Interview: Anton Chaitkin

Co-author of Bush biography: ‘This is not a partisan book’

Anton Chaitkin, co-author with Webster Griffin Tarpley of George Bush: The Unauthorized Biography, spoke with Ronald Kokinda in Leesburg, Virginia on Aug. 18.

EIR: You are a supporter of Lyndon LaRouche, who has said that the Bush presidency is the worst since that of President James Buchanan, but he has added that a Clinton-Gore administration would be even worse.

Chaitkin: That is what Lyndon LaRouche said. I think it’s the worst since Franklin Pierce.

EIR: Is this book going to help put Bill Clinton in the White House?

Chaitkin: We heard from intelligence channels that members of the Republican National Committee were furious at this book, and they were saying that in a close election it could help defeat Bush. My response to that is, if you don’t want Clinton, get yourself a better candidate.

The fact is that Bush and Clinton are unacceptable, period. It is not practical to have either one be President; when you consider the evidence, it would be a catastrophe to have either one of those men be President. Therefore, what is required of someone who is studying history or writing about current events, is to show reality in such a way that it gives people some idea of what it is necessary to do. If they can’t find the means to do it, that’s a different problem, but we have to show the truth.

This book has nothing to do with the election. It’s hard for people to understand that when a book appears in the middle of an election campaign, but we had decided to do it during the Gulf war, seeing that the President and the regime were insane and would do this again, as clearly they are beginning to do right now toward Iraq, and war has spread throughout many parts of the planet since then.

EIR: When you said get yourself a better candidate, and you’re backing LaRouche . . .

Chaitkin: I’m talking to the Republicans. The Republicans are meeting now in Houston, and they have an opportunity, as we are talking, to dump Bush. They ought to do that. He’s not qualified to be President. He should be restrained. He should be in an institution, because he’s insane, he’s psychotic.

EIR: Are you talking about his health, or a broader problem?

Chaitkin: The reaction of people in the Third World, Russia, China, and Japan who came to our press conference on July 8 at the National Press Club was one of delight to finally have some source of information about George Bush. They’re obviously very concerned about his mental state, and they have had no other straight and in-depth briefing in existence to consult about George Bush as an individual. They know that he is unstable; they were given, by us, the medical evidence that we could find showing that he is also severely ill in a physical and mental sense. These are combined in the Basedow’s disease, which we discuss in the last chapter of the book. The reaction of the diplomats and journalists who came to that press conference was to digest and use this information as best they and their governments have seen fit to do.

The reaction in Europe of people who have seen this book is clearly, in the upper levels of governments, to eat it and choke on it, because as yet they haven’t done what they need to do, which is to call a spade a spade. The United States and England are ruled by insane persons, and this one [U.S.] is a good example. Bush is not just an individual who is insane; there is a broader group of people which I think Bush’s mental state typifies. It’s egregious; it’s a bizarre situation.

EIR: When you say insane, referring to a group of people, and that Bush typifies this, what is this insanity that you’re referring to?

Chaitkin: Prince Philip was reported by Reuters a couple of days ago to have told a Japanese investor that it was wrong, impractical, and hopeless to have large-scale investment plans because the human species probably would not be in existence 50 years from now. Now, he is proposing policies, and promoting policies, as are members of this Anglo-American/Zionist and crazy Freemasonic group that have a lot of power in our government, they’re proposing policies which will bring this about, that the human race would not be around 50 years from now. This is insanity. This is not self-interest, it’s a form of cultishness and insanity that has to be exposed and uprooted if we are going to survive.

When you take a cold, hard look at George Bush, at his life and background, you see this in a way that you can’t
avoid. You have to say, we’d better do something about that. It’s frightening, but it’s also very funny.

**EIR:** Coming back to this better choice. LaRouche sits in prison, a political prisoner of Bush. Is this going to help get him out of jail?

**Chaitkin:** Let me say for the record that Webster Tarpley was at the Democratic convention, and now he’s in Houston, on radio, on television, doing a tour that’s been covered by AP, which has gotten coverage in the newspapers, showing the delegates in both places, with a lot of noise and a lot of fanfare, that the candidates that the party leaders have put up are unacceptable. So, this is *not* a partisan book, period.

