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The statue of satanist Albert Pike must come down

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During the 1992 presidential campaign, Lyndon H. LaRouche and his vice presidential running mate, the Rev. James Bevel, launched a mobilization to remove the statue of Gen. Albert Pike from its place of honor in Washington, D.C.'s Judiciary Square. As EIR reported on March 5, the campaign drew an angry attack from freemasonic leader C. Fred Kleinknecht, who attempted to defend both Pike and the Ku Klux Klan from LaRouche and Bevel's attack. On April 19, Reverend Bevel and historian Anton Chaitkin are scheduled to go to trial on charges of "statue-climbing," for a non-violent demonstration they led at the Pike statue. They face possible six-month prison terms for this "crime."

On March 21, Mr. LaRouche addressed a conference of the Schiller Institute and the International Caucus of Labor Committees in Northern Virginia, by audiotape, explaining the issues of this fight. The following is the text of his speech, titled "Pike and Satanism: From the Civil War to C. Fred Kleinknecht."

Recently, there was a letter and an accompanying document attacking me issued by the Supreme Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, one C. Fred Kleinknecht. The issue which the document addresses explicitly, is my proposal to remove from its position on U.S. government property in Washington, D.C., the ugly statue of a traitor, a war criminal, a racist, and a satanic degenerate, Gen. Albert Pike, who was one of the leading predecessors of Mr. Kleinknecht as Sovereign Supreme Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Moreover, Mr. Pike—General Pike, as he is sometimes called—is the author of a book called *Morals and Dogma*, which is considered by many members of the Scottish Rite in the United States a virtual bible, or at least the anti-bible, of that section of Freemasonry; and that book, *Morals and Dogma*, is a book consistent with the satanic religious beliefs explicitly adopted and advocated by General Pike. General Pike, of course, was the founder of the Ku Klux Klan; that is not



A demonstration at the Albert Pike statue in Washington, December 1992. LaRouche writes: "My attack on the Scottish Rite's Pike at this time, opened up a weak flank in the entirety of the treasonous cabal which it represents, the Confederate tradition which it represents."

disputable on the basis of the evidence in hand, though Mr. Kleinknecht proposes to dispute it.

What I wish to do here, is to identify the nature of the core or characteristic issue at stake between me and the fellow who has engaged me publicly for this debate, Sovereign Supreme Commander C. Fred Kleinknecht.

The Party of Treason

As the letters of Albert Pike to Giuseppe Mazzini illustrate the point, Pike, like Mazzini, was a satanist; and like Mazzini, was an *instrument* of a circle in London headed or associated prominently with Lord Palmerston, the author of the Opium Wars against China, among his other "virtues."

The object of Pike's endeavor and that of Palmerston and also Mazzini, was to destroy the United States, a continuing commitment since our War of Independence, this time by means of fomenting a division of the nation between one part of the nation controlled by the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite and other parts of the nation. This conspiracy of traitors—and they were all in the leadership *conscious traitors* to the United States, that is, acting as agents of a Britain which *used them* in an effort called the Civil War or the Secession, to destroy the United States by dismembering it and thus making the entire Western Hemisphere virtually a colony of the British Empire. These people were not honest rebels, they were traitors.

This Party of Treason was born among the Tory British sympathizers of the period of the American War of Inde-

pendence; and because of a treaty arrangement, these people, who were traitors in effect to the United States then, stayed behind in large part and *formed* what became the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in its modern form within the United States. They were famous as the slave traders, they were famous as the partners of the British East India Company, i.e., Lord Palmerston's Britain, in running opium principally into China (the Lowell family, for example, from which McGeorge Bundy is descended, was part of this gang of treasonously inclined opium traders). They were the Perkins Syndicate of Salem, Massachusetts, from which a lot of the Massachusetts blueblood families, so-called, derived their wealth; and they were also part of the Russell Syndicate out of Russell and Co. in Connecticut, the Russell and Co. which is the controlling interest from then, early in the nineteenth century to the present day, at Yale University—which gave us, of course, such things as George Bush.

These people were notorious in 1814 as having been part of British agent Aaron Burr's conspiracy to destroy the United States; they were part of what was called the Hartford Convention of 1814, a conspiracy by traitors to the United States, and they were outright traitors to the United States.

The failure of this treason in 1814 led to the new conspiracy to divide the United States into two parts by secession—one, a Southern group of states committed to slavery, and the other, a Northern group of states committed to abolition

of slavery. The Northerners, such as the Lowell family of McGeorge Bundy's ancestors, while objecting to slavery in Massachusetts, did not object to it in the South; in fact, they benefitted greatly from the use of slave-produced cotton for the New England cotton mills—like Friedrich Engels, the scoundrel whose wealth was derived from the use of slave cotton in England.

