## **Money in politics**

"Poor man wanna be rich,
Rich man wanna be king"
[sang Bruce Springsteen in "Badlands"].
If you are a creepy right-wing billionaire
[like Barre Seid] and you know the public
hates your view of the world,
the only way to be king is to work
your way around democratic processes,
go clandestine, and find a scamp
like Leonard Leo who knows how to
move levers secretly.

**Sheldon Whitehouse**