

EIR revealed that Rubin writes a regular column for the Jerusalem Post owned by neo-con financier, Lord Conrad Black, and that his Israeli-based think-tank is financed by leading Likud party “angels”—American Ronald Lauder, and the organized crime-linked financier Marc Rich, whose attorney for 15 years was Lewis “Scooter” Libby, now Cheney’s chief of staff.

Rubin is also closely tied to the disinformation unit in the Pentagon, known officially as the Office of Special Plans (OSP), headed by former Moynihan aide, and familiarly as the “Chicken-hawk Intelligence Agency.” On Feb. 4, after the British dossier that used his tainted information came out, Rubin joined his fellow chicken-hawks as a speaker at a Willard Hotel luncheon in Washington sponsored by Eleana Benador Associates, a New York City public relations firm that counts among its clients the neo-con Iraq War propaganda team. Other speakers were also Benador clients: then-Chairman of the Defense Policy Board Richard Perle (who worked with Deputy Defense Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz and Undersecretary of Defense Doug Feith to create the OSP); Michael Ledeen; Frank Gaffney; Iraq-hater Laurie Mylroie; former UN weapons inspector Richard Spertzel; and former Iraqi weapons scientist Khidhir Hamza. The speakers demanded an early war against Iraq.

By Feb. 25, knowing that massive opposition was growing internationally against the war, the neo-cons went into action. Key to success was preventing an opposition—especially from Congressional Democrats—from taking steps. The DLC and SDUSA linked up to push the Iraq War to the Democrats, with a letter to President Bush. It was signed by Will Marshall, President of the DLC’s Progressive Policy Institute; SDUSA’s Penn Kemble; and the worst of the neo-conservative war-mongers, including the Defense Policy Board’s James Woolsey; and American Enterprise Institute luminaries Max Kampelman, Michael Novak, Joshua Muravchik. Though the letter paid lip-service to winning “allies,” it said, “We share the view that it is essential to bring Saddam Hussein’s dictatorship in Iraq to an early end. . . . We must act alone if that proves necessary.” Once again, the DLC, backed by its leading member, Sen. Joe Lieberman, was there to keep the opposition silent.

‘What Would Scoop Do?’

In a May 21, 2003 op-ed in the Wall Street Journal, Donna Brazile, the former campaign manager of the 2000 Gore-Lieberman campaign, and co-author Timothy Bergreen blasted the Democratic Presidential candidates for questioning the Iraq War “victory.” Brazile, who based her op-ed on a speech she had delivered to the SDUSA conference, told Democrats, “We are AWOL on national security.” To correct that, she maintained, Democrats must adopt the policies of “Sen. Scoop Jackson—the Democratic mentor of some of today’s most prominent Republican hawks.”

As EIR reported on July 4, Brazile—a member of the Democratic National Committee, which ostensibly makes all

the major decisions about funding, policy, and program for Democratic candidates—has already forged a marriage with the Republican neo-cons at the think-tank called the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies. Her colleagues there include the hard-core advocates of a “World War IV,” such as James Woolsey and Newt Gingrich, both members of the Defense Policy Board.

Brazile’s line was also pushed in a May 1 Washington Post op-ed called “The Blair Democrats: Ready for Battle,” by DLC leader Will Marshall. He wrote, “The U.S.-led coalition’s stunning success in liberating Iraq is undoubtedly a triumph for President Bush. But Karl Rove shouldn’t get too giddy. . . . After all, four of the leading Democratic Presidential contenders—Rep. Dick Gephardt and Sens. Joseph Lieberman, John Kerry and John Edwards—not only voted to support the war but also joined British Prime Minister Tony Blair in demanding that Bush challenge the United Nations to live up to its responsibilities to disarm Iraq. . . . Like Bush, these Democrats did not shrink from the use of force to end Hussein’s reign of terror. Like Blair, they saw the Iraq crisis as a test of Western resolve.”

Few better exemplars exist to show that the DLC’s “New

‘Can This Party Be Saved?’

At his July 2 Presidential campaign webcast, Lyndon LaRouche answered questions from leading Democrats about the Democratic Leadership Council (DLC). Here is his exchange with former Senator Eugene McCarthy of Wisconsin, now of Washington, D.C.

McCarthy: First of all, Lyn, I’m really sorry I couldn’t be with you, and with the Youth Movement today. I applaud your intention to expose and obliterate the DLC. I agree from experience, that the so-called neo-conservatives, these actually reactionary characters, were hiding out in the moist recesses of Scoop Jackson’s office—hiding there like mushrooms, or a fungi. They were Dixiecrats, they were Republicans; and in fact, Scoop Jackson wanted nuclear war so much, I used to tell him he glowed.

But, I really wonder, how can we save this Democratic Party? And I have to ask you, can this party be saved?

