

National News

British admit their colonial delusions

Christopher D. Crabbie, the First Political Secretary of the British embassy in Washington, claimed at a conference on the Malvinas crisis sponsored by the Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies May 6 that the "British determination to recover the Falkland Islands is not a display brought about by our delusions of colonial grandeur. . . ."

But in response to a question from *EIR* correspondent Stanley Ezrol on the political status of the British subjects on the Falklands, Crabbie stated, "They are under a semi-colonial status. . . . The nature of our rule over Argentina [sic], uh, over the Falkland Islands . . . has been one repeatedly affirmed by the islanders themselves. . . . I really don't think you should take that as a Freudian slip. . . ."

Solarz garners support for work-card bill

Nina Solarz, the wife of liberal Rep. Steven Solarz, is heading up a group whose purpose is to push through a bill that would both restrict immigration and regiment the U.S. citizen workforce with a Nazi-style work-card system. "I think it is an absolute scream that we have the AFL-CIO supporting this bill," Mrs. Solarz told a reporter recently.

The bill Solarz's group is supporting, the Simpson-Mazzolli immigration restriction bill, would cut the number of immigrants legally entering the United States from the current 800,000 to 425,000 a year, and fine employers up to \$1,000 per worker for hiring illegal aliens. Under the guise of preventing the hiring of illegals, the bill would mandate the issuing of I. D. cards to all U.S. workers within three years.

The system would provide the Attorney General's office with exact information on the current location of every em-

ployed citizen of the United States.

Also on the board of Solarz's Citizens Committee for Immigration Reform are former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance; former Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara; Pamela Churchill Harriman, mother of Winston Churchill III; AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland; and UAW President Douglas Fraser.

Hinckley trial assumes 'lone assassin'

After the trial of John W. Hinckley, Jr. for the attempted assassination of President Reagan began in Washington, D.C. May 3, the initial proceedings have been conducted on the assumption that Hinckley acted as a "lone assassin." The central issue is being portrayed as Hinckley's sanity.

No reference has been made to the fact that the Secret Service was investigating 14 suspects it had identified as threatening the life of the President during the period of the Hinckley attempt. Seven of those suspects fit the physical description of Hinckley. Over half of them had recently been under psychiatric care, as had Hinckley, and had written love letters to movie actress Jodie Foster.

Strange bedfellows threaten LaRouche

The growing influence of *EIR* founder and National Democratic Policy Committee Advisory Committee Chairman Lyndon LaRouche in U.S. politics prompted an array of attacks, including assassination threats, on May 1.

The anglophile Council on Foreign Relations was founded in 1919 as the U.S. counterpart of the British Royal Institute of International Affairs. When two NDCP organizers distributed copies of LaRouche's call for the United States to invoke the Monroe Doctrine against the British invasion of the Malvinas Islands at a CFR conference featuring spe-

cial arms-control negotiator Paul Nitze, one attendee burst out: threat, "We know LaRouche. We will execute him."

At a press conference held by the East Side Conservative Club on the occasion of their annual memorial service for Sen. Joseph McCarthy, Club chairman and Roy Cohn law partner Tom Bolan attempted to expel two reporters, one from the *Washington Post*, charging them with "working for LaRouche"! Cohn then denounced LaRouche as a "fanatic" in the formal press conference statement.

The Yippies, who featured a banner threatening the assassination of President Reagan at a conference last year, held their annual Pot Parade and Rock Against Racism event May 1. While they were passing out marijuana to anyone who would take it, the Yippies distributed leaflets attacking LaRouche, and Yippie leaders railed against LaRouche in their speeches.

Prescott Bush runs hard in Connecticut

Prescott Bush, younger brother of Vice-President George Bush, is running a campaign in the Republican senatorial primary against incumbent Lowell Weicker which is part of a move by the Bush faction of liberal Republicans to bolster its influence.

An investment banker with no previous political experience, Prescott Bush is getting full backing from the banking families who dominate the state Republican Party, and who delivered Connecticut to George Bush in the 1980 presidential primary.

Prescott Bush is also getting indirect support from some prominent conservatives. The National Political Action Committee (NCPAC) has been funding a radio and press ad campaign denouncing Weicker's liberalism. And the notorious lawyer Roy M. Cohn, who maintains a house in Greenwich, Connecticut, told a recent memorial meeting for his former patron Joe McCarthy that Weicker must be defeated.

However, several prominent conser-

vative members of Congress, including President Reagan's close friend Paul Laxalt (R-Nev.) and Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.), have come to Connecticut to campaign for Weicker, who is considered one of the most liberal members of the Senate. Laxalt is no friend of the Vice-President; he stormed out of the Republican 1980 convention when Reagan announced his running mate.

