

## Editorial

# *Britain's Deady Game: Religious War*

It's not only the arrogance of Dick Cheney, and the mule-headed insanity of George W. Bush that has prevented any change of policy by the Administration since the Nov. 7 elections. The overriding fact is, as Lyndon LaRouche has constantly stressed, that the *policy* of this Administration is being run from *outside* the United States, by oligarchical financial forces primarily located in Great Britain. It's not a Bush-Cheney policy, it's British!

There are a number of crucial elements which should convince even the most reluctant "conspiracy-theorists" of the truth of our charge.

First, ask yourself: what force in the world responds to crisis conditions by fomenting cultural/religious war? If you answer "Venice," you would not be wrong, but Venice today has, in effect, moved as a power to London, where it operates as a global financial and political power. Thus, the oligarchical center (Venice) which instigated the Thirty Years' War of 1618-48, in an attempt to save its empire, is no longer. Instead, the British Foreign Office, and associated tentacles, have picked up the job of pitting religion against religion, race against race—with the very same purpose.

Southwest Asia has been a favorite victim of these imperial powers for centuries, long before even the creation of the state of Israel. Wars within Islam, between Jews and Muslims, between Turks and Armenians—and many other variants—have all been furthered by sophisticated intelligence agencies, working for empires that didn't care how many people died, as long as their power was preserved.

Now, look at the policy in Southwest Asia today. What the Bush Administration is pursuing is *permanent warfare*, not stability. But can anyone really believe that this Administration, which has virtually driven out everyone with any competent understanding of the culture and the region, has come up with this policy? No. In effect, the Bush Administration is functioning as fall-guys for the British policy.

The just-concluded visit of Pope Benedict XVI to Turkey provides an instructive counterpoint to the Bush Administration policy. Here, a world leader who just a

few weeks earlier had been virtually declared anathema, and threatened with bodily harm in mass demonstrations by Muslims all around the world, was able, through his own persistent efforts for dialogue and peace, to make a breakthrough in peaceful relations between the Roman Catholic Church and Islam. What's obvious is that other forces in the West could have done the same—had they the same commitment. Instead, they are being steered toward provocation after provocation—and disaster.

Which brings us to the second crucial point, which buttresses our case. *The fact is that the current foreign policy of the our country is perfectly designed to destroy the United States.* And who wishes to destroy the United States? None other than those international financial forces who see it as a potential obstacle to their plan for permanent looting over the world—forces centered in Great Britain.

*EIR* has conducted a small survey among knowledgeable military-intelligence circles in Washington, D.C. as follows: Do you think, we asked, that there could have been any two individuals, besides Bush and Cheney, more effective in destroying the status, and power, of the United States in the world? The answer, you'll not be surprised to hear, was "no."

From their very selection as candidates for this nation's highest offices, Bush and Cheney have been primed to carry out roles assigned to them by leading enemies of the United States. They have destroyed our industry, they have destroyed trust in government, they have tried to rip up the Constitution, they have destroyed any respect that our nation, once beloved by all truly freedom-loving countries, has in the world.

We have now come to the end of the line. On the one side, this destructive process is about to enter a new phase, of financial and cultural disintegration. On the other, the American people have signalled the definite desire for a change of direction, with the election of Nov. 7. Thus it is *now* that American patriots have to gird their loins, and take up the battle to restore *American* sovereignty, by removing the tools of our own destruction.

Impeach Cheney and Bush—before it's too late.