

National News

Dyke may run against Terry for Va. governor

In a bolt from the blue, Virginia Education Secretary James Dyke, Jr., announced Dec. 3 he is considering running against Attorney General Mary Sue Terry for the Democratic nomination for governor in 1993. If Dyke won the nomination and were elected, he would be the nation and the state's second African-American governor. The announcement came as a surprise because the two-term attorney general has been unofficially running her campaign for governor for four years. There is growing anti-Terry ferment among Virginia's black population.

Dyke disclosed his decision to run to Democratic party pollster Larry Sabato's University of Virginia political science class. Sabato in turn informed the *Washington Post*. Wilder, in response to inquiries from the *Post*, replied that there was "a lot of concern in the black community that racism is surfacing."

A profile of Terry's campaign contributors over the past six months shows her support is far from "popular"; 77% of her money since May has come from corporations and political action committees (39%), and from individuals contributing from \$1,200 up to \$25,000 each (38%). Labor organizations have not contributed anything. Most of the corporate contributions are from bank, real estate, and investment companies, and tobacco and coal interests.

Kevorkian victim's friend says his lawyers 'lie'

"Dr." Jack Kevorkian's attorneys are lying about his latest "suicide" victim, said Diane Collins, a friend for 20 years of Kevorkian's victim, Catherine Andreyev. On Nov. 22, Andreyev of Coraopolis, Pennsylvania, called the unemployed Michigan pathologist; within 12 hours she was in Michigan. On Nov. 24, she was dead, carbon monoxide having been administered via a mechanism arranged by Kevorkian.

Kevorkian's attorney, Michael

Schwartz, portrayed Andreyev as "a victim of agony, torment, and torture for six years." In fact, Andreyev worked two jobs, sang in several church choirs, and traveled frequently; she only stopped working in May to enjoy her last months before the breast cancer, now in both lungs, diminished her strength. Up to the day before she died, her house was always full of old friends and visitors bringing entertainment and food to share. She was ambulatory, slept well and without difficulty, and was not bedridden. Nurses visited her for a total of three hours weekly.

She was to have a nurse visit and adjust the medication on the day she was killed. Instead, she called Kevorkian, whom she allegedly had called months earlier. Despite his claims, he had no patient-doctor relationship with Andreyev: Rather than try to talk her through a moment of depression, help her to contact her regular physician, or discuss an increase or change in her medication, Kevorkian had her brought to him in Michigan. Collins, who had reported her missing, told *EIR* that the two quasi-relatives/friends who had driven Andreyev to Michigan received part of her estate.

New Orleans ordered to erect Confederate statue

A federal judge has ordered the city of New Orleans to re-erect a monument commemorating an 1874 armed uprising by the pro-Confederate paramilitary association, the White League. The bloody battle, in which 32 people were killed, resulted in the temporary armed occupation of New Orleans, at that time Louisiana's capital, by the White League. The monument was built in 1891 and contains the names of the 21 members of the White League who died in the battle. The 11 people—six whites and five blacks—who died defending the city are not commemorated.

It was removed three years ago during a construction project, partially funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Since the monument was eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the city was required to sign an agreement it would be restored

within a specified period of time.

The deadlines passed without the statue being restored, or the issue raised, until now. According to Alfred Stokes, executive assistant to the mayor, the city legally must designate a site and place the monument there by Jan. 20. Stokes said he believes the statue to be offensive. "First, the statue is offensive to the majority population of this community," he said. The population of New Orleans is 60% black. "Secondly, and on a higher level, the statue memorializes an event which is diabolical to the democratic principles on which this nation was founded."

Catch-22: If the city does not comply, it will have to repay the U.S. government \$500,000.

Former N.D. governor backs Sioux casino foes

Former North Dakota Gov. Arthur A. Link and other members of the North Dakota Council on Gambling Problems, which he chairs, threw their support behind opponents of a gambling casino slated to be built on the Standing Rock Reservation. In a letter to casino opponents on Dec. 2, he wrote, "We are in complete agreement with your stand against casino gambling and sincerely hope that government officials will respond to your request for public hearings and a congressional investigation."

"Promoters of casino gambling promise jobs and easy money for economic development and social programs, but say nothing about the social costs. Following are some examples of gambling problems:

"12 clients of D.E. Counseling Service in Bismarck have filed bankruptcy in the last 2 months. . . .

"A lady, 36, twice divorced—dual addiction—borrowed \$1,200 from her employer—lost it all in one day at pull tabs and black jack.

"A male, married, two children: In three years lost 2 real estate businesses; lost \$50-30,000 at roulette in Las Vegas; 3-year losses=\$108,000.

"A male, 44, married, two children. . . . Last Christmas, no gifts. Lost two homes. Lost 8 jobs; 3 involving embezzle-

ment of funds. . . .

