
Arthur Windsor 'Nicky' Arundel

Hunt Country crowd's minister of propaganda

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Arthur Windsor "Nicky" Arundel is, according to sources who know him, a man who likes to boast of his power. His Arcom, Inc. publishing empire, while small by international standards, nonetheless has a virtual exclusivity in the print media of the Hunt Country, publishing its three largest newspapers, the *Loudoun Times-Mirror*, the *Fauquier Democrat*, and the *Clark Courier*, as well as other papers in Northern Virginia. Their editorial support can make or break most local politicians or business schemes, making their owner a useful instrument of the Hunt Country families. His fortune, estimated at approximately \$80 million, is substantial enough to buy anything he wants.

Well, almost anything. Arundel longs for respect and acceptance among those of the "first rank" of families of the Hunt Country establishment, and wealth alone can't buy that. Nicky, although a loyal servant, as was his father, to the British-connected oligarchy's interests, doesn't have the proper "breeding," and full acceptance must await the coming of new generations—if it ever comes.

Meanwhile, Arundel arranges what honors he can to promote himself in the local area. His papers routinely win awards, which he gladly accepts (although he is widely recognized to be illiterate when it comes to even the most simple journalistic skills) from organizations which he funds in significant part. As the force behind the Great Meadows Field Events Center in The Plains, and the chairman of the Virginia Gold Cup racing event, Nicky was seen awarding the Gold Cup trophy to himself a few years back. He also has expended not inconsiderable sums in a repeated and futile effort to "prove" that he is somehow connected to English aristocracy by some distant relation. The fact that his true peers regard him as "second rate" makes him all the more desperate to prove his worth to them in what he does best—"dirty tricks" and political thuggery against their enemies.

Dirty money

Nicky Arundel's wealth is recent, only second generation. He inherited a considerable sum from his father, Russell Arundel, who moved to the area in the 1930s. Russell Arundel, once administrative aide to Sen. Jesse Metcalfe (R-R.I.), was active in GOP circles working subversion against the Franklin Roosevelt administration. Those circles were dominated by the Morgan interests, one of the most notorious

London-controlled private banking nexuses. As was the case with several picked-up operatives, the Morgans made sure that Russell Arundel had sufficient wealth and connections to be of use to them; it was they who inserted him into the Warrenton (Fauquier) Hunt, where he became a master of the hunt. The Arundel estate was located on Wildcat Mountain; the other side of the mountain was owned by Lawrence Morgan Hamilton, the grandson of J.P. Morgan.

Sources in London and in Loudoun County, Virginia indicate that the key controller of Russell Arundel, and later the sponsor of his son, Nicky, was Harold Jefferson Coolidge, Jr., a member of one of Boston's dirtiest Anglophile families and one of the creators of the British crown's far-flung private intelligence networks operating under "environmental cover." The Coolidge family were, by the middle of the last century, the leading opium traders in the United States, linked directly to the British East India Company and Jardine Matheson Company, the Crown's leading opium traders. The Coolidges parlayed this "dope money" into control of the Bank of Boston and the United Fruit Company, both of which have been used as funding conduits and, in the case of United Fruit (now United Brands), cover for British-allied intelligence operations. The Coolidges intermarried into the Virginia "aristocracy," through the family of Thomas Jefferson.

Coolidge, who later played an important role in promoting British-linked operative Allen Dulles's organization of American intelligence, picked up Russell Arundel in the mid-1930s, and put him into the leadership of the National Wildlife Management Institute, a position which Arundel held for most of the rest of his life. An intelligence community source in London describes the institute, which was created with funds from the Morgan-controlled du Pont interests, through sections of the arms industry (Remington Firearms), as fully integrated with British intelligence operations, dating back to the 1930s; it later functioned in parallel with Prince Philip's World Wildlife Fund (WWF, now World Wide Fund for Nature), of which Coolidge was a founding member, and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands' International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN). (Coolidge, a mammologist, was closely associated with the British intelligence operative and biologist Julian Huxley. He was head of the IUCN and its president emeritus until his death in 1985.)

