

Mob ties of Minnesota AG Humphrey exposed

by Philip Valenti

On Sept. 27, shocked citizens of Minnesota heard a mortified and trembling state Attorney General Hubert Humphrey III announce that he would not run for higher office in 1994. Humphrey, a national leader of the "Get LaRouche" task force and son of Democratic Party hero-figure Hubert Horatio Humphrey, was universally expected to run for either his father's old U.S. Senate seat, or for governor of Minnesota. With incumbent Sen. David Durenberger (R), who had delivered a humiliating defeat to Skip in his first Senate run in 1988, not seeking re-election, the path seemed clear for Humphrey to realize his life's ambition.

Political observers credit the collapse of "Skip" Humphrey's fortunes to the wide circulation of a *New Federalist* White Paper, excerpted here, exposing Humphrey as the corrupt linchpin of the Minnesota organized crime/Democratic Party axis. The report includes well-documented case studies of the systematic, politically motivated prostitution of his office. With the white paper as ammunition, anti-Humphrey activists in the state are mobilizing to preclude Humphrey's re-election as Attorney General in 1994.

Along with fueling demands for his impeachment in Minnesota, *EIR's* publication of this material is also intended to help derail a possible scheme to rescue Humphrey by offering him a federal appointment, and may strengthen a growing pattern of "bad endings" for corrupt law enforcement officials responsible for railroading LaRouche and several of his associates to prison.

Spearheading the "Impeach Humphrey" movement has been LaRouche associate Lewis du Pont Smith, a 36-year-old heir to the Du Pont chemical fortune. Du Pont Smith and his wife Andrea were the targets of a kidnapping conspiracy in 1992, which was broken up at the last moment by the FBI. On Aug. 2, 1992, Humphrey Special Agent Richard Munson was caught on an FBI wiretap, plotting with a kidnap ringleader to destroy the LaRouche political movement (see box, p. 28).

Beginning this past June, the du Pont Smiths and I visited dozens of mayors, city councilmen, judges, county commissioners, police chiefs, sheriffs, and other



Lewis du Pont Smith and his wife Andrea (second and third from the left) are organizing support for the impeachment of Minnesota Attorney General Skip Humphrey. Here they are shown at a demonstration in Minneapolis on Sept. 14. One of Humphrey's minions was caught on tape in a compromising discussion with a ringleader of an aborted conspiracy to kidnap the Smiths, because of their association with Lyndon LaRouche.

officials throughout Minnesota, to brief them on Humphrey's crimes and ask them to support his impeachment.

After we appeared on the most highly rated radio talk show in the state, many other victims of Humphrey's crimes stepped forward. The result was the 25-page *New Federalist* White Paper, "Skip Humphrey and the Criminal Abuse of Power: Case Studies of Corruption, Cover-Up and Official Oppression in Minnesota."

The first 10,000 copies were distributed by the third week in September. Recipients included every elected official of every county in Minnesota (about 1,200 individuals); the manager or clerk of each of the 850 cities in the state; every police chief (over 400); every state legislator (201); and over 500 delegates to the Sept. 18 state Independent-Republican convention. On Sept. 12, about 1,000 of Skip Humphrey's neighbors in the suburban city of New Hope, found the White Paper and a copy of *Travesty*, a book by *EIR* about the du Pont Smith kidnap conspiracy, on their doorsteps.

The Smiths and I made a surprise appearance at the Sept. 13 cocktail party hosted by Humphrey at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Minneapolis, part of his so-called Consumer Education Summit for state attorneys general from around the country. Humphrey recently became president of the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG), a post previously held by former Virginia Attorney General Mary Sue Terry, another "Get LaRouche" task force leader in big political trouble.

On Aug. 31, Smith had written to every attorney general

in the country, asking them "to reconsider the fitness of Minnesota Attorney General Hubert H. Humphrey III to serve as president of the NAAG," and enclosing copies of the White Paper and *Travesty*. Several AGs at Humphrey's cocktail party assured Smith that they had received and studied his letter and documentation.

Outrage against Humphrey exploded, however, when the role of the Humphrey Institute Center for School Change in pushing "outcome-based education" (OBE) was exposed in a series of Schiller Institute organizing meetings across the state in September. The Humphrey Institute, with Skip Humphrey on its advisory board, is promoting "school choice" vouchers as a means to replace publicly controlled schools with private, for-profit OBE schools owned by multinational corporations like Honeywell and Burger King, where the corporate school replaces the family in the raising of children.

Humphrey also boasts membership on the Michael Milken-funded DARE American Board of Directors. DARE, or Drug Abuse Resistance Education, uses mind-control techniques to turn schoolchildren into unwitting police informants against their parents. Studies of DARE have shown that graduates are *more likely to use drugs* than control groups (see *EIR*, March 5, 1993).

More political explosions are expected in Minnesota as the second 10,000-run edition of the White Paper hits the state in October. Among other recipients, all 1,500 Minnesota Democratic Party officials are expected to receive the White Paper and other documentation within days of this writing.