Weicker aides claim that there is no way Bush could win the nomination, but it is believed that the incumbent's re-election chances might have been damaged by a *New York Post* exposé alleging that one of his aides was a Soviet spy. According to the *Chicago Tribune*, the story was leaked by hardline conservatives. tives with intelligence ties.

A handful in the House vote to support Britain

A strange thing happened May 4 in the House of Representatives with H.R. 441, a resolution sponsored by Rep. Steven Solarz (D-N.Y.) demanding "full diplomatic support to Great Britain in its South Atlantic war. Following widespread revulsion at the Royal Navy's sinking of the Argentine cruiser *General Belgrano*, and high-profile nationwide organizing by the National Democratic Policy Committee, the Solarz resolution was brought to the floor on a day when the House was in informal session, with rules suspended, and with roll-call votes forbidden.

Less than a dozen congressmen were on the floor. After a discussion in which several speakers voiced reservation or opposition, the resolution was adopted by a voice vote. Seeking a speedy burial of the affair, news media blacked out the vote on May 5.

Later in the day, Rep. John Conyers (D-Mich.), a black liberal, emphasized that the Foreign Affairs Committee had held no hearings on the question, and the paucity of members voting, demanded immediate repudiation. "This resolution, in effect, places the House on record as affirming whatever armed action the

British nation chooses to pursue, irrespective of the merits and the repercussions for the U.S. and world community." Eldon Rudd (R-Ariz.) attacked Britain's assertion of "might makes right," just as it did "when the British imperial fleet established itself at the Falklands in 1833." Now, he said, "they simply call on the U.S. to pick their chestnuts out of the fire" because the British Navy no longer has "a large colonial empire to pay its bills." Rudd charged that Britain knew at least a month before Argentina retrieved the Falklands that it would do so, and then declared that a war-like effort had been mounted against its possession, to obtain world sympathy.

FEC commissioners called to testify in LaRouche suit

Each commissioner of the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) was served April 30 in Washington, D.C. with a subpoena to appear for deposition in a lawsuit brought by Citizens for LaRouche, the 1980 campaign committee for Democrat Lyndon LaRouche's bid for the presidency. The lawsuit charges that the FEC, at the behest of the Carter White House and the Democratic National Committee, undertook an extraordinary, retaliatory, and illegal investigation of LaRouche and his campaign the moment the candidate qualified for federal matching funds.

Issuing subpoenas to an entire federal agency is an extraordinary legal step. The subpoenas state that the commissioners must be prepared to testify to the charges on May 10 and 11.

In March, Federal Judge Charles L. Brieant heard the LaRouche lawsuit in New York's Southern District Federal Court, and handed down a preliminary injunction against the FEC's investigation against LaRouche. His decision stated, in part, "It would be hard to imagine a more abusive visitation of bureaucratic power than has already been imposed on this . . . political group."

Briefly

● **WILLIAM DROZA**, an incumbent Indiana state representative, lost the May 5 Democratic primary race he had been heavily favored to win. The local National Democratic Policy Committee had circulated a leaflet opposing Droza's renomination prior to the primary, because Droza is sponsoring a bill to decriminalize marijuana and is a lawyer for the anti-nuclear Bailey Alliance.

● **SEN. JENNINGS RANDOLPH** (D-W. Va.) told the Senate April 27 during a colloquy on the steel industry that while over 404,000 people are currently employed by the fast-food chain MacDonald's, the steel sector now employs fewer than 340,000 wage and salaried workers. As of April 17, 88,000 steel workers were laid off, and 28,000 were working short weeks.

● **DREW MIDDLETON**, military correspondent of the *New York Times* wrote from London May 3 that "British naval sources say the Argentines have shown a significant lack of understanding of the power and accuracy of air launched missiles." The next day, of course, a single Argentine plane used an air-launched missile to sink the *Sheffield*, the British destroyer equipped with the most sophisticated anti-aircraft surveillance equipment in the fleet.

● **ALEXANDER HAIG's** servile anglomania was accurately captured in a May 4 *New York Times* headline worded: "Haig Abruptly Summoned to Meet With British Envoy." Haig "rushed" to respond to the summons.

● **LT. GENERAL Fazole Haq**, Governor of Pakistan's North West Frontier Province where the world's largest opium crop is grown, is not involved in the dope traffic, according to the U.S. State Department. State acknowledged to a reporter on May 5 that the question had come up at a press briefing prior to Haq's U.S. visit in early April.