What Longley was referring to was a speech made by Runcie in mid-November, before the Senior Evangelical-Anglican Commission (SEAC) in northern England, decrying those who were exaggerating the danger of New Age values and who were claiming that the New Age was part of some elaborate conspiracy. Runcie said New Age values were in fact rather more "benign," and that elements of such values, particularly those pertaining to "ecology and conservation," should be brought into the Church of England's teachings.

Wrote Longley: "So far, it seems, no member of the British Government has yet uttered the words 'New Age' in public. The Archbishop of Canterbury certainly now has; and so it will only be a matter of time before a Minister does too."

At the northern England SEAC event, Runcie had specified that the essence of the New Age is "the astrological progression, associated with the start of the third millennium, from Pisces to Aquarius." Noting this, Longley wrote: "What interested Dr. Runcie about it was its religious aspect, and the nagging thought that New Age thinking corresponded better to the spiritual needs of the present than orthodox Christianity could hope to do. His advice to the church was to adopt the New Age agenda for itself." Longley added: "The New Age is undoubtedly green."

Various books have appeared in Britain, drawing the connection between New Age paganism and ecologism and Nazi ideology. One was Oxford writer Anna Bramwell's *Ecology in the Twentieth Century*, published earlier this year. In mid-September of this year, when Runcie had given a greeting to the Canterbury Festival of Faith and the Environment, he was attacked by Church of England traditionalists for supporting "Earth worship, pagan meditation, witches, and the like."

One last thing should be kept in mind, especially in light of the 1936 abdication of the pro-Hitler King Edward VIII.

## Fascism as a Victorian value

U.S. economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche issued the following comments on Nov. 27.

The morning dispatches from the British press, notably from the fellow who is quite literally a bastard, Peregrine Worsthorne, indicates that Britain is headed very rapidly toward a new fascism. While some people like Conor Cruise O'Brien were talking about a Fourth Reich in Germany, we find that in Germany the spirit of freedom is effective, while in Britain, it's a joke; the danger of fascism shows most quickly. My estimates are as follows:

First of all, what we have is Worsthorne's repeated reference to a black or predominantly black underclass in the United States which is going to be virtually exterminated by what Worsthorne refers to as Victorian values. His father of his own illegitimate birth is typical of the Victorian values he has in mind.

But otherwise we have the same in other aspects of the British press—the same kind of mood, the same ugly social Darwinism with emphasis upon AIDS and drugs as means by which the underclass or sub-class, as Worsthorne calls it, is about to be wiped out by its black, Victorian values. What he is talking about is essentially what Worsthorne's illegitimate father, the Montagu Norman of the Bank of England who advised the architect of German fascism, would have admired and did admire in his time in the post-Versailles era which gave us fascism on the continent of Europe and gave us World War II!...

Now usually whenever the British economy is in deep, deep trouble or someone is sending it into deep trouble, they bring either Liberals, in the old days, or the Labour Party to power to replace the Conservatives, under whom the disaster developed. The Labour Party brings the economy into a virtual state of collapse or proximate collapse, the which establishes the authority again of the Conservative Party. So the Labour Party is stuck out with the harsh ring of disaster around its neck when the British people say, "Get thee gone for the time being," and the Conservatives come back in.

So, what we seem to have is a desire on the part of some to pass the mantle of government from Thatcher, who caused the disaster, to a Labour Party, presumably under Neil Kinnock, which would then act out the disaster which Mrs. Thatcher has created, and by bumbling social-democratic incompetence, bring Britain to the very worst; at which point, perhaps, this Britain brings back the Conservatives or something else and implements something that would make Maggie Thatcher's union busting seem a mild affair.

So Britain, as the *Telegraph* and *Observer* and so forth [have indicated] . . . on a conscious level is headed toward fascism. At least for the moment. Fascism is a Victorian value? How interesting!

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