

National News

Eco-fascists threaten food irradiation plant

Michael Colby, director of the irrationalist environmental group Food & Water, called the poultry supplier to the Vindicator food irradiation plant in Florida on Sept. 22, and threatened to picket the poultry plant, call every customer of the supplier, take out ads in the newspaper, and shut the plant down. Colby also called the Vindicator plant to leave the message: "The end has come for your group." Apparently Colby's group is upset that sales of irradiated poultry went well in Chicago and Florida stores.

That same day, Marjorie Hecht, managing editor of *21st Century Science & Technology* magazine, told the Mid-Atlantic Food Protection Seminar sponsored by the Virginia Department of Health that the obstacles to food irradiation are political, not technological. About 90 public health officials from eight states attended the four-day seminar in Charlottesville, which covered a variety of topics related to food and sanitation. It was the first time most attendees had heard a presentation on how food irradiation works and its history, including a realistic assessment of the eco-fascists and what has happened in the past 20 years to destroy the commitment to scientific progress.

OBE takes hit in CAN's back yard

Illinois gubernatorial candidate Sheila Jones intervened into a Sept. 20 school board meeting in affluent Barrington, Illinois to expose the brainwashing known as "outcome-based education" (OBE) used against children in the public schools in this town where the Cult Awareness Network has its headquarters. Jones, who is running as an independ, is a political associate of Lyndon LaRouche.

At first, a Barrington mother politely objected to the so-called sex education, taught via a play called "Sex Police," in which children are subjected to a pornographic representation of oral and anal sex acts, masturbation, and use of condoms and dental

dams. As she was speaking, students displayed overt lesbianism, and one student retorted: "You parents have to get with it. Just because you don't know what a dental dam is, doesn't mean we shouldn't. We've been engaging in oral sex, and more things than that. The play 'Sex Police' was great. It showed us racial diversity, as there were racially diverse people from Chicago, who told us that in their community they are having sex, and they have been protecting themselves."

Jones spoke next. Turning her back to the board, she addressed the parents: "This is the most disgusting thing I have ever experienced. . . . You mothers and fathers, you the board, you the citizens, have created monsters, who actually believe that their identity is defined by what they do below their waists and what they put in their mouths! They believe that they are just animals, beasts. These children have no concept of the purpose for which God created them!"

When the chairman tried to gavel her to silence, Jones confronted the board: "In fact, all of you are out of order. . . . This outcome-based education has destroyed these children, many beyond repair!" The woman threatened to have school security remove her, to which Jones shot back: "No! Call the police, because I'm going to jail tonight! No, better still, I'll call the police, because you are out of order and guilty of perverting these children!"

Demjanjuk finally returns home

John Demjanjuk arrived in the United States early on Sept. 22 to face a new round of trials in which he will attempt to clear his name from attacks by the Department of Justice "Nazi-hunting" Office of Special Investigations and to regain his U. S. citizenship. Over the last 16 years, Demjanjuk, falsely accused of being Treblinka concentration camp murderer "Ivan the Terrible," was stripped of his citizenship, extradited to Israel, tried and sentenced to death. Earlier this year, the Israeli Supreme Court overturned his conviction, leading many Israelis and Jews to hail the triumph of justice over vengeance.

Demjanjuk boarded a small, chartered aircraft at JFK Airport for a flight to an undisclosed destination. His son-in-law Ed Nishnic declined to say where Demjanjuk was going, but said he would not be traveling immediately to his home in Cleveland. Demjanjuk and his son, John Demjanjuk, Jr., wore bullet-proof vests on the flight from Israel. They were accompanied by Ohio Rep. James Traficant (D) and a team of private security guards. Outside the airport's International Arrivals building were swarms of policemen and a small group of demonstrators from the radical Zionist group Kahane Chai. Two demonstrators were arrested when they burned an effigy of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Demjanjuk has received death threats from the terrorist Kach party of the late Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Virginia pension tax case to be argued

The explosive issue of Virginia's responsibility to refund federal retirees, whose pensions were illegally taxed \$489 million, will be argued before Judge Donald Kent in Alexandria Circuit Court on Oct. 21, according to the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* of Sept. 25. The case is highly damaging to Democratic gubernatorial candidate Mary Sue Terry, who faces a tough election challenge in November from Republican George Allen and independent Nancy Spannaus, an associate of political prisoner Lyndon LaRouche.

Terry was state attorney general when the U. S. Supreme Court ruled in 1989 that pensions of federal retirees could not be taxed, if state retirees' pensions were exempt. (In fact, Terry was obsessed during that period with concocting prosecutions against the LaRouche movement.) Terry is now the only politician still advocating fighting, rather than settling, with the pensioners.

Last year, Lyndon LaRouche said of Terry: "What is striking is her negligence and lack of respect for law, in the matter of her attempt to cover up this negligence in not refunding these taxes, which have been ruled unlawful."

