

National News

U.S. to build nuclear particle accelerator

President Reagan has approved construction of a \$6 billion, 52-mile-long nuclear particle accelerator that is 20 times more powerful than any existing accelerator, Energy Secretary John Herrington announced on Jan. 30.

The device, known as the Superconducting Super Collider or SSC, would accelerate two beams of protons in opposite directions through a 10-foot-wide tunnel 52 miles in circumference, smashing into one another at nearly the speed of light. The Soviets are now working on a particle accelerator 13 miles in circumference, which is more than twice the size of those now in operation. The Energy Department said the accelerator would cost \$3.2 billion and would take eight years to build.

"In high-energy physics, the development of the supercollider is the equivalent of putting a man on the Moon," Herrington said. "It will have spinoffs, discoveries, and innovations that will profoundly touch every human being."

The appropriation will require congressional approval.

N.J. mayor leads march against budget cuts

Thomas Dunn, the mayor of Elizabeth, New Jersey, on Jan. 26 led a march of 100 off-duty police officers and firefighters, to protest impending cuts in the city's workforce. The marchers started from city hall and progressed to the site of Gov. Thomas Kean's former real estate office. They blamed the governor and the state legislature for failure to help financially strapped cities like Elizabeth.

Dunn was forced to lay off 260 municipal employees, due to the cutbacks in state and federal funding. He said that the loss of

45 police officers and 30 firefighters would mean that "anarchy will take over urban cities, because we'll be turning over the streets to the criminal element and [the loss of firemen] will add to the chaos."

Dunn is the first New Jersey mayor who has attempted to rally city workers behind him to change the state's policy. The mayors of Union City and Jersey City, New Jersey, on the other hand, have praised Governor Kean's plan for a \$85 million aid package for the cities. The monies will be raised by eliminating a tax-break program for homeowners and tenants.

LaRouche Dem excluded from League debate

Sheila Jones, candidate for the Democratic mayoral nomination in Chicago's Feb. 24 primary, was excluded from participation in a debate scheduled by the League of Women Voters for Feb. 12, on the grounds that she is a political associate of Lyndon LaRouche.

The League claims it means to exclude Jones because she is not a "viable" or "major" candidate. Yet in March 1986, Mrs. Jones polled 16% in a statewide Senate primary. She went on to manage the campaigns of Mark Fairchild and Janice Hart, the Democratic Party nominees for Illinois lieutenant governor and secretary of state.

The League claims that it is only inviting candidates who have polled at least 10% in polls conducted by the *Chicago Sun-Times* and *Chicago Tribune*. Conveniently enough, Jones's name was left out of the polls!

Chicago's mayor gives Tambo keys to the city

Oliver Tambo, leader of the terrorist African National Congress (ANC), was given the keys to the city of Chicago by a representative of Chicago Mayor Harold Washington on Jan. 24. Tambo was in the United States

for meetings with U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz, Henry Kissinger, and others.

He was hosted at a luncheon in New York City by a group of executives from top U.S. corporations, calling on them to immediately shut down all their operations in South Africa, if they have not done so already. Among those in attendance were John Reed, chief executive officer of Citibank, and W. Michael Blumenthal, head of Unisys Corporation.

The ANC, which gets arms and funding from Moscow, is outlawed in South Africa, where its members are famous for the brutal policy of "necklacing" moderate blacks—placing rubber tires filled with gasoline around their necks, and igniting them.

In an interview with the *New York Times* published Jan. 22, Tambo defended the murder of white South Africans, saying that when blacks there learn that a white has been killed in racial violence, "that kind of thing comes like a drop of rain after a long drought." Whites, he said, "are used to blacks being killed," but "they are not used to bleeding themselves."

In response to a recent State Department document which contended that the ANC was deeply obligated to Russia and the South African Communist Party, Tambo said: "Because we are getting arms from them for free does not mean we are mortgaging ourselves. And I dominate the ANC. Yes, I dominate, I am not dominated and controlled."

'Soviet-style justice' in Billington detention

Legal counsel for Michael Billington argued before a Virginia court on Jan. 30 that "Soviet"-style justice is being carried out by the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the detention without bail of Billington, a political fundraiser employed by an organization associated with 1988 Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

Argument was made by attorney Carlos

Briefly

● **NASA'S 'SPACE 1995'** blueprint, due to be released this spring, will include plans for manned bases on the Moon and Mars, the *London Times* reported on Jan. 28. The paper quoted NASA administrator Dr. James Fletcher: "It is unthinkable the U.S. would consider not being Number One in space. We need not be Number One in every detail. Space is a visible sign of how well a country is doing."

