

## OUR BASIC WORLDVIEW

The vast fortunes built up in Europe in the 18th and 19th Centuries, and in the United States in the 19th Century, did not disappear in the 20th Century.

They protected themselves by arranging certain wars [the balance of power theory---always raise up a rival capable of---in an emergency---invasion and restoring of ownership, payments of bonds, debts, sanctity of contract].

These vast concentrations of economic power learned to buy and sell local (national) leaders. They learned to hide from the masses behind holding companies, trusts, conglomerates, foundations....

They learned---in the new age of radio and television---to control those mass media, as well as the more traditional print media.

There developed, quite naturally, a rivalry, an often savage, merciless competition for markets, for mastery of the world, between the European fortunes and the American/British fortunes.

Since the 1920s the American/British faction has been dominant, with the Europeans subservient and defensive.

The American/British power elite made possible the Bolshevik revolution in Russia and brought Lenin to power in order to neutralize Russian-Siberian potential and to act as a counterforce to Europe.

The USSR has until recently been a convenient "boogey-man", a tool, controlled by the American/British power elite. The capitalist power elite has always known that a centrally-directed socialist economy and society is inherently inferior and structurally inefficient enough to make it forever dependent upon the capitalist system for key technology and (often) food.

But the power elite are sometimes led by fools, sometimes follow misguided policies, sometimes lose sight of basic strategy and truths.

The American/British power elite let the USSR become too strong.... and let America disarm too much.

In the early Seventies a group of Communist hardliners in Russia's ruling class emerged who disagreed with Brezhnev's policy of gradual subversion of Western power in the Third World while pretending to seek detente with the United States.

These hardliners wanted to stress Russian military might, impose strict discipline on the Warsaw Pact satellite countries, and follow a confrontationist line in dealings with the West.

Their motives were rooted in fear. Fear of the peoples in their USSR lands, and fear of the peoples in the conquered Eastern European countries.

They felt the years since World War II had brought too much cultural "contamination" from the West, and too much freedom to the masses.

The rigid Socialist/Collectivist/Oligarchist party control structure was creaking and cracking in places. The socialist dogma was being shown by repeated systemic failures to not bring promised rewards.

As a former member of the U.S. State Department put it, "What most people in the West do not understand, and what the large controlled media never [explain] is that the Russian Empire is just that---an empire by conquest." And in that empire "there are many ethnic and racial minorities who have no love for their White Russian and Great Russian overlords." What "people don't realize is that there are 138 different languages used in the Russian Empire."

The former State Dept. man went on to say, "At any moment there is a chance that one group or another will rebel against the hated Russians---possibly the Ukrainians, the Arab provinces near Iran and Afghanistan...where the Russians have had to put down over a dozen popular uprisings since the early Twenties...or the Georgians, who subtly (and sometimes not so subtly) defy Russian rule.

"The Politburo dares not risk even the appearance of weakness---a lessening

of power---among their subject peoples, for fear of open revolution."

The hardliners in the Russian ruling elite believe Brezhnev's strategy and tactics too dangerous, too "weak-appearing".

Led by Moscow Communist Party boss and Politburo member Victor Grishin, the hardline faction aggitate for tougher measures against the West. They were especially alarmed by the U.S. playing "the China card"---establishing diplomatic and trade/financial relationships with a China that had become an enemy of the USSR.

At the same time this "old-fashioned" faction saw the U.S. failure in Vietnam, "Watergate", loss of control in the oil lands, and the election of the foolish and incompetent Jimmy Carter as symptoms of drift, lack of will, "softness" in the Western power elite.

The hardliners were strong enough to convince other Politburo members---and perhaps Brezhnev---to seize the opportunity to make great gains in international power: they "unleashed" Castro and funded a large Cuban expeditionary force in Africa, and escalated subversion and revolutionary activities in Central America.

Among the Western power elite a minority grew uneasy and alarmed at these Russian power moves. Basic vital geopolitical lands and strategies were being lost.

A member of this minority [for reasons of his own] has said to us: "The situation was not helped by the fact that a majority of those in positions to see clearly the Russian threat, and to act, blindly refused."

But now presumably the events in Nigaragua and El Salvador, Angola, Ethiopia, Iran, South Yemen and other places has changed minds and opened eyes.

The election of Ronald Reagan to the Presidency and the drastic increase in military budgets signals a new resolve in the power elite.

