

National News

Demand impeachment of Abscam's Pratt

Appropriate special constitutional procedures should be employed to impeach Federal District Court Judge George C. Pratt of Brooklyn, according to the National Democratic Policy Committee, the independent political-action committee headed by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. Pratt, who supervised the conviction of Senator Harrison Williams—now proven innocent, although his appeal is pending—and other Abscam victims did so by “introducing and sanctioning abhorrent Nazi legal theories and precedents in the American judicial system,” according to the NDPC call.

The organization has denounced as “a pay-off” a proposal made to President Reagan that he nominate Judge Pratt to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

In Nazi Germany, findings of guilt by a court could be based on “subjective intent” or the “subjective character” of the accused, without a requirement that an actual crime had been committed, or that a proven conspiracy to commit a crime existed.

Judge Pratt, in the Williams Abscam case, instructed the jury to find him guilty on the same basis of “intent,” although the trial showed Williams to have committed no crime. This, says the NDPC, disqualifies Pratt for his present job, quite apart from a promotion.

U.N. receives ‘crimes’ charges against doctor

An official complaint was filed Feb. 26 with the Secretary General of the United Nations, charging Dr. Mary Anne Warren with “crimes against humanity” as defined by the Nuremberg Tribunals. Dr. Warren attained national notoriety for advocating euthanasia against defective new-born infants in testimony before the President's Commission for the Study of

Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research.

The complaint, filed by the International Caucus of Labor Committees, charged that her advocacy of infanticide practices by medical personnel “constitutes crimes against humanity as defined by the Charter of the Nuremberg Tribunal, and as affirmed by the General Assembly of the United Nations in December 1946.

According to an organization spokesman, David Kilber, he presented Dr. Warren with a copy of the complaint at San Francisco State University. She responded by repeating several times: “Not all the Nazis did was bad.”

In her widely publicized testimony of Jan. 9, Dr. Warren stated: “I think most of us would agree that it is morally monstrous to allow crippled horses to die slowly and painfully. I feel the same way about severely defective infants . . . that kindness and moral decency requires they be given a painless death.”

Carmichael asks: ‘burn cities to the ground’

Stokely Carmichael, the “black power” leader of the 1960s, called for violence and destruction in America's urban centers before 800 Black Muslim extremists in Chicago Feb. 27. Carmichael was addressing a conference sponsored by the Nation of Islam, a splinter group from Wallace Dean Muhammad's World Community of al-Islam in the West. The organization's leader, Louis Farakkan, is funded by Libyan dictator Muammar Qaddafi.

Carmichael, who now heads the “All-African Peoples Revolutionary Party,” told the assembly: “Just as our parents burned down the plantations during the last century, we must burn the cities—all the way to the ground. We must engage in constant, deliberate destruction until we bring down the white capitalist system. The BLA are not terrorists. They are engaged in a struggle. For every one

black killed, we must kill five white cops.”

Carmichael's incitements were only indicative of the conference's planning of spring-summer race riots and terrorism. A total of 1,000 black militants from around the nation were in attendance in the course of the 3-day event.

Also addressing it was Chokwe Lumumba, a Detroit attorney and a leader of the Republic of New Africa. Several of the organization's members were involved in the New York Brinks holdup late last year.

Baltimore ‘ethnic districts’ challenged in testimony

Testimony delivered Feb. 26 before the Maryland Governor's Commission on Redistricting attacked plans which would divide the city of Baltimore into “ethnic plantations.” The new districts, which would tend to guarantee re-election of incumbent Congressmen Parren Mitchell and Barbara Mikulski, were the subject of testimony by Debra Hanania-Freeman, a Baltimore Democrat who ran against Parren Mitchell in 1978, and charged vote fraud was used to defeat her.

Hanania-Freeman told the commission that the new redistricting plan would “gerrymander” Baltimore, establishing one predominantly black district for Mitchell, and for a “free enterprise zone” of drug traffic, gambling, prostitution, and “slave-labor jobs.”

The remainder of the city would become a “peculiarly dyke-shaped” district for Barbara Mikulski, predominantly Catholic and white.

“Our republic,” said Freeman, “is not based on establishing districts dominated by people of any one religion, race, ethnic background, or sexual preference. In that sense, the redistricting is incompatible with the spirit of natural law implicit in our Constitution.”

Commission members questioned her closely on her views for more than 30

minutes, one noting that he was afraid to ask what "dyke-shaped" means.

