

National News

Simpson tries to push immigration reform

Despite a well-deserved death in the last days of the 98th Congress, immigration reform proposals are once again being debated in the Senate. Sen. Alan Simpson (R-Wyo.), chairman of the Immigration subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, has introduced S. 1200, which is substantially tougher than his Senate legislation which died in 1984. Simpson held hearings on the bill in his subcommittee during June and expects committee action in July. Majority leader Bob Dole (R-Kan.) has promised floor action for late July.

Simpson was co-sponsor of last year's Simpson-Mazzoli bill, which was based on the racist doctrine of excluding people of specific nationalities and colors.

Simpson has removed the section of the previous bill which would have granted legal status to illegals already living in the United States. S. 1200 would delay granting legal status to such illegals until a commission had determined that the United States was more effectively sealing off its borders.

Liberals use anti-drug smokescreen vs. allies

Liberal backers of Project Democracy in Congress have found another convenient pretext to cut off U.S. military assistance to allies. Unlike the Philippines where they are targeting the Marcos government as "tragically flawed," or under the Carter administration where the pretext was "human rights violations," the House passed an amendment to the foreign aid bill cutting military assistance to Bolivia and Peru if they don't produce results in stopping the production and flow of drugs, specifically cocaine, into the United States. Ninety percent of the U.S. cocaine supply comes from Bolivia and Peru.

Backed by a flood of stories in the liberal media which have suddenly discovered the

dangers of cocaine, the liberals would end military assistance under conditions where the drug mafia often has greater military firepower than the governments themselves. While no Congressman dared to oppose this approach on the House floor, many drug fighting experts have labeled this approach "counter-productive" at best.

Since Israeli arms merchants customarily move in after U.S. military assistance is cut off, Capitol Hill observers noted with interest that many of the members who spoke on behalf of the military aid cutoff are backed by the Anti-Defamation League: Reps. Larry Smith (D-Fla.), Benjamin Gilman (R-N.Y.), Charles Rangel (D-N.Y.), Edward Feighan (D-Ohio), and Richard Durbin (D-Ill.).

Weld slapped down by federal court

William Weld, the "crusading" U.S. Attorney who is tough on political targets, but very soft on drug-money laundering, suffered a major setback in early July when the federal appeals court in Boston overturned the conviction of Theodore V. Anzalone, who had been indicted by Weld. Anzalone, chief fundraiser for former Boston mayor Kevin White, was the highest official in the White administration to be indicted.

The U.S. Court of Appeals blasted the Anzalone prosecution as based on a "stretched construction" of the law and warned, "We cannot engage in unprincipled interpretation of the law lest we foment lawlessness instead of compliance." The court's opinion suggested that the lawlessness fostered by such prosecutions is more serious than the conduct of the defendants.

The exposure of Weld as political frame-up artist is expected to have consequences as well for his grand jury fishing expedition against former presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, now going into its ninth month with no results whatsoever.

Anzalone was convicted of evading the currency transaction reporting law, allegedly having converted \$100,000 in cash into 12 bank checks of less than \$10,000 each,

which he invested for Mayor White's mother. He was sentenced to one year in prison. Faced with violations of the same law by the Bank of Boston amounting to over \$1 billion, Weld allowed the bank to plead guilty and walk away with no jail term and a fine of less than .5% of the amount laundered!

Dope lobby stringers tossed aside by NBC

Chip Berlet and Dennis King, the two "freelance journalists" employed by the dope lobby, have discovered their bosses don't play fair. Berlet and King say they were doublecrossed by NBC News after the two had served as NBC's chief "sources" for the lies broadcast on the March 1984 televised character assassination of Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., the man behind the international war on drugs.

At the recent Investigative Reporters and Editors Conference in Chicago, a news release circulated by Berlet's "Midwest Research" recounted how Berlet and King were seduced and abandoned by a powerful TV network.

According to the release, LaRouche's libel suit against NBC and other perpetrators of the 1984 television broadcast cost them \$14,000 and diverted them from their "work" for many months, "resulted in the cancellation of our liability insurance, and almost forced Midwest Research out of business." Yet, "NBC News refused to provide any financial or legal assistance . . . and now fails to even reply to letters asking for a review of NBC's position. . . ."

"We simply can't afford to be exploited in this manner again," cry King and Berlet.

Chatham House sets up shop in the U.S.

The Royal Institute for International Affairs (RIIA), known as Chatham House for its London headquarters, has set up a branch in

Washington, D.C. Its avowed purpose is to strengthen the "special relationship" by which the British oligarchy dictates U.S. policy.

