Interview: Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

'New Dreyfus Affair against me could lead to global nuclear war'



Former presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche was interviewed from prison in Alexandria, Virginia on Feb. 23 by Nora Hamerman. What follows is an abridged transcript.

EIR: This year will be the 550th anniversary of the Council of Florence. Have you any comment on how that anniversary ought to be celebrated and what the relevance of that is to the strategic situation as you see it unfolding in 1989?

LaRouche: First of all, I would like to see a cartoon or billboard ad, or something, all over the world, featuring Cristoforo Colombo quoted as saying, "If you want to discover new worlds, buy a map from Toscanelli."

EIR: The Florentine friend of Brunelleschi, who was at the Council of Florence!

LaRouche: That would be number one. Of course, as I've stated before, the cupola of the Cathedral of Florence has two significances. Its construction intersects the Council of Florence and all the events leading up to and out of it. It also intersects the hatred of the Third Rome nuts of the East against everything that Western civilization represents. So, one cannot speak of the Council of Florence without celebrating the reaffirmation of Western civilization following the New Dark Age of the 14th century, and one cannot look at that without saying, "That we must defend," against what might be called Trust 3, the alliance of people like Lord Victor Rothschild's friends with Moscow in this new East-West condominium.

I planned to celebrate it—until these imprudent gentlemen of the court and so forth intervened—by solving some problems or causing to be solved some problems pertaining to negative curvature, one of the great areas of contributions by the great Filippo Brunelleschi.

EIR: Would you like to elaborate on that?

LaRouche: People have looked at Brunelleschi's cupola, people who don't understand it, including modern architects, from the standpoint of what they have esteemed to be its finished results, and have not looked at the most interesting and significant aspect of the cupola, the process of construction by which it was assembled. The process of construction

is unique, and pertains to some of the most fundamental principles on the frontier of physics today—astrophysics and microphysics. So, Brunelleschi was working in a medium of science which is little understood today, but whose mastery would be most beneficial to humanity. One can think of nothing more appropriate than to take that aspect of his work, bring it to a new level of fruition, and thus celebrate in the appropriate manner, style, and consequence, what was done 500 years ago.

EIR: The leading Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera spilled the beans yesterday by reviewing the opinions of a whole series of so-called Atlanticist experts on the theme, "After the Cold War," in which they all agreed that the Soviets are no longer the enemy, that tensions between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. are greatly diminished and that other people must be seen as the enemies. One of these fellows even says that the chief enemy in the next period is going to be our present U.S. allies in Germany and Japan.

LaRouche: First of all, these fellows are genuinely evil, hysterical, and stupid. They are so deluded by the prospect that they might, with Gorbachov, realize the longstanding dream of "Trust 1" as well as "Trust 3" today, of destroying Western civilization, in terms of establishing a world federalist system, based on partnership between London and Moscow, with the United States the bag-carrier for London, that they refuse to see anything that might spoil the delusion embedded in this long, impassioned dream.

For example, today, I am informed that there was an address by [Soviet Foreign Minister] Shevardnadze in Cairo, speaking of the threat of general nuclear war, that everything points toward the verge of a new dark age and the prospect actually of a new, general nuclear war, or coming to the threshold of such.

We are headed—possibly with a Central Europe-Balkan-Middle East trigger—very rapidly, in terms of the next two to four years, toward the threshold of a nuclear war. These fellows who are talking about the end of the cold war—they must mean the beginning of the hot one! Just as Chamberlain and his policy brought us into World War II, or assured its occurrence, so the Chamberlains of today, including Maggie

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Thatcher, who are appeasing Moscow, are bringing us to the threshold of a general nuclear war.

EIR: Your case, in an article we just published in EIR this past week, by F.A. von der Heydte, was compared to the Dreyfus Affair, the case of Alfred Dreyfus, the captain in the French Army who was framed up and convicted in the period before World War I.

