
30 Years of Menticide: Part II

Why Tavistock brainwashers hate Lyndon LaRouche

by Jeffrey Steinberg

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On a snowy early January evening in 1974, an extraordinary event took place at the old Statler Hilton Hotel in midtown Manhattan. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., the American political economist and then head of a small but influential philosophical association, the International Caucus of Labor Committees (ICLC), presented an audience of several hundred journalists, researchers, and political activists with evidence that the American Central Intelligence Agency, British MI-5, and the East German Stasi (State Security Service) had conspired to kidnap and drug two of his West European-based collaborators.

LaRouche charged that the incidents were part of a much bigger plot in which major intelligence agencies—both East and West—were using psychedelic drugs and brainwashing techniques on a massive covert scale.

In the aftermath of the two drugging/kidnaping incidents (one in East Berlin in August 1973 and the other in London at Christmas), LaRouche commissioned a team of researchers associated with the New Solidarity International Press Service (NSIPS) to conduct an exhaustive investigation into the agencies responsible for the revival of mind control and menticide experiments that had been outlawed and exposed during the “Nazi doctor” trials at Nuremberg. Rapidly, that inquiry converged on the London-based Tavistock Institute, a psychiatric research clinic that had been at the center of British Army psychiatric and psychological warfare efforts during World War II. Among the leading figures associated with the institute during the war and in the postwar period were: Brigadier General Dr. John Rawlings Rees, Dr. William Sargant, Dr. H.V. Dicks, and Dr. Eric Trist.

The April and May 1974 issues of the LaRouche-associated *The Campaigner* magazine were both devoted exclusively to the exposé of this mind warfare, directed against the American people in particular. In a prescient article leading off the series, LaRouche spelled out the broad parameters of the Tavistock plot and identified the specific subsumed role of the Central Intelligence Agency and a number of

“private” CIA-linked foundations and psychiatric research centers in establishing a nationwide infrastructure of community-based “psychiatric shock troops” deployed to impose, top down, a new form of universal fascism.

LaRouche recounted that in response to the first of the two kidnaping/drugging incidents, “we immediately undertook a substantial investigation of Soviet and ‘Western’ modes of brainwashing and, parallel to this, studies of CIA, NATO, and KGB operations generally.”

On the role of the CIA in these efforts, LaRouche elaborated:

“The U.S. war in Vietnam, initiated and essentially directed for most of its term by the CIA, will turn out to be more of a preparation for fascism in the U.S.A. than any objective in Southeast Asia. The Peace Corps and the Office of Economic Opportunity were also essentially preparations for creating the infrastructure for fascist organization [i.e. the Reesian fascist principle of ‘local community control’]. The 1966 birth of the Gestapo-like force legalized later as the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, through Rockefeller agent and leading CIA operative McGeorge Bundy, was similarly an essential preparation of the nation for fascist police state rule.

“The organization of the ‘ecology movement’ and ‘quality of life’ campaigns as conditioning for John D. Rockefeller III’s genocidal Zero Growth project are also fascist preparations. The spreading of the ‘rock-drug counterculture’ and the spread of marijuana and LSD-25 in particular as ‘radical’ causes were well-designed preparations for fascist movements (as well as an easier cover for introducing significant use of brainwashing).”

LaRouche went on to identify the “real CIA” as a vast octopus extending far beyond the compound at Langley, Virginia and penetrating many agencies of government, as well as most think tanks on behalf of private financier interests rather than any elected agency of government. LaRouche focused special attention on the American universities:

“Most major universities are either entirely or substantially a branch of the CIA. At the University of Michigan, we have the most notorious example of the Institute for

Social Research (ISR), which is merely the focus for general CIA infiltration and control of many departments of the university at large. Harvard's 'Russian' institute is obviously CIA, like Columbia's, but also Harvard's so-called psychology department is a nest of such overt CIA operatives as the pigeon-brained B.F. Skinner and Reesian racist Richard Herrnstein, while the Harvard Sociology Department counterinsurgency work merely updates overt fascist traditions dating back to the 1920s.