Unfortunately, the elite will make sure the people pay all the bills to keep the Western power elite in control.

And the payments will be enormous.  
CONSPIRACY NEWSLETTER will be

pointing out the tactics and devices used---and will alert you to the personal dangers to your money, your freedom, and your life.

## PORNO FOREVER

Penthouse International Ltd. has acquired a top-notch new president with great managerial skills. He is Mark J. Meagher, former president of The Washington Post Co.

Bob Guccione, owner of Penthouse International, said Meagher will "be responsible for all strategies, the implementation of long and short-term goals, and staffing for all Penthouse International properties, including the four magazines, the film and television production companies, the Atlantic City casino operations and all other developing enterprises in progress at this time."

Mark J. Meagher will continue as a director of The Washington Post Co. In an interview, Meagher said that Penthouse, as with many companies who have grown very quickly, "has not formalized the management processes and controls" it requires to continue to grow.

Thus we note that pornography has been accepted by the power elite as a legitimate big-money-making business.

CALIGULA, Penthouse's first movie, will be re-released soon. Another X-rated porno film, about Catherine the Great, is being made.

The spread of cable television services into the major cities, and the offering of R-and-X-rated movies on cable, is creating a market for XX and XXX-rated films of high technical quality.

Soon commercial network TV will have to meet this competition by offering more "T&A" [tits and asses] in its shows. We think bare breasts will creep into network offerings in 1982. Brief flashes at first, but with ever longer exposure to follow. Four-letter words will be allowed to stay in R-rated films shown on network TV to ever greater extent.

The networks will issue Warnings about the subject matter before showing these films and shows, which they will argue will take them off the hook when conservative viewers object.

## LYING "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST"

The heading of this story about the shooting of Ronald Reagan was to have been "DID A SECOND GUNMAN SHOOT REAGAN?" until a WASHINGTON POST story appeared in the papers April 16.

Dr. Dennis O'Leary at the George Washington University Hospital, in the course of the press conference at the hospital after Reagan was operated upon, told the nation and the world that the bullet which struck the President entered the chest under the left armpit, traveled four inches downward, bounced off the seventh rib, and came to rest in the lower lobe of the left lung, missing the heart by three or several inches. [See Figures 1 and 2.]

He misrepresented the truth--he "fudged" in order to not alarm the people and to reassure our allies and not encourage our enemies during a crisis/panic situation in the top echelons of our government.

But the path of the bullet as he described it could only have been made if it had been fired from a point above, behind, and to the left of the President.

The alleged gunman could not have fired that bullet; he was in a crouch to the left of the President, shoot horizontally.

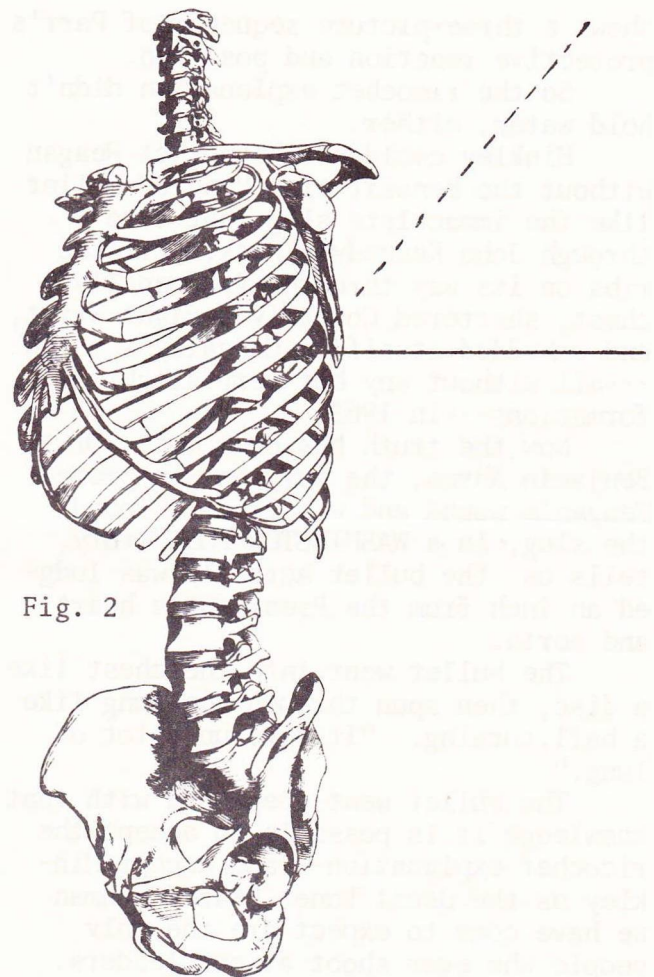


Fig. 2

----- O'Leary's bullet path  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Actual path of bullet

Significantly, none of the mass media raised that question!

