Who Framed George Lakoff?

I found an article about George Lakoff (the guy from Metaphors We Live By) from this website (aldaily.com), which is actually a really good site for people interested in literature and current events. The article talks about his work in linguistics, especially in relation to politics.

It's interesting that linguistic debates can get so hostile, as the one between Lakoff and Noam Chomsky did:

_One illustrative episode, recounted in Randy Allen Harris's The Linguistics Wars (Oxford University Press, 1993), has Lakoff repeatedly interrupting Chomsky to shout, "Noam! Noam! You're wrong!" At another point, Lakoff interjects: "I have been lecturing about these things, and if you are interested, you should come to my class." As Harris, a professor of rhetoric and communication design at the University of Waterloo, Ontario, notes wryly, "the level of gall required for anyone, let alone a junior lecturer, to tell the inventor of the field to attend his classes if he wanted to stay current goes right off the chutzpah meter."

I thought it was pretty interesting reading about what was going on in the linguistic sciences, and how it's talked about in the same way a normal scientific field would be. I would also recommend looking through the site where I found the link to this, because it has a lot of interesting and relevant pieces on lots of different topics. I'm sure I'll be using it for blog posts in the future.