After the Civil War, with the execution of Lincoln by circles which were associated with the treasonous Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite and with its B'nai B'rith offshoot, which is the treasonous and racist section of a very small minority of American Judaism at the time, Lincoln was assassinated by these people and their friends, and a more agreeable President, at least from the traitors' standpoint, Andrew Johnson, became President.

As a result of a number of developments leading into the election of such atrocities as Confederate sympathizers Teddy Roosevelt, whose ideas were shaped by his uncle, a Confederate traitor, Bullock, and the Confederate who became President Woodrow Wilson, who, among other things, co-sponsored the founding or re-founding of the Ku Klux Klan in 1915, this nation was gradually taken over by the same group of racist traitors who had formed the Confederacy earlier.

To this date, the internal history of the United States, and the conflict in the United States' position in the world as an ally of British imperialism and similar evil enterprises, have been based on a takeover of more and more of the institutions of the United States *by the circles associated with the leadership of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.*

These are the racists, these are the accomplices of those who set forth two world wars in this century; these are the people who committed all of the atrocities against the peoples of the Caribbean region of South and Central America from the United States; these are the people who have trampled upon our Constitution, who have trampled upon our economy, by introducing things like the Federal Reserve System; these are the actual enemies of the United States.

Although each is accountable in his own person for what he does, the essence of the matter, is this association of people who are in the tradition of Palmerston, Pike, and Mazzini in leading institutions of the United States—those who are in the tradition of the drug runners of the Perkins Syndicate and Russell and Co. today.

So therefore, I am very happy that C. Fred Kleinknecht has chosen to attack me so frequently and so violently by name, and to seek to mobilize all Freemasonic officers through lodges throughout the country in a general mobilization against me; because this indicates that those Freemasons recognize that we have become a *significant threat* to their power, chiefly by our raising, during my presidential campaign together with Reverend Bevel, the issue of the Pike statue.

The issue of the Pike statue

If the statue comes down, that, of course, injures the interest of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite—no question about it. However, if the Scottish Rite, aided by its Anti-Defamation League [ADL] agents, were to succeed in preventing our efforts to pull down the statue, this would result in a much greater damage to the Scottish Rite, by the following means.

Let me call your attention to a book which is fairly famous in military history, which contains an apt description of the foolish situation into which Mr. Kleinknecht has maneuvered himself recently. This book is by the great German military strategist von Schlieffen and its title is *Cannae*. It deals not only with the Battle of Cannae, in which Hannibal defeated the Romans, but also with the theory of the flank throughout military history, including an examination of the genius of one of America's greatest military figures, Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, who was the hammer that beat the Confederacy military force into a pulp on the anvil provided by Sherman's collaborator, General Grant.

At Cannae, the Roman forces which outnumbered the Carthaginians and their allies formed a compact mass to assault the Carthaginians. In point of fact, they *overconcentrated* what was, for that period of time, their firepower. The military genius Hannibal exploited this mistake of the Romans, of concentrating their firepower to the fore, by flanking them and reducing a superior military force, that is, the Roman force, to a shattered remnant, in a battle which remained decisive for a long period thereafter—although Hannibal himself was ultimately defeated, for different reasons.

What Kleinknecht and his associates have done, is to commit the same kind of folly in the political domain that the Roman commanders committed leading to their defeat at the Battle of Cannae. That is, they concentrated their forces, including the ADL and their stooges even within the civil rights movement, to defend this statue at all costs. In so doing, they overconcentrated their forces toward the front, and invited an attack upon their flank.

Let me explain this in the following way.

Instead of giving up the Pike statue—which they should have done from the standpoint of elementary military and analogous reasoning—what they have done, is to stake everything on holding it. And that is one sure way in military circles to ensure one's own defeat or the likelihood of one's own defeat.

The ADL: stooge of the Freemasons

First, they put the ADL out there in front. The Freemasons said, and they said explicitly, that they were *not* going to come out and take me on publicly, but rather they were going to use their stooge, the Anti-Defamation League—which has always been a stooge of this treasonous section of the Scottish Rite in America—to “deal” with this issue.