A few days after the shootings the story appeared that the President was shot as he entered the limosine---caught by a slug that ricocheted off the limo body and passed through the small gap between the raised window and the doorway, above the door hinge.

But even that explanation didn't mesh with the path of the bullet as described by Dr. O'Leary. To receive the bullet at the proper angle, the President would have had to twist violently to the right and lean backwards as he was being bulldozed violently forward by Secret Serviceman Parr. It didn't happen that way. Parr pinned Reagan's arm to his side, hunched over him and slammed the President to the floor of the limo.

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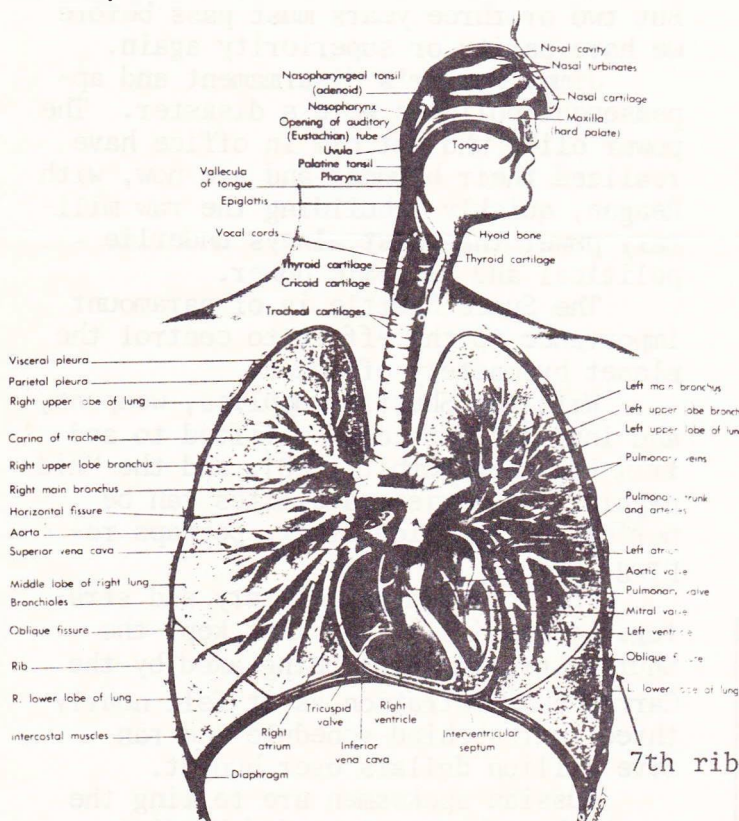


Fig. 1

shows a three-picture sequence of Parr's protective reaction and position.

So the ricochet explanation didn't hold water, either.

Hinkley could not have shot Reagan without the benefit of a "magic" bullet like the immaculate slug that tore through John Kennedy's neck, cracked ribs on its way through John Connally's chest, shattered Connally's right wrist, and embedded itself in Connally's thigh ---all without any but very slight deformations---in 1963.

Now the truth has come out. Dr. Benjamin Aaron, the surgeon who probed Reagan's wound and who finally found the slug, in a WASHINGTON POST story, tells us the bullet actually was lodged an inch from the President's heart and aorta.

The bullet went into the chest like a disc, then spun through the lung like a ball, turning. "It tore up a lot of lung."

The bullet went deep. And with that knowledge it is possible to accept the ricochet explanation---and accept Hinkley as the usual Lone, Crazy Gunman we have come to expect are the only people who ever shoot at our leaders.

The obvious lesson to be learned from this episode is that you should never accept as truth what government spokesmen say during a crisis. In fact, it's a mistake to assume government ever tells the truth in matters which touch strongly on its self-interest.

In this instance the TV networks, TIME and NEWSWEEK, and the major newspapers, the wire services---all were lied to, all swallowed the lies or [in the public interest] did not publish contrary views or raise obvious questions.

