

Satanists escalate war against Western civilization

by Mark Burdman

On Feb. 24, 1988, one of the more revealing slanders of the 1980s was hurled against Lyndon LaRouche by the Panamanian opposition newspaper *La Prensa*. LaRouche was attacked as a “detractor of Basilides,” a gnostic-pagan philosopher of the second century A.D. who is highly revered among pagans and satanists today, particularly in Central America and parts of South America. Basilides was also the pen-name adopted by “New Age” psychologist Carl Gustav Jung in his first published book.

To the informed intelligence specialist, this charge might have been seen as a signal that 1988 would be a singular year for activation of satanist cults. And indeed, it was. Communications among satanist organizations early in the year defined 1988 as a year for public “combat” against Christian belief. Along similar lines, “green” and “ecological” groups worldwide began to more explicitly embrace Roman-model “Great Mother” cultism.

“Great Mother” cults practice ritual sacrifices and like horrors. So, 1988 witnessed a contagion of devil-worshipping youth-suicide cults, and abductions of children for use in child sex and sacrifice rituals. This contagion appeared in Britain, Northern Germany, Yugoslavia, across the Atlantic in the United States, and across the Pacific in New Zealand.

It should also be recalled that 1988 was the year in which it was revealed that both Ronald and Nancy Reagan were involved in astrological mysticism. This prompted Lyndon LaRouche to warn, in *EIR*'s May 20, 1988 cover story (“Astrology Is a Threat to National Security”), “Surely, all history shows that astrology is a structure based upon worship of Satan, and surely most Americans must agree that worship of Satan is a pretty nasty form of sin.” In fact, the astrologers influencing the Reagans were creatures of the World War II-era British “Occult Bureau,” who, LaRouche stressed, had deep ties to the “overtly Satan-worshipping Theosophical Society of Annie Besant, Madame Blavatsky, Aleister Crowley, and Astor-backed Rudolf Steiner.”

‘Why not kill Satan?’

If LaRouche were singled out as the satanists’ public enemy number one, it is also true that LaRouche and associates have launched war against satanism.

In the April 1 *EIR* cover story, “Elliott Abrams Backs

Nazis in Panama,” partly written in response to the “detractor of Basilides” attack, LaRouche asserted, “It is this pro-satanist, self-styled ‘brotherhood’ of such fellows as Oxford’s John Ruskin, Dostoevsky, Nietzsche, Berdyaev, Gorky, Blavatsky, Crowley, H.G. Wells, Bertrand Russell, and so on, which is the enemy of all mankind, and the author of neomalthusian dionysian and other countercultural cults, as well as being the true author of both Nazism and Communism.”

In a Sept. 30 piece, “Behind the Mask of So-called ‘Communism,’ ” under the subtitle, “The True Enemy, Satan,” he declared that the satanism of Nietzsche, Crowley, et al. was “the key agency to be destroyed as a precondition for victory in irregular warfare.” He warned that the communist and fascist instruments of satanism aimed “to make destructive hatred of the good the pleasure of the recruit,” and to achieve a “global New Dark Age” and a “one-world government under the rule of international socialism.”

Weeks later (“Bolshevik Russia is a Golem: the Myth of Marxian Communism,” Nov. 4, 1988), LaRouche wrote, “The real adversary” of the human race is “Satan and that great whore Ishtar-Isis, his mother.” He asked, “Why not kill Satan, whom such as Friedrich Nietzsche and Aleister Crowley worshipped? . . . Are we not the Creator’s Right Arm, endowed with that reason which no other earthly creature possesses, that we, as dutiful creatures of Providence, might do precisely such awesome deeds when the time came we must do so?”

This declaration of war culminated in a Nov. 18, 1988 memorandum entitled, “A Worldwide Anti-Bolshevik Mobilization is Now in Progress,” published as the lead story of *EIR*'s Dec. 9 edition.

‘We’re at war’

There are two levels to the satanists’ mobilization of 1988. There has been the proliferation of satanist cults as such. And there has been the increasingly open embrace of satanism by powerful forces among the international liberal elites.

New Zealand is a nation undergoing economic contraction and large-scale unemployment after decades of prosperity. There, growing numbers of teenagers have been pulled into suicide cults, the ideology of which is centered on listen-

ing to the death-obsessed lyrics of rock groups such as "Gothic." A London *Times* feature Sept. 26 reported that the country was experiencing a "surge of teenage suicides," to the extent that suicide had become the "second biggest killer of New Zealanders aged between 15 and 24." The "Gothic" children dress up in black, color their rooms black, and paint their faces white. They also play "role-playing board games," one of which "supposedly originated in the 14th century"—the century of the last great "Dark Age."