"Massachusetts Institute of Technology continues its flourishing CIA activities as an extension of its earlier role as a base of OSS activities. . . . Its RLE division has been a meeting place for specialized counterinsurgency studies since the late 1940s, while also including those studies in so-called 'artificial intelligence' which are nothing but the development of the use of computers for brainwashing.

"The University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School houses Eric Trist, a veteran Rockefeller-sponsored Reesian fascist, who directs a vast network of fascist social work projects [and actual brainwashing activities] from his offices at that location. Cornell, Berkeley, Stanford are notorious CIA conduits."

While slamming the "real CIA" for running this vast social engineering operation against the American public, LaRouche at the same time underscored that the center of the scheme was to be found in London, specifically in locales like the Tavistock Institute of Brig. Gen. Dr. John Rawlings Rees:

"The Anglo-American (including Canadian) intelligence establishment was, from its inception, the merging of U.S. material resources and talent for engineering gimmickry with British counterinsurgency conceptual leadership."

In addition to identifying some of the key players in the Reesian plot, the LaRouche report also went into painstaking detail on the nature of brainwashing:

"Brainwashing is a state of induced psychosis, resembling paranoid schizophrenic psychosis, brought about through procedures of so-called programmed behavioral modification. In addition to being merely an induced psychotic state, brainwashing is also what the layman usually assumes it to be, a modification of the victim's state of mind to the effect that the brainwashee is under the effective control of an agency on whose behalf he was conditioned. . . . Essentially, the victim is first reduced to a state of infantilism (e.g., as recommended by the strange Doctor Janow of the 'primal scream' cult) and is then induced to form a psychotic pseudo-personality on the basis of modified, mother-image centered 'ego ideals.' "

Within two weeks of the LaRouche briefing at the Statler Hilton, the Liberal Establishment's "newspaper of record," the *New York Times*, responded to the charges of CIA, British, and East German collusion in the drugging-brainwashing plot with a 3,000-word front-page smear job against LaRouche in a Sunday edition. The wildly out-of-proportion freakout by the *Times*, accusing LaRouche of running a "bizarre cult," was the best indication that the CIA-MI-5-Stasi story was not

only true, but a very embarrassing scandal, even in the halcyon days of Henry Kissinger's Détente I.

It would not be until nearly two years later, that, ironically, the Rockefeller Commission on U.S. intelligence operations (chaired by Nelson Rockefeller) revealed for the first time that the CIA had conducted extensive experiments in mind control using LSD-25, liquid marijuana, and other exotic drugs, as well as such behavior modification techniques as electro-convulsive shock, sleep therapy, psychic driving, etc. from the 1950s through the 1970s. And it would be nearly three years after the Statler Hilton event, that the Church Committee would provide even more damning details, including the involvement of over 80 American universities in the experimentation with LSD.

Whether the January-May 1974 LaRouche-directed exposé of the CIA's involvement in mind control on a mass social scale provoked the later revaluations is hard to say for certain. Although hundreds of newspaper and magazine exposés and a half dozen book-length studies of such exotic CIA and Pentagon experiments as MK-Ultra, MK-Search, Artichoke, and Bluebird would be published beginning in 1976, all those studies focused almost exclusively upon the CIA per se. In nearly every case, the overall objective of creating a "Clockwork Orange" society, which LaRouche later labeled "fascism with a democratic face," was covered up.

The only real exception to that pattern underscores the point even more dramatically. This year, Harvey Weinstein, a professional psychiatrist, wrote an autobiographical account of his own father's victimization by Dr. Ewen Cameron, a wartime collaborator of Dr. John Rawlings Rees, who was one of the most brutal of the "doctors" hired by the CIA to conduct mind control experiments under MK-Ultra. That book, *A Father, A Son and the CIA*, included several chapters in which Weinstein reviewed scores of books and articles by Cameron in which the Scottish-born, Montreal-based psychiatrist, who for years ran the Allen Memorial Institute, spelled out in gory detail his dream of controlling society top down through the administering of drugs, electro-shock, and performing lobotomies to those people deemed to be a "menace" to society.