How many past stories are still lies? How many past stories have been manipulated?

"They are rewriting history already."

---A Department of Justice employee.

## THE SPACE SHUTTLE'S TRUE SIGNIFICANCE

Space is the "ultimate high ground." In past wars the forces which controlled the ridges, hills, mountains---and later, the air---won the battles and the war.

Now the United States and Russia are locked in a disguised battle to determine who controls space---and the planet Earth.

Whoever wins the battle for space will be able to sweep the skies of enemy satellites and missiles, and will menace the world's cities with high-energy particle beam weapons.

No wonder the Russians have condemned the Space Shuttle. Its success is their doom. Its success, if continued, signals the reassertion of power by the Western power elite, and more specifically, by the American inner circle of the power elite.

But the Space Shuttle technology is several years away from being fully useable militarily.

And for the next few years the Russian Empire will have a small advantage over the West in nuclear weapons as well as in land weapons and soldiers.

The United States is now rearming. But two or three years must pass before we have parity or superiority again.

Jimmy Carter's disarmament and appeasement policies were a disaster. The power elite who put him in office have realized their blunder and are now, with Reagan, quickly rebuilding the raw military power that must always underlie political and economic power.

The Space Shuttle is of paramount importance to the effort to control the planet by mastery of space.

With the Shuttle supplies, weapons, and installations can be lifted to and from Low Earth Orbit [LEO], and the "kidnapping" of Soviet satellites can be performed, to allow study, perhaps reprogramming.

This overriding military and strategic potential is all that kept the Shuttle program from being axed by the Carter administration as it fell nearly three years behind schedule and ran five billion dollars over budget.

Russian spokesmen are telling the truth when they say, as did Vladimir

Posner of Soviet TV and radio, "[It is] the start of a new and chauvinistic effort by America to blackmail the world with superweapons." ... "This is a military mission ... its goal is primarily military ... and its aim is strategic military superiority in space."

"He's right," says a NASA employee who wishes anonymity. "Its purpose is military, in the main, although the Columbia is just a test run."

The Columbia had been scheduled for three test flights. Latest word is that authorities are hoping to cut that to two.

[Latest rumors are that recently two Defense Dept. spy satellites were destroyed over Russia, probably by specially adapted Soviet missiles or hunter-killer satellites.]

As now scheduled, 30% of the Shuttles' future missions will be military. That percentage could change radically. An expert informant told us: "If Vandenberg [Air Force base] construction starts up again, that means that purely military astronauts will be going into a 96° Polar Orbit for the purpose of military surveillance of the Russians. [And these astronauts have been] trained for specific military missions for several years."

It is now known that the Russians are planning a huge space station [military base] for orbit in 1985-6.

It has been reported by AP that "U.S. defense specialists, anxious about the activities of Soviet military cosmonauts and killer satellites, are urging President Reagan to establish a Pentagon command center in permanent orbit above Earth. ... Reagan is said to be receptive to the idea and military planners are closely monitoring the first Space Shuttle mission." The article concludes, "Ground-based lasers have been used to shoot down aircraft in Pentagon tests, but space tests in the Shuttle are believed to be a few years away."

That article is wrong, according to an aerospace industry scientist who has worked on the Shuttle. Two military payloads have been moved up to the sixth Shuttle mission. These payloads are code-named Teal Ruby and Talon Gold.

They are experiments involving aimed laser and particle beam weapons. Also soon to be tested is an F.E.L., or free electron laser. Other items are space-based blue-green lasers for space-to-submarine marine communication, which is tightbeam communication through the water.

There is also stepped-up activity on the U.S. anti-satellite missile, according to a scientist who worked on it. It is called a PMALS, for Precision Miniature Air Launch System. It is an on-board computer-guided missile which can be launched from under the wing of an F-15 jet fighter and will knock out enemy missiles up to 100 miles distant.

Or the Defense Dept. can mount the PMALS on a Minuteman missile to reach geosynchronous orbit. These combinations will be tested in early '82 or '83.

The DCS (Defense Communication Satellite) which is dependent on 100% launchability is, due to Carter defense budget cuts, far behind schedule because a prototype DCS was destroyed when its launch rocket exploded or it had to be aborted (destroyed) due to a faulty launch.

The U.S. now, according to several experts, an inadequate space defense.

