

National News

Weld caught in financial war against LaRouche

William Weld, the Boston Brahmin and former U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts, who in August was confirmed as head of the Justice Department's Criminal Division, has been caught in a new "dirty tricks" campaign against Democratic presidential contender Lyndon LaRouche.

In his confirmation hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee, Weld denied under oath that he was conducting a politically motivated vendetta against associates of LaRouche. He further testified that the reason that the LaRouche grand jury investigation in Boston had gone on for almost two years, with no results, was that the "LaRouche organizations" had refused to produce documents subpoenaed by the grand jury.

Now, explosive FBI documents obtained by this news service prove that Weld was at the center of an unconstitutional conspiracy to destroy the fund-raising capabilities of organizations associated with LaRouche. Weld personally attempted to mobilize a nationwide effort by law-enforcement officials to wage financial warfare against "LaRouche organizations." The U.S. Attorney's effort resulted in hundreds of thousands, probably millions, of dollars being stolen from these organizations through harassment of contributors, bank interference, and media stories attempting to portray LaRouche and associates as victimizing the elderly and the infirm.

The documents also demonstrate that Weld's grand jury investigation had plenty of documents, but failed because he was unable to make his case, for the lack of an "inside witness" who would tell him what he wanted to hear.

The newly obtained FBI documents will be made public shortly, pending the initiation of certain legal moves by attorneys for the organizations being targeted by Weld. It will soon be publicly established that Weld led the FBI into a resurgence of the illegal Cointelpro operations of the 1960s and 1970s—just as the National Democratic

Policy Committee charged in documentation submitted to the Senate Judiciary Committee shortly before Weld was confirmed by the Committee, and then the full U.S. Senate.

U.S. embassy in Berne placed under scrutiny

U.S. intelligence community sources are investigating the possible conduct of "rogue" intelligence operations out of the U.S. embassy in Berne, Switzerland, by operatives linked to the Washington, D.C. Heritage Foundation.

The *Washington Post* ran a front-page article on Sept. 25 exposing questionable use of a foreign service discretionary fund by U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland Faith Ryan Whittlesey. *EIR*'s sources believe that behind the published report of the fund scandal, lies a dirtier operation involving the Heritage Foundation and circles close to Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.). Using private funds raised for embassy entertainment, Whittlesey and her U.S. Information Agency (USIA) staff director Robert Reilly (formerly a White House aide who maintained liaison with the Tradition, Family, and Property cult) financed a flurry of "private" visits to Berne by a group including Edwin Fuelleter and Paul Weyrich of the Heritage Foundation, and Helms aide Christopher Manion.

According to our sources, these visits all centered around "New Yalta" diplomacy favoring U.S. withdrawal from Europe.

Europe's role declines, says Navy secretary

With U.S. economic ties to Asia strengthening, the American industrial base in decline, and a growing Soviet fleet in the Pacific, the United States is being forced to rethink its role in NATO, Navy Secretary John Lehman told a conference at Georgetown University's Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) on Sept. 25.

The CSIS think tank is "home" to many theoreticians of the "New Yalta" drive to decouple Europe from the United States, including Zbigniew Brzezinski and Henry Kissinger.

Until recently, Lehman said, it was an unquestioned assumption that the U.S. Navy would send the Pacific Fleet to the Atlantic to help defend the NATO countries in the event of war. But "today it is impossible to abandon the Pacific to the Soviets if there is an Atlantic war."

Lehman pointed out that while, during World War II, the United States was referred to as the "arsenal of democracy," this is no longer the case, because of the decline in U.S. basic industry. America now depends on foreign nations—many of them in Asia—for its steel, heavy machinery, and other supplies.

Lehman further attacked European NATO members for "copping out" when the United States attempted to strike back at terrorism by attacking Libya; for refusing to get involved in Central America; and for expecting the United States to continue spending \$40 billion a year to assure the continued flow of Mideast oil to Europe.

Pat Buchanan hits OSI fraud in Demjanjuk case

White House Communications Director Patrick Buchanan has charged that John Demjanjuk, accused by the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI) of being the "Butcher of Treblinka," is the innocent victim of a KGB frameup.

Writing in the *Washington Post* on Sept. 27, Buchanan, who has spoken out in the past against the OSI's use of KGB-forged "evidence," argues that Demjanjuk was not the murderous Nazi concentration camp guard which the OSI and KGB have made him out to be. Buchanan asserts that, after thoroughly investigating the case, "I have come to believe . . . that John Demjanjuk is . . . a victim himself of a miscarriage of justice. Hence, this article."