Sources in Loudoun County report that Coolidge helped put Russell Arundel in touch with Pepsi Cola Company. Arundel was given the assignment of arranging, through his legislative connections, for an exemption for Pepsi to import corn syrup from the Caribbean at a time when sugar imports were prohibited. Under the direction of Pepsi chairman Wallace Groves (who in 1941 was convicted of mail fraud and sent to prison, and whose links to organized crime were later exposed), Arundel shuttled back and forth to Cuba, whose sugar and syrup production was effectively controlled by the Meyer Lansky "Murder, Inc." mob, which ran the unions



Arthur "Nicky" Arundel, whose Northern Virginia press empire and dirty tricks capabilities are at the beck and call of the Anglophile families.

and many of the production facilities, with overlapping connections into Coolidge's United Fruit.

Russell Arundel got his fingers more than dirty in negotiating contracts for Pepsi. But he was well rewarded for his efforts, receiving in 1943 the Pepsi bottling franchise for New York. He later parlayed this into Pepcom, which held the franchise for the entire East Coast and is the source of the Arundel family fortune that provided Nicky with the seed money for his publishing empire.

Training in 'psywar ops'

Coolidge, whose family also had pull in Harvard University, helped place Nicky in that school. Later, sources report, he helped, through his intelligence connections, to get Nicky, a Marine paratroop officer, tasked to the CIA during service in Korea and Vietnam in the early 1950s. Operating as part of the "secret team" operations of Col. Edwin Lansdale, Nicky Arundel was taught, and practiced, the art of "black propaganda" in "civil affairs" operations, becoming a specialist in "psywar ops." He was involved, for example, in destroying the largest printing facility in what was then the northern section of Vietnam; later, he helped run a "psywar" campaign aimed at setting up a counterinsurgency among northern tribes in Vietnam, causing their migration to the south and laying the ground for that country's partition; this, in turn, helped set the stage for the Vietnam War.

Nicky Arundel's skills in "psywar," and his connections to the British-polluted U.S. intelligence establishment, made him the ideal candidate to become the "Hunt Country's Minister of Propaganda." Sources have pointed out that there was

no way that an individual would gain control of the most significant media in the Hunt Country, and in what is also a "national security zone," unless he or she had the approval of the establishment and its intelligence community component.

These sources have described Arundel as playing the role of a "civil affairs" intelligence operative in a private intelligence operation based in Loudoun. They report that, in approximately 1960-61, numbers of former intelligence operatives were placed in the Washington metropolitan area to create an "off line" capability, deployable in coordination with Allen Dulles's apparatus in the CIA and families of the so-called Hunt Country.

In 1961, after an undistinguished career as a correspondent for CBS and United Press International, and a stint, arranged by his father and Coolidge, in the U.S. Commerce Department, Nicky, using his father's money, purchased the small Washington, D.C. radio station WAVA-AM, and converted it into the nation's first "all news" station. Sources report that he used this to build up a large staff which was later deployed into his print media operation. Over the course of the next decade, Nicky Arundel became Northern Virginia's, and especially the Hunt Country's, acknowledged print media czar; at the same time, he became more active in the local hunts.

According to sources in Loudoun County, Nicky Arundel serves as the unofficial "gatekeeper" for the Hunt Country. When he is told by some intelligence operatives to move a particular individual into the area, he sees to it that it is done without problems. When the families and/or his spook sources ask that someone be removed, Nicky arranges for the removal, using his ability to conduct press smears and his coordination with the local sheriffs and prosecutors; such operations, or "dirty tricks," extend far beyond the media, into all classes of operations.

This is most clear in his several-year operation as a component of the families-encouraged operation to destroy the political movement of their enemy, Loudoun County resident Lyndon LaRouche. Nicky Arundel's media empire played a major role in the circulation of "big lie" slanders against LaRouche and his associates, slanders that were, in turn, interwoven into bogus state and federal prosecutions. In many cases, the fabricated information was directly generated, under Arundel's orders, by his journalists, including the drunk Bryan Chitwood, during 1984-92. (In addition, sources report that there is every reason to believe that the du Pont family used Arundel and his media to help set up the aborted kidnapping of du Pont heir and LaRouche associate Lewis du Pont Smith.)

