

National News

Brzezinski moots Nunn as defense chief

Kissinger Democrat Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.) would make a ideal secretary of defense, suggested Carter's National Security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski Sept. 30. Brzezinski made the statement on the NBC talk show "One on One."

The Georgia Democrat, who has postured for a decade as the Senate's "Mr. NATO" and a "friend of Europe," introduced legislation the third week in June which would rip up the Western military alliance. Nunn called for the withdrawal of 90,000 American troops from Europe by 1990. The legislation, said a Nunn staffer, was inspired by Henry Kissinger's proposal to pull troops out of Europe, published in *Time* magazine March 5.

Brzezinski, like Henry Kissinger, operates out of the Georgetown Center for Strategic and International Studies. Brzezinski has been advising Reagan on Asian policy and has in recent weeks made repeated calls for President Reagan to open up his administration to a more bipartisan foreign policy.

Mondale vs. drugs—believe it or not

With New York Mayor Ed Koch at his side, Walter Mondale appeared on the floor of the House Judiciary Committee Oct. 3 to lambaste the Reagan administration for having allowed the drug trade to "soar." Koch called the drug problem "the scourge of America," and Mondale presented his recently concocted campaign plan to win the war on drugs, vowing that "the time has come to put the illegal drug business out of business."

Evidently the "time hadn't come" under the Carter-Mondale administration. The Carter-Mondale administration recommended in 1977—and never rescinded the proposal—that marijuana be decriminalized, which is tantamount to legalization. After Carter took office, the top posts in the drug abuse field were suddenly filled with advisory board members of NORML, the

National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (the "pot lobby"). White House Adviser on Drug Abuse Peter Bourne was finally forced to resign for dispensing phony quaalude prescriptions.

As a U.S. congressman before becoming New York's mayor, Koch was a key sponsor of legislation to decriminalize marijuana. According to NORML spokesman George Furnham in an interview in 1981: "Koch was instrumental in getting the New York State Legislature to endorse marijuana decriminalization." Koch exerted his influence to break a deadlock, and the legislation became law, causing marijuana use among school youth to increase by 300% in one year.

LaRouche: 'Two Reagan administrations'

"The key thing to understand is that there are two Reagan administrations," Independent Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche told editors from seven major newspapers on Oct. 3 in a telephone hookup in which the "dark horse" candidate and editors batted around questions and answers.

"One is Ronald Reagan the President, and the other is Reagan's reelection apparatus," LaRouche continued.

"What about Henry Kissinger?" LaRouche was asked.

"Kissinger's power lies with the reelection campaign because a lot of liberal Republicans like Henry Kissinger and want Reagan to go along with Kissinger. The fact that Reagan handled himself well with Gromyko was not to Kissinger's liking and Gromyko may have felt betrayed by what he was led to believe by the Kissinger crowd."

There is no question but that "Kissinger has a growing influence," LaRouche asserted. "Henry Kissinger and Gorman [U.S. Army Southern Command Gen. Paul Gorman] control Central American policy. Kissinger has a strong influence on China and Asian policy and certainly some influence in the Middle East and Europe."

When asked about the Gromyko-Reagan talks, LaRouche explained that Kissinger and Gromyko had wanted President

Reagan to negotiate away the President's "Star Wars" proposal but "that didn't happen. All indications are that Reagan stood his ground." There is speculation, however, in light of this, said LaRouche, "that the Soviets will go for a combined military and financial offensive to ensure his defeat."

LaRouche explained that his campaign is intervening to change Reagan's policies after a Mondale defeat, that many of the President's foreign policies are bad, and that his economic understanding is non-existent. "Nevertheless Mondale is worse," he said, and "between now and the election, and during the immediate period following the election the world faces a very dangerous period."

Kissinger forces CIA Mexico analyst out?

Capitol Hill controversy is brewing over reports that CIA Mexico desk analyst John Horton was pressured out of his job because he wrote a report going against the Kissinger-State Department proposal for U.S.-Mexico relations. Horton, an experienced intelligence analyst, left the CIA last May after the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, on which Kissinger sits, reviewed a position paper Horton wrote which concluded that the United States should *not* take a confrontationist posture toward Mexico's de la Madrid government.

Horton's analysis cut against the prevailing State Department idiocy that the United States should undermine Mexico's ruling PRI Party and back the opposition, the neo-Nazi PAN party. Horton's report also contradicted the party line that Mexico is on the brink of a period of large-scale instability that represents a security threat to the United States.

The official CIA response to the published reports of Horton being forced out of his position by CIA head William Casey was that "all estimates are approved by the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, which is chaired by Mr. Casey and includes the heads of all intelligence agencies."