Buchanan reports that there is increasing skepticism about Demjanjuk's guilt in Is-

rael, where he is now facing trial, since his extradition from the United States earlier this year.

Will U.S.-Soviet space cooperation resume?

Secret meetings between U.S. and Soviet officials took place in September, to discuss resuming joint space work, according to *Aviation Week and Space Technology*.

A 10-member senior U.S. space program team, including representatives from the White House, NASA, the Defense Department, and the State Department traveled secretly to the U.S.S.R. Sept. 12-13. Discussions included the potential for cooperation in Mars exploration. Among the long-range projects discussed were unmanned sample return missions to Mars and joint manned exploration of the Martian surface. The team was shown the Soviet laser equipment that will be used on a Soviet mission to Mars in 1988.

The U.S. team was headed by Jet Propulsion Lab Director Lew Allen. National Security Council space expert Col. Gerald May and former astronaut Joseph P. Kerwin were included in the group.

Pro-terrorist RCP attacks Proposition 64

The *Revolutionary Worker*, newspaper of Robert Avakian's Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP), issued a three-page attack on Sept. 22 against Proposition 64, the California ballot initiative to apply public health measures to stop the spread of AIDS, calling it "the leading edge on the broader fascistic offensive going on in America." The article calls for measures "outside the law" to defeat what it calls "the LaRouche initiative."

The RCP provides the key logistical network for international terrorist groups, notably including Peru's Shining Path (*Sendero Luminoso*), France's Direct Action, and the Red Army Faction of West Germany.

The paper charges that LaRouche is plotting to use Proposition 64 "to strengthen fundamentalist morality. Long-outmoded family morality and relations, which center on the oppression of women, are to be revived and stiffened—with barbed wire."

Galbraith hits Syrian role in European terror

Evan Galbraith, U.S. ambassador to France from 1981 to 1985, blasted the Syrian Popular Party (PPS) for its role in running terrorism in Western Europe on Soviet behalf, in a column in the *Washington Times* on Oct. 1. The connection, and its implications for U.S. foreign policy, was the subject of a recent *EIR* cover story (Sept. 26, 1986).

Galbraith linked the Lebanese Armed Revolutionary Faction and terrorist Ibrahim Abdallah to the murder of American Col. Charles Ray in Paris in 1982, and to Syria and the PPS. "The Soviet Union," he wrote, "has supplied Syria with billions of dollars worth of arms and money. . . . What does the Soviet Union require in return for its support of Syria? . . . Chaos in Lebanon, support for Soviet efforts in the Arab world, perhaps another war with Israel and—terrorism. . . . Today, in France, Syria has escalated the struggle. They are testing, on behalf of the Soviet Union, the will of the French people.

"France is essential to the defense of Western Europe and the Soviet anti-nuclear campaign, so effective in West Germany, is going nowhere in France. The Soviets are trying another tactic—terrorism. . . . We struck against one of the tentacles of the Soviet Union, Libya. . . . Syria is no less malign and no less involved. . . . Now, the Soviets' other agent in terror must be made to suffer."

Galbraith identified the "State Department Arabists" who allowed Syria to dominate Lebanon in the first place, as well as fixations on the prospects for a summit meeting between President Reagan and General Secretary Gorbachov, as the reason for lack of effective action against the Syrians.

Briefly

● **THE AIDS COVERUP** is the title of a book just released by the Ignatius Press in San Francisco, the same publishing house which recently issued *The Ratzinger Report*, an interview with the Vatican's Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger. The book charges that the U.S. government's medical bureaucracies have concealed the true extent of the killer disease, and have suppressed information on its spread among non-"high-risk" categories.

● **JOHN ZACCARO** was indicted Oct. 1 by a New York state grand jury investigating bribery in awarding cable television contracts in Queens. This is the second time in two years that the husband of 1984 Democratic vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro has been indicted for corruption.

● **FRANK SHAKESPEARE** was appointed by President Reagan to succeed William Wilson as ambassador to the Vatican, the White House announced Sept. 26. Shakespeare, a former CBS-TV executive, was a campaign aide for President Nixon, and headed the U.S. Information Agency (USIA) from 1969 to 1973. He is currently ambassador to Portugal.

● **PRESIDENT REAGAN** has set up a regular, private, weekly meeting with Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, columnists Evans and Novak reported on Sept. 27. The change was reportedly arranged by National Security Adviser John Poindexter, who was acting on his own, not Weinberger's, initiative.

● **A PROMINENT BRITISH** figure, recently visiting the United States, has a suggestion for the clarification of the often-confusing U.S. political arena. Congressmen should be identified, not only by state and party, as tradition has it, but also by sexual preference: (D-Md.-He., Ho., or Bi.).