LaRouche: That is very useful, because the key figure who is generally not mentioned in discussions of the Dreyfus Affair is Hanotaux. Hanotaux, in his attempted negotiations with Germany, with Russia, with Japan, and with circles around Dr. Sun Yat-sen, represented the last hope of avoiding that war. The Dreyfus Affair insured a destabilization of France over the period 1894-1906, the crucial period for both Hanotaux and Witte—though Hanotaux was knocked out somewhat earlier than Witte finally—the crucial period in which the war might have been prevented. So the Dreyfus Affair succeeded by virtue of destabilizing Hanotaux's effort, in ensuring that the crowned idiots of Europe would cause World War I.

Today, what I represent in terms of policy is the requirement that the underlying problems of today be directly addressed and remedied by changing the policies which cause them, as opposed to the Bush-British approach of continuing the present world federalist, monetarist direction, an administration which leads toward totalitarianism. The intent to impose a totalitarian approach would ensure the absolute worst. And thus if my voice were stilled, which would mean the stilling of all voices of like-minded inclination, then we may be assured that just as the Dreyfus Affair destabilized the Hanotaux effort, which in turn was the only alternative on the table to World War I, so the new Dreyfus Affair against me threatens to be the course of action leading to the threat of a general global thermonuclear war.

EIR: Toward the end of the period of the Dreyfus Affair, Theodore Roosevelt came to power in the United States. Do you think there's any connection?

LaRouche: Absolutely. Theodore Roosevelt was a Satanist in effect, he was a New Ager. As a matter of fact, the Progressive Party which came out of his Jacob Rees operation was originally called The New Age, and was called the Progressive Party in order to make the thing more palatable to his contemporaries. But among all the Presidents, even taking into account tragedies like Andrew Jackson or travesties like Pierce and Buchanan, Theodore Roosevelt ranks probably with Jimmy Carter as the worst President of the United States in its entire history, worse than Carter in the sense that he did more permanent and lasting damage to the United States.

EIR: Bush is now on his first tour abroad, in the Pacific for the funeral of Hirohito. Do you have an assessment of how the administration is doing and where it's going?

LaRouche: The Bush political honeymoon has turned out to be about as long-lived as the bridal night between a homosexual and a lesbian. It has not come off.

The more important thing is what I emphasized to some urbane and reasonably intelligent idiots in the intelligence community during 1987 and 1988. When they told me that they were committed to Bush and described what they were committed to, I said, "You idiots. What you're proposing, this collegiality among the disparate elements of the Establishment, to form a consensus behind the administrator Bush, that piece of idiocy cannot work." The only thing that astonished me about the Bush administration is that what I feared would happen to it, happened a little faster than I expected. I thought it would be 60 days before it began to fall apart, and it began to fall apart in 30.

EIR: William Paddock, whom you exposed as long ago as 1976 on television for wanting to cut the Mexican population in half, said in 1980 that his favorite candidate for President was George Bush. Now, he has an organization that wants to build a concrete sunken wall along the most heavily crossed stretches of the Mexican border.

LaRouche: That's a good way to build a Nazi concentration camp, isn't it? Turn the whole country into a Nazi concentration camp.

EIR: One of the ways the media has built a tremendous scare campaign and hate campaign against your name has to do with your policy on AIDS. We just published in EIR last week the findings of a Feb. 15 report that came out in the New York Times of all places, which basically states that the impoverished South Bronx is a high risk area. This corroborates a lot of what you were saying.

LaRouche: Well, what I said on AIDS was simply the result of pulling together an international scientific task force of some of the best people in each relevant aspect of the matter. The conclusions we reached were very cautious ones, only the conclusions which were required by the evidence, because there are so many unknowns in this area. We stuck only to things we knew with certainty, and anyone who contested anything we said, because we were very cautious in that respect, has to be either a victim of total ignorance or a liar.

Of course, we don't know exactly how rapidly it will spread, I've indicated what the problems are of forecasting. Nonetheless, by 1991-92, this is going to be a dominant factor in the world situation.

What we're shaping up to is collapse of the economy, a devastating shortage of food, which means large-scale deaths from hunger and related effects in the United States—the HIV infection, other co-factors as a death cause, and the general economic collapse: We are on the verge of a Dark Age in which HIV with its subsumed AIDS phenomenon,

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will be the replacement for the Black Death of the mid-14th century, and much more deadly and devastating than the Black Death.

