

National News

Disabled leader breaks with Dole over Gingrich

Longtime Republican Justin Dart, Jr., sometimes called the "godfather of the disability movement," is campaigning nationally in support of President Clinton, after repudiating Bob Dole for going along with the Gingrich agenda in Congress, the *Washington Post* claimed July 27.

Dart, a victim of polio, supported both Ronald Reagan's and George Bush's Presidential bids; and serves on the board of the Dole Foundation, created by Dole in 1983 to promote employment for people with disabilities. "Our civil rights are under attack, our education is under attack, our health care is under attack, virtually every service we have is under attack," Dart tells his audiences. According to the *Post*, he demands to know, "How often would President Dole veto a Gingrich law?"

Dart calls his decision to back Clinton "a painful decision of conscience." He is urging audiences to make the same decision, and then "get into politics as if your lives depended on it, because they do."

'Dr. Death' hails Satan at National Press Club

Before a cheering mob at the National Press Club July 29, serial killer Jack Kevorkian displayed his satanic hatred of human life, and claimed that pagan Rome's slaughter of the Christians was simply "assisted suicide."

Still flush from taking the life of his 33rd victim, Kevorkian raved, "The question of ethics always comes up. I mean, what are ethics? You ask someone to define ethics, you're going to get various definitions. I have a simple one: Ethics is doing and saying what's right at the time. That's what people forget. So you have eternal ethics based on some mythology you invent, you're going to have crises if you think that's eternal, as society changes.

"Let's talk a little more about assisted suicide and get down to the nitty gritty. The

ancient Christians in Rome, they were all healthy. They weren't suffering physical disease. I think they were suffering mental disease—but not physical. And they had assisted suicide. Why? To alleviate the pain, mental pain, of having to renounce their faith. If I did that today—if I helped a person today under those circumstances I'd be strung up. And yet these people you call almost divine had assisted suicide in lions' jaws," Kevorkian declared.

"Well, let's take what people think is a dignified death. Christ—was that a dignified death? Do you think it's dignified to hang from wood with nails through your hands and feet bleeding, hang for three or four days slowly dying, with people jabbing spears into your side, and people jeering you? Do you think that's dignified? Not by a long shot. Had Christ died in my van—with people around Him who loved Him, the way it was, it would be far more dignified. In my rusty van. Anyone disagree?"

Kevorkian's victims have typically turned up dead in abandoned cars, after being asphyxiated by carbon monoxide poisoning. Law enforcement authorities in Michigan have treated the deaths as homicides, and have reported that a number of Kevorkian's "mercy killing" victims could not possibly have used his device to administer the fatal gas by themselves.

Clinton again rejects spy's clemency appeal

For the second time, President Clinton has denied an application by convicted Israeli spy Jonathan Jay Pollard for executive clemency. In announcing the decision July 26, White House spokesman Mike McCurry said that, as in Clinton's previous review of the matter in 1994, "the President made his decision taking into account the recommendation of the Attorney General and the unanimous views of the law enforcement and national security agencies."

McCurry reported that, in the President's judgment, "the enormity of Mr. Pollard's offenses, his lack of remorse, the damage done to our national security, the need for general deterrence, and the continuing

threat to national security that he posed, made the original life sentence imposed by the court warranted."

Pollard has been in jail since his arrest in 1985; he pled guilty in 1986 and was sentenced to life in prison. Pollard was, in fact, a Soviet "false flag" agent working under Israeli cover. Uri Ra'anana, the Oxford-trained chairman of the International Security Studies Program of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, played a key role in recruiting Pollard to the Israeli-Soviet spy program.

Ra'anana, a longtime anti-LaRouche operative, was responsible for placing both Pollard and Pollard's classmate, Mira Lansky Boland, into sensitive government positions following their graduation in 1978. Pollard was forwarded to U.S. Naval Intelligence; Boland to the CIA, and then the Pentagon.

Boland subsequently joined the Anti-Defamation League's Washington office, as a member of its "Fact-Finding Division," where she became an integral part of the "Get LaRouche" task force. The principal funder of the Fletcher School International Security Studies Program was Richard Mellon Scaife, a founding member and one of the moneybags for the "Get LaRouche" task force.

Scaife is well known as one of President Clinton's leading enemies. He has financed a multitude of anti-Clinton projects, including the recent book, *Unlimited Access*, by renegade FBI agent Gary Aldrich.

Powell and Weinberger to meet Thatcher on yacht

Sirs Colin Powell and Caspar Weinberger, "Honorable" Knights of the British Empire, will join Baroness Margaret Thatcher on board Steve Forbes's 151-foot luxury yacht *The Highlander* off the coast of South Carolina, just prior to the Aug. 12-16 Republican National Convention.