On June 27, the British Embassy in Washington threw a reception to honor Chatham House's U.S. debut. James Callaghan, the former British prime minister who presides over the RIIA, said that the Foundation's goal should be to lobby for creating an "international council of wise men" to create a "new world order." He told *EIR* that the diminishing credibility of the International Monetary Fund is of special concern to the RIIA, since "a case can certainly be made for increasing IMF surveillance" over the U.S. economy.

The new Chatham House Foundation has on its board of directors such Anglo-American establishment figures as W. Averell Harriman, ex-Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Elliot Richardson, and RCA chairman Thornton Bradshaw.

New initiatives from anti-Burt coalition

The Coalition to Stop Richard Burt, set up on an ad hoc basis in June to rally opposition to Burt's nomination as U.S. ambassador to West Germany, held a two-day lobbying effort in Washington on July 8 and 9, circulating a statement urging that Burt's nomination be withdrawn.

At a July 9 press conference on Capitol Hill, Coalition chairman Milton Croom, past president of the North Carolina chapters of Peace through Strength and the Reserve Officers Association, issued a statement "calling on the U.S. Senate to reject the appointment of Burt" because he "has identified himself with compromise and accommodation to the Soviet Union." He said that, in light of the Soviet Union's "unprecedented menacing acts against the Western Alliance," sending Burt to Bonn "would send the decidedly wrong signal." Croom's statement was endorsed by Dixy Lee Ray, former governor of Washington.

He was joined at the press conference by founders of the U.S. civil rights movement

Amelia Robinson and Rev. Houston Anderson, and Iowa labor leader and NAACP activist Juan Cortez. Renate Müller, former candidate for the West German parliament, urged the United States to show that it remains committed to Europe's defense, by rejecting Burt.

The *Indianapolis Star* printed a lead editorial on July 5 asserting that the Senate "should take a hard second look at Richard R. Burt," recalling earlier charges that he had made "serious disclosures of classified and highly sensitive material of this country" when Burt was a reporter for *The New York Times*. "What if we wind up with an ambassador capable of indiscretions that jeopardize NATO and the United States?" asked the *Star*. *Der Spiegel*, the German equivalent of *Time* magazine, devoted two pages to the wrangle, citing the role of *EIR* founder LaRouche in the effort to keep Burt out of Bonn.

Zero-growth groups release 'new' agenda

At a Washington, D.C. press conference on June 25, the ten leading U.S. zero-growth cults released the book, *An Environmental Agenda for the Future*, in what the Eastern Establishment press hailed as a major comeback for the discredited environmentalist movement.

Among the groups represented were the National Wildlife Federation, the National Audubon Society, Friends of the Earth, and the Sierra Club.

The book claims that "excessive population growth" is a matter of "national security," and demands that the U.S. government "establish formal goals for the stabilization of the U.S. population at a level that will permit sustainable management of resources." It also calls for full U.S. support to international population-reduction programs, and removal of at least 30 million acres of U.S. farmland from production of food.

The Reagan administration has withdrawn support from U.N. programs that force "family planning" on the Third World.

Briefly

● **PARREN MITCHELL**, the Congressman from Baltimore, and the Baltimore City Council are among Maryland officials who signed a resolution endorsing the July 27-Aug. 4 Moscow World Festival of Youth Conference, which will be attended by some 400 American youth. Panel titles at the Festival include: "The Western Threat to Peace," and "Evils of Western Capitalism."

● **JIMMY CARTER** (remember him?) was off to Greece in early July, to meet with that country's Soviet puppet Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou. The former U.S. President met Papandreou on the island of Corfu, before meeting with President C. Sartzetakis and Foreign Minister Ioannis Charalambopoulos in Athens.

● **HOUSTON** was the site on July 1 of a meeting called by the Democratic Leadership Council and the Texas Democratic Study Group, to figure out how to slow the exodus from the party since the 1984 Mondale electoral debacle. Discussion focused on creating a "new Democratic image" based on distancing the party from the Greenie fringe and adopting such bankrupt Republican slogans as "free enterprise."

● **EX-AMBASSADOR** David Funderburk, former U.S. envoy to Romania, said at a public meeting in Washington on July 2 that Richard Burt's confirmation as ambassador to Bonn "is not good for the United States." He also said that Secretary of State George Shultz should be replaced, for his failure to "effectively represent or implement the President's foreign policy."

● **FREEMASONRY** was denounced as "irreconcilable" with Christianity in a confidential report sent to all U.S. Catholic bishops by a committee of U.S. Catholic bishops. The report also scored the "pseudo-Islamic ritual" of the Shriners, a Masonic group. The committee that prepared the report is headed by Cardinal Bernard F. Law of Boston, recently made a cardinal by the Pope.