It is Nicky Arundel's media that have been most responsible for promoting the myth of the "Hunt Country" as the area's "native" culture. While he has promoted a false and glorified image of the hunts, he has also seen to it that the seamier and more perverse sides of the Hunt Country, the kinds of scandals which are found in the tabloids, are kept

The Arundel family's role in genocide in Africa

The Arundel family has historically played a role in British-sponsored operations in Africa that have promoted both continued neo-colonial rule and genocide. It has done so through connections to royal family-linked intelligence and "environmentalist" organizations, which currently operate under the aegis of Prince Philip's World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). They have an overlapping interest with other Loudoun County, Virginia families, including the Ohrstroms, in promotion of genocidal projects, under the cover of "wildlife protection."

The family's involvement with Africa policy dates back to the 1930s, when Nicky Arundel's father, Russell, became involved with a British-linked network of intelligence specialists who established the National Wildlife Management Institute (NWMI), at the instigation of Harold Coolidge; this organization was directly linked to the International Nature Office, which was already at that time running projects nominally involved with the tracking and cataloging of various wildlife species in Africa.

Covering for subversion

A London-based intelligence specialist in these matters reports that such projects were used by the British Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) as "covers" for the placement of agents and for spying on various nationalist and other insurgencies.

After the war, the NWMI played a role in helping establish the "need" for large game preserves. The Oct. 28, 1994 *EIR Special Report*, "The Coming Fall of the House of Windsor," documents how these preserves are used as bases of subversive activity, and a means to "lock up" vast mineral reserves in Africa, under British control.

In 1956, Russell Arundel, as director of NWMI, sponsored one of the first "invasions" of Africa by American zoologists. The mission was led by Lee Tolbert, who was

later to become a top consultant for the WWF, the director of the royal family-created International Union for the Conservation of Nature, and a top assistant to Russell Train at the Environmental Protection Agency. The mission was focused on the "white rhino" and "mountain gorilla" populations.

During this period, Nicky Arundel went on several safaris to Africa on behalf of the National Zoo, including some with his father. It is not known whether he went on the 1956 mission.

The AWLF

In 1961, Nicky Arundel was tapped by Coolidge, CIA operative Kermit Roosevelt, and Russell Train (reported to be a protégé of Coolidge) to found the African Wildlife Leadership Foundation, now known as the African Wildlife Foundation (AWF). This is an "off line," privatized intelligence operation which recruits and trains operatives to run the game parks. All its members can be described as highly trained Anglo-American intelligence assets.

The AWF, which Arundel formerly headed, has been implicated in the genocide in Rwanda through its sponsorship of a mountain gorilla protection project in the Virunga game park on the Uganda-Rwanda border; this area, under the virtual supervision of AWF operatives, is the key transmission belt for British-backed forces which instigated the Rwandan civil war.

Our London source says that the AWF and Nicky Arundel play a continuing important role in British Africa policy, through the mountain gorilla and other projects. Arundel's family foundation, as well Arundel personally, provide funding for these projects, as does the WWF and the Ohrstrom family foundations.

Arundel is also reported to have influence over U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.), whose Tenth District includes the Hunt Country of Loudoun and parts of Fauquier counties. Wolf has played a major role in the destabilization of Sudan, in accordance with British policy objectives. Wolf and his office have been in direct contact with British Overseas Development Minister Baroness Lynda Chalker on these and other matters pertaining to Africa policy.

from public view.

To this day, Nicky Arundel maintains autocratic control over his empire, firing editors and other subordinates almost at whim, and dictating editorial policy on all crucial questions. And he can be seen prancing around like a little lord at the various Hunt Country events and parties.

But all is not well in Nicky's domain. In the most recent election, despite his dirty tricks and smear operations, the key candidates that he supported in his Loudoun County base

were routed by the voters after successive issues of a local newspaper published by *EIR* exposed their corruption and the top-down oligarchical control of the county. Nicky, according to sources within his own empire, flew into a blind rage. He ordered his flagship paper, the *Loudoun Times-Mirror* to downplay the results, printing an absurdly written story under a banner headline: "Voters Show Little Enthusiasm." The headline would have been correct with the addition of the words, "For My Candidates."