

## National News

### Defense of Williams worries Post

The *Washington Post* of Katharine Meyer Graham has expressed intense worry over the implications should Lyndon LaRouche's National Democratic Policy Committee succeed in vindicating Abscam victim, Harrison Williams, now fighting against expulsion from the U.S. Senate.

A Nov. 25 article, "Senator Finds Unlikely Ally in Abscam Fight," attacks the NDPC's nationwide showing of a film proving Williams's innocence of all charges; the half-hour documentary features an interview with the Senator followed by a brief LaRouche statement warning that if his frameup is allowed to pass, there will follow more general political purging of branches of government, both political parties, as well as suppression of citizens' constitutional rights.

The *Post* first slanders LaRouche as a "right-wing ideologue," as well as "former Marxist who spent much of the 1970s breaking up public meetings." Then, it charges LaRouche with hostility to the legislative branch he is now defending from gross encroachment of powers the Carter executive.

"LaRouche," say staff writers Paul Taylor and Bill Peterson, "offers an analysis of Williams's predicament that hardly seems likely to endear the embattled senator to his colleagues. He describes Abscam as a 'treasonous' action designed to break the will of Congress, then goes on to doubt the 'moral capacity' of congressmen to stand up to it."

LaRouche's attack on legislators who support genocide "more hideous than that perpetrated by Albert Speer and others under Adolf Hitler" is quoted out of context, without distinguishing the "population-control" caucus as its target. LaRouche has attacked Abscam as in part designed to make these genocide advocates the dominant faction in Congress.

The *Post*, whose Katharine Graham sits on the "Brandt Commission" body that issued a report in 1980 advocating

Third World genocide, figured very prominently as recipient of specially arranged Justice Department "leaks" in Abscam's entrapment and frameup of leading legislators, including Williams.

Reaching Williams himself for comment, the *Post* reports that Williams considers the NDPC "his most active grassroots support" and "very thoughtful people" on "constitutional issues." He adds that he met LaRouche once, but has not researched all his positions yet.

### McPherson ties AID to population control

Peter McPherson, the director of the State Department's Agency for International Development (AID) Nov. 24 lauded the IMF's "conditionalities" policies toward the developing sector, and announced that the U.S. plans a "get tough policy" of its own. McPherson, speaking to foreign journalists in Washington, said that the United States would place more emphasis than ever on "encouraging policy changes in the governments with which we deal."

According to the AID director, the U.S. will attempt to force developing-sector countries to eliminate food subsidy programs—a move which many Third World leaders say will cause mass starvation and political unrest.

"A country may want aid to buy food, but if that country is not paying its farmers enough for what it produces, then there isn't much we can do. . . . We teach people how to fish, we do not give them food." An Indian journalist charged that McPherson was in fact using such statements to cover up for the massive underinvestment in the developing sector, which the U.S. government and the IMF sanction.

The AID director retorted, "We have too often put in capital in a country which wasn't able to or didn't have the know-how to use it. . . . This is true for Africa where people didn't have enough training to use what people can give them. . . ."

"The IMF, the World Bank, and I hope the donor community generally are

going to be a lot more forthcoming in their demands before they give aid," said McPherson. "I applaud the IMF for being insistent on certain things."

Recent statements by New York State Rep. James Scheuer cited alleged misspending of aid monies by developing sector governments, using "universities" as an example.

"If a minister of health comes to me and says we need more health facilities in cities," said McPherson in echo, "we say no, we think that you can get a lot more with barefoot doctors out in the country. We don't want to deal with that health minister."

### John Murphy's Abscam appeal

Former U.S. Rep. John M. Murphy of Staten Island, N.Y., victim of a 1979-1980 Abscam frameup, filed a motion Nov. 20 with the U.S. Second Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn his conviction. As in the case of Sen. Harrison Williams, now fighting expulsion proceedings before the Senate, Murphy is directly challenging the unconstitutional and unethical behavior of the Department of Justice and the FBI, with a particular focus on the activities of Thomas Puccio, chief of the Brooklyn Organized Crime Task Force, who, with the approval of Judge George Pratt, illegally suppressed evidence exonerating both members of Congress.

Murphy, like Senator Williams, never took any money. Although Murphy was found innocent of bribery, he was found guilty on the related charges of "receiving an unlawful gratuity," conflict of interest, and conspiracy!

