science, not true science.

Milligan: Absolutely.

EIR: Whereas, it's been shown that farm families, with a decent income—education, morality, and science intervene to even enhance the “natural” resource base, for example, soils. If you apply the right kind of manure at the right time of year, the soil fertility itself can be improved, and the national land resources base is improved.

Milligan: Absolutely, it's changed drastically.

EIR: What *EIR* is doing right now, is running a series of “then and now” pictures on the economy, to document the 40-year transformation; to make clear what you were talking about, for example, in surface transportation, about railroads, barges and all. We're aiming to help the general citizen, right now, not to think they can just tinker with so-called “reforms.”

Milligan: I know LaRouche advocates investment in infrastructure. And I couldn't agree more. I think we need to do that. I think it would be a good investment for our country, that would pay off many dividends, for many, many years. And I think it makes sense.

If we don't figure out a way, to protect the natural resource base of this country—aquifers and the rest, we're headed to Hell in a hand-basket.

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Business Briefs

Debt

Fuses Lit on Brazil, Mexico Debt Bombs

The two countries face phenomenal financing needs in 2004, as external capital is drying up and getting expensive. Brazil must not only still cover \$33 billion in bonds which fall due between mid-June and the end of 2004, but a projected budget deficit of \$22 billion. And in 2005, another \$52 billion in bonds come due. Yields on Brazil's benchmark C-bond have already risen to over 12% on the market. Brazil's country-risk rating on June 14 again crossed the threshold where Brazil has to offer a minimum of 7% over U.S. Treasury bill rates, if it has any hope of selling new debt. Mexico, according to *La Jornada* on June 14, has an unprecedented \$47.9 billion in public and private debts coming due over the next 12 months. Citing the Banco Nacional de Mexico, the Treasury, and Banco Santander, *La Jornada* put Mexico's total public and private domestic and foreign debt now at \$277.6 billion. And that doesn't include foreign investment in the stock market, which also represents a foreign obligation (the Central Bank must cough up dollars if the foreign capital flees).

Neither country can any longer rely on large flows of Foreign Direct Investment—i.e., money coming in to buy up privatized state companies—which helped pay their debts in the 1990s. According to figures just released by the UN Commission on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), foreign direct investment in Ibero-America and the Caribbean—Brazil and Mexico have been the largest recipients—fell to \$48.7 billion in 2003, from its 1999 high of \$108.5 billion.

Derivatives

Turnover Up 31% in A Single Quarter

The Bank for International Settlements reported on June 14 that derivatives turnover during the first quarter of 2004 rose to \$272 trillion, another dramatic rise of 31% compared to the last quarter of 2003. These data just take into account the exchange-traded

derivatives business, not the private Over-the-Counter contracts. Should derivatives activity continue to rise at the present pace, the exchange-traded derivatives turnover will vastly surpass \$1 quadrillion this year.

Most of the first-quarter 2004 growth in the derivatives market came from an explosion of trading during March, in particular the second half of March. In the center of this speculative frenzy were so-called "fixed income" derivatives; that is, bets on prices of government bonds and money market paper.

The BIS summarized: "A notable feature of activity in fixed-income products in the first quarter was the unprecedented volume of transactions in March. Global turnover in such products climbed to \$98 trillion in that month, an increase of 40% compared to February 2004 and 49% relative to the monthly average for 2003. . . . The most pronounced increase took place in Europe, with quarterly turnover soaring by 53% to \$122 trillion, compared with a rise of 20% in North America, to \$112 trillion, and growth of 8% in the Asia-Pacific region, to \$11 trillion. The volume on European exchanges exceeded that of . . . North American exchanges for the first time."

Inflation

Price Spikes Everywhere In U.S. Construction

The June 14 *Washington Post* carried a survey, focussing on the Washington, D.C./Maryland/Northern Virginia area, of the last 6-12 months' inflation in construction producer goods prices, which has been stunning:

- steel up 21% in a year;
- wire mesh up 53% in six months;
- metal studs up 150% in six months;
- drywall up 25% in six months;
- lumber up 20% in six months;
- plywood up 167% in a year;
- cement up 10% in a year;
- not to mention gasoline costs for construction, up 20% in a year.

Clark Construction Group senior vice president John O'Keefe was quoted saying that materials prices began spiking in September-October 2003, and haven't stopped since. Other executives reported that their

companies are losing money on jobs they bid last year, because prices went so much higher while the jobs were being done. Contractors said many bids are being "adjusted," and some contracts cancelled.

China

Already Severe Energy Crunch Will Get Worse

A report on industry by the State Information Center and the National Bureau of Statistics warned that the energy and electricity crisis could worsen until 2020, Xinhua reported on June 14. One big strain is being caused by outsourcing: Many foreign investors are relocating processing and manufacturing factories to China, many of which are high energy consumers. The overall crisis is due to the inability of China's low-efficiency energy system to supply its growing power-intensive industries and increasing urbanization.

