

National News

New York controller facing Boesky probe

New York City pension funds made \$20 million by helping Ivan Boesky's insider trading, says the Feb. 22 *New York Daily News*. Some of the friends of Harrison Goldin may have made a pretty penny, too. Goldin is New York City controller, responsible for pension funds' management.

Fund trustees have asked Goldin to report on how Boesky's activities affected the value of the funds' \$30 billion portfolio, because of a disclosure in 1986 that Goldin asked "friends" to invest in a \$1 billion war chest Boesky was amassing for speculation in takeover stocks.

The New York Department of Investigation is probing several aspects of Goldin's relationship with Boesky, including: the cited investment solicitations; Goldin's decision to invest personally in two of Boesky's companies; whether Goldin took actions in the management of New York City funds that benefited illegal activities by Boesky.

Jones vote stolen in Chicago fraud

Even election officials in Chicago were shocked at the "irregularities" that secured incumbent Mayor Harold Washington the Chicago Democratic Party's mayoral nomination Feb. 24 with 53% of the vote. Former mayor Jane Byrne received 47%.

"LaRouche Democrat" Sheila Jones was credited with 2,400 votes (exactly 1/5th of 1%) of the 1 million votes cast. Her two running-mates for citywide office, Ernest Washington (City Clerk) and Elma Jean Washington (City Treasurer), won 44,059 and 46,939 votes, respectively, while aldermanic candidate Maurice Johnson, a well-known LaRouche Democrat, polled 46% in the suburban 19th District.

Jones's 1/5th of 1% is the exact rate at which she proposed to tax the Chicago Board of Trade. Coincidence?

Voting irregularities began the moment

the polls opened, with thousands being handed the wrong ballot. They couldn't have voted for Jones if they had wanted to. When the "error" was discovered, the election judges decided to record the votes themselves—20,000 of them—based on the candidates they thought the person intended to vote for!

Washington's people were smart enough to denounce this; Jesse Jackson charged that there was a "well-orchestrated plan to sabotage the election." Washington decried a "monumental foul-up [which] simply cannot be countenanced."

But one week earlier, the Chicago media had begun to issue warnings against Jones and the LaRouche candidates—and the warnings rose to a crescendo after Jones appeared on television with LaRouche on Feb. 20. More victories like those of LaRouche Democrats on March 18, 1986 could not be allowed, said the press. Obviously, someone in a position to steal elections was listening.

PBS runs KGB-spawned attack on U.S. scientists

The British Broadcasting Corporation's series "The Nazi Connection" was aired on the U.S. Public Broadcasting System's "Frontline" show Feb. 25, branding German rocket scientists working for the United States "ardent Nazis."

The program, designed to discredit the U.S. space program, was inspired by the Soviet KGB, naturally enough, working through the U.S. Justice Department's so-called Office of Special Investigations. The OSI is a "Nazi hunting" office whose sole source of information appears to be the Soviet Union.

At one point in the program, BBC interviewer Tom Bower tried to corner the brilliant Dr. Arthur Rudolph, whom OSI hounded into returning to Germany two years ago, into admitting that he endorsed slave labor and torture in the Norhausen V-2 assembly plant.

Though great effort went into making the case during the show that these scientists were really national security threats, who were let into the U.S. by immoral Pentagon

officials, it was made clear by Rudolph and others that the interviewer had never lived under a fascist regime, where it is not possible to "disagree" with the SS, or "ask for a transfer," as Bower implied could have been done.

Rudolph then made the important point: The United States would have gotten to the Moon without the Germans—but "20 years later."

Revell denies FBI break-ins

The FBI's number-two man, Oliver "Buck" Revell, testified under oath Feb. 20 that the bureau was "not involved in any capacity" in break-ins against churches and organizations opposed to U.S. backing for the Nicaraguan Contras.

Revell told the Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights, which is holding hearings into the break-ins, that the FBI was investigating charges by former informer Frank Varelli that FBI agents in Dallas had been responsible for some of the break-ins.

Another government witness, Deputy Assistant Attorney General James Turner, said there had been "no evidence developed" to support allegations that government agents had committed illegal burglaries.

American theologians attack Ratzinger

Cardinal Ratzinger's view of dissent is "a dangerous novelty" that could destroy "theology in any traditional sense of the word," wrote the board of the Catholic Theological Society of America in their testimony to the Academic Senate of the Catholic University of America.

The testimony was filed in December to support Father Charles Curran's appeal to retain his teaching post at the university, despite his advocacy of homosexuality, abortion, euthanasia, and much else repugnant to the Church.