According to the London *Times* of July 27, the Margaret Thatcher Foundation is guarded, "for security reasons," about discussing the Thatcher visit, describing it as being at the invitation of Forbes and his wife

Sabina. The foundation's American director, Robert Higdon, claims, "It's a private holiday and the foundation is not involved. But I imagine the conversation may concern current events."

The arch-Anglophile Forbes clan is, however, much involved with Thatcher's foundation. Steve's brother Timothy has been a director of the foundation since 1993. Weinberger became chairman of *Forbes* magazine in 1989, following his stint as President Reagan's secretary of defense. Both Powell and Forbes are being given speaking time at the GOP convention, with Powell set to outline on opening night "his vision of America in the 21st century," a topic on which Thatcher has been outspoken.

It is believed that Forbes will attempt to talk about his distinctly Thatcherite flat tax scheme, which was the main plank of his brief campaign for the Republican Presidential nomination. Forbes took a walk, after generating a barely visible blip on the electoral screen in the early primaries.

NASA rules that animals can't set space policy

The advisory council of the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) has approved all of the experiments to be performed on Russian-owned rhesus monkeys during the Bion 11 and 12 space flights. The Bion missions are joint ventures of the U.S., Russian, and French space agencies, to investigate biomedical effects on astronauts during expeditions in space.

The anti-science pagans of the violence-prone group, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), had demonstrated at NASA installations, trying to put pressure on the space agency to pull out of the missions. In response, NASA Administrator Dan Goldin convened a Bion Task Force, to disprove PETA's assertions that the experiments were both scientifically unnecessary, and brutal for the monkeys. NASA's advisory council has accepted the task force finding, that PETA's animal claims don't fly.

The missions are unpiloted, and both the

spacecraft and the monkeys are to be retrieved. Bion 11, scheduled for launch from Russia this October, has a mission duration of 14 days. Bion 12 is scheduled for launch in 1998.

U.S. airlines see hoax in Brits' 'open skies'

Chief executives from the six largest U.S. airlines sent a letter to President Clinton July 22, urging a halt to any further talks with Britain, on an "open skies" agreement which they believe might ruin U.S. carriers. Their letter requests that the Department of Justice first determine, whether the proposed alliance between American Airlines and British Airways, will hinder efforts by other U.S. airlines to compete.

American Airlines and British Airways announced June 11 that they would align their operations to jointly serve 3,600 cities worldwide. The two airlines together control 60% of the U.S.-U.K. airline market. Their alliance, however, is contingent upon the signing of an "open skies" agreement between the United States and Britain, which would allow airlines of one country to fly to any destination of the other country.

The appeal to President Clinton, by the chief executives of United, Delta, Continental, Northwest, TWA, and Tower, states, "We are worried that the U.K. is seeking . . . to maneuver the U.S. into an agreement which, in practice, will prove far less than open. In the field of international trade, tigers do change their stripes, but they seldom do it overnight. For years the United Kingdom and its flag carriers have insisted upon the most restrictive interpretation of one of the most restrictive aviation agreements in existence. Suddenly, to secure U.S. approval of an alliance . . . they profess a willingness to abandon completely their protective policies. . . ."

"The question that immediately comes to mind is whether this is an actual philosophical conversion, or whether the British believe they can manipulate circumstances to maintain an even more protective environment under the false banner of 'open skies.'"

Briefly

RULE BRITANNIA? State Department spokesman Nick Burns responded July 25 to suggestions by some Canadians, that the Helms-Burton Act might enable them to reclaim sections of the eastern United States. Burns noted "that if anyone is looking for compensation for Tories, they might want to look in the direction eastward over the Atlantic Ocean, toward the former colonial master of this continent, and not toward the U.S. government in Washington."

THE MASSACHUSETTS legislature has overturned Republican Gov. William Weld's veto, of a bill to provide health insurance for all of the state's 160,000 uninsured children. The law also extends Medicaid coverage to all families with incomes up to 133% of the poverty level, providing coverage for another 75,000 working people who are too poor to afford medical insurance.

TOM RIDGE has his "Hooverville" emerging in Philadelphia. The Pennsylvania governor's Nazi-like policies, which have also turned homeless people away from publicly funded shelters, have already led nearly 50 people to move into tents on a vacant city lot. A wooden sign identifies the site as "Ridgeville."

BALANCED BUDGETS are "unsustainable," George Brown (Calif.), the ranking Democrat on the House Science Committee, said July 24. Those who think they will lead to an "artificial nirvana" assume "that all things will remain equal," including employment, inflation, etc. But the "general failure to commit to long-term R&D budgets inevitably leads to a lack of economic growth."

NEWT GINGRICH is a leading environmentalist, says the National Center for Public Policy Research. A recent press release, omitting any reference to Adolf Hitler's "greenies," emphasized that "Gingrich has staked out positions on the environment that are so radical that some of the staunchest environmentalists appear moderate by comparison."