On Oct. 20, 1979, Puccio a room where money was passed from FBI agents to lawyer Howard Criden in a closed briefcase. The money was never mentioned to Murphy, nor was it ever shown to him. Yet, during the trial, Puccio was able to manipulate a credulous, post-Watergate jury into believing that Murphy was involved in a criminal conspiracy. Subsequent to the Oct. 20

meeting, even the FBI knew that they did not have a case against Murphy, as documented in the now-famous "D.P. Exhibit 39A." Exhibit 39A was illegally suppressed by Puccio with the agreement of Judge Pratt during the Abscam trials. It was an "FBI Internal Memorandum from Section Chief W. D. Gow to Assistant Director in Charge Francis M. Mullen, Jr." dated Nov. 27, 1979.

## Global 2000 moles exposed at CEQ

According to well-placed Washington sources, the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is under the total control of top Republican environmentalists linked to Russell Train and William Ruckelshaus, both members of the Committee for the Year 2000, a group which includes Cyrus Vance. The CEQ remains as a rogue agency, despite efforts of the Reagan White House to place it under control, efforts which included a severe staff cut.

These sources report that the CEQ is currently in the control of Deputy Director Ernie Meiner, a protégé of both Ruckelshaus and Train and a former aide to Vice-President Spiro Agnew.

Key Global 2000 moles have been identified on CEQ staff:

- Chapman Barnes, the CEQ's director of international division, coordinates directly with Train's World Wildlife Fund and with Bill Long in the Population Division of the State Department, as well as the staff of Undersecretary of State James Buckley. Barnes heads a project on the global environment which is being used as a cover to organize a rewrite of the *Global 2000 Report* in "Reaganese." This project is being coordinated with the Committee for the Year 2000 and the State Department.

- Ralph Luken, author of a paper on "the transition of American agriculture in an era of limited resources" which has been sent to the President. The report, which recommends small farming and "appropriate technology," and attacks water projects, was used as the basis of

an article in a recent issue of the Sierra Club's magazine, among others.

## Symposium on Dante has political impact

A symposium on "Why America Needs Dante Today" confounded political and cultural pundits alike by drawing 175 citizens of South Philadelphia to the community's Older Adults Center for a four-and-a-half hour program Nov. 21. Initiated by the Lafayette Foundation for the Arts and Sciences, which is planning an ambitious program of events to celebrate the Philadelphia Tricentennial in 1982, the symposium was also sponsored by the National Anti-Drug Coalition, the Frank Palumbo lodge of the Sons of Italy, the Comitato Tricolore and the American Institute for Italian Culture.

The event stirred pride in local residents of South Philadelphia, which boasts a large Italian-American population, because the subject of the great Italian poet and world citizen Dante Alighieri was treated from the standpoint of Dante's crucial relevance to current political and social issues.

The program included a slide presentation on Dante's *Divine Comedy* by Nora Hamerman, the editor-in-chief of the Anti-Drug Coalition's magazine *War on Drugs*; a discussion of Dante's concept of the dignity of man by Prof. Robert Melzi of Widener University; and a selection of Renaissance and classical vocal music by the Foundation ensemble.

Taken by surprise was a prominent local politician who had predicted that South Philadelphians would "never sit that long" or be interested in such a cultural event. The politician staged a hasty appearance after learning that the room was jammed to capacity by citizens absorbed in linking Dante's descriptions of the souls in the afterlife to their own contemporary world. The day's program closed with a lively debate on Dante's contribution to the foundations of the American republic and the origins of the Italian language.

## Briefly

- **DAVID SCHIFF** of the New York investment house Lehman Brothers, Kuhn Loeb was recently asked by *EIR* whether it was true that his relatives played a major role in setting up the Federal Reserve. "Oh yes, we are very proud of that," he declared, praising the Fed's current credit strangulation policy. Schiff called the Fed a much-needed "fourth branch of government."

- **HENRY KISSINGER** congratulated himself Nov. 23 for his great success in having the foresight to help Chilean dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet seize power in 1973. For Kissinger, "the success of the Chilean economy is of great symbolic and substantive importance for our countries which are committed to the market economy, and, therefore, we desire the greatest success to this country." No Kissinger comments on the failure of six major Chilean banks this month and the near-bankrupt country's abysmal trade deficit were reported.

- **WINSTON LORD**, the director of the Council on Foreign Relations, lamented to *EIR* last week that his friend Henry Kissinger will never be asked to join a Reagan administration. Then, brightening up, he added, "He's playing an important role though. He talks often with the White House and Secretary of State Al Haig."

- **SEN. CHARLES MATHIAS** (R-Md.) has proposed a bill mandating that no more than 15 percent of all ambassadorial posts be filled by appointees who are not career foreign service officers. Every President since Truman has appointed at least one-third his ambassadors from outside foreign service ranks. Foreign service professionals are trained at a small group of Eastern Establishment and Jesuit think tanks, all of which are committed to the zero-growth and genocide policies that Senator Mathias supports.