Citing Reagan administration sources, the *New York Times* claimed on Sept. 29 that Casey wanted a tough report from Hor-

ton "to help persuade the White House to approve a program of covert and economic American pressures on Mexico to induce it to support U.S. policies on Central America." The *Times* said that President Reagan personally rejected these suggestions in May because Mexico seemed already to be backing away from its strong support of the Sandinistas in Nicaragua and guerrillas in El Salvador.

Ferraro plea: 'Why won't you vote for us?'

Geraldine Ferraro pleaded with autoworkers at a Belvedere, Illinois Chrysler plant on Oct. 2 to tell her why the Democratic ticket appears doomed. She said she was "absolutely floored" by polls that show about one-third of the United Auto Workers union members plan to vote Republican. "I want to know why one-third of you are going to vote for Ronald Reagan. I mean that honestly. So could someone, anyone, anyone, let me know?"

The following day the AFL-CIO announced results of its own poll, indicating that Ferraro's fears of a one-third defection to the Republicans were conservative, and that, in fact, 50% of its membership is not going along with AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland's endorsement of Mondale. Mondale's fellow Trilateral Commission member Kirkland has announced a 14-day tour of the industrial states of the Northeast and Middle West to rally votes to the Democratic ticket.

Detroit News to Reagan: Clean out palace guard

The *Detroit News* on Sept. 30 published a lead editorial calling on President Reagan to clean out of his administration such insiders as James Baker, David Stockman, and Michael Deaver, and to bring back "for starters Judge William Clark, who as national security adviser ramrodded the Strategic Defense Initiative through the bureaucracy." If the President really wants to "leave a mark

on history," the editorial says, he must bring his "Star Wars" initiative for anti-missile defense into being.

"A Reagan landslide will mean little if there is no content attached to it," warns the editorial which is entitled "A Few Good Men." "And it will mean even less if the President's current top staff gets four more years. . . ."

The editorial blasts the Palace Guard insiders for deliberately "undercutting" the President's initiatives, and criticized them for "dreaming up symbolic nonsense, such as last week's meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko. A President of 'an America that is back' does not go around begging mere foreign ministers for audiences," says the editorial.

"Therefore, the decisive event of the next few months—weeks, really—will be the choice of staff for a second term. . . . If he finally chucks out the old operatives and picks people who will try to carry through on his instincts, his second term could prove productive. Despite the resistance of much of his staff, Mr. Reagan has laid solid groundwork in both domestic and foreign policy."

N.J. mayor demands U.S. defend Europe

Elizabeth, New Jersey Mayor Thomas G. Dunn issued an Official Proclamation Oct. 1 calling on the U.S. Congress to commit itself to the defense of Western Europe. The proclamation, which Mayor Dunn announced at a press conference at his City Hall office, calls for the deployment of beam weapons defense systems to protect Western Europe, and opposition to the "dangerous" call for decoupling U.S. and European defense.

The mayor was joined at his press conference by Col. Meir Pa'il, a former Israeli Knesset member and prominent historian. Dunn stated that he was issuing the proclamation in the presence of Colonel Pa'il, as "a visiting Israeli dignitary and military leader with whom I share a common interest in the defense of Europe, of America, and of Israel."

Briefly

● **MONDALE'S** "flat," "lackluster" personality may derive from the fact that he takes daily doses of mood-altering drugs. His physician Dr. Milton M. Hurwitz told a *New York Times* interviewer that the Democratic presidential hopeful takes three drugs for high blood pressure, a beta blocker, a diuretic, and a hydralazine. Medical experts say beta blockers often cause fatigue and depression in their users. "Beta blockers can also affect mood," reports the *Times* in its Sept. 30 issue, "usually depressing it. . . ."

● **JERRY BROWN** got the red-carpet treatment in Moscow, greeted at the airport by U.S.A.-Canada Institute head Georgii Arbatov and by Central Committee International Department head Vadim Zagladin. The "guru" ex-California governor also met with president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences Velikhov and top military people. The *Washington Post* noted in its Sept. 29 coverage that Brown's "Soviet hosts certainly seemed to treat him as a politician with prospects."

● **DRUG ADDICTS** are just normal Americans, asserted Arnold Trebach, director of the Institute on Drugs, Crime and Justice of American University. Trebach was interviewed in the Oct. 1 issue of the Moonies' so-called "conservative" newspaper, the *Washington Times*, which is carrying out a campaign to legalize heroin. Trebach is calling for the "medicalization" of America's heroin problem, so that addicts can receive doctor supervised doses of heroin.

● **A BROWN UNIVERSITY** campus organization calling itself "Students for Suicide" is conducting a referendum on the Providence, Rhode Island campus this month on whether or not cyanide pills should be made available to university students who want to commit suicide in the event of nuclear war.