InSight

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The "One World" conspiracy that this review exposed only four months ago has come dangerously close to succeeding in imposing its will over the United States. As the news stories in this issue document, the Carter administration is fully committed to imposing the economic devastation of 1936-38 Germany on the nation; and the psychological warfare experts of the Club of Rome are prepared to put the population through the process of "bereavement" advocated by death cultist Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, to make Americans learn to live with the loss of technological supremacy.

As in Italy in 1922 and Germany of the early 1930s, there can be no question about the intentions behind the ruling circles that are opening pushing the race science of a William Shockley, the euthanasia doctrines of the "die with dignity" movement, the extermination of "useless eaters" that mascarades under fiscal austerity. The only question is whether the American people will accept fascism—there is no other word for it.

Our allies in Europe find this hard to understand. They are perplexed that in the U.S. primaries Carter consistently polls over 50 percent of the vote on the Democratic side, even though his policies are visibly leading the nation into cataclysm. They are astonished at the vote levels attributed to such media creations as the strange John Anderson and Jerry Brown. They cannot believe that a man as badly advised in economic and foreign policy as Ronald Reagan could be winning the support of large numbers of voters—and yet all of this occurred April 1, again, in the past week's Wisconsin primary.

And in Wisconsin Lyndon LaRouche, regarded by many leading Europeans as the only presidential candidate who understands Europe, was credited, again, with less than 2 percent of the vote, even after a major media advertising campaign and the endorsement of some of the state's most prominent labor leaders.

Such a monstrous fraud could only occur if the United States were already living under fascism, they protest. And yet there are no swastika-wielding stormtroopers marching in the U.S. streets. Indeed. The kind of fascism that has begun to descend on the United States—and will be irreversible by next September unless the presidential election process takes a drastic turn is "fascism with a democratic face," Orwellian fascism.

This is the kind of "American" fascism under which a candidate can address 20 million Americans with a coherent overview of the problems that disturb them most (the economy, Iran, the energy crisis) and the next day the news media are silent—LaRouche does not exist. Big Brother says so.

Most sobering for our overseas allies is the realization that Americans are even *less* prepared to fight fascism today than the Italians in 1922-25, or the Germans in 1932-33. The nation has morally deteriorated to the point that most Americans blindly accept what the media proclaims as truth.

The fundamental reason lies in the destruction of American culture, cut off from its roots in the tradition of Western European humanism. Most Americans do not know that the United States was formed to be the first of sovereign industrial republics spanning Europe and what came to be the "colonial" sector. They are ignorant of the great international alliances formed by Benjamin Franklin and his friends and successors, including Marquis de Lafayette, that built this nation and saved it repeatedly from destruction.

It is the blind, woefully ignorant American chauvinism—stubbornly convinced that fascism "cannot happen here"—that can watch the republic be turned into a fascist nightmare far quicker than Germany itself succumbed in 1933.