● **GEN. JOHN GALVIN**, chief of the U.S. Army's southern command, arrived in Buenos Aires on Jan. 28 for meetings with Argentine Defense Minister Horacio Jaunarena. They discussed growing tensions between Argentina and Great Britain, according to Reuter.

● **HENRY KISSINGER**, in a reversal of policy, called for military retaliation against countries that back terrorism, in an ABC-TV interview on Jan. 25. "We should warn Iran and Syria that we will take measures against them, beginning with economic sanctions, but not stopping at military action," Kissinger said. Although Kissinger supports the geopolitical crisis management in the region which gives terrorists free rein, he would seem to be seeking a job under a President George Bush.

● **CURRENT NEWS**, the daily publication of the Department of Defense and the United States Air Force, carried in full on Jan. 29 an *EIR* article by Webster G. Tarpley, titled "Weinberger Fights Against Trilateral Defense Sell-out" (*EIR*, Jan. 23, 1987). Besides attacking Sen. Sam Nunn and others attempting to decouple the Western alliance, the article describes Lyndon LaRouche's policy for the Strategic Defense Initiative and a national economic mobilization.

● **JOHN WHITEHEAD**, deputy secretary of state, met with Poland's President Wojciech Jaruzelski in Warsaw on Jan. 31, and also spoke to Lech Walesa, founder of the Solidarity movement.

Recio before Federal District Judge Albert V. Bryan, Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, in Alexandria.

Billington is now entering his second week of detention without bail, following his arrest on Jan. 16, when he was served with a warrant signed by Gov. Gerald Baliles of Virginia on behalf of the governor of Missouri. Billington had been charged in October with selling unregistered securities and transacting business as an unregistered agent in the state of Missouri. Billington was declared a "fugitive" from Missouri and extradition proceedings were initiated.

Billington has stated that he has never set foot in the state of Missouri and never engaged in the sale of securities. His "crime" is to be an associate of LaRouche.

Attorney Recio emphasized that no judicial hearing has taken place anywhere in the country to investigate the charges lodged by the Missouri prosecutor. Billington, he stressed, represents no danger to the community, nor is there any chance he might flee.

The violation of Billington's constitutional rights "could not be more clear," Recio said. There is one country in the world, the attorney told the court, where a man can be held, for no good reason, indefinitely without bail: the Soviet Union.

Judge Bryan refused to rule on the issue of Billington's constitutional rights, and denied the motion for his immediate release, deferring to the outcome of appeal to the Virginia state courts and the challenge to extradition on Feb. 5.

Shultz admits Contra link to drug traffic

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz reluctantly admitted that the Nicaraguan Contras are tied to the international drug trade, in testimony before the House Budget Committee on Jan. 29. Shultz said, "I believe that whatever problem there is, is quite under control. . . . I don't want to say that

there has been no instance in which anybody involved with them has ever had any contact [with drug trafficking]."

The State Department "has moved from a position that there was no drug involvement by the Contras to saying that the problem is now under control," a Senate source told the Reuter wire service. "Obviously the entire issue needs to be thoroughly investigated with testimony under oath, to determine to what extent the Contras have used narcotics funds or facilitated their use to purchase weapons."

Dwyer: no 'justice' in Justice Department

R. Budd Dwyer, the Pennsylvania state treasurer who shot himself in front of a packed press conference in Harrisburg on Jan. 22, wrote a letter to congressional leaders (with a copy to the *Washington Times*) denouncing the U.S. Justice Department, which he apparently mailed the day of his death.

"It's too late to help me, but it's not too late to help others," he wrote, asking lawmakers to conduct a full investigation of the scandal that probably caused him to commit suicide.

Dwyer took his own life one day prior to his scheduled appearance before U.S. District Judge Malcolm Muir, for sentencing of up to 55 years in jail. Dwyer and co-defendant Robert Asher, the former state chairman of the Republican Party, were convicted by a federal jury last Dec. 18 on charges that grew out of an alleged \$300,000 bribery scheme. Dwyer maintained that he was innocent.

In his letter, he wrote that until an investigation occurs, "I suggest that the word 'justice' be removed from the Department of 'Justice' buildings, stationery, forms, I.D. cards, badges, subpoenas, etc., and a blank left in place of the word, as a reminder to that department's staff members and citizens of the United States that we do not have a true 'justice' system in the United States."