"There must be a better way to develop the economic and social lifestyle than by gambling. The Indian Trust Fund earnings, for example, could be used in conjunction with other available resources to develop manufacturing, processing, agriculture, science, and education on the reservation. Every legitimate means should be pursued to help create good productive jobs for reservation people."

Whites in D.C. voted against death penalty

The precinct-by-precinct breakdown of the crushing defeat of capital punishment in Washington, D.C. further undermines the media claims that most Americans support the death penalty. The Washington referendum was the first general election vote on capital punishment (as opposed to manipulated polls and election-night media "projections") since an Oregon referendum in 1964 abolished the death penalty in that state. The Washington vote was clearly not a "black vote against the death penalty," as the media attempted to portray it.

In Ward 2, approximately 60% white, 60% voted against the death penalty; and Ward 3, over 80% white, voted 57% against. In 11 precincts (out of 140) where capital punishment was voted up, it "won" by only 52%. Those precincts were predominantly characterized by high and very-high average income levels.

Suspended school board opposed teaching sodomy

New York City's Chancellor Joseph Fernandez on Dec. 1 suspended the District 24 school board in Queens, because it had refused to adopt a curriculum that, among other things, teaches first graders to respect and "appreciate" homosexuals, according to the *New York Times*. The curriculum, which uses the excuse of teaching "safe sex" and respect for others to teach sexual deviance, is called "Children of the Rainbow."

Fernandez accused the board of carrying

out "a malicious and highly organized campaign" among parents against the new curriculum. He appointed three executives from his staff to take over the day-to-day operations of the district, and to devise a curriculum that includes lessons about homosexuals. This is the first time since the New York schools were decentralized 22 years ago, that a chancellor suspended a local board over an issue of instruction.

District 24 School Board head Mary A. Cummins said that the board would begin an appeal process, starting with the board of education. She has maintained that the curriculum is "dangerously misleading homosexual/lesbian propaganda," which undercuts parents' religious and moral values. She likened the curriculum to "Orwellian thought control."

CIA, NBC charge Pakistan has nukes

Pakistan has at least seven nuclear weapons that can be assembled and dropped within a matter of hours, NBC News reported on Dec. 1. Sen. Larry Pressler told NBC that the CIA told him that "they'd have the capability within a matter of hours to have a bomb in an airplane and flying someplace and dropping it." NBC said Pakistan was able to buy sophisticated nuclear technology in the U.S. and Europe with the approval of the Reagan administration. "My sense is that they were having a field day getting whatever they wanted in western Europe and the United States," Steve Bryen, a former deputy undersecretary of defense (who was once investigated for leaking classified information to Israel), told NBC. "Clearly there was very little to block them."

Sen. John Glenn, who went on a congressional trip to Pakistan, told NBC, "They lied to us when we were there. They said they were not making nuclear weapons." Glenn and Pressler were sponsors of a 1985 law banning U.S. military and economic aid to Pakistan if the President could not certify to Congress the country did not possess a nuclear weapon. As a result, the U.S. cut off all aid to Pakistan last year. The report comes as the U.S. increases pressure for India and Pakistan to sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Briefly

● **PRINCE CHARLES** of Great Britain has agreed to deliver the keynote speech on Feb. 13, 1993, at the tercentenary celebrations of Virginia's College of William and Mary. According to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, the school is the only one in the U.S. "still operating under a royal charter" and "has nurtured its associations with England."

● **WILLIAM FULBRIGHT**, former senator and Rhodes Scholar, told an interviewer recently that if Rhodes Scholar Bill Clinton appoints Rhodes Scholars Paul Sarbanes, Bill Bradley, Robert Reich, and George Stephanopoulos to his cabinet, "people would make something of that. They'd say the British have retaken us."

● **LARRY EAGLEBURGER** was secretly sworn in as secretary of state on Dec. 8 in an Oval Office ceremony. He will serve, without the advice and consent of the Senate, which is in recess, until Bush leaves office on Jan. 20, 1993.

● **GEN. MANUEL NORIEGA** is a prisoner of war, federal Judge William Hoeweler ruled Dec. 8, and must be treated according to the rules of the Geneva Convention. Judge Hoeweler said, however, that the general can be interned in a civilian prison, if it meets the criteria set forth in his ruling.

● **THE SUPREME COURT** refused to review the appellate court decision reversing the Iran-Contra conviction of former National Security Adviser Adm. John M. Poindexter on Dec. 7. Poindexter was the only person convicted under the prosecutions of Independent Counsel Lawrence Walsh who had received a prison sentence.

● **CLEMENCY WAS DENIED** to Virginia death row inmate Timothy Bunch on Dec. 7 by Gov. Douglas Wilder, in spite of the pleas for clemency by the family of Bunch's murder victim. The execution was set for Dec. 10.