LaRouche: I think it can be saved in only one way: Because people are frightened enough of what’s happening to us, that they will recall the similarity which I’ve emphasized today, as I have on other occasions: the similarity—despite the differences—the similarity between the crisis that threatens us today, and that which Franklin Roosevelt faced in the beginning of the 1930s.

Democrats” are “a second Republican Party.” Brazile, Al From, Will Marshall, and the other DLC types who push the line that “after 9/11, security matters above all,” are showing their roots—as hard-core neo-cons.

Jackson and Moynihan: The Missing Links

To show exactly what the DLC’s and Brazile’s invoking the legacy of Scoop Jackson means, a brief look at the 1970s, when the neo-conservatives in the Democratic Party grouped themselves into the Coalition for a Democratic Majority (CDM), is necessary. The CDM’s two leading lights in Congress were the Democratic Senators Jackson and Moynihan. The Cold Warrior and fanatically pro-Israel Jackson remains the model for the DLC crowd today. The DLC’s former President, Sen. Joe Lieberman declares he is proud to be identified as a “‘Scoop’ Jackson Democrat.” It was these two Senators’ offices that housed the Leo Straussian “Children of Satan” behind the no-exit Iraq War.

From Jackson’s staff came:

- Paul Wolfowitz, now Deputy Secretary of Defense and a leading Straussian chicken-hawk;
- Richard Perle (on Jackson’s staff from 1969 until going

into the Defense Department in 1981), and until his recent forced resignation, chairman of Rumsfeld’s Defense Policy Board. It is reported that Perle maintains Democratic Party membership to this day, out of fealty to Scoop. Perle later brought along Doug Feith, now Rumsfeld’s Undersecretary for Policy, who has been a Perle “groupie” since the late 1970s, largely due to Feith’s family background deep in the terrorist movement founded by Zionist fascist Vladimir Jabotinsky. In the 1980s, Feith financed Perle through the International Advisers Inc., a firm in which Feith was the only stockholder;

- Frank Gaffney, who heads the Center for Security Policy, a “private” neo-con group which cheerleads for imperial wars and brutally anti-Palestinian policies;

From Moynihan’s office came:

- Elliott Abrams, an Iran/Contra convict who now tries to shape Administration Middle East policy from the National Security Council staff;
- Abram Shulsky, who heads the Office of Special Plans under Feith in the Pentagon, which concocted fraudulent intelligence estimates used by the Administration to justify the Iraq War;

When people are frightened enough to recognize the problem, they will look for a comparable part of past experience to look for a solution. The people, in general, will not care what the Democratic Party was before Franklin Roosevelt ran for President; they just won’t care, and I don’t blame them, because the Democrat Party before Roosevelt was the party of racism, and I don’t want to think about that. It was a party of racism and some other things, all the way through from Andy Jackson on in.

But, what they’ll think about is Franklin Roosevelt, because there was a time when the United States was a hero. The United States led the world out of the Great Depression, took the world through a war, took a broken nation, the United States, and made it the most powerful, productive force on this planet, and left to the rest of the world, or much of it, the post-war system which Franklin Roosevelt created, the Bretton Woods, which resulted in a great increase in wealth in other parts of the world; recovery in Europe; the growth of wealth in Central and South America, at least many parts of it; an improvement in many parts of the world, as the result of what the United States represented during the period of that war.

That was a great period, and therefore, when I say Democratic Party, I mean Franklin Roosevelt, and his legacy. Not everything he did, not what he failed to do, but the fact that in our history as a nation, there came a time when the nation was in great danger, and the world was in great danger, and there came a man who ran for President,

and won. He led the country out of a terrible depression, saved the world from Nazism, from Nazi conquest, and left a legacy which in the main part was of benefit to mankind, until people began to make a mess of it about 1964 with the launching of the Indo-China war.

Therefore, today, I tell people, you’re in a similar situation. The Nazis are loose again; Cheney’s only one of them, or maybe it’s his wife, maybe he’s just a dummy. But we face the same kind of problem, maybe worse. Therefore, what are you going to go by? Do you want an example from experience, a proven example that will work under today’s conditions? Here it is. And Franklin Roosevelt is an example of what it’s possible to do, that was proven in the past, that we can do now, to begin to get ourselves away from this hell, and get ourselves moving up again. And get better relations around the world.

Remember, and some of you aren’t old enough to remember that, but you should remember the love that the United States attracted from around the world, especially from people in the so-called former colonial nations, who looked to the United States and Roosevelt, as an example of their hope for enjoying also economic progress, for enjoying freedom. And that was a great period; not perfect, there are many things I can criticize about it, but today, for starters, if you want to find an identity of the United States, that you would prefer to associate with, rather than what’s happened in the past 40 years, you say, okay, let’s call that the Democratic Party, or why not just call it the Franklin Roosevelt Party?