Now, LaRouche in prison, yes, I think this book is clearly something which would get him out to the extent that it becomes more widely known. If we sell a quarter-million copies, if Bush stays in the race, and we can go head-to-head against Bush and his clique, and it becomes a *cause célèbre,* which I think it possibly could, then it shows a few things which the Eastern Establishment, Kissinger, et al., do not want the public to be seeing. First of all, it shows that we have an intelligence capability, that the associates put together a product which is the best and most accurate intelligence that can be done in the western world. I think we have the best abilities in that regard, and it’s not a matter of boasting, but the fact of the matter is that this is something that is feared by that clique. And it’s obvious when you see what we’ve been able to pull together with limited resources. We don’t have access to secret material, but we have taken the pains to get into the declassified materials and to interview those who would be interviewed, in the United States and elsewhere, and to go into the publicly available archives in a way that nobody has done, and we’ve embarrassed the hell out of them. They’re squirming with this material. So, it becomes obvious why they want LaRouche in prison, why they want him out of the way; it’s obvious.

And we also have, in the Iran-Contra chapter of the book, the only available, complete exposition of George Bush’s central role as the head of covert operations during the 1980s in the Reagan administration, and the use of his and his clique’s governmental powers to coordinate private attacks against their enemies, including agencies like the Anti-Defamation League, including media, coordinated by the National Security Council, under official programs. We’ve got the records of that, we’ve got the documentation, including the career of this crazy judge in Alexandria, Virginia who put LaRouche in jail, Albert V. Bryan, whose company, Interarms, of which he was the organizer and financier, supplies 90% of the private arms traffic in the world. They’re a CIA arms company. And they got guns from communists in East Germany to give to so-called anti-communists in Central America under George Bush’s direction.

That’s the judge who put LaRouche in jail. This is crooked. This is also hilarious; when you pull these scoundrels out from their cover, it’s a lot of fun for the public to read. When we had that first press conference on July 8 in Washington, the best part of it was that a lot of these diplomats and journalists were laughing and having a good time as well as taking notes.

**EIR:** You released it on July 8. Is the book selling?

**Chaitkin:** It’s selling where people have heard about it. We printed 10,000 in the first printing, that was almost immediately sold out. Another 15,000 are being printed now. On the talk shows that we’ve done, we’ve had an overwhelmingly favorable response. Telephone orders off the talk shows into the *EIR* bookseller in Leesburg have sold about 500 copies. We’ve had a very good sell in Texas with the publicity around Webster’s tour; it’s sold out in bookstores in Houston.

National book chains and distributors have gotten in touch with us as a result of people asking for the book at local bookstores, and, frankly, they’re not happy with being put in that position, because the LaRouche angle on this is notorious, and they don’t want to be in a position of being hit by the ADL, by Bush, and by the government for putting a proscribed book on their list. But the book is being demanded and they feel that that gives them a certain amount of cover, because the public wants it. But that’s the kind of pickle that the booksellers are in.

We had one incident on a talk show in Kansas City where the book was promoted very well on the air, and then demands went throughout the region for the book through local bookstores. One distributor who sells in the Midwest got in touch with *EIR* and said, well let us see this book, we want to order 300-500 books to cover our stores. When they read it, they called back to say, we don’t approve of this so we’re not going to order, even though the bookstores have asked us for the book. So it’s not a commercial decision, it’s fear.

**EIR:** So they don’t care if they make money?

**Chaitkin:** In that case, yes. Now, in most cases bookstores don’t operate that way because they haven’t experienced the KKK or the Black Hand or the ADL coming to bomb their store or take vengeance upon them. In most cases that won’t happen at all, but that kind of pressure is routinely applied to national organizations, or certain kinds of national publishing organizations are themselves affiliated with these kinds of people.