Baltimore newspapers have widely speculated that Debra Freeman may declare her candidacy for Congress when districts are firmly established.

May repeal D.C. euthanasia bill

A Washington, D.C. city councilman will introduce a bill March 9 to repeal the so-called Natural Death Act, a measure passed late last year legalizing euthanasia in the city. The bill has become the focus of a national furor over what critics charge is a mandating of medical personnel to commit crimes for which American judges sentenced Nazi doctors to death.

The city councilman, H. R. Crawford, was one of two members to vote against the original bill, which became law Feb. 25. He said he had made his decision to introduce a bill of repeal when he discovered that his constituents were also overwhelmingly against it. "The churches are against it, the Catholic Church is against it, the Federation of Civic Associations is against it," he reported.

The National Democratic Policy Committee has conducted a months-long campaign against the bill, seeking to have it overturned in the U.S. Congress, which maintains oversight of capital legislation. A resolution to overturn it was introduced by Rep. Mark Siljander (R-Mich.), but was allowed to die by D.C. Committee chairman Ronald Dellums, who said the Congress had no right to overturn "the will of the people" of Washington, D.C.

Councilman Crawford, however, when asked about the prospects for rescinding the Natural Death Act, announced that the citizenry are behind his repeal bill. "With myself, the churches and some others lobbying, I think we'll probably get the vote," he stated. The *Washington Post* had blacked out the bill's introduction into the Council, to inhibit public protest against it.

Cement Masons endorse LaRouche program

The Illinois Conference of Cement Masons and Plasterers, convened Feb. 27 in Chicago, was dominated by denunciation of Federal Reserve high interest rates, and endorsement of the economic program offered by *EIR* founder Lyndon LaRouche.

LaRouche has become increasingly recognized for a uniquely science- and production-based answer to the world monetary crisis.

"This nation is in a depression, and it was caused by high interest rates," declared Ron Thelin, State President of the Cement Masons. He attacked Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker, and declared that Volcker's purpose was to destroy industry, not fight inflation. "The problem in this country," he stated, "is that there are 284 officials who are members of the Trilateral Commission," referring to the elite international group headed by David Rockefeller which includes Volcker.

Thelin, speaking before 40 union business agents and 21 business managers as well as Cement Mason international representatives, said that 20 years ago he had first studied the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA), which is part of LaRouche's program, and concluded: "It would put people back to work and make our country more great. The food produced would help all the people of the world." Thelin added that when he heard LaRouche one year ago, "one thing bothered me . . . why LaRouche called Milton Friedman a 'fascist.' So I went to the dictatorship and looked up fascism, and it said 'government-controlled austerity, where certain industries flourish and labor and civil rights vanish.'"

He attacked Lane Kirkland as the equivalent of those in Dante's *Inferno* who betrayed a trust, and noted, "The *Federationist* [the AFL-CIO's magazine] last year mentioned interest rates exactly four times!"

Briefly

● **RICHARD DELAUER**, the DOD's research director, said the Soviet Union may deploy space-based laser weapons by 1983, and have "a large permanent space complex . . . operational by about 1990 . . . capable of effectively attacking . . . ground, sea, and air targets from space," in secret testimony March 2 the House Armed Services Committee, leaked to the *Army Times*.

● **MARION BARRY**, District of Columbia mayor, received a reelection endorsement from the "Gertrude Stein Democratic Club," who named themselves after the lesbian expatriate who proposed that Hitler be given the Nobel Peace Prize in 1938. Barry, who tried to legalize sodomy and other perversions last year—Congress overruled him—thanked the group with the words: "I don't just come out of the closet at election time . . . I stay out."

● **POWER ENGINEERING**, a trade magazine, warns that electricity costs will increase 21 percent "unless U.S. utilities can build the nuclear facilities needed to generate 300,000 megawatts of electricity by the year 2000," in its February 1982 issue. The biggest capital cost of building a nuclear unit now, it added, is "the cost in time . . . the long stretch-out in construction schedules," which it blamed on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

● **YONAH ALEXANDER**, a "terrorism expert" at Georgetown, predicted a wave of "Libyan terrorism" in Central America over the next year, at a Feb. 27 session of the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington. "Within the next two years," he added, "Mexican oil refineries would definitely be destroyed by Libyan terrorists, sending streams of Mexican refugees streaming across the border into the United States."