A private admission

The most damning confirmation of the original LaRouche charges of CIA involvement with friendly as well as hostile foreign services in drug experimentation and brainwashing would come in a private meeting in 1978 between LaRouche and a former director of the CIA, William Colby, who ran the agency during the period in which the East Berlin and London incidents occurred. In response to a question by LaRouche, Colby more or less acknowledged that an unwholesome collusion had been arranged between the CIA and the KGB. In effect, since the KGB knew that the LaRouche group was not an asset of theirs and suspected LaRouche-CIA links; and the CIA knew that LaRouche's politi-

cal association was not CIA and therefore suspected possible LaRouche-KGB ties; both sides agreed to conduct drug-interrogations to find out more about "what made LaRouche tick." Hence, East Berlin and London.

By the time that the Rockefeller and Church Committee revelations about the CIA's drug and brainwashing experimentation hit the light of day, many of the key players in the postwar human guinea pig programs had been quietly removed from the pad of one set of CIA funding fronts and set up in a series of community-based "anti-cult" fronts. During the mid-1970s, these groups proliferated as a loose federation of regional and local parents groups, ostensibly combatting groups like the Unification Church and the Scientologists. In a recent autobiography, longtime CIA "occult bureau" figure Miles Copeland candidly admitted that U.S. and British intelligence agencies had thoroughly penetrated and virtually taken over Scientology, as well as the Moral Rearmament Movement of Frank Buckman. The Church Committee, among other investigative bodies, detailed the intelligence community links of Reverend Moon's group. So who was kidding whom?

The anti-cult networks vintage mid-1970s centered around MK-Ultra stalwarts like Dr. Louis Jolyon West, Rabbi Maurice Davis and Dr. John Clark. They set up shop in groups like Rabbi Davis's Citizens Engaged in Reuniting Families

(CERF) and the Citizens Freedom Foundation.

Other senior "occult bureau" figures like the little-known Cleve Backster, a onetime head of both the OSS and CIA drug interrogation units, maintained an intimate relationship with Scientology guru L. Ron Hubbard (himself rumored to have been a victim of one too many doses of LSD-25 either during or right after World War II).

When one of Maurice Davis's protégés, Rev. Jim Jones, oversaw the suicide/murder of nearly 900 followers in Guyana in late 1978, the loose federation of MK-Ultra community fronts consolidated into two national organizations, the American Family Foundation (AFF), a collection of psychiatrists, and the Cult Awareness Network (CAN).

At the same time that these "off the reservation" MK-Ultra fronts were springing up around the country, it appears that the FBI, through its Quantico, Virginia training academy behavioral science unit, assumed the role of "lead agency" in the official government interface. This continued official link, shifted from the covert world of CIA's Technical Services Staff to the law enforcement function of the FBI, was crucial for the Reesian "gang versus countergang" program about to play out.

Attached to each of the so-called anti-cult groupings was a small army of professional kidnapers claiming expertise in the previously unheard of field of "deprogramming." Ac-

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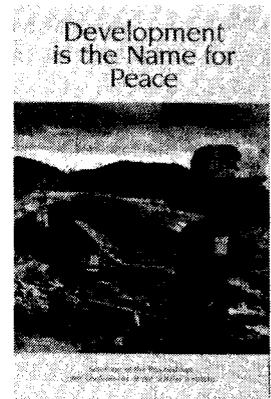
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ording to several former “deprogrammers” interviewed for this series, these individuals, often trained in the military or intelligence community, were given a literal “license to kidnap.” Unbeknownst to many honest anti-Satanist police professionals, the AFF-CAN networks were also using these maneuvers to establish penetration into local law enforcement agencies to blind them to the real nature of the cult-Satanic threat—including the preeminent role of the Reesian psychiatric “consultants.”