Well, the ADL was in a pickle. Not only is Pike the

founder, who represents the spiritual essence of the Ku Klux Klan, both in its first and second incarnation, but the ADL itself, through the B'nai B'rith, was a co-founder of the original Ku Klux Klan, and the ADL *in its own right* was a participant in the second founding or the second coming of the Ku Klux Klan in 1915. There was a link between the two in the person of Simon Wolf, who was a key intelligence operative for the B'nai B'rith, working with the assassins of Abraham Lincoln back during the 1860s, and it was the very same Simon Wolf who lived until the 1920s, who was instrumental in bringing about the founding or the second coming of the Ku Klux Klan, with the sponsorship of Woodrow Wilson, in 1915.

So the ADL currently, which pretends to be anti-racist—although it is racist and has a racist philosophy—has been campaigning around the country using the disgust against the Ku Klux Klan as a basis for presenting itself, the ADL, as the major defender of American virtue against the Ku Klux Klan.

It was very foolish of the Scottish Rite to propose that this Anti-Defamation League, this ADL, which purportedly is attacking the Klan in every legislature in the country, should come out in Washington, D.C., and around the country *in defense of the founder of the Klan*, that racist, traitorous, satanic, degenerate, Gen. Albert Pike. Or at least Pike's statue.

So the ADL found itself in difficulty; and the ADL could not therefore politically carry out the job which the Scottish Rite headquarters had assigned to it. Thus, because of resolutions around the country, in city councils and so forth, demanding the pulling down of this statue, the Scottish Rite decided that it had to come out in its own name.

A weak flank

One of the associated reasons for the sensitivity of the Scottish Rite at this time was the fact that last year, the Southern Baptist Convention entertained a motion to ban membership in the non-Christian, satanic Scottish Rite by members of the Baptist congregations. The banning did not occur; however, a resolution was successfully passed, which proposed an investigation of the matter, a series of hearings, so to speak, which were made pursuant to reconsidering a motion to ban the Scottish Rite.

So the Scottish Rite is very sensitive, and since it has about an estimated *million* of the members of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite in the Baptist Convention, this is a very grave threat to the powers of the Scottish Rite, the backers of the drug pusher and scoundrel Oliver North, of Iran-Contra notoriety.

So my attack on the Scottish Rite's Pike at this time, opened up a weak flank in the entirety of the treasonous cabal which it represents, the Confederate tradition which it represents.

Therefore, we are now in a position to do the following.

Kleinknecht and company have adopted the provably treasonous, satanic degenerate Pike as their own—not merely from the past as a matter of tradition, but they have adopted him as something which they have to defend today. They have defended his work, they have defended his ideas; and thus they have identified themselves with those ideas which their own library identifies Pike as advocating. They have also identified themselves as defending or apologizing for the crimes which Pike committed while he was alive. Thus they have put the stain of treason, Pike's treason, the stain of satanism, Pike's satanism, and the stain of satanic degeneracy in general upon themselves as an organization until they shall repudiate it.

In the meantime, the major visible public campaign of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, since the 1940s, has been to serve the cause of Satan, exactly as General Pike advocated, by attempting to destroy Christianity in the United States while pretending to believe, of course, in the Supreme Being, just as Robespierre, the butcher of the French Revolution, professed his belief in a Supreme Being, and he was, of course, a Freemason, essentially of the same philosophical origins as the Southern Jurisdiction.

The way this was done, was by a former Ku Klux Klan member, who was actually still secretly a member of the Ku Klux Klan, Associate Justice Hugo Black of the Supreme Court, who introduced and led in introducing measures leading to the so-called separation of church and state.

In effect, these Freemasons got God out of the schools and got Satan or Lucifer in—and if you do not believe it, you can go to many a secondary school today and see it; or you can see the insistence that homosexuality be taught as a mandatory course instruction to first graders in various school systems around the country. And we see a promotion of these same general directions and ideas, by the Anti-Defamation League, a branch of the Scottish Rite, with its "World of Difference" program.

It should also be noted that the Anti-Defamation League, like the Scottish Rite, publicly proclaims its commitment to this anti-Christian, satanic campaign as part of its ongoing, longstanding commitment.

So what Kleinknecht has done, is to put all of his troops in concentration to the front, all his firepower to the front, to defend the statue of Pike. In so doing, he has shown his organization's commitment to Pike, which permits those of us who are alert to take a leaf out of the book of Hannibal, and to attack the flanks of this organization; to expose it for what it is, or rather to point out what it has self-exposed itself publicly to be.

This is not simply a quarrel with the Southern Jurisdiction, of course; this is our effort to get at, to uproot, to expose, and to weaken, the pernicious, the treasonous, the satanic influence, which the institution of the Confederacy, called the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, has had to the present day, in shaping the United States.