

# National News

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## Glenn demands budget cuts for 'Star Wars'

Senator John Glenn (D-Ohio) proposes trimming as much as 25% off the administration's \$25 billion budget for the Strategic Defense Initiative, money he says is being devoted not to research but to the planning of deployment strategies, UPI reports.

At a press conference Sept. 11, Glenn said that spending money on plans to deploy an as yet unproven system is like Julius Caesar planning to stockpile shotguns before gunpowder was invented. Glenn claims that 25% of the money being budgeted for the program is being devoted to planning the system's uses and deployment options.

The senator charged President Reagan with misleading the American people by implying that strategic defense technology exists and that its application is imminent. "It is not, and in that sense, I believe he has misled the American people," Glenn declared.

Glenn rejected Reagan's contention that the United States has a "moral obligation" to develop weapons in space, adding: "I say we have a moral obligation to keep them out of space. In my view, our moral obligation is not to 'Star Wars'—or to any other technology per se—but to realistic negotiations that will reduce the danger of nuclear annihilation. To be sure, such negotiations are difficult. At least Walter Mondale is willing to try, and that is one of the major reasons I am supporting him for the presidency."

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## Mental health 'reforms' a societal tragedy

One of former New York Governor Averell Harriman's proudest accomplishments "has emerged as a major societal tragedy," according to a report issued by the 30,000 member American Psychiatric Association.

In the early 1960s, a concentrated effort was made to empty out the state mental hos-

pitals, ostensibly on the presumption that better care could be provided in the community. While this was in part a response to civil libertarian pressure and also to the therapeutic possibilities of the phenothiazine tranquilizers, a significant motive was reducing the mental-hygiene budgets.

In his memoirs, Gov. Harriman describes his role in implementing this "community mental health program" as his most notable contribution as governor of the state.

As a result of the program, while certain patients benefited from being returned to their neighborhoods and families, the APA report states, "Hardly a section of the country, urban or rural, has escaped the ubiquitous presence of ragged, ill and hallucinating human beings, wandering through our city streets, huddled in alleyways or sleeping over vents."

Dr. John Talbot, president of the APA, says that these people have become society's "untouchables." It is estimated that as many as 3 million homeless people, up to one half of whom suffer serious mental illness such as manic-depressive psychosis or schizophrenia, are wandering the streets, unable to care for themselves.

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## LaRouche-Davis campaign hits Washington state

Lyndon LaRouche's vice-presidential running mate Billy Davis toured the state of Washington during the second week of September, giving press conferences in the major cities. On Sept. 12 he did an interview with five daily newspapers.

At a press conference in Yakima Sept. 13, he was asked, "Why are you running? With all due respect, isn't it futile?" Davis replied, "We're Democrats! We're disgusted with the Democratic Party. It has become an oligarchy, with Manatt and company at the top, and serfs at the bottom. The purpose of our campaign is to inflict a change on U.S. national policy."

LaRouche and Davis expect that their independent bid for the White House will be

represented on at least 19 state ballots in November. To date, the slate has been certified in Arkansas, Texas, Colorado, Hawaii, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, and the District of Columbia. Certification before the end of September is expected in New Hampshire, Iowa, Vermont, Wisconsin, and North Dakota. Independent Democrats for LaRouche also has a lawsuit pending in New Jersey for ballot access there.

In Texas, ballot status was secured through the statewide petitioning efforts of Texans to Draft LaRouche, which collected over 80,000 signatures in July. In Michigan, the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals handed down an order Aug. 31 preventing the state of Michigan from printing its ballot without the LaRouche-Davis line. The action overturns a previous court ruling that LaRouche should not be on the ballot because he is a Democrat, and not an independent.

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## Gen. Graham's adviser: 'Europe won't survive'

Jesuit father Vincent Miceli, a spiritual adviser-confessor to High Frontier's Gen. Danny Graham, rejected *EIR's* evaluation of the Soviet threat to Europe in a discussion on Sept. 6. "There is no immediate threat to Europe. . . ." he said. "Anyway, Western Europe is on the road to decay. Maybe God doesn't want Europe to survive. Europe has betrayed Christ. It is God's will to punish Europe by making it become the victim of the invading idolaters.

"Eventually, as St. Peter says, the end of the world will come through the fire and the sword. . . . Sometimes God uses the wicked instrument to punish those who have betrayed him. . . . When the situation is ripe, they'll take over. . . . This is all fact, it is predicted in the Book of Revelations."

Miceli, who met with Graham for several hours in August at his retreat in Connecticut, said that he fully concurs with Graham's claim that the main threat to the U.S.

lies south of its borders: "We have no missiles protecting our southern flank—that's the closest threat. Nicaragua has gone red, and they've influenced Mexico. The Mexicans are red, they have a Masonic, atheistic government that is anti-religious and they're favorable to any red regime."