Youth behaving in similar fashion, dressed in black, wearing white makeup, and sleeping in coffins, were reported earlier in the year in the economically depressed Zagreb region of Yugoslavia. The authorities issued a bulletin warning that the situation was going out of control. At one point during the year, suicides there reached 20 *per week*. In many cases, the teenagers would leave notes, "The Lord of Darkness called me up."

"Gothic"-type cults have also been reported in the economically contracting Ruhr region of West Germany. Teenage cult-members are called "Gruftis," from the German word for "grave." They dress in punkish style, with black clothes and white paint on their faces, and explain that they have "given their soul to Satan." Suicides linked to this cult have been reported in the Ruhr, in Northern Germany, and in East and West Berlin.

In Bavaria, estimates are that between 20 and 50% of young students are involved in occult practices. Experts stress that it is a straight path from occultism to satanism. In certain regions of North Germany, satanism has become an epidemic in the high schools, and the prime concern of parents and clergy in the region.

In Britain, the Childwatch organization estimates that as many as 4,000 children *per year* are used as sacrifice victims or subject to horrifying rituals.

Childwatch coordinator Dianne Core told *EIR* that "heavy rock" groups are largely responsible. She stressed that the satanists' aim was to destroy the institution of the family. Children are encouraged to leave their families and become wards of social agencies, where they often get hooked on drugs and become dependent on adults involved in satanist practices. A symptom of their state of mind is the statement, "Satan is my father."

Mrs. Core also observed that satanism was strongest in areas where economic collapse and despair were highest.

She charged that satanist cults were being protected "at the highest level. We're in the middle of the most massive spiritual warfare. The whole satanist movement has decided to initiate as many young people as they can. We're at war."

The Beltane Conspiracy

During March 1988, a memorandum was circulated in the United States through a private communication network linking various satanic groups. It was entitled, "The Beltane Conspiracy," in recognition of "Beltane," April 30, also

known as "Satan's birthday." (In German, "Beltane" is known as *Walpurgisnacht*.) The memorandum warned that in 1988, pagan groups would be facing "the greatest threat to the Old Religion . . . this country has ever seen." The memorandum outlined a preemptive battle-plan to "combat" Christian belief in the United States, and to "help put this country back on the path set out by our beloved, drug-sodden, sex-crazed, mystical forebears Jefferson, Franklin, Adams, and Washington (long may his pot fields wave)."

The essence of this "combat" would be "The Beltane Conspiracy . . . or: can a bunch of Witches, New Age types, rock musicians, computer geeks and 60's burnouts save American democracy and have a good time while doing it. . . . The current resurgence of the 1960s, both in interest and in musical style, as well as the ascension of those of us who grew up (or didn't) through the 60s to positions of importance in government and business, provides an excellent platform for a year of celebration."

The "celebration" would occur according to a "conspiracy timetable," by commemoration of key days on the pagan calendar, including Omblec/Candlemas (early February), Beltane (April 30), Midsummer (summer solstice), and others. Midsummer, for example, should bring together "the Pagans, Hippies and NeoHippies, the Punks and the Eccentrics. . . ."

The memorandum urged pagan organizations to openly celebrate "holidays" in public parks. And, during 1988, Childwatch and other organizations reported an increased threat to children exactly around the periods of "holidays" like Beltane and Halloween.

Ordo Templi Orientis

The secretive Ordo Templi Orientis, an organization created by the late Aleister Crowley is the probable command-center of satanism. OTO has at least 48 offices in the United States. One offshoot is centered around a certain Lt.-Col. Michael Aquino, and has managed to infiltrate the U.S. military and NATO. OTO is also under investigation in Britain, continental Europe, Australia, Canada, the Caribbean, France, New Zealand, West Germany, Norway, and Yugoslavia. In mid-May, Britain's Dianne Core called on the British government to launch an official investigation into OTO.

Leading British satanists were among those who traveled to Turin, Italy for a five-day conference on "the devil," Oct. 17-21. That event, carried out over the protests of the Roman Catholic Church, was held with official funding from the municipality of Turin, a city held sacred by practitioners of magic. It is also the stronghold of such powerful financier interests as the de Benedetti and Agnelli.

The real problem of organized satanism is the belief-structure of what LaRouche has labelled "a cabal of powerful families." In the coming year, either the power of such families and their institutions is smashed, or the world will be hurtled into the worst dark age in human history.