That's coming. We are reaching the point that it can no longer be denied by even the most stubborn idiots or liars. We will see gradually, gradually, salami-style, concessions admitting everything that I and our task force warned about back as long ago as the fall of 1985.

EIR: What are your policy recommendations now? Would you modify them in any way?

LaRouche: No. I would simply say that anyone who opposed me on the AIDS question obviously is discredited, and if that is not admitted, then the response will be wrong. What is important in this area is not simply to accept that everything I said was true—only because I'm smart enough to be very cautious about what I say—but the fact is that anybody who thought in directions which would cause them to denounce me for what I said, means that they cannot be tolerated in government in any responsible role.

So unless we get people who think that way out of government, since the problems we face have undetermined features, even though they admit that what I said four or five years ago was right, on the next turn they will make mistakes just as bad as they made four to five years ago when they opposed me. So anybody who opposed me in 1986 should not be allowed anywhere near government in 1989-92.

Because in dealing with scientific problems, you are dealing with *unknowns*. What is important is the method and the attitude with which policy decision shapers approach constantly changing major problems that define whether or not we will develop competent solutions to those problems.

EIR: Some parents who made an effort to bring up their children in a traditional Judeo-Christian framework, find their children so surrounded by evil influences in school that they fear to directly confront these influences in a hard way, because they think that their children could be alienated and recruited into Satanic cults.

LaRouche: First of all, recipes simply don't work. You meet a person who's, say, in jail, and I meet a few in prison, who are in on drug offenses. Now they can resolve all they wish to and say they will not commit another drug-related offense, but they probably will do it again. So, therefore, what a parent should do or resolve to do, is not really the question, because they might make fine resolutions, but it won't be carried through competently. So advice on what resolution to make, isn't very useful.

What's important here is that Americans must recognize that we could not have come as a nation into the mess we're in unless the overwhelming majority of the pre-1966 adult population had collectively made major philosophical mistakes in the way they approach daily life and politics.

For example: the typical problem with the young people

today, the problem associated with the high incidence of crime, is encountering a young person who is involved in crime, a young person who intellectually shows all kinds of potential, but who is emotionally, at the age of 18-25, functioning on the level of a person from 3 to 7 years of age. This is the result of the combined influence of John Dewey, what Dr. Spock represented, permissive child-rearing generally, and the kind of educational process which we've tolerated increasingly since about 1968—the new math and everything that came after it, "relevance," liberalism.

What we're looking at in the destruction of children, including their susceptibility to drugs and Satanism, is the fruit of philosophical liberalism. And parents have to get down, if they want to do something about this, and look at themselves in the mirror and say to themselves that they are guilty, because they are infected with philosophical liberalism.

Some may call the conservative side of this "libertarianism." If a parent is a libertarian, then they have nothing to complain about, because they have consented in advance, by being libertarians, philosophically, to every evil thrown at them. If, on the other side, they consented to be "liberals" philosophically—and we should drop the assumption that a tolerant attitude toward other people is liberalism, that is not liberalism—liberalism is the refusal to recognize there is a distinction between right and wrong. People who adopt that kind of David Hume, Jeremy Bentham, John Stuart Mill, John Dewey kind of liberalism, pragmatism, should recognize that they and their liberalism are the direct root of all this evil.

Their children who are being susceptible are simply reflecting back to the parents the logical consequence of what the parents *really* taught, by their example, not just by their child-rearing. And the fact that when you have a society, where people do not have any opinions of their own, but merely the opinions they have adopted from television, from the newspaper, or from their little peer group, where we have not human beings but "pod people," in a kind of Orwellian 1984 society controlled by mass media—that's the problem. In comes Satan! All you have to do is bring Satan along as a Hollywood star, and everybody will admire him.

EIR: What can people do to get you and the others out of jail?

LaRouche: I don't know. In general, people have to realize what the real issues are here. First of all, that if nothing is done to reverse the Nazi-like decision of Judge Bryan in Alexandria, that there is no system of justice in the United States. You might as well get ready for concentration camps. And just as there was a time when Hitler could have been stopped, so my case, by a matter of historical ironies, is the point at which they're going to stop a future totalitarian takeover or by not doing something about this, are going to find themselves under something as bad, or worse than Hitler.

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