MK-Ultra strikes at LaRouche

It was this network, beginning within months of the LaRouche exposé of the Tavistock brainwashing and drugging scheme, that was deployed to continue the kidnaping/drugging operations against LaRouche collaborators—this time on American soil.

- In the spring of 1974, Gail Roeschman, a Philadelphia-based supporter of LaRouche, was kidnaped by a San Diego-based black businessman turned “deprogrammer” named Ted Patrick. She was held for days against her will and then taken under the watchful eyes of her father, Ben Roeschman, who had been recruited as a national figure in the so-called anti-cult movement.

- In 1981, Roger Maduro, a member of the ICLC, was kidnaped in a New York City hotel while visiting with his father, a prominent Panamanian businessman. With the father’s full complicity, kidnaper Kevin Connor forced Maduro to travel from New York to southern Virginia, where he was held in a safehouse, and subjected to what MK-Ultra psychiatrists would describe as “aversive conditioning” for over one week. Connor was apparently in contact throughout the kidnaping with a psychiatry professor at the University of Virginia who was at the time and still today remains a consultant to the FBI. That psychiatrist, Dr. Park Elliot Dietz, had been an intimate of Dr. John Clark, an MK-Ultra veteran and the director of AFF, based at Massachusetts General Hospital. After nearly two weeks, Maduro managed to escape from his kidnapers just as he was about to be boarded on a plane and flown out of the country back to Panama. Despite criminal complaints, none of the players in the kidnaping operation was charged with any crimes.

- In 1985, Lewis du Pont Smith, an heir to the du Pont industrial family and a member of the ICLC, was declared incompetent by a Pennsylvania state court judge and stripped of control of his personal finances on the basis of wildly false and perjured testimony by an “expert witness,” AFF’s Dr. David Halperin.

Government-blessed kidnapings, druggings, attempted brainwashings. Psychological warfare teams deployed under the cover of parents groups running guerrilla warfare maneuvers on the streets of America. This continuing legacy of MK-Ultra continues to enjoy the protection of government agencies and the witting complicity of major national news outlets.

Anglo-Soviet occultists to meet in London

by Mark Burdman

Organizers of a conference on parapsychology in London Oct. 21-22 might take pause from the fate of the unfortunate E. Frenkel of the Soviet Union. Frenkel was a psychic healer, or what the Soviets call a “mentalist.” According to recent Soviet press accounts, Frenkel decided that he could use his mind waves to stop a train. So, he went onto the tracks, and, lo and behold, the train stopped him. He is now dead.

Cynics might claim that the Soviet press articles were using the episode to assure Soviet readers that some trains still run on the U.S.S.R.’s destroyed railroad system. Conversely, Frenkel might have thought that standing on train tracks emitting brain waves could be quite safe, since Soviet trains don’t run too often these days. Or perhaps Frenkel was counting on a train strike. This is indeed what happened: The train struck him.

In the U.S.S.R., there is certainly a connection between the collapse of the physical economy and the eruption of weird psychic phenomena. The past year has seen a spectacular increase in government-sponsored occultism. On Soviet television each morning, media personality Alan Chumak exhibits what he calls his “healing energy” to hundreds of thousands of viewers. The viewers, according to an account in the U.S. Army daily *Stars and Stripes* Oct. 7, “put bottles of water and open tubes of cold cream in front of his televised image, worshipping this Good Samaritan version of the czarist mystic Rasputin.” His “remarkable success,” the paper notes, has been helped by a combination of “glasnost, miserable medical care, and a certain naive belief in extrasensory perception.”

By the week of Oct. 9, the Soviet news agency TASS was reporting that aliens from outer space had arrived in a village near Moscow.

‘The Great White Brotherhood’

The case of E. Frenkel hopefully will be registering on the brain waves of those attending the Oct. 21-22 conference at Regent’s College, London, which is actually an Anglo-Russian event. In Britain too, the collapse of the economy has had a lot to do with the dramatic increase in ecologism