● **THE ABUNDANT LIFE** Clinic of Dr. Abdul Alim Muhammad in Washington, D.C. was featured in the Sept. 27 *Washington Post*. The clinic, operated by Dr. Muhammad, the health minister of the Nation of Islam, has become widely known for treating HIV infection using low-dose alpha interferon. According to the *Post*, the National Institutes of Health has agreed to announce plans for tests of 500-800 AIDS patients with the treatment.

● **REP. DON EDWARDS** (D-Calif.) said that Attorney General Janet Reno assured him that the murderous raid by federal agents against Randall Weaver last year would be reviewed. Weaver, who was acquitted of murder and conspiracy charges, lost his wife and son in the assault by U.S. Marshals on his Idaho cabin.

● **A TAX ON STOCK** transactions in Chicago was proposed by a group of black aldermen as a means of solving the city's school budget crisis. According to the *Chicago Tribune*, "Led by Ald. Jesse Evans (21st), they championed the teachers union, saying the CTU should not be forced to concede anything." The aldermen are proposing a "penny tax on each stock transaction in Chicago" which the daily derides as "illegal."

● **'OREGON FACTS,'** a feature in the Clackamas County, Ore. Democratic Party newsletter, gave the interesting statistic that the entire world's population would fit into the two Oregon counties of Harney and Malheur with 103 sq. ft. per person, just a little greater population density than Hong Kong.

● **FORMER OSI COUNSEL** Eli Rosenbaum smeared Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal in his new book *Betrayal*, because Wiesenthal exposed the fraud of the U.S. State Department putting Austria's Kurt Waldheim on its "watch list" of possible Nazis. Rosenbaum, according to the *Washington Times*, was an investigator for the World Jewish Congress in the smear campaign against Waldheim.

Barry Fairchild is saved from execution

Arkansas' scheduled execution on Sept. 22 of Barry Fairchild, whose case became the moral dividing line in the Democratic National Convention in 1992, was halted, perhaps for good. The Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals let stand U.S. District Judge G. Thomas Eisele's ruling that vacated the death sentence imposed on Fairchild, on the grounds that it was unconstitutional, and replaced it with life without parole. Eisele lifted Fairchild's death sentence, saying that the state had not proved Fairchild liable for the murder. Fairchild's lawyers argued that the U.S. Supreme Court had ruled that accomplice liability is not enough to warrant a death sentence, and, in any case, that Fairchild did not participate in the crime.

The Appeals Court has set oral argument for October, and could still reimpose the death sentence. It is possible that the Arkansas attorney general will appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court in the meantime. Fairchild, who is on the borderline of mental retardation, was number 14 on the list of suspects for the 1983 murder of Marjorie Mason. He was beaten into a confession by Pulaski County Sheriff Tommy Robinson, according to the testimony of deputy sheriffs.

Feds back \$52 million fine against Va. miners

The U.S. Justice Department on Sept. 22 urged the U.S. Supreme Court to uphold the imposition of \$52 million in civil contempt fines against the United Mine Workers union. The fines were imposed by the Commonwealth of Virginia during the bitter 1989 UMW strike against Pittston Coal Co. When the UMW and Pittston settled, they together asked state Judge Donald McGlothlin to dismiss the fines. McGlothlin let stand all but the \$11 million fine due to Pittston. In March 1991, the Virginia Court of Appeals threw out the fines, but in 1992, the Virginia Supreme Court upheld them 7-0.

The UMW is again on strike in several

states, including Virginia.

In an *amicus* brief, U.S. Solicitor General Drew S. Days III said, "Nothing in the U.S. Constitution precluded those [Virginia] courts from sanctioning [UMW] conduct in civil contempt proceedings and from retaining the fines in effect following resolution of the labor dispute and related litigation." The UMW contends that the fines are grossly excessive, and that they are unconstitutional because they were imposed during civil proceedings, but are actually criminal in nature. The case will be argued before the U.S. Supreme Court in December.

Pragmatists hand N.Y.C. homosexual school chief

Pragmatists in the Republican Party and the Archdiocese of New York were responsible for gaining Ramon Cortines his seat as Schools Chancellor of New York City, replacing the controversial Joseph Fernandez. Cortines is a homosexual who has supported condom distribution and homosexual counseling services for students in his previous posts in California. Cortines had the support of the four members of the New York City Board of Education who had voted to oust Fernandez, even though they both advocate the same outcome-based education.

According to Dr. H. Hurwitz, chairman of the Family Defense Council, and other sources, the New York City mayoralty race and the politics of school vouchers played major roles in this fiasco. Apparently, the four board members were organized to vote for Cortines by Michael Petrides of Staten Island, a former campaign manager for Rudolph Giuliani from 1989; Republican Giuliani is now running for mayor against incumbent David Dinkins. "They're out to destroy Dinkins," said Hurwitz, "and hurting him on the Schools Chancellor issue was one way to do it."

In addition, the New York Archdiocese welcomed Cortines, after having contributed to the battle to oust Fernandez. Hurwitz attributes that strange position to the fact that Cortines supports school vouchers, although Hurwitz maintains that he supports vouchers for public schools only, and not for private or parochial schools.