After a variety of warnings, Curran was removed by Ratzinger, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, for rejecting the magisterium of the Church.

The Catholic Theological Society's testimony said that Ratzinger's view of theological dissent involves a "most dangerous" blurring of the "distinction between infallible and non-infallible teaching and between the assent of faith and the religious respect of intellect and will."

"Occasional responsible dissent" was one of the chief ways in which doctrine has developed, the statement said.

Democrats to tighten primary process

Democratic Party National Chairman Paul Kirk is personally taking a role in heading off "divisiveness" in the party that could arise during primary season. The object of his action is clearly the "threat" of LaRouche.

On March 11, Kirk will give a major speech at the National Press Club, spelling out plans to urge the 1988 candidates to "keep the message positive" and avoid attacks on each other and on party rules. He is also planning sessions with candidates and their advisers, and will enlist a group of respected party leaders to "monitor" the campaign, and "admonish" anyone who violates the good conduct code.

Under a stern warning from Kirk, no state party thus far has scheduled any "straw votes" on candidate preference, like those of 1984.

Supreme Court tosses out Fourth Amendment

The U.S. Supreme Court on Feb. 24 took another bite out of the Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution when it ruled 6-3 that evidence seized in the course of searching the wrong home or business office is admissible in court as long as the police

made an "honest mistake."

This decision, entitled *Maryland v. Garrison*, further erodes the Fourth Amendment protections secured by the exclusionary rule. The exclusionary rule permits defendants in criminal cases to suppress illegal seized evidence.

In 1984, the Court eviscerated the rule in the case of *U.S. v. Leon*, by allowing "good faith" exceptions to the suppression-of-evidence remedy.

The Garrison case opens the door for a host of illegal searches and seizures under protection of the novel "honest mistakes" doctrine. The ruling could have an impact on certain aspects of attorneys' efforts in Boston to suppress evidence illegally obtained in October 1986 raids on the offices of *EIR* and other companies associated with Lyndon LaRouche. Can police agencies violate the law at will, "in good faith"?

Rogers to retire; was he forced out?

General Bernard W. Rogers will retire in June as NATO commander. According to the *New York Times* of Feb. 24, he will be replaced by Gen. John R. Galvin, who now commands U.S. forces in Latin America.

The Feb. 25 *Financial Times* of London said that Rogers is being forced to step down by President Reagan because of his public opposition to the "zero option" sell-out of Europe nearly signed by the President at the Reykjavik pre-summit with Gorbachov in October 1986.

The newspaper reported that Rogers, during an interview in Mons, Belgium, "... agreed, however, that White House sensitivity to his open criticism of certain U.S. arms control proposals, such as reducing medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe to zero ... might have contributed to his removal."

In the same interview, Rogers stressed that the next two years would be crucial for NATO, given the renewed calls for U.S. troop withdrawals and the 1987-88 elections in Britain, France, and the United States: "In the run up to these elections, things are often said which are not conducive to enhancing the cohesiveness of the alliance."

Briefly

● **THE U.S. ARMY** has set up a toll-free spy hotline for use by Army personnel suspicious of other servicemen's activities. The idea for the spy line came after the May 1985 break-up of the Walker family-and-friend spy ring made up of current and former Navy men, who were convicted of passing secrets to the Soviets, including codes that compromised submarine warfare operations. The toll-free hotline number is 1-800-CALL-SPY.

● **HENRY KISSINGER** blamed a "sloppy and unwise" National Security Council for Irangate, in a speech at Tulane University Feb. 25. He added, "It is important for us to improve relations with Iran."

● **SEVEN SOVIET** Bear bombers flying near Alaska's coast were intercepted and turned back by Air Force F-15 Eagle jet fighters over a four-day period beginning Feb. 16, said the Feb. 25 *Washington Post*. Air Force spokesman Frank Singleton said he assumed they were flying "practice striking routes."

● **THE NEW JERSEY** Assembly has voted up legislation to impose mandatory three-year prison terms on anyone selling drugs to minors near schoolyards. The vote was unanimous. The Assembly also approved various bills to appropriate \$13.5 million in state and federal funds for narcotics law-enforcement and drug education.

● **VIRGINIA STATE** indictments against 16 LaRouche fundraisers on Feb. 17 were ordered by the Democratic National Committee, according to sources close to Democratic Party headquarters. Governor Baliles, Attorney General Mary Sue Terry and ex-Governor Charles Robb were reportedly ordered to move against LaRouche on any pretext. The sources warned that an increasingly desperate DNC will order similar operations in other states.