**EIR:** Where else have you promoted the book?

**Chaitkin:** I had a talk show originating in Colorado which reached 38 states, and we had orders phoned in for the book ranging from California to Minnesota and Wisconsin and down to Arkansas. This proved that their station was really a boomer station. We can check them out by watching from where the orders come in.

I wanted to mention the situation in North Carolina. Chapter 3 of the book goes into the story of the Boyden Gray
family, President Bush's close friend and legal counselor since 1980. Gray's family, which owns RJ Reynolds tobacco company, made out like bandits when it was bought out in the RJ Reynolds buyout.

The Gray family ran a pilot project in North Carolina to try to revive the pre-Hitler eugenics movement after the Second World War, and under the Gray family's supervision, they sterilized anywhere from 50 to 400 school children in Winston-Salem school district who scored too low on an IQ test, a special test which they gave to the children in that district. This pilot project was then used and is now being used by the U.S. government as the basis for their sterilization programs in the Third World—the same organization that did it for the Gray family in North Carolina now does it for the U.S. Agency for International Development. It used to be called the Sterilization League; now it's called the Association for Voluntary Surgical Contraception.

We put out a press release, asking for an investigation. It was picked up by the old, established black newspaper in Winston-Salem, The Chronicle, and they had a front-page article about this sterilization project. They interviewed the school, the Bowman-Gray Medical Center, and this doctor, Herron, who did the cutting of the children. This caused quite a furor. A couple of days later I did a talk show in Winston-Salem, and the switchboard was jammed. I would say it was about 2:1 favorable; people praising the talk show host for having the courage to do the program. And you also had this irate minority calling in denouncing the show saying they would never listen again. One of them was a death threat against me; possibly a Klan type, I don't know, but with tremendous fury, because this is not something that happened just in 1948. It's obvious that this is something that's going on right now, not just in foreign policy, but this kind of thing is happening in the United States. That is, the sterilization of welfare recipients by government agencies. There are proposals to do this and similar things against the poor and the sick in this country.

And so what we've done with the book is to show the background of this going back to World War II and before, that we've peeled away a kind of polite silence on these kinds of issues. And this is what we're dealing with with this regime, and that's why this regime has to be taken down.

EIR: When we look at the horrors of the 20th century—communism, Nazism, the New Age—the Bush family is involved in promoting this, but there's a broader picture. Could the book be entitled "The Untold History of the 20th Century"?

Chaitkin: There is a period of 6-7 years, from 1933 to 1938, which is conveniently left out of everybody's history of the 20th century, in terms of foreign events. They talk about FDR, but nobody talks about what was going on in the world. In this period, Adolf Hitler took over as a dictator in Germany and built up a war machine. This project, the Hitler Project, was sponsored by the leaders of Great Britain and the dominant faction on Wall Street, with a kind of pledge of non-interference by the U.S. government.

The fact is that the Anglo-Americans said they wanted Hitler in power, and they built up his war machine. Britain was selling tanks to the Nazis during the 1930s. That is not appeasement.

Montagu Norman of the Bank of England, the most powerful financier in the world, would come to New York City to work out the details of trans-Atlantic support for and promotion of Hitler and the Hitler government. When he came to New York, he would stay with a fellow named Thatcher Brown, who was called the captain of Brown Brothers Harriman at the time and this was the old Brown Brothers firm that Montagu Norman had been a partner in earlier. His grandfather had been the boss of the firm. And Thatcher Brown's manager, that is, the manager of the office, was a partner named Prescott Bush, the father of President Bush.

The Brown Brothers Harriman firm where Prescott Bush was the managing partner, was the headquarters for the Hitler Project in America, the active headquarters. They maintained, within that office, a sub-unit called the Union Banking Corp., which was a political slush fund for the top Nazis. It was exposed in that fashion in July 1941 in the New York Herald Tribune, when George Bush was a prep school student at Andover Prep, and it was kind of a crisis to have his dad's name mentioned in connection with the slush fund for the Nazis as World War II was under way and we were deciding whether to get into it or not.