Right now, according to an aerospace scientist, there is "a space war in out future. ... Acceleration for war in space is tremendous. Budgets for space defense items are doubling and tripling." This informant says the speed-up has been caused by a political shakeup in the Joint Chiefs of Staff; General David C. Jones, who was supposed to rotate-out, is staying as the Head instead of giving way to Admiral Moore.

This crash spending and command realignment happened because top military experts believe Ret. General George Keegan, who maintains that the Russians are testing particle beam weapons

Space has now become the hottest and most important arena in the resumed Cold War.

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## INCREASED DEATHS AND DISABILITIES WILL SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY

With a built-in deficit of over \$2.6 trillion, the Social Security system must cut benefits. The question is how.

The current proposals floating in Congress involve a three-stage retirement plan:

1. retire at 62 at 66% of full benefits.
2. retire at 65 at 80% of full benefits.
3. retire at 68 at 100% of benefits.

This involves cheating everyone of a large portion of the benefits now scheduled. It involves a calculated savings coming from the increased death rates of those men and women [mostly men] who will die of heart attacks, strokes, and cancer as well as other diseases in the 65-68 years.

As few realize, your Social Security check is mostly based on your earnings in the last five years before retirement. The longer you wait (or the government forces you to wait) the more likely you are to die off or be disabled and incapable of full-time work at full-time wages and salaries.

Consider: 26% of all persons beginning work at age 22 will die before age 65. It is estimated that 15% more people die between the ages of 65-68.

What Congress is going to do is increase the Fund's "death and disability" take in order to pay those who do survive, and pay them less, on the average.

Here's the best advice: unless you expect to live into your 80's [based on the long lives of your parents and grandparents], you'll be better off retiring at 62.

## FORGET THAT PROMISED CANCER CURE

And here's an ugly little suspicion: There will not be any big cancer cures discovered in the next decade, and all "non-establishment" cancer cures---no matter how effective---will be ruthlessly ignored or kept illegal...because the government cannot afford to have millions of older people [on Social Security and other pensions] live any longer than they do now.

Meanwhile the people and institutions who make a fat living off cancer

research funds and grants will continue to busily look [or be directed to look] in all the wrong directions. Blind-alley research is good for them ---not you.

## POLAND'S COLLISION COURSE

Poland's Communist Parliament voted on April 10th to ban all strikes and strike threats for two months.

The Communist government indicated that in addition to now-rationed meat and sugar, bread and other grain products would be rationed. And food prices would increase.

The Parliament has not yet passed new labor laws codifying last summer's strike-won agreements.

In the past nine months the new Solidarity unions have forced the Communist government to back down again and again.

Now the government, spurred and threatened by Russia, has thrown down the challenge to Solidarity.

At some time Solidarity will be forced to test the government, and a clash will result. If the Polish Communist government yields to the unions, Russia and the East Bloc satellite countries will invade Poland. If the unions occupy factories and resist the government, Russia will act.

When this inevitable clash takes place the 24 billion dollars owed to Western banks and governments will appear to be lost and virtually beyond recovery. A great deal of scared billions of dollars will be shifted to America for safe keeping. These losses will seriously damage several very large German and American banks.

The inrush of "hot" money from Europe will give the American economy a temporary shot in the arm but make inflation worse.

Europe, already in severe recession, will sink deeper.

A debt collapse could be triggered which would wreck the world financial system.

## THE PATTERN BECOMES CLEARER

Two more elements of the coming regimentation of the American people emerged from the Reagan administration, which you would think might oppose such plans.

The administration proposed (April 11) the creation of a national computer data bank which would keep dossiers on the estimated 25 million people who receive various forms of public assistance. As now conceived the National Recipient Information System would include a person's name, age, address, Social Security number and "benefit status". The information would be available on request "to federal, state or local agencies."

The proposal says specifically, "the head of any federal agency, including the Internal Revenue Service, the Veteran's Administration, and the Railroad Retirement Board, shall, upon the request of the secretary [of Health & Human Services], provide any records within the control of the agency as found by the secretary to be appropriate for inclusion within the National Recipient Information System."

Thus the NRIS would take in information about everyone who receives Social Security, Veteran's benefits, Railroad pensions, whose mortgage is guaranteed by any arm of the government... In fact "benefit" could be interpreted to mean anyone whose savings account is insured by the FDIC or the SLFDIC, which includes everyone with money in a bank or savings and loan co.

