

Not a dime's worth of difference

by Graham Lowry

The combination of Henry Kissinger and Averell Harriman playing kingmaker is at the center of this year's presidential campaign, just as it was in 1968 when Kissinger worked with both Republican candidate Richard Nixon and Democratic contender Hubert Humphrey—while manipulating foreign-policy developments with Averell Harriman on the Vietnam peace negotiations.

To date, Mondale has proven why he was never elected to public office—nobody wants to vote for him. But the general media line that he has “great organization” for getting everything but votes has an element of truth in it. Of all the Moscow-endorsed candidates, Mondale has the greatest array of Kissinger and Harriman assets on the Trilateral Commission. A Mondale White House would look like a Kissinger-Trilateral Commission clubhouse.

The Mondale team

Mondale's official campaign adviser list includes **William Hyland**, Kissinger's favorite “Soviet expert,” a Trilateral member, and the editor of *Foreign Affairs*; **Winston Lord**, Kissinger's former White House aide, a Trilateraloid, and president of the New York Council on Foreign Relations; and **Viron P. Vaky**, Latin American expert from the National Security Council under Kissinger. Additional Trilateral Commission members advising the Mondale campaign are **Cyrus Vance**, **James R. Schlesinger**, **Harold Brown**, **Sol Linowitz**, **Richard Holbrooke**, **Warren Christopher**, **Graham Allison**, and **John Culver**. Eleven more advisers were also members of the wretched Carter-Mondale administration.

With a gang like this, no wonder Mondale adviser **Robert Pastor** was writing strategy papers for the Soviet-backed butchers President Reagan had to send in Marines to clean out of Grenada. From Moscow's standpoint, the editorial praise heaped on Mondale Feb. 12 in *Izvestia* was well deserved. During the last two months of campaigning, Mondale has called for the withdrawal of U.S. forces from Lebanon, the cancellation of the B-1 bomber and the MX missile, and the rapid implementation of Henry Kissinger's proposals for eliminating large, multiple warhead missiles and replacing them with small, single-warhead “Midgetmen.” He has called for the whole array of Pugwash disarmament measures that Moscow is confident would eliminate any significant U.S.

defense capability—a nuclear weapons freeze, a comprehensive test ban treaty, ratification of SALT II, and negotiation of “an anti-satellite space-war treaty” eliminating new defensive beam weapons that could knock out attacking nuclear missiles in flight.

The blurry John Glenn

While John Glenn has limped through the early primaries on a rather blurred profile designed to attract and dead-end the moderate-to-conservative Democratic voter, the Kissinger-Harriman combination has so far not found it worth expending many resources on him. Glenn established an early reputation for putting audiences to sleep; he recently has tried opening speeches with, “My son is an anesthesiologist. Like father, like son.”

By the second week of March, key Glenn supporters in the Midwest and South were switching to Gary Hart, generally on the stated basis of not wanting to help Mondale by dividing votes between Glenn and Hart. Glenn's campaign team regarded his continuance in the race as problematic. “We've reached our goal-line stand,” said a Glenn coordinator for the South.

Glenn's campaign advisory apparatus was quite modest. As one of his senior campaign staffers in Washington put it when asked for a list of Glenn's prominent advisers, “If we're looking for luminaries, I'll tell you the truth—Glenn was never one to pick a guru. He won't just pick one man and say, ‘he's my expert.’” Instead, Glenn supposedly consults a small group of informal advisers, the “most senior” of whom is retired **Adm. James Woolsey**, one of the prime backers of the nuclear “build-down” proposal foisted on President Reagan by the Kissinger-Harriman group last fall.

On economic policy, Glenn consults with a group of economists ranging from not-so-colorful to invisible, but all distinguished as raving austerity-mongers: **Henry Kauffman**, the self-styled oracle of the marketplace, generally known as Fed chairman Paul Volcker's alter ego; **Charles Schultz**, chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) during the economic carnage of the Carter-Mondale administration; **Walter Heller**, the relic from Mondale's Minnesota who chaired the CEA under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson; and **Alice Rivlin**, recently retired director of the Congressional Budget Office, Capitol Hill's indefatigable propagandists against economic growth, energy development, and progress in general.

Finally, one candidate who intends to stay on to the end as a sewer-pipe for all kinds of dirty operations is Jesse Jackson, whose antics have included “negotiating” the release of an American flier downed by Syrian fire in Lebanon, on a trip arranged by **Louis Farrakhan**, head of the Libyan-controlled wing of the Nation of Islam (Black Muslims) in the United States. Farrakhan publicly praised Libyan dictator and terrorist promoter Muammar Qaddafi, at a conference in Gary, Indiana which opened with a telegram of greetings from Qaddafi.