This is not appeasement. We're not talking about, they made a mistake and didn't oppose Hitler. These gentlemen in the 1930s did not appease Hitler, they hired Hitler. So this is something people are going to have to look square in the face. Then you've got Warburg, Jewish bankers, in Germany and Britain and New York. They brokered the deal for Brown Brothers Harriman to be in Nazi activities in Germany, just as Max Warburg was the adviser to Hjalmar Schacht and other puppets of Montagu Norman to build up the Nazi regime. In 1933, James Warburg, over here, asked FDR to make Averell Harriman ambassador to Nazi Germany. These are the things which people have to think about a little bit; think of what the implications are of this.

EIR: You commented that you had just the tip of the iceberg of the Hitler Project exposed in the book. What other things are you finding?

Chaitkin: As regards this period of 1933-38, when Hitler was being built up and was carrying out all manner of atrocities, during that period the B'nai B'rith was open and functioning in Nazi Germany, by the wishes of the dictator of Germany Adolf Hitler. There was a boycott against the Hitler regime organized in New York by people including my father, and this boycott was opposed by the B'nai B'rith. Not only were the leaders of this tied in with Harriman and Bush
who were supporting Hitler, but they were functioning in Nazi Germany with Hitler's best wishes.

**EIR:** Until how late?

**Chaitkin:** Until 1938. At some point in 1939, when Winston Churchill was put up against the Chamberlain appeasers of Hitler, supposedly, and a war seemed to be in the offing between Britain and Germany, and after Hitler decided to close the B'nai B'rith, which was basically a British Freemasonic organization, then in 1939, the B'nai B'rith said, yes, maybe we should boycott Nazi Germany. But they'd been kicked out of Nazi Germany after being open in Nazi society under Hitler's best wishes.

These years are a great embarrassment to an awful lot of people, including Winston Churchill, who is known throughout Europe as a fascist for the entirety of the 20th century until he decided we'd better have a war against Nazi Germany. He was a racist; he was one of the top strategists of the eugenical extermination of the poorer races as he saw it. He was vice president of the founding international congress in eugenics in England. He was a sponsor of Mussolini, not just a supporter, but a sponsor. And he was a backer of Hitler as well in the earlier days.

**EIR:** Nazism gave eugenics a bad name so they called it population control?

**Chaitkin:** They changed the name of the eugenics to population control, but it has precisely the same objectives. It also has precisely the same problem that Teddy Roosevelt lamented about, and George Bush's father's generation was terrified about, that when the Anglo-Saxon elite propose that the lower orders of society practice birth control and abortions and sterilizations, and in any and every way not to have babies, what generally happens, unless you use force, is that the Anglo-Saxon elite are the ones that don't have babies. And everyone else has babies. This is a terrible problem for them. But at bottom, it is not just a question of racialism. They are anti-natalist in general—they hate all human beings—and we need more children, in general.

**EIR:** What other reactions has the book provoked?

**Chaitkin:** One of the funniest reactions I had was on a talk show in Florida, with an ADL-type broadcaster who is also a Bush supporter, so he was railing against me while we were on the air. His line of reasoning went like this: Everybody knows that George Bush had nothing to do with Watergate. Thus, since everybody knows he had nothing to do with Watergate, your book is invalid, no matter what evidence is presented, on Watergate or any other subject. And this literally was his reasoning.

Since everybody knows Bush had nothing to do with Watergate, and since we claim that he did, and we showed this in his own words and other documents that he was at the center of the Watergate scandal, what we presented on Iran-Contra and other matters could not be true. This of course does not sell very well and is not very logical, but that's the best that they've done in response to us.

Every member of Congress has a copy of this book, thanks to the generous contributions of people who are eager to try to educate some of these often stubbornly ignorant congressmen. Many congressmen, and we've heard about several wives, are reading this book, and getting quite a kick out of it, having, for a change, more ammunition in their hands than Bush and his friends have to try to destroy the Congress.

**EIR:** There are several other books coming out now on Bush. Are you familiar with any of them?

**Chaitkin:** There's a book that was published by a Washington lobbyist that mentions that Bush had an affair with Jennifer Fitzgerald. But it's not a book about George Bush. It's really pathetic, because it's really an old story. We have what is known about that in our book.

