

the Committee of Bankers," the Morgan-controlled International Monetary Fund of the era.

Following the official ceremonies honoring Calles, Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas said that "Calles tried to divide the Mexican Revolution." Cárdenas praised the work of his father, who opposed Calles's confrontationist policies and created the nationalist foundations of modern Mexico. "The works of the man who nationalized our oil [Lázaro Cárdenas], as well as the movement initiated in the 1917 Constitution, today suffer reversals such as privatization of state enterprises, new indebtedness, the impoverishment of the majority, and backwardness among our farmers."

Bartlett's deputy in the interior ministry is Fernando Elias Calles, Plutarco's grand-nephew. Opposition sources in Mexico have charged Fernando Elias Calles with censoring a popular TV series on Mexico's history, because it contained

testimony showing that Plutarco ordered the execution of a Catholic priest without trial. The entire section on Lázaro Cárdenas's government was also blacked out.

The TV series had been airing on Mexico's pro-government Televisa network. Televisa has been denounced by the opposition in Mexico for its biased political coverage. One of Televisa's most vicious manipulations of the truth was to present the *Cardenista* Front for a National Reconstruction Party (PFCRN), whose principles endorse Marxism, as Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas's party. Cárdenas has never been a member of the PFCRN; it is one of five parties and a dozen political organizations which endorsed his presidential candidacy.

The Committee for Improved U.S.-Mexican Relations' ad echoed Televisa, in lying that Cárdenas is a member of the PFCRN.

LaRouche: Investigate registered agent of Mexico

The press release which we excerpt here was issued by EIR News Service on Oct. 19:

On Oct. 7, 1988, a full-page advertisement entitled "State of Insurrection in Mexico, a Major Threat to the United States" appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*. The advertisement was signed by the "Committee for Improved U.S.-Mexican Relations." Since then, the same paid advertisement has appeared in the Oct. 14 *Washington Times* and in the Oct. 17 *New York Times*.

The substance of the ads is an attack on the governments of former Mexican Presidents Luis Echeverría Alvarez and José López Portillo, and on Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, the presidential candidate for the National Democratic Front (FDN) in the recent July 6 Mexican elections.

An Oct. 12 column, published in the Mexico City daily *Excelsior*, authored by Lorenzo Meyer, suggested that Lyndon H. LaRouche might have been the author of the paid advertisement. On Oct. 18, the daily *El Norte* of Monterrey, Mexico, also ran a column signed by one Maquiavelo claiming that LaRouche had been the author and the individual who paid for the advertisements.

It has become known to this news service that responsible U.S. journalists have been told by Mexican government officials in the office of the presidency, that LaRouche is the probable source of the ads. The investigation carried out by this news service as to the source of the

advertisements shows that the person responsible for the post office box which appeared in said ads, is one Jerry J. Woodruff. Mr. Woodruff claims to be a former member of Young Americans for Freedom and a former press aide to Sen. John East (R-N.C.) Any honest investigation into the source of the advertisements will obviously have to start with Mr. Woodruff.

In response to these events, presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche gave EIRNS the following statement: "It is patently absurd for anyone to charge that I or associates of mine, are involved in the current series of scurrilous attacks on Mexico that have appeared in several U.S. newspapers. The public record shows that I have visited Mexico four times, and that on those trips I have proposed policies coherent with several of my written reports, among them 'Operation Juárez.' That report proposes an immediate halt to the usurious practices of the major international banks and lending institutions looting the Third World in general, and Mexico in particular.

"Therefore, it can only be with malicious intent that anyone would charge me with attacking as enemies of the United States, Luis Echeverría Alvarez, José López Portillo, and Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, given the fact that they are precisely the Mexicans who have publicly promoted similar policies as those found in 'Operation Juárez.'

"Finally, I use this occasion to announce that my representatives will formally request that the Department of State and the Department of Justice investigate possible violations of electoral law and the Foreign Agents Registration Act by one Mark Moran, who, using his position as an officially registered agent of the government of Mexico, is responsible for spreading among the press in the United States the vicious slander that I and my associates are responsible for these advertisements."