Miceli supports the Russian Orthodox Church against the communists: "The Byzantines christianized Russia and created Holy Mother Russia, and *that* is what the communists hate. The Russian Orthodox Church is basically Christian, it is *not* Gnostic. It was Dostoevsky who said that Christ will rule the world, not Russia. He was a great, great writer, a prophet, like Solzhenitsyn."

The Jesuit father formerly taught at the Gregoriana and Angelicum universities (Jesuit and Dominican, respectively) in Rome. In 1982 he was assigned by Vatican officials close to the Club of Rome to be a "liaison" to the Club of Life, founded by Helga Zepp-LaRouche.

Miceli said that his circles report that "LaRouche is a communist," and he attacked LaRouche for trying to "use geometry against truth and salvation."

## Water emergency ends in Pennsylvania capital

A state of emergency was lifted Sept. 13 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania ending the worst water crisis in the city's history, but residents were still urged to boil their water until it is proven free of contamination.

Mayor Stephen Reed lifted the citywide emergency nearly 48 hours after the city's main water artery was punctured. Millions of gallons of water were lost, and about 50,000 city residents and 3,300 residential customers in two suburban communities were affected.

The Harrisburg crisis follows an outbreak of dysentery in McKeesport, Pennsylvania in January, during which residents there were advised to boil their water. The disasters point up the dangerous collapse of infrastructure in American cities.

In Harrisburg, the three-foot water main is the only conduct for water from the primary source 28 miles away, the DeHart Dam. The problem began when a Conrail contractor using a jackhammer broke the concrete-encased water main. The repair work was delayed overnight because it took longer than expected to drain water left in the main between the dam and the break, officials said.

Fire trucks carrying water were brought in from surrounding communities and kept at strategic locations in case of emergency. Six National Guard water tanks were available to supply residents who had their own containers.

## A 'Brave New World' for the unemployed?

The son of kook novelist Aldous Huxley (*Brave New World*), Matthew Huxley, has recommended the cloning of humans and the use of psychedelic drugs to keep the unemployed "happy," UPI reported Sept. 13. Huxley told the British Association for the Advancement of Science that his scenario would be useful in the next century, when the increased use of the silicon chip might force one-third to one-half of the work force into unemployment.

"Huxley, a naturalized American and former adviser to the U.S. National Institute of Mental Health, titled his paper, 'Walking Shadows—Psychedelics and Their Place as Social Control Mechanisms,'" UPI added.

"According to his vision, the 21st century will see the cloning of humans at varying stages of intelligence to fit specific jobs, and psychedelic drugs developed by the Pentagon and distributed through special pubs or taverns after being tested in Nigeria, which will cooperate because it has had a succession of military coups."

Britisher Aldous Huxley, whose novel popularized the use of psychedelics, was a major figure in launching the "MK-Ultra" project in California, the experimental drug-induced brainwashing of American youth which became the basis of the rock-drug counterculture.

## Briefly

● **WALTER MONDALE'S** campaign is running into trouble, UPI reports. The crowds at his rallies in Chicago and Green Bay, Wisconsin were small. He had to explain why Chicago's mayor did not meet him at the airport. Anti-abortion protesters dogged him, and he missed a shift change at a Green Bay toilet-tissue plant stop gate.

● **IN PRIMARIES** held Sept. 11 in New York state and Minnesota, candidates supporting the program of Lyndon LaRouche polled 25-33% of the vote. In New York, Chuck Carman polled 28.4% in the 31th district; Keith Perez, running for Congress in the Rochester area, won 28.8%; Elizabeth Spiro-Carman polled 15%; and Stephen Kaylor polled 5%. In Minnesota, preliminary returns showed that 2nd C.D. congressional candidate Patrick O'Reilly placed second in a three-way race, with 36%.

● **THE POST OFFICE** "lost" 500 letters addressed to the Independent Democrats for LaRouche (IDL) campaign headquarters in New York City on Sept. 12. Following the campaign's national television broadcast on Labor Day, 500-1,000 letters had been arriving daily; then suddenly an IDL representative was informed that "there aren't any today." When the N.Y. Post Office was telephoned by an irate campaign official, a bag full of 500 letters miraculously reappeared.

● **NATO** faces no threat from recent efforts to improve relations between East and West Germany, according to Lawrence Eagleburger, former Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs and now director of Kissinger Associates, Inc. In a Sept. 9 interview in the *Washington Post*, Eagleburger said: "We're seeing an attempt, in Europe, exclusive of the relationship between the United States and the Soviet Union, to improve relations. . . . I do not believe, from our point of view at least, that this is at all threatening or dangerous to the continuation of a strong alliance. It is not a threat to that at all."