But you get a deeper question about George Bush. Who is Jennifer Fitzgerald, and why is this British woman running his contact with many people for so many years? Who is she? What is Bush's relationship to Britain? This is one interesting question which we go into in quite a bit of depth in the book.

The other question is that of Omaha. Bill Clinton and Bush might get into a macho match about who has got more mistresses, but there's a more interesting question. What is Bush's relationship to the Craig Spence pedophile ring that was exposed in the White House and to the top Republicans in Omaha around the Larry King scandal? That is, people in the top ranks of the U.S. regime, imitating the longstanding practice at Cambridge and among the British royal family, are involved in homosexual, pedophile activity. This is clearly promoted as something that is even useful for the intelligence community, to have as blackmail material. This is a lot more interesting for someone who is trying to figure out how to save our civilization. You have to root this rot out, rather than speculating about whether Bush had a mistress or not.

**EIR:** You mentioned the eugenics issue in North Carolina. Have there been any other topics that have provoked a particularly intense reaction?

**Chaitkin:** In the case of Florida, there was a flurry of panic when we discussed the question of Jupiter Island. There is another home of the Bush family which is never discussed, never. This is where George Bush's mother lives right to the present; she's 90 years old. It's always referred to in any press accounts that even mention where she lives as "Hobe Sound," which is the mainland town across from Jupiter Island. But she actually lives on Jupiter Island, and the Bush family has been based there since just after World War II, when Harriman and his clique set up a kind of base camp there, a private enclave—ultra, ultra-high security. In many ways it has to be more secure than CIA headquarters in Langley, for people in that clique who set up the CIA—
Robert Lovett, people who took over the Truman administration’s national security functions. They even brought poor old James Forrestal down there, certified him as insane, and eventually he went out the window after going down to Jupiter Island to be dealt with and brought back to Walter Reed Hospital.

This place on Jupiter Island is where it would appear the CIA Miami station was managed. It’s just a short jump from Miami by helicopter, just north of Palm Beach, and this is Bush’s home. George Bush has a very heavy interconnection, involvement, and management relationship with the Cuban exile community which has been manipulated by Bush and his friends and the people who have been running projects since the Bay of Pigs invasion where they rounded up a bunch of drug runners. This same group was used in Vietnam, in the Middle East, it was used by Richard Secord. The base of George Bush for all these activities is Jupiter Island, so when it was brought up on the air in Florida it caused a good deal of commotion. One guy called in who started to make obscene remarks to try to get people thinking along other lines, it was clinical.

EIR: So you’ve been having fun. What are you up to now?
Chaitkin: The current project is to get beneath Clinton, Gore, and the Southern Strategy into the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction. This will include James Baker in Texas. We’re getting a lot of help from some strange places.

EIR: Anything you can talk about?
Chaitkin: Sure, there’s a real ecumenical groundswell to pin these guys down and say, this is not what we want running the United States. The black masons have published a stinging attack on the white Scottish Rite as a nest of KKKers and racists. The same polemic is coming from the white Southern Baptists in their recent convention, and from the Missouri synod of the Lutheran Church. These are all white conservatives, who have hit the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry as racists.

This is the kind of cultishness and racialism that I was talking about earlier. This is British Freemasonry. If you ever say Zionism is racism, what you’re talking about are the British Freemasons who have infiltrated American religion. When you get a so-called fundamentalist Christian in America saying that he wants the Jews to continue to occupy Arab lands until there’s a blow-up in the Middle East, which would bring a war and possibly the end of the world, and we’ll all be raptured up into heaven, you’re hearing from somebody who promotes that, someone who is not a Christian, but rather a British Freemason.

EIR: So George Bush and Bill Clinton have more in common than their membership in the Trilateral Commission?
Chaitkin: Yes. Maybe Clinton’s thyroid doesn’t bother him, but in back of Clinton and Gore is, I would submit, a rather small group of people who are as crazy as a mad hatter.