This massive data bank would end up actually including everyone. And it would of course require information from all state and local agencies, as well as from all federal agencies.

This NRIS is being proposed to "assist in detecting and preventing fraud, abuse and waste and in maintaining the integrity of public assistance programs."

But in fact the cost of the NRIS---the staffing, the set-up, the data collection, the checking of data, the massive spying on people required---would far, far exceed the amount of fraud and abuse and waste existing today.

Now consider the second regimentation proposal: Labor Secretary Donovan has outlined a set of laws that would force unemployed people to be trained for jobs and require them to move to areas where their new skills are needed.

This initiative is sketchy as of now; it's being floated as a trial balloon. But combined with the NRIS discussed above, and added to the coming move to draft young men for the armed forces, and a heavily regimented future seems just around the corner for most of the American people.

All that is required to stampede Congress into passing these and other people-control laws is a real or contrived "national emergency."

## GOLD STANDARD IN FIVE YEARS

A member of the Power Elite has written an article recently, "Stabilizing the World's Money" [WALL STREET JOURNAL, April 3] in which is signaled the abandonment of floating rates of exchanges for currency, and a return to the discipline of a gold standard.

Simply, for a dozen years or so the United States primarily has been an engine of inflation---pouring dollars out into the world and into itself which have no gold or silver backing. They are all promises to pay...and there are now so many hundreds and hundreds of billions of "empty" dollars in existence that they are causing huge "hot money" flows, massive dislocations, and ever-wilder swings in interest rates and forcing ever-greater deficits.

The United States cannot ever honor these billions or cope with the effects short of raising the official price of gold to about \$500 per oz. and making the dollar officially convertible to gold [and perhaps silver] again.

Until this is done and until true control of the money supply is achieved, the USA will face ruinous high interest rates [to keep dollar holders convinced they should keep dollars and to draw dollars to this country---thus starving our European allies for capital] or ruinous inflation as lower interest rates persuade dollar holders to sell [because the "rent" those dollars can command is their only value, now]. As the price

of dollars goes down they will buy less---and what is labeled inflation (the cost of living)---will soar.

We could have 30-40% inflation in 1982. And interest rates in that range, too, briefly.

#### NOTES ON THE ECONOMY

# The rumors that the U.S. government will take the copper penny out of circulation and substitute an aluminum or steel or "sandwich" coin of nickel and aluminum are probably false.

The price of copper at this time is 90.5¢ lb. The price would have to reach \$1.45 or so per pound for it to be profitable to melt down copper pennies.

And only a runaway devaluation of the dollar will drive the price of copper that high within five years.

At that point a penny coin could be dispensed with. The 5¢ nickel coin would serve as the lowest retail coin required.

# The BUSINESS WEEK Index for the U.S. economy peaked at 152 in the winter of 1978-79. It coasted gently downward until March of 1980 [at 148] when it plunged to 137 in September of 1980. It then gradually recovered til it reached 143 in March of this year.

It has formed a rounded-top in Jan-Feb-March and is heading downward again, with advance indicators pointing to another deep swoop, probably to a point lower than the 1980 bottom.

A severe recession would result in 10% unemployment [at 7.3% now] and would throw millions more people onto welfare, foodstamp and other benefit roles.

# There will probably be a postal union strike this summer. The existing contract expires July 20. The government will be tough, the unions will be forced to put-up or shut-up with a strike. Postmaster General William F. Bolger has warned that if there is a strike he will move to suspend the private express statutes that give the Postal Service its monopoly over first class mail. This would allow private, non-union mail delivery services to take the cream of the

Service's business and would result in mass union layoffs. The threat is unlikely to be carried out, but as a club against the unions this year it might work.

# The Federal Reserve Board voted recently to keep interest rates high. This has resulted in a rise in the prime rate to 17-1/2% from 17%. In the falling-dominoes world of the financial field, this means a continued death for housing, autos, and even more stress for the savings & loan companies and banks, who are losing billions of dollars each week, and dozens, perhaps hundreds of which will fail in the coming crunch months.

# Banks in the USA are bracing themselves for a deluge of bankruptcies and lost loans. Small businesses are going belly up at a rate 48% higher than last year.

#### FINAL NOTE

4-19-81 The failure of the Poland Communist party government to resist the demand by the peasants for a Solidarity-type union of farmers may have been the last straw on the backs of the Russians.

Stalin and Lenin must be spinning in their graves.