State Energy Bureau official Xu Dingming told Xinhua that China's output of primary energy was up 11% over a year ago, but shortages of coal, power, and oil in many areas meant that the energy supply was lower than demand. Last year, the directors of many coal-fired power plants warned that they were running out of coal, and 22 provinces had to impose brownouts.

The urbanization factor is that per-capita energy consumption by urban residents in China is 250% more than in the countryside. China's comprehensive energy efficiency is 33%, which is 10% lower than that of developed countries, while energy consumption per-unit output value is twice that of developed countries, reflecting the waste of enormous amounts of coal. Advanced-sector efficiency in China's coal-fired power plants could save the equivalent of 120 million tons of standard coal a year, and more efficient building construction would save 335 million tons of standard coal a year—20% of China's annual energy use—through savings on heating.

China's already over-burdened rail transport system is also being hit. Almost 12% more coal—400 million tons—was transported by rail from January to May this year.

Is Dick Cheney Cracking Up?

The pressures on Vice-President Dick Cheney may soon lead him to crack up, and could soon be followed by his leaving his job as First Ventriloquist for President Bush. The pattern of behavior Cheney has shown over the past week, in a series of flight-forward interviews and speeches, puts the question right up front.

Cheney started off the week in the Congressional spotlight, as leading Democrats in the both the House and the Senate took aim at the role he played in the assignment of the two huge government contracts in Iraq, to Halliburton, the company which still pays deferred salary to the Vice-President. As evidence poured out, as a result of a hearing held in the House Government Reform Committee, no less a Democratic spokesman than New Jersey Senator Frank Lautenberg called on Attorney General John Ashcroft to appoint a special prosecutor to investigate potential criminal violations by Cheney.

True to his belligerent persona, Cheney himself spent Monday in Florida, where he took the occasion of a speech to reassert his line that Saddam Hussein had “long-established ties with al-Qaeda.”

That assertion, which Cheney has made frequently in order to justify the launching of an illegal, aggressive war against Iraq as an alleged part of the “war on terrorism,” couldn’t have been more poorly timed. It might have gone unnoticed except that the bipartisan panel investigating the 9/11 terror attack issued a staff statement on June 15, which stated that it had found “no credible” evidence of a link between Iraq and al-Qaeda. By June 16, the nation’s press was headlining the panel’s assertion, as a direct contradiction to what Vice-President Cheney, and his puppet President George W. Bush, had been asserting for years.

From all available evidence, the Vice-President went ballistic. On the one hand, he convinced President Bush to defend his statement during a Rose Garden press conference on June 17. Then Cheney himself gave an interview to Alan Murray and Gloria Borger of CNBC. Cheney was particularly vehement about the coverage in the *New York Times*, calling its headline (“The Panel Finds No Qaida-Iraq Ties”) “outrageous,”

and accusing the paper of undermining his credibility and that of “W”.

Interviewer Borger did not let it go at that, but pressed the issue, and the Vice-President got more and more agitated. Cheney’s main point was that there are two separate issues: whether or not there was an Iraq/Al-Qaida link (he insists there was), and whether or not Iraq were involved with Al-Qaida in 9/11. It’s just that the commission had found not evidence of it, he said.

Cheney got unhinged several times in the interview. For instance, when Mohammed Atta came up:

“Borger: Well, let’s get to Mohammad Atta for a minute, because you mentioned him as well. You have said in the past that it was, quote, ‘pretty well confirmed.’

“Vice Pres. Cheney: No, I never said that.

“Borger: OK.

“Cheney: Never said that.

“Borger: I think that is. . .

“Cheney: Absolutely not. What I said was the Czech intelligence service reported after 9/11 that Atta had been in Prague on April 9th of 2001, where he allegedly met with an Iraqi intelligence official. We have never been able to confirm that, nor have we been able to knock it down.”

As Borger went on to ask about the Vice-President’s actions during the 9/11 attacks, Cheney began to bluster about U.S. policy of taking out those who harbor terrorists. Borger interrupted:

“Borger: Mr. Vice President, I don’t think I’ve ever seen you, in all the years I’ve interviewed you, as exercised about something as you seem today.

“Cheney: I was. I admit, Gloria, and you and I have known each other a long time. But I do believe that the press has been irresponsible, that there’s this temptation to take. . .”

“Cheney: Gloria, I don’t feel persecuted. I don’t need to. . .”

In fact, Vice-President Cheney should be *prosecuted*, not persecuted. Or, as he reels from the release of LaRouche’s new pamphlet